

An atlas of the breeding birds of the Comoro Islands

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- Target : compile info into an atlas with maps
- info from various Comoro expeditions, as early as 1980's
- various locality indications :
- GPS (minority)
- map references by name (mostly)
- old maps with unknown "datum"

various types of observation :

- bird counts in transects
- spot observations



- -> much work cleaning up dataset :
- retrace transects, georeference points (relative heights, forest/non-forest)
- control : data point swapping

analysis :

- ecological parameters
- interpolation
- SRTM-3 altitude measurements



chosen grid : 900m horizontally, 50m vertically

per grid cell :

- min/max/mean height
- % surface land/sea
- height differences (cliffs)

from maps :

houses & buildings (contours) -> % human activity rivers, roads : idem



rainfall : isohyetes map, interpolation, correction with actual weather station data

conclusions : zones of maximal importance (conservation), index of rarity of species















Turtur tympanistria : woodlands with not much rain



Butorides striatus : coastlands & rivers



Coturnix coturnix : open spaces at high altitudes



Accipiter francesiae : rain



the DeeGree link

RMCA has been using DeeGree since 2005

many GIS projects with web connection :

SYNTHESYS "Itineraries" HerpNet (herpetology : amphibians & reptiles) EDIT GeoPlatform webtool

after publication, Comoro data will be served to the Web through a WMS









3D?



many technologies, one thing in common : OGC standard compliance -> it all works together

PostGreSQL / PostGIS database

WMS/WFS : DeeGree / MapServer

visualisation : DeeGree iGeoPortal, Openlayers

GIS & editing : QuantumGIS, MapInfo, DeeJUMP, GRASS, ...



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