



**2nd & 3rd January, 2007  
(North Norfolk)**

Sixty eight different species were seen during this 2 day visit to the North Norfolk Coast.

A **Barn Owl** was seen on the outskirts of Kings Lynn shortly before arriving at Cley for day break. Up to seven **Marsh Harriers** and a ringtail **Hen Harrier** were seen here, but no sign of the reported Black-eared Kite. A **Kingfisher** was seen before departing for Morston.



A mixed flock of finches included good numbers of **Brambling** (approximately 85) before seeing a blue phase, intermediate **Snow Goose** amongst **Pink-footed Geese** (1000+) near Morston.

Nine **Shorelarks**, nineteen **Snow Buntings** and five **Sanderlings** were seen at Holkham. Ten **White-fronted Geese** and at least a hundred **Brent Geese** were amongst at least another ten thousand **Pink-footed Geese**.

To end the day, we headed for Stubb Mill where **Marsh Harrier** (30+, including adult 2 males), **Hen Harrier** (1 male and 3 ringtails), Merlin (2+), Harris Hawk (escaped), **Barn Owl** (1) and **Common Crane** (2) were added to the list.

On the second day, **Avocet** (10+), **Pintail** (5), **Gadwall** (3) and **Egyptian Goose** (1) were amongst several hundred **Wigeon** at Cley before seeing a **Common Buzzard** at Holkham.

Titchwell produced very good views of five **Bearded Tits**, five **Little Egrets**, two **Lesser Black-backed Gulls** and several more **Pintail**. Large numbers of **Common Scoter** were on the sea. **Red-throated Diver** (1), **Grey Plover** (10+), **Arctic Skua** (1) and **Black-tailed Godwit** were also there.

An excellent two days slightly spoilt by high winds, showers and poor light. During our return journey, a report of the Black-eared Kite returning to Snettisham was received, meaning that a return visit may take place in the coming weeks.