

Directory of Important Bird Areas in China (Mainland): Key Sites for Conservation

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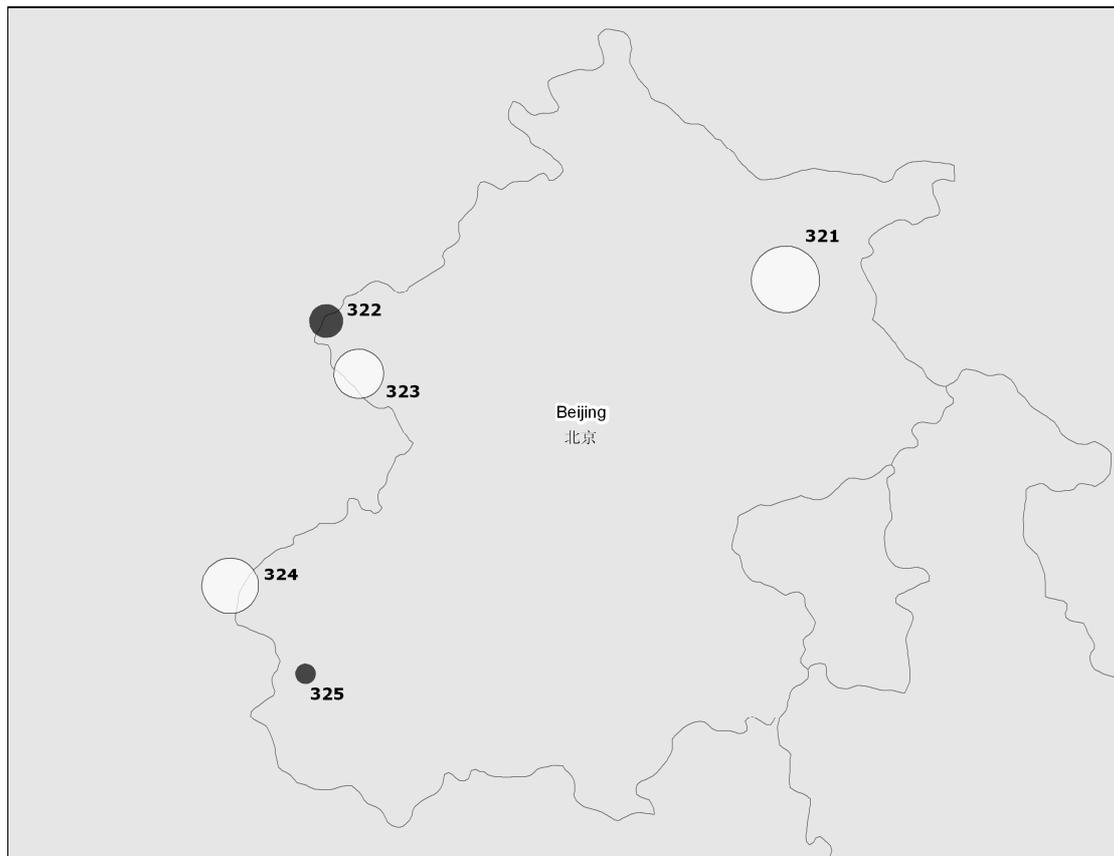
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Important Bird Areas in Beijing City



IBAs are represented on the map as circles proportional to their areas.

Key: ● = Protected; ○ = Partially protected; ○ = Unprotected.



Baihua Shan (CN325) is a well-preserved forest area in the western part of Beijing, which supports a population of Grey-sided Thrush *Turdus feae*. (PHOTO: WANG RUIQING)

IBA CODE: CN321

NAME: Miyun Reservoir

CRITERIA: A4iii

AREA: About 18,800 ha

COORDINATES: 40°30'N 117°0'E

ALTITUDE: 10-100 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Unprotected

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the Yan Shan mountains in northern Beijing. Long-term conservation of the forest has allowed the vegetation to regenerate, including natural broadleaf forest, coniferous plantation, natural scrub and grassland. Vegetation cover is c.70%. Over 20,000 ducks pass through this area on spring and autumn migration.

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals include *Vulpes vulpes*, *Mustela sibirica* and *Naemorhedus goral*.

IBA CODE: CN322

NAME: Song Shan Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A3

AREA: 4,660 ha

COORDINATES: 40°33'N 115°46'E

ALTITUDE: 628-2,200 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a national nature reserve (4,660 ha) in 1986.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in Yanqing County, northern Beijing, about 100 km from downtown Beijing. The IBA was established as Song Shan forestry area in the late 1950s and as a nature reserve in 1986. Song Shan is part of the Yan Shan mountain range. The vegetation is warm temperate deciduous broadleaf forest.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Aquila heliaca* (VU)

BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals include *Panthera pardus*, *Vulpes vulpes*, *Mustela sibirica* and *Naemorhedus goral*.

IBA CODE: CN323

NAME: Guanting Reservoir

CRITERIA: A4iii

AREA: About 10,000 ha

COORDINATES: 40°26'N 115°50'E

ALTITUDE: 100 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Unprotected

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the northern part of Beijing City, the IBA is part of the Yan Shan mountains. Long-term conservation has allowed the vegetation to regenerate, including natural broadleaf forest, coniferous plantation, natural scrub and grassland. Vegetation cover is over 70%.

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals include *Vulpes vulpes*, *Mustela sibirica* and *Naemorhedus goral*.

IBA CODE: CN324

NAME: Dongling Shan

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: About 13,000 ha

COORDINATES: 40°2'N 115°25'E

ALTITUDE: 800-2,303 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Unprotected

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Dongling Shan is located in the mountains of western Beijing, and is an extension of the Taihang Shan ranges, south of the Yan Shan range. Much of the IBA lies between 800-1,500 m, with the highest peak of Dongling Shan at 2,303 m. The area is isolated from human disturbance and protected from logging, and it has well-developed natural broadleaf forest, coniferous plantation, natural scrub and grassland. Vegetation cover is over 70%.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Crossoptilon mantchuricum* (VU, population of 325 estimated in a 1998 survey), *Turdus feae* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 136: Shanxi mountains

BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals include *Panthera pardus*, *Vulpes vulpes*, *Mustela sibirica* and *Naemorhedus goral*.

IBA CODE: CN325

NAME: Baihua Shan Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 1,700 ha

COORDINATES: 39°50'N 115°35'E

ALTITUDE: 600-1,990 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve (1,700 ha) in 1985.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the western part of Beijing, on the southern slopes of the Yan Shan mountains. The IBA is isolated from human disturbance and protected from logging, and it has well-developed natural broadleaf forest, coniferous plantation, natural scrub and grassland. Vegetation cover is over 70%.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Turdus feae* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 136: Shanxi mountains

BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals include *Panthera pardus*, *Vulpes vulpes*, *Mustela sibirica* and *Naemorhedus goral*.