

Monticola solitarius

BLUE ROCK-THRUSH

SPEC 3 (1994: 3) **Status** (Depleted)

Criteria Large historical decline

European IUCN Red List Category —

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Global IUCN Red List Category —

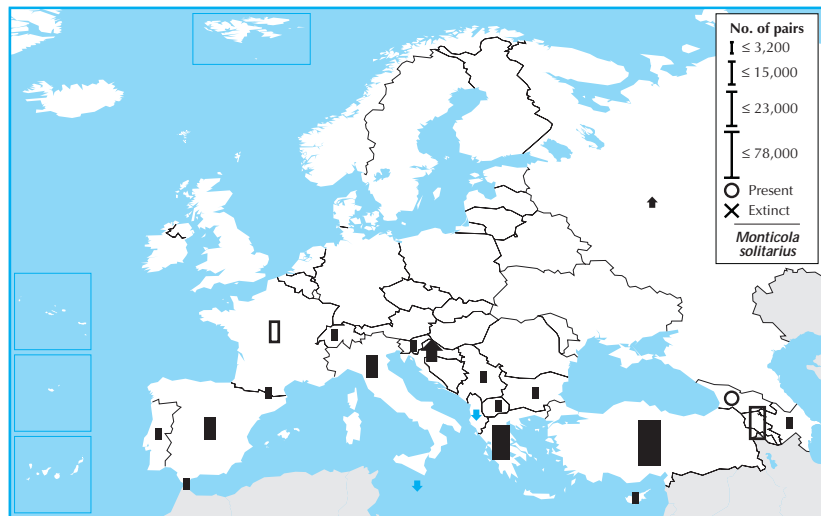
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Monticola solitarius is a widespread but patchily distributed breeder in southern Europe, which accounts for less than half of its global breeding range. Its European breeding population is large (>120,000 pairs), but underwent a large decline between 1970–1990. The species was stable across most of its European range during 1990–2000—including the key Turkish population—and thus was probably stable overall. Nevertheless, its population size has not yet recovered to the level that preceded its decline, and consequently it is provisionally evaluated as Depleted.

Country	Breeding pop. size (pairs)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag.%	References
Albania	(1,000 – 2,000)	02	(-)	(0–19)	
Andorra	5 – 10	99–01	(0)	(0–19)	1,3
Armenia	20,000 – 25,000	97–02	?	–	
Azerbaijan	(500 – 5,000)	96–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Bulgaria	250 – 450	96–02	0	0–9	
Croatia	(10,000 – 15,000)	02	(+)	(>80)	16
Cyprus	200 – 400	94–02	0	0–9	
France	5,000 – 10,000	00	?	–	1
Georgia	Present	03	?	–	
Greece	(10,000 – 30,000)	95–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Italy	(10,000 – 20,000)	03	(0)	(0–19)	
Macedonia	(400 – 1,000)	90–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Malta	150 – 180	90–02	-	20–29	1
Portugal	(1,000 – 10,000)	02	(0)	(0–19)	
Russia	1,000 – 3,000	90–00	(+)	(20–29)	33
Serbia & MN	200 – 500	95–02	(0)	(0–19)	1,50,156,246
Slovenia	20 – 30	99–00	0	0–19	
Spain	(10,000 – 20,000)	98–02	(0)	(0–19)	10
Switzerland	20 – 25	93–96	0	0–19	
Turkey	(50,000 – 120,000)	01	(0)	(0–19)	
UK					
Gibraltar	(20 – 35)	00	0	0–19	

Total (approx.) 120,000 – 260,000
Breeding range >1,000,000 km²
Overall trend Stable
Gen. length. <3.3 % Global pop. 25–49



2000 population

82

18

1990 population

6

49

45

Data quality (%) – *Monticola solitarius*

□ unknown □ poor □ medium ■ good

1990–2000 trend

17

83

1970–1990 trend

33

43

24