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Background

The present report details the findings of a visit to Southeast Hainan by members of Kadoorie Farm and Botanic Garden (KFBG) in Hong Kong and their colleagues, as part of KFBG's South China Biodiversity Conservation Programme. The overall aim of the programme is to minimise the loss of forest biodiversity in the region, and the emphasis in the first phase is on gathering up-to-date information on the distribution and status of fauna and flora.

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Translation of common Chinese geographical terms			
Chinese Romanization	English meaning		
Bei	North		
Dao	island		
Dong	East		
Feng shui	The Chinese system of geomancy		
Feng, Ding	peak		
Gang	harbour		
Hai	sea		
He, Chuan, Jiang	river		
Hu, Chi	lake		
Keng, Gu	valley		
Kou	outlet		
Ling	range		
Nan	South		
Shan	mountain		
Shi	city		
Tun	Hamlet		
Wan	bay		
Xi	West		
Xi, yong	stream		

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Objectives

• The aims of the survey were to collect up-to-date information on the fauna and flora of Diaoluoshan National Forest Park, including Baishuiling Nature Reserve, and to use this to help determine conservation priorities within South China. Emphasis was on groups that have not been extensively studied, including orchids, birds, amphibians, reptiles, fish, ants, dragonflies and butterflies.

Methods

- On 17 May a team from Haikou (FJP, YZD, XY), Hong Kong (GS, JRF, ML, LKS, GTR, KW), Guangzhou (XFW, WRJ, XZ), Liuzhou (CM) and Xinyang (LHJ) assembled in Haikou for a series of rapid biodiversity surveys in Southeast Hainan. Following brief visits to Jianling and Shangxi (Kadoorie Farm and Botanic Garden, 2002a), Qingpilin (Kadoorie Farm and Botanic Garden, in press) and Tongtieling and Xinglong Botanic Garden (Kadoorie Farm and Botanic Garden, 2002b), they surveyed the Diaoluoshan National Forest Park from 23-28 May.
- During fieldwork visual searching for plants, mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, fish, ants, butterflies and dragonflies was conducted. Frogs and birds were also identified by their calls. Plant records were made by field observation, with some specimens collected.
- Status of large and medium-sized mammals (excluding Insectivora, Chiroptera and Muridae) at Diaoluoshan was inferred largely based on interviews with local people, with reference to colour pictures. For purposes of these interviews a list of South China mammals was compiled from various sources including Guangdong Forestry Department and South China Institute of Endangered Animals (1987), Corbet & Hill (1992) and Zhang Y. *et al.* (1997).
- Vascular plant records (excluding orchids) were made or verified by XFW and WRJ, and edited by NSC. Orchid records were made or verified by GS. Mammal records were made by LKS, KW or ML. Records of birds were made or verified by LKS, KW or ML, reptiles and amphibians by ML, fish by BC and CXL, ants by JRF, butterflies by GTR or ML, dragonflies by KW and GTR, and molluscs by CDN or XY.
- Nomenclature in the report is standardised based, unless otherwise stated, on the following references:
 - Flora (Pteridophyta, Gymnospermae and Angiospermae excluding Orchidaceae): Anon. (1959-2001); Anon. (1996-2001); Anon. (2002a, 2002b); The Plant Names Project (2002);
 - Orchids (Angiospermae: Orchidaceae): Chen (1999); Lang (1999); Tsi (1999);
 - Mammals (Mammalia): D.E. Wilson & Cole (2000);
 - Birds (Aves): Inskipp et al. (1996);
 - Reptiles and Amphibians (Reptilia and Amphibia): Zhao E.-M. & Adler (1993); Zhao E. *et al.* (2000);
 - Fish (Actinopterygii): Nelson (1994); Wu et al. (1999);
 - Ants (Insecta: Hymenoptera: Formicidae): named species according to Bolton (1995); unnamed species with reference numbers according to the collection currently held by KFBG.
 - Dragonflies (Insecta: Odonata): Schorr et al. (2001a, 2001b);
 - Butterflies (Insecta: Lepidoptera): Bascombe (1995).
- Information on the global status of species is from IUCN publications, notably IUCN (2002). National conservation status of orchids is based on Wang *et al.* (in press). Certain taxa, including orchids, reptiles, amphibians, fish and invertebrates, have yet to be properly assessed for global status.

• Protected status in China is based on Hua & Yan (1993) for animals, and State Forestry Administration & Ministry of Agriculture (1999) for plants.

Location and management

- Diaoluoshan National Forest Park is in Lingshui, Wanning, Qiongzhong and Baoting counties at 18°43'-18°58'N by 109°43'-110°03'E, Southeast Hainan. The park is 380 km² in size (Diaoluoshan Forestry Bureau, 1998).
- The region has a tropical monsoon climate with mean monthly temperature range from 15°C in January to 28°C in July. Annual precipitation is 1,800 to 2,000 mm, falling mainly between May and October (Diaoluoshan Forestry Bureau, 1998).
- The geology is mainly granite. The landscape is a mixture of steep and gentle hills, with some rocky outcrops (Diaoluoshan Forestry Bureau, 1998). The park has an altitudinal range from 50 to 1,499 m. The present survey included habitats from 180 to 1,130 m.
- The Forest Park was designated in 1994 to promote ecotourism as an alternative to logging native forest, which was banned in the same year (Diaoluoshan Forestry Bureau, 1998); it was subsequently upgraded to a National Forest Park in 1999. Diaoluoshan National Forest Park includes Baishuiling Nature Reserve (30 km² in size), which was established in 1984 to protect the tropical rainforest ecosystem and rare fauna (MacKinnon *et al.*, 1996). "Diaoluoshan Mountains" is classified as a Forest Ecosystem nature reserve (Zhang W., 1998), and is managed by the provincial Forestry Department.

Results

Vegetation

- The original vegetation of Diaoluoshan would have been tropical seasonal evergreen rainforest and hillside evergreen rainforest. Much of the original forest cover at lower elevations, however, had been cleared and transformed to secondary forest and shrubland. Some of the secondary forest reached about 20 m in height. Extensive forest, 20–40 m in height, could be found above 1,100 m. Judging from the size and structure of this forest, it may be primary.
- Dominant families in the forest vegetation included Lauraceae, Euphorbiaceae, Moraceae, Myrtaceae, Orchidaceae, Apocynaceae, Sterculiaceae, Areaceae, and Myrsinaceae.

Flora

- Earlier surveys of Diaoluoshan had recorded some 1,900 seed plant species in 171 families. This recorded flora was dominated by Lauraceae, Fagaceae, Moraceae, Rubiaceae, Papilionaceae, Poaceae, Cyperaceae and Orchidaceae (Ding *et al.*, 2002). The present survey recorded 331 vascular plant species, including 29 ferns in 20 families, two gymnosperms in two families, and 300 angiosperms in 77 families. These included 66 orchid species, shown in Table 2; all other species are shown in Table 1.
- Bulbophyllum (cf. insulsum) sp. is recorded from Hainan for the first time.
- Several plant species of conservation importance were found in the present survey:
 - *Vatica mangachapoi* is considered globally Endangered, and under Class II National Protection in China.
 - The orchids Anoectochilus roxburghii and Cymbidium eburneum are Endangered in China.
 - *Alseodaphne hainanense* is globally Vulnerable, and under Class II National Protection. It is endemic to Hainan and northern Vietnam.
 - Liparis bautingensis is known only from Diaoluoshan in Hainan and Malipo in Yunnan.

- *Gymnosphaera giganthea* and *Sphaeropteris hainanensis* are both under Class II National Protection. The latter is also endemic to Hainan.
- Diospyros maclurei, Beilschmiedia longipetiolata, Cryptocarya impressinervia, Manglietia hainanensis, Ardisia densilepidotula, Saprosma hainanensis, Reevesia longipetiolata, Symplocos euryoides, Symplocos euryoides, Gordonia hainanensis, Microcos chungii and the orchids Ceratostylis hainanensis and Dendrobium changjiangense are known only from Hainan. The present record of Dendrobium changjiangense is the first from Lingshui County.
- *Eria rosea* is known only from Hainan and Hong Kong.
- Polyalthia lauii and Homalium hainanense are known only from Hainan and Vietnam.
- Aristolochia hainanensis and Rhododendron hainanense are known only from Hainan and southern Guangxi.
- *Eria thao* is known only from Hainan, Shiwandashan in Guangxi (Kadoorie Farm and Botanic Garden, in preparation) and Vietnam.
- Goniothalamus howii is known only from Hainan and southern Yunnan.
- Robiquetia spathulata is restricted within China to Hainan.
- All recorded orchid species are listed in CITES Appendix II.
- Orchid diversity was very high, with a high percentage (76%) of epiphytic species. This high proportion is indicative of high-integrity tropical forest. Species of the genus *Liparis* were comparatively rich in the Diaoluoshan Resort area. The primitive orchids (*Apostasia odorata*, *Neuwiedia singapureana* and *Tropidia curculigoides*) were also found in the survey.
- Exotic species and pantropical weeds were more common at lower elevations.

Table 1.	Vascular	plants of	Diaoluos	han Nature	Reserv	e recor	rded in tl	ne presen	t survey	. Not	includin	g
orchids (see	Table 2).	Species	which are	Nationally	Protecte	ed (Clas	ss I or II)	(State Fo	restry A	dminis	stration a	&
Ministry of J	Agriculture	, 1999),	globally	Threatened	or at I	Lower I	Risk (Ne	ar-threate	ened) (Il	JCN,	2002) c	or
globally rest	ricted are i	ndicated										

Family	Species	Remarks
PTERIDOPHYTA		
Antrophyaceae	Antrophyum callifolium Blume	
Aspleniaceae	Asplenium Ioriceum H. Christ	
	Asplenium neolaserpitiifolium Tardieu & Ching	
	Neottopteris nidus (L.) J. Sm.	epiphytic
Athyriaceae	Diplazium donianum (Mett.) Tardieu	
Blechnaceae	Blechnum orientale L.	
Bolbitidaceae	Egenolfia appendiculata (Willd.) J.Sm.	
Cyatheaceae	Gymnosphaera giganthea (Wall. ex Hook.) Ching	Protected II
	Sphaeropteris hainanensis (Ching) R.M. Tryon	Protected II, endemic to Hainan
Davalliaceae	Davallia formosana Hayata	
Drynariaceae	Pseudodrynaria coronans (Wall. ex Mett.) Ching	
Dryopteridaceae	Arachniodes hainanensis (Ching) Ching	
Gleicheniaceae	Dicranopteris linearis (Burm. f.) Underw.	
	<i>Diplopterigium blotiana</i> (C.Chr.) Nakai	
Lycopodiaceae	Palhinhaea cernua (L.) Franco & Vasc.	
Lygodiaceae	Lygodium digitatum C. Presl	
Nephrolepidaceae	Nephrolepis biserrata (Sw.) Schott	
Ophioglossaceae	Ophioderma pendula (L.) Presl	
Polypodiaceae	Colysis digitata (Baker) Ching	
	Lepidogrammits rostrata (Bedd.) Ching	
	Microsorium punctatum (L.) Copel.	
	<i>Pyrrosis lingua</i> (Thunb.) Farw	
Psilotaceae	Psilotum nudum (L.) P. Beaur.	
Pteridaceae	Pteris grevilleana J. Agardh	
Selaginellaceae	Selaginella picta A. Br. ex Baker	
	Selaginella scabrifolia C.H.Wang	
Thelypteridaceae	Cyclosorus heterocarpus (Blume) Ching	
	Pronephrium simplex (Hook.) Holttum	
Vittariaceae	Vittaria elongata Sw.	

Family	Species	Remarks
GYMNOSPERMAE		
Gnetaceae	Gnetum luofuense C. Y. Cheng	
Podocarpaceae	Podocarpus neriifolius D. Don	
ANGIOSPERMAE		
Dicotyledonae		
Actinidiaceae	Saurauia tristvla DC.	
Amaranthaceae	Celosia argentea L.	
	Cyathula prostrata (L.) Blume	
Anacardiaceae	Toxicodendron succedaneum (L.) Kuntze.	
Ancistrocladaceae	Ancistrocladus tectorius (Lour.) Merr.	
Annonaceae	Alphonsea monogyna Merr. & Chun	
	Desmos chinensis Lour.	
	Fissistigma glaucescens (Hance) Merr.	
	Goniothalamus howii Merr.& Chun	endemic to Hainan & S. Yunnan
	Polyaithia iauii Merr.	endemic to Hainan & Vietnam
	Polyattnia hemoralis Aug. DC. Renewie pieceerne (Plume) Endl	
	Liveria microcarpa (biume) Enui.	
Anocynaceae	Alvxia odorata Wall ex G. Don	
, pooynaceae	Melodinus suaveolens Champ, ex Benth.	
	Tabernaemontana bovina Lour.	
	Tabernaemontana bufalina Lour.	
	Wrightia pubescens R. Br.	
Aquifoliaceae	<i>llex rotunda</i> Thunb.	
	Ilex triflora Blume	
Araliaceae	Schefflera octophylla (Lour.) Harms	
Aristolochiaceae	Aristolochia hainanensis Merr.	endemic to Hainan & S. Guangxi
Asteraceae	Crassocephalum crepidioides (Benth.) S. Moore	introduced from Africa
	Elephantopus scaber L.	
	Elephantopus tomentosus L.	
Bogoniacoao	Mikania cordala (buini. I.) B.L. Rob.	
Deguniaceae	Begonia nolmata D. Don	
Burseraceae	Canarium nimela Leenhouts	
Capparaceae	Capparis cantoniensis Lour.	
Cappalacouo	Stixis suaveolens (Roxb.) Pierre	
Caryophyllaceae	Drymaria cordata (L.) Willd. ex Roem. & Schult.	
Celastraceae	Euonymus laxiflorus Champ. ex Benth.	
Chloranthaceae	Hedyosmum orientale Merr. & Chun	
Clusiaceae	Cratoxylum cochinchinense (Lour.) Blume	
Clusiaceae	Garcinia multiflora Champ. ex Benth.	
	Garcinia oligantha Merr.	
Convolvulaceae	Argyreia capitiformis (Poir.) Ooststr.	
	Hewittia malabarica (L.) Suresh	
Dilloniococo	Merremia umbellata (L.) Hallier. f.	
Dillefilaceae	Dillenia perilagyria Roxo. Dillenia turbinata Finet & Gagnen	
	Tetracera asiatica (Lour.) Hood	
Dipterocarpaceae	Vatica mangachanoi Blanco	Protected II Endangered
Ebenaceae	Diospyros eriantha Champ, ex Benth.	r fotootoa ii, Enaangoroa
	Diospyros maclurei Merr.	endemic to Hainan
Elaeocarpaceae	Elaeocarpus sylvestris (Lour.) Poir.	
Ericaceae	Rhododendron hainanense Merr.	endemic to Hainan & S. Guangxi
Escalloniaceae	<i>Itea macrophylla</i> Wall. ex Roxb.	-
Euphorbiaceae	Antidesma montanum Blume	
	Aporosa dioica (Roxb.) Müll. Arg.	
	Baccaurea ramiflora Lour.	
	Bischofia javanica Blume	
	Breynia truticosa (L.) Hook. f.	

Family	Species	Remarks
, ,	Bridelia tomentosa Blume	
	Claoxylon indicum (Reinwex BL) Hassk	
	Croton Jaevigatus Vahl	
	Glochidion hirsutum (Roxh.) Voiat	
	Glochidion nuberum (L.) Hutch	
	Homonoia rinaria Lour	
	Macaranga donticulata (Plumo) Müll Arg	
	Malariya deniculata (Diulle) Mull. Arg.	
Fagaaaaa	Contononoio fabri Hanna	
гадасеае	Castanopsis labor mance	
	Cyclobalanopsis neuryi (Hickel & A. Camus) Chun	
	ex Q. F. Zheng	
Flagourtigogog	<i>Cyclobalanopsis neglecta</i> Schottky	andomia ta Uginan 8 Viatnam
Flacourtiaceae	Romanum namanense Gagnep.	endemic to Haman & vietnam
0	Scolopia saeva (Hance) Hance	
Gesnariaceae	Aeschynanthus moningeriae (Merr.) Chun	
Hernandiaceae	Illigera rnodantha Hance	
Icacinaceae	Gomphandra tetrandra (Wall.) Sleum.	
	Gonocaryum lobbianum (Miers) Kurz	
Ixonanthaceae	Ixonanthes chinensis Champ.	Vulnerable
Juglandaceae	Engelhardtia roxburghiana Wall.	
Lamiaceae	Anisomeles indica (L.) Kuntze	
	Gomphostemma chinense Oliv.	
Lauraceae	Alseodaphne hainanensis Merr.	Protected II, Vulnerable,
		endemic to Hainan & N. Vietnam
	Beilschmiedia longipetiolata C.K. Allen	endemic to Hainan
	Cinnamomum bejolghota (BuchHam.) Sweet	
	Cinnamomum burmanni (Nees & T. Nees) Blume	
	Cinnamomum porrectum (Roxb.) Kosterm.	
	Cinnamomum tsoi C.K. Allen	
	Cryptocarya chinensis (Hance) Hemsl.	
	Cryptocarya densiflora Blume	
	Cryptocarya impressinervia H.W. Li	endemic to Hainan
	Litsea cubeba (Lour.) Pers.	
	Litsea elongata (Nees) Benth. & Hook. f.	
	Litsea rotundifolia Hemsl. var. oblongifolia (Nees) C.	
	K. Allen	
	Litsea verticillata Hance	
	Machilus chinensis (Champ. ex Benth.) Hemsl.	
	Phoebe tavovana (Meisn.) Hook, f.	
Loganiaceae	Strychnos angustiflora Benth.	
Lythraceae	Rotala densiflora (Roth) Koehne	
Magnoliaceae	Magnolia albosericea Chun & C.H. Tsoong	
magnenaceae	Manglietia hainanensis Dandy	endemic to Hainan
Malpighiaceae	Hintage henghalensis (L) Kurz	
Malvaceae	Sida cordifolia I	nantronical weed
Marvaceae	Sida rhombifolia l	pantropical weed
Melastomataceae	Blastus cochinchinensis Lour	pantiopical weed
Melasionalaceae	Melastoma candidum D. Don	
	Melastoma sanguineum Sims	
Mollainacaaa	Mellugo pontonbullo l	
Moracoao	Figure formosono Movim	
WUTaceae	Ficus oligodon Mig	
	Ficus oligodoli Milq.	
	Ficus pyriloritis Hook. & All.	
	ricus variegata biume var. criiorocarpa (Benth.)	
	Ning Fiere verieless Lindless Death	
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iviyrsinaceae	Araisia densilepidotula Merr.	endemic to Hainan
	Araisia humilis Vahl	
	Ardisia obtusa Mez	
	Ardisia quinquegona Blume	

Family	Species	Remarks
,	Embelia laeta (L.) Mez	
	Embelia ribes Burm. f.	
	Maesa japonica (Thunb.) Moritzi & Zoll.	
	Maesa perlarius (Lour.) Merr.	
	Mysine seguinii H. Léy	
Mvrtaceae	Acmena acuminatissima (Blume) Merr. & L. M.	
	Perry	
	Rhodomvrtus tomentosa (Aiton) Hassk.	
	Svzvajum buxifolium Hook. & Arn.	
Oleaceae	Chionanthus ramiflorus Roxb.	
	Jasminum lanceolarium Roxb.	
Papilionaceae	Dalbergia hancei Benth.	
	Ormosia balansae Drake	
	Ormosia emarginata (Hook. & Arn.) Benth.	
	Ormosia pinnata (Lour.) Merr.	
Pentaphylacaceae	Pentaphylax eurvoides Gardner & Champ.	
Piperaceae	Piper hongkongense C. DC.	
	Piper sarmentosum Roxb.	
Polygalaceae	Xanthophyllum hainanense Hu	
Polygonaceae	Polygonum barbatum L.	
	Polygonum chinense L.	
Proteaceae	Helicia formosana Hemsl.	
	Helicia longipetiolata Merr.& Chun	
Rosaceae	Laurocerasus phaeosticta (Hance) C. K. Schneid.	
	Rhaphiolepis indica (L.) Lindl.	
Rubiaceae	Adina pilulifera (Lam.) Franch. ex Drake	
	Aidia canthioides (Champ. ex Benth.) Masam.	
	Antirhea chinensis (Champ. ex Benth.) F.B. Forbes	
	& Hemsl.	
	Catunaregam spinosa (Thunb.) Tirveng.	
	Lasianthus chinensis (Champ. ex Benth.) Benth.	
	Mussaenda erosa Champ. ex Benth.	
	Paederia scandens (Lour.) Merr.	
	Psychotria asiatica L.	
	Psychotria serpens L.	epiphytic
	Psychotria tutcheri Dunn	
	Saprosma hainanensis Merr.	endemic to Hainan
	Saprosma ternatum Hook. f.	
	<i>Tarenna attenuata</i> (Voigt) Hutch.	
Rutaceae	Evodia lepta (Spreng.) Merr.	
	Toddalia asiatica (L.) Lam.	
	Zanthoxylum avicennae (Lam.) DC.	
	Zanthoxylum nitidum (Roxb.) DC.	
Sabiaceae	Meliosma angustifolia Merr.	
	Meliosma rigida Siebold & Zucc.	
	Meliosma squamulata Hance	
Sapindaceae	Cardiospermum halicacabum L.	
Sapotaceae	Sarcosperma laurinum (Benth.) Hook. f.	
Solanaceae	Solanum virginianum L.	introduced
Sterculiaceae	Commersonia bartramia (L.) Merr.	
	Helicteres angustifolia L.	
	Helicteres hirsuta Lour.	
	Helicteres isora L.	
	Kleinhovia hospita L.	
	Melochia corchotifolia L.	
	Pterospermum heterophyllum Hance	
	Reevesia longipetiolata Merr. & Chun	endemic to Hainan
	Reevesia thyrsoidea Lindl	
	Sterculia lanceolata Cav.	
	Waltheria indica L.	
Symplocaceae	Symplocos cochinchinensis (Lour.) S. Moore	

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	Panicum incomtum Trin. Saccharum spontaneum L. Schizachyrium brevifolium (Sw.) Nees Thysanolaena maxima (Roxb.) Kuntze	

 Table 2.
 Orchids recorded in Diaoluoshan National Forest Park and neighbouring areas from 24 to 27 May 1999.

<u>May 1999.</u>		
Species	Habitat	Remarks
Agrostophyllum callosum Rchb. f.	on tree trunk in forest beside stream	epiphytic
Anoectochilus roxburghii (Wall.) Lindl.	on rock and forest floor with rich	terrestrial; Endangered
Apostasia odorata Blume	on bamboo and broadleaf forest	terrestrial; primitive orchid
Appendicula cornuta Blume	on rock and tree trunk beside	epiphytic
<i>Arachnis labrosa</i> (Lindl. et Paxt.)	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Arundina graminifolia (D. Don) Hochr	on slope beside road	terrestrial
Bulbophyllum affine Lindl.	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Bulbophyllum ambrosia (Hance) Schltr.	on tree trunk in forest and forest	epiphytic
Bulbophyllum delitescens Hance	on rock beside stream in forest	epiphytic
Bulbophyllum (cf. insulsum) sp.	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic; newly recorded
Bulbophyllum (cf. retusiusculum) sp.	on rock and tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Bulbophvllum sp.	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Calanthe triplicata (Willemet) Ames	on forest floor with rich humus	terrestrial
Calanthe (cf. clavata) sp.	beside stream in forest	terrestrial
Calanthe sp.	on forest floor with rich humus	terrestrial
Ceratostylis hainanensis Z.H. Tsi	on tree trunk	epiphytic; endemic to Hainan
Cephalantheropsis sp.	on forest floor with rich humus	terrestrial
Cleisostoma paniculatum (Kar Gawl.)	on tree trunk	epiphytic
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Cleisostoma parishii (Hook.f.) Garay	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Cleiosostoma rostratum (Lindl.) Garay	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Cleisostoma simondii (Gagnep.)	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
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Cleisostoma sp.	on tree trunk beside path	epiphytic
Coelogyne fimbriate Lindl.	on tree trunk of forest edge	epiphytic
Coelogyne sp.	on tree trunk	epiphytic
Cymbidium eburneum Lindl.	on tree trunk in forest beside stream	epiphytic; Endangered
Cymbidium floribundum Lindl.	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Cymbidium (cf. dayanum) sp.	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Cymbidium sp.	on tree trunk	epiphytic
Dendrobium acinaciforme Roxb.	on tree trunk	epiphytic
Dendrobium aduncum Lindl.	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Dendrobium changjiangense S.J.	on rock and tree trunk (near base)	epiphytic; endemic to
Cheng & C.Z. Tang	in forest	Hainan; new record for
		Lingshui County
Dendrobium densiflorum Lindl.	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Dendrobium williamsonii Day & Rchb. f.	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Dendrobium (cf. moniliforme) sp.	on tree trunk	epiphytic
Dendrobium (cf. nobile) sp.	on tree branches in forest	epiphytic
Dendrobium sp.	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Diploprora championii (Lindl.) Hook. f.	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic

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Fria nannea Lindl	on tree trunk in forest and edge of	eninhytic
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Eria (cf. amica) sp.	on tree trunk in forest beside stream	epipnytic
Eria (cf. tomentosa (K.D. Koen)) sp.	on rock at edge of forest	epipnytic
Eria sp.	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Flickingeria (cf. fimbriata (Blume)	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Hawkes) sp.		
Flickingeria sp.	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Geodorum dendsiflorum (Lam.) Schltr.	on ground at forest edge	terrestrial
Habenaria rhodocheila Hance	on ground at forest edge, rich	terrestrial
	humus	
Liparis balansae Gagnep.	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Liparis bautingensis T. Tang & F.T.	on rock and tree trunk in forest	epiphytic; known only from
Wang		Diaoluoshan & Malipo in
		Yunnan
Liparis bootanensis Griff.	on rock and tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Liparis cespitosa (Thou.) Lindl.	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Liparis luteola Lindl.	on rock beside stream in forest	epiphytic
Liparis stricklandiana Rchb. f.	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Liparis viridiflora (Blume) Lindl.	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Liparis (cf. bootanensis) sp.	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Liparis sp	on tree trunk in forest	epiphytic
Malaxis calophylla (Rchb f) Kuntze	on forest floor with rich humus	terrestrial
Malaxis latifolia Sm	on forest floor	terrestrial
Malaxis sp	on grassy slope beside road	terrestrial
Nenhalanhvllum cristatum Rolfe	on tree trunk and forest floor with	terrestrial
Nophalaphynam onstatam tone	rich humus	terrestital
Neuwiedia singanureana (Baker) Rolfe	on forest floor with rich humus	terrestrial: primitive orchid
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Peristylus sp. Dhalidata abinanaia Lindl	on grassy slope beside the path	
Phonocia chinensis Lindi.		
	on rock and branches of trees	epipnytic; restricted to
		Hainan within China
i ropidia curculigoides Lindi.	on forest floor with rich humus	terrestriai; primitive orchid

Mammals

- A squirrel, probably Red-hipped Squirrel *Dremomys pyrrhomerus*, was heard on 25 May.
- At Nanxi, many fruit skins were found below a fruiting tree, probably left by a palm civet (either *Paguma larvata* or *Paradoxurus hermaphroditus*).
- The status of mammals was inferred (Table 3) based on an interview with two officials of Baishuiling Nature Reserve, and on recorded distributions, including past records from Diaoluoshan (Guangdong Institute of Entomology and Zhongshan University, 1983; Zhang Y. *et al.*, 1997). Reports of species not previously recorded from Hainan are here considered doubtful. In some cases they are likely to reflect misidentification of related species (e.g. Assam Macaque *Macaca assamensis* in place of Rhesus Monkey *M. mulatta*; Reeves's Muntjac *Muntiacus reevesi* in place of Indian Muntjac *M. muntjak*).
- There are historic records of black gibbons from Diaoluoshan but the species was under intense hunting pressure from local people during the 1950s (Tang & Li, 1957). All the people asked during this survey said they had not heard gibbons for some years, indicating that this ape has

probably been extirpated from Diaoluoshan. Eastern Crested Gibbon *Nomascus* (cf. *nasutus*) sp. is Critically Endangered, and known only from Bawangling National Nature Reserve in western Hainan and a single site in Vietnam.

++ = quite common, $+++$ = a	Bundant. Sequence follows			.
Scientific name	English name	Past records	Mr. Chao & Mr.Liu	Probable status
Hylomys hainanensis	Hainan Gymnure		++	present
Mogera insularis	Insular Mole	\checkmark	(not asked)	present
Tupaia belangeri	Northern Tree Shrew	\checkmark	+++	present
Hipposideros armiger	Great Roundleaf Bat	\checkmark	(not asked)	present
Pipistrellus ceylonicus	Kelaart's Pipistrelle	\checkmark	(not asked)	present
Miniopterus australis	Little Long-fingered Bat	\checkmark	(not asked)	present
Macaca assamensis	Assam Macaque		+++	doubtful
Macaca mulatta	Rhesus Monkey		-	uncertain
Nomascus (cf. nasutus) sp.	Eastern Crested Gibbon	\checkmark	+	extirpated
(recorded as Hylobates				
concolor)				
Cuon alpinus	Dhole		+++	doubtful
Prionailurus bengalensis	Leopard Cat		+++	present
Neofelis nebulosa	Clouded Leopard	\checkmark	+++	present
Herpestes urva	Crab-eating Mongoose	\checkmark	+++	present
Amblonyx cinereus	Oriental Small-clawed	\checkmark	-	insecure
	Otter			
Lutra lutra	Eurasian Otter		+++	uncertain
Martes flavigula	Yellow-throated Marten	\checkmark	-	insecure
Melogale moschata	Chinese Ferret-badger	\checkmark	-	present
Mustela kathiah	Yellow-bellied Weasel		+++	present
Mustela sibirica	Siberian Weasel		+	doubtful
Ursus thibetanus	Asiatic Black Bear	\checkmark	++	insecure
Paguma larvata	Masked Palm Civet	\checkmark	+++	present
Paradoxurus hermaphroditus	Asian Palm Civet	\checkmark	-	insecure
, Viverra zibetha	Large Indian Civet	\checkmark	-	insecure
Viverricula indica	Small Indian Civet	\checkmark	++	present
Sus scrofa	Wild Boar	\checkmark	+++	present
Cervus unicolor	Sambar	\checkmark	++	insecure
Muntiacus muntjak	Indian Muntjac	\checkmark	++	present
Muntiacus reevesii	Reeves's Muntjac		+++	doubtful
Manis pentadactyla	Chinese Pangolin		+++	present
Callosciurus erythraeus	Pallas's Squirrel	\checkmark	+++	present
Dremomys pernyi	Perny's Long-nosed		+++	doubtful
	Squirrel			
Dremomys pyrrhomerus	Red-hipped Squirrel	\checkmark	+++	present
Ratufa bicolor	Black Giant Squirrel		+++	present
Tamiops maritimus	Maritime Striped Squirrel		+++	present
Belomys pearsonii	Hairy-footed Flying		+++	present
	Squirrel			·
Hylopetes alboniger	Particolored Flying		+++	present
	Squirrel			·
Hylopetes phayrei (recorded	Indochinese Flying	\checkmark	-	insecure or extirpated
as Petinomvs elictilis)	Squirrel			•
Petaurista phillipensis	Indian Giant Flving	\checkmark	+++	present
(recorded as P. hainana)	Squirrel			• • • • •
Leopoldamvs edwardsi	Edwards's Long-tailed	\checkmark	(not asked)	present
(recorded as Rattus edwardsi)	Giant Rat		(1
Mus musculus	House Mouse	\checkmark	(not asked)	present
Niviventer fulvescens	Chestnut White-bellied	\checkmark	(not asked)	present
(recorded as <i>Rattus</i>	Rat		(L
fulvescens)				

Table 3. The inferred status of mammals at Diaoluoshan National Forest Park, Hainan, based on interviewing two officials of the Nature Reserve and on previous distribution records (see text). "+" = rare, "++" = quite common. "+++" = abundant, Sequence follows D.E. Wilson & Cole (2000).

Scientific name	English name	Past records	Mr. Chao & Mr.Liu	Probable status
<i>Rattus tanezumi</i> (recorded as <i>R. flavipectus</i>)	Tanezumi Rat	\checkmark	(not asked)	present
Rattus turkestanicus (recorded as R. rattoides)	Turkestan Rat	\checkmark	(not asked)	present
Hystrix brachyura Atherurus macrourus	Malayan Porcupine Asiatic Brush-tailed Porcupine	\checkmark	+++ +++	present present

- Some of the species suspected to occur are of special conservation concern.
 - Hainan Gymnure Hylomys hainanensis is globally Endangered, and Class II Protected in China.
 - Clouded Leopard Neofelis nebulosa is globally Vulnerable, and Class I Protected in China.
 - Eurasian Otter *Lutra lutra* and Asiatic Black Bear are globally Vulnerable, and Class II Protected in China.
 - Rhesus Monkey Macaca mulatta, Oriental Small-clawed Otter Amblonyx cinereus, Large Indian Civet Viverra zibetha, Small Indian Civet Viverricula indica, Sambar Cervus unicolor, Chinese Pangolin Manis pentadactyla and Indian Giant Flying Squirrel Petaurista philippensis are Class II Protected in China.
- Eurasian Otter, Small Indian Civet and Sambar are also Class II Protected nationally.
- The globally Vulnerable Hainan Hare *Lepus hainanus* was not reported or recorded from Diaoluoshan, but has been recorded from Lingshui County (Zhang Y. *et al.*, 1997).

Birds

- Seventy-seven species of birds were recorded in Diaoluoshan National Forest Park during this survey (Table 4).
- The most frequently encountered species included Black-browed Barbet Megalaima oorti, Grey-cheeked Fulvetta Alcippe morrisonia, Chestnut Bulbul Hemixos castanonotus, Mountain Bulbul Hypsipetes mcclellandii, Light-vented Bulbul Pycnonotus sinensis, Rufous-capped Babbler Stachyris ruficeps, Hainan Blue Flycatcher Cyornis hainanus and Dusky Fulvetta Alcippe brunnea.
- The call of an unidentified large owl was heard on 25 May.
- Other species previously recorded from Diaoluoshan include Malayan Night Heron *Gorsachius melanolophus*, Hainan Peacock Pheasant *Polyplectron katsumatae*, Mountain Imperial Pigeon *Ducula badia* and Ratchet-tailed Treepie *Temnurus temnurus* (Tang & Li, 1957). Their present occurrence could not be confirmed during the present survey.

Scientific name	English name
Milvus migrans	Black Kite
Spilornis cheela	Crested Serpent Eagle
Accipiter trivirgatus	Crested Goshawk
Spizaetus nipalensis	Mountain Hawk Eagle
Arborophila ardens	Hainan Partridge
Lophura nycthemera	Silver Pheasant
Amaurornis phoenicurus	White-breasted Waterhan
Scolopax rusticola	Eurasian Woodcock
Streptopelia chinensis	Spotted Dove
Treron curvirostra	Thick-billed Green Pigeon
Treron sieboldii	White-bellied Green Pigeon
Ducula aenea	Green Imperial Pigeon
Clamator coromandus	Chestnut-winged Cuckoo

Table 4.Birds recorded at Diaoluoshan National Forest Park, May 1999. Sequence follows Clements(2000).

Scientific name English name Hierococcyx sparverioides Large Hawk Cuckoo Indian Cuckoo Cuculus micropterus Surniculus lugubris Drongo Cuckoo Phaenicophaeus tristis Green-billed Malkoha Centropus sinensis Greater Coucal Glaucidium brodiei Collared Owlet Caprimulaus indicus Grev Nightjar Hirundapus cochinchinensis Silver-backed Needletail Asian Palm Swift Cypsiurus balasiensis Apus affinis House Swift Harpactes erythrocephalus Red-headed Trogon Ceyx erithacus Oriental Dwarf Kingfisher Halcyon smyrnensis White-throated Kingfisher Nyctyornis athertoni Blue-bearded Bee-eater Merops philippinus Blue-tailed Bee-eater Megalaima oorti Black-browed Barbet Dendrocopos canicapillus Grey-capped Pygmy Woodpecker Picus flavinucha Greater Yellownape Blythipicus pyrrhotis Bay Woodpecker Hirundo rustica Barn Swallow Coracina melaschistos Black-winged Cuckooshrike Scarlet Minivet Pericrocotus flammeus **Grey-chinned Minivet** Pericrocotus solaris Pericrocotus brevirostris Short-billed Minivet Light-vented Bulbul Pycnonotus sinensis Alophoixus pallidus Puff-throated Bulbul Hemixos castanonotus Chestnut Bulbul Hypsipetes mcclellandii Mountain Bulbul Hypsipetes leucocephalus Black Bulbul Chloropsis hardwickii Orange-bellied Leafbird Prinia flaviventris Yellow-bellied Prinia Phylloscopus hainanus Hainan Leaf Warbler Abroscopus alboqularis Rufous-faced Warbler Hainan Blue Flycatcher Cyornis hainanus Copsychus saularis Oriental Magpie Robin Copsychus malabaricus White-rumped Shama Myiomela leucura White-tailed Robin Enicurus leschenaulti White-crowned Forktail Rhipidura albicollis White-throated Fantail Hypothymis azurea Black-naped Monarch Garrulax pectoralis Greater Necklaced Laughingthrush Garrulax maesi Grey Laughingthrush Garrulax chinensis Black-throated Laughingthrush Streak-breasted Scimitar Babbler Pomatorhinus ruficollis Pomatorhinus hypoleucos Large Scimitar Babbler Stachyris ruficeps Rufous-capped Babbler Spot-necked Babbler Stachyris striolata Alcippe brunnea Dusky Fulvetta Alcippe morrisonia Grey-cheeked Fulvetta Yuhina zantholeuca White-bellied Yuhina Melanochlora sultanea Sultan Tit Yellow-billed Nuthatch Sitta solangiae Nectarinia jugularis Olive-backed Sunbird Aethopyga christinae Fork-tailed Sunbird Dicaeum concolor Plain Flowerpecker Dicaeum ignipectus Fire-breasted Flowerpecker Scarlet-backed Flowerpecker Dicaeum cruentatum Zosterops japonica Japanese White-eye Lanius schach Long-tailed Shrike Bronzed Drongo Dicrurus aeneus Greater Racket-tailed Drongo Dicrurus paradiseus

Scientific name	English name	
Corvus macrorhynchus	Large-billed Crow	
Lonchura striata	White-rumped Munia	

- Some of the birds recorded are of particular conservation concern:
 - Hainan Partridge and Hainan Leaf Warbler are globally Vulnerable and endemic to Hainan. Hainan Partridge is a Class I Protected Species in China.
- Black Kite, Crested Serpent Eagle, Mountain Hawk Eagle, Crested Goshawk, Silver Pheasant, Hainan Peacock Pheasant, Thick-billed Green Pigeon, White-bellied Green Pigeon, Green Imperial Pigeon, Greater Coucal and Collared Owlet are Class II Protected species in China.
- The presence of many forest-dependent species, including a number of pigeons, woodpeckers and babblers, indicated that the forests at Diaoluoshan are of high integrity.

Reptiles and Amphibians

- Twenty-eight species of amphibian, one species of terrapin, nine species of lizard and nine species of snake were recorded at Diaoluoshan (Table 5).
- The most frequently recorded species at middle elevations included *Rana spinulosa*, *Philautus ocellatus*, *Philautus odontotarsus*, *Polypedates mutus*, *Microhyla heymonsi*, *Microhyla pulchra and Sinonatrix percarinata*. Most frequent at lower altitudes were *Amolops torrentis*, *Bufo melanostictus*, *Microhyla pulchra* and *Calotes versicolor*.
- Several new records for Diaoluoshan were made: *Rana tiannanensis, Gehyra mutilata, Gekko similignum, Acanthosaura lepidogaster, Platyplacopus kuehnei, Tropidophorus hainanus, Amphiesma sauteri* and *Ptyas korros.*
- Some species could not be firmly identified:
 - A *Philautus* tree frog, that resembled *P. ocellatus* but has a very different tadpole, was recorded at Baishuiling. This is probably a new species and has previously been recorded from Bawangling, Jianfengling and Shangxi (Kadoorie Farm and Botanic Garden, 2001a, 2001b, 2002a).
 - The identity of a frog that resembles *Rana adenopleura* is still unclear because it has a different advertisement call from *R. adenopleura* in the mainland.
 - Several newly-metamorphosed green tree frogs were found but they were too small to be identified positively.
 - A small natricine snake found at Nanxi was tentatively identified as *Amphiesma* craspedogaster, which, if confirmed, would be a new record for Hainan.
 - An agamid lizard, probably *Calotes microlepis*, was observed in the canopy of a tall tree beside the access road to Diaoluoshan resort.

Species	Habitat	
I eptobrachium hainanensis	forest stream	✓ tadpoles
Bufo melanostictus	village/parkland	, taap oloo ✓
	roadside pool	tadpoles
	shrubland	\checkmark
	logged forest	\checkmark
	stream	\checkmark
	river	\checkmark
Pelophryne scalpta	forest	\checkmark
	forest stream	\checkmark
Amolops hainanensis	forest stream	\checkmark

Table 5.	Amphibians	and reptiles	of Diaoluoshar	n and neighbouring	g areas.	Sequence follow	s Zhao	EM.
& Adler (199	93).	-		-	-	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		

Species	Habitat	
Amolops torrentis	forest stream	\checkmark
	stream in abandoned field	\checkmark
	stream in plantation	\checkmark
	forest	\checkmark
	river	\checkmark
Occidozyga martensii	seepage in forest	\checkmark
Rana (cf. adenopleura) sp.	seepage in forest	\checkmark
	forest pond	✓, tadpoles
Rana fragilis	forest stream	✓, tadpoles
5	seepage in logged forest	 ✓
Rana quentheri	marsh	\checkmark
	lood	\checkmark
Rana limnocharis	village/parkland	\checkmark
	shrubland	\checkmark
	pool	\checkmark
	abandoned field/shrubland	\checkmark
	logged forest	\checkmark
Rana livida	forest stream	✓
Rana hainanansis	forest stream	1
	forest	1
	forest edge	✓
Pana aninulana	forest stream	
Rana spinuiosa	obrubland/plantation	•, taupoles
	forest	·
		todpolo
	seepage in lorest	laupole
	forest pond	•
Rana taipenensis	river	*
	forest	v
Rana tiannanensis	forest	~
Buergeria oxycephala	forest stream	tadpoles
	river	v
	stream	v
Chirixalus doriae	pool in cleared forest	~
Chirixalus vittatus	forest pond	✓, eggs
Philautus ocellatus	forest/bamboo	√
		tadpoles
	forest stream	\checkmark
Philautus (nr. ocellatus) sp.	pool in cleared forest	\checkmark
Philautus odontotarsus	village/parkland	\checkmark
	pool in village	tadpoles
	pool at plantation edge	\checkmark
	forest	\checkmark
	seasonal pool in forest	\checkmark
Polypedates megacephalus	village/parkland	✓, eggs
Polypedates mutus	pool at plantation edge	\checkmark
	forest pond	✓, eggs, tadpoles
	pool in cleared forest	\checkmark
Rhacophorus rhodopus	seasonal pool in forest	\checkmark
	forest pond	\checkmark
Rhacophorus sp.	forest pond	tadpoles
	forest	. ✓
Microhyla heymonsi	pool in village	tadpoles
	forest	\checkmark
	forest pond	✓, tadpoles
	seepage in logged forest	tadpoles

Species	Habitat	
Microhyla pulchra	roadside pool	tadpoles
	plantation edge	\checkmark
	forest edge	\checkmark
	abandoned field	\checkmark
	forest	\checkmark
	pool in cleared forest	\checkmark
	logged forest	\checkmark
	paddy field	\checkmark
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Platysternon megacephalum	forest stream	\checkmark
Gehyra mutilata	village	\checkmark
Gekko similianum	village	\checkmark
Acanthosaura lepidogaster	forest stream	\checkmark
, 3	forest	\checkmark
	logged forest	\checkmark
Calotes versicolor	river	\checkmark
	shrubland	\checkmark
	shrubland/logged forest	\checkmark
	village	\checkmark
	forest edge	\checkmark
Draco maculatus	forest edge	\checkmark
	forest	eggs
Platyplacopus kuehnei	forest pond	\checkmark
	logged forest	\checkmark
Eumeces quadrilineatus	logged forest	\checkmark
Mabuya multifasciata	river	\checkmark
	forest edge	\checkmark
	village	\checkmark
Tropidophorus hainanus	logged forest	\checkmark
	forest	\checkmark
Amphiesma (cf. craspedogaster) sp.	forest	\checkmark
Amphiesma sauteri	forest edge	\checkmark
Dendrelaphis pictus	forest edge	\checkmark
	logged forest	
Psammodynastes pulverulentus	forest	\checkmark
Ptyas korros	forest edge	\checkmark
Rhabdophis adleri	forest	\checkmark
	forest edge	\checkmark
Rhynchophis boulengeri	forest edge	\checkmark
Sinonatrix percarinata	forest stream	\checkmark
	pool in cleared forest	\checkmark
	forest pond	\checkmark
Trimeresurus stejnegeri	forest	\checkmark
	forest stream	\checkmark

- Some species were of particular conservation concern:
 - Leptobrachium hainanensis, Pelophryne scalpta, Amolops hainanensis, Amolops torrentis, Rana fragilis, Buergeria oxycephala, Gekko similignum and Rhabdophis adleri are endemic to Hainan. Pelophryne scalpta appears to be restricted to more natural forests in Southeast Hainan.
- Many forest specialists were recorded, including Leptobrachium hainanensis, Pelophryne scalpta, Polypedates mutus, Philautus ocellatus, Rhacophorus rhodopus, Acanthosaura lepidogaster, Draco maculatus, Tropidophorus hainanus, Rhabdophis adleri, Rhynchophis boulengeri and Trimeresurus stejnegeri, indicating the very high ecological integrity of the reserve.
- Other species previously recorded from Diaoluoshan area include Bufo galeatus, Rana rugulosa, Rana macrodactyla, Rana versabilis, Rana andersoni, Occidozyga lima, Microhyla butleri,

Microhyla ornata (Liu et al., 1973), Pyxidea mouhotii (as Cyclemys mouhotii), Cuora trifasciata (as Cyclemys trifasciata), Cuora galbiniforns (as Cyclemys flavomarginata hainanensis), Mauremys mutica (as Clemmys mutica), Sacalia bealei (as Clemmys bealii bealii), Sacalia quadriocellata (as Clemmys bealii quadriocellata), Ptyas mucosus, Oligodon formosanus (as Holarchus formosanus), Oligodon cinereus (as Holarchus violaceus), Lycodon subcinctus, Cyclophiops multicinctus (as Opheodrys multicinctus), Elaphe porphyracea nigrofasciata, Amphiesmoides ornaticeps (as Natrix ornaticeps), Amphiesma stolatum (as Natrix stolata), Rhabdophis subminiata subminiata (as Natrix subminiata subminiata), Xenochrophis piscator (as Natrix piscator), Dinodon rosozonatum (misidentified as Dinodon flavozonatum), Enhydris chinensis, Boiga kraepelini, Boiga multomaculata, Naja atra (as Naja naja atra) and Trimeresurus albolabris (Li, 1958).

Fish

- Nine freshwater fish species were recorded from Diaoluoshan; an additional four species were reported to be present but specimens have not been examined by specialists (Table 6).
- The species most widely recorded included Nicholsicypris normalis and Capoeta semifasciolata.
- One species collected was tentatively identified as *Semilabeo notabilis*, which has not previously been recorded from Hainan Island (Yue *et al.* 2000). The present record should be considered doubtful until specimens can be examined.
- Local residents claimed that over 40 species of freshwater fish occur in the Diaoluoshan area; this would be an extremely important fish diversity hotspot if this claim was legitimate.

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Species	
Opsariichthys bidens	√ , #
Nicholsicypris normalis	√ , #
Capoeta semifasciolata	√ , #
Acrossocheilus iridescens iridescens	√ , #
Onychostoma leptura	√ , #
Semilabeo notabilis?	#
Cobitis sinensis	\checkmark
Misgurnus anguillicaudatus	\checkmark
Vanmanenia hainanensis	√ , #
Schistura fasciolata	√ , #
Pterocryptis cochinchinensis	\checkmark
Rhinogobius giurinus	#
Channa gachua	#

Table 6. Freshwater fish recorded from Diaoluoshan, 24-26 May 1999 ("✓" = present, "#" = unconfirmed report). Sequence of genera follows Nelson (1994).

- Some of the species recorded/reported were of particular conservation importance:
 - Vanmanenia hainanensis and Acrossocheilus iridescens iridescens are endemic to Hainan.
 - *Nicholsicypris normalis, Onychostoma leptura* and *Pterocryptis cochinchinensis* are restricted to the Indochina region.
- The stream by the Resort Area, Nanxi River and Diaoluo River all appeared to be in healthy condition during the present survey, supporting species typical of clean streams.

Ants

- Seventy-eight species were recorded at Diaoluoshan (Table 7). Many of these could not be reliably named, and some are thought to be new to science.
- The most frequently recorded in the (middle altitude) western parts, including Baishuiling and the resort area, were *Prenolepis* sp. 1, *Odontomachus monticola, Leptogenys kitteli* and *Pachycondyla* sp. 2. Most frequent in the (lower altitude) eastern parts were *Odontoponera* sp.

1, Diacamma sp. 1, Anoplolepis gracilipes, Camponotus nicobarensis, Crematogaster sp. 8 and Camponotus rufoglaucus.

Table 7.	Ant species	recorded a	at Diaoluoshar	 National 	Forest	Park,	May	1999.	* Species	with	a strong	g
forest associ	ation.											

Species	Habitat
Acropyga acutiventris *	closed 25m broadleaf
Aenictus (dentatus group) sp. 4	closed 30m broadleaf
Aenictus (laeviceps group) sp. 2	closed broadleaf
Anochetus (cf. yunnanensis) sp. 4 *	20m broadleaf forest
Anoplolepis gracilipes	open vegetation
Aphaenogaster (cf. beccarii) sp. 1 *	closed 30m broadleaf/bamboo
Aphaenogaster (cf. hunanensis) sp. 3 *	open 25m broadleaf forest
Camponotus (cf. fuscivillosus) sp. 28	closed 20m broadleaf
<i>Camponotus</i> (nr. <i>humerus</i>) sp. 31	open 20m broadleaf forest
Camponotus (cf. mitis) sp. 11	closed broadleaf forest
Camponotus nicobarensis	open vegetation & low forest
Camponotus rufoglaucus	open vegetation, shrubland
Camponotus (variegatus group) sp. 4	open 30m broadleaf/ bamboo
Camponotus (nr. vitreus praerufus) sp. 32	open broadleaf forest
Cataulacus granulatus	open broadleaf forest
Crematogaster (cf. biroi) sp. 4	forest, shrubland
Crematogaster (cf. dohrni) sp. 8	low forest, open vegetation
Crematogaster (cf. laboriosa) sp. 3	open shrubland/herb
Crematogaster sp. 23	broadleaf forest, shrubland
<i>Diacamma</i> (nr. <i>rugosum</i>) sp. 1	forest, open vegetation
Dolichoderus (nr. taprobanae) sp. 4	20m broadleaf forest
Gnamptogenys bicolor	low forest, shrubland
Gnamptogenys binghami *	closed 30m broadleaf forest
Hypoponera sp. 3 *	closed 30m broadleaf forest
Kartidris (cf. galos) sp. 1 *	closed 25m broadleaf
Lepisiota (cf. capensis) sp. 3	open low broadleaf forest
Lepisiota rothneyi	broadleaf forest
Leptogenys kitteli *	broadleaf forest
Leptogenys peuqueti	forest, shrubland
Leptogenys (cf. kraepelini) sp. 7 *	open 25m broadleaf forest
Monomorium (cf. impexum) sp. 2 *	open tall broadleaf forest
<i>Myrmecina</i> (cf. <i>flava</i>) sp. 4 *	closed 20m broadleaf forest
Odontomachus monticola *	closed broadleaf forest
Odontoponera (cf. denticulata) sp. 1	forest, open vegetation
Oecophylla smaragdina	forest, shrubland
<i>Oligomyrmex</i> (cf. <i>wheeleri</i>) sp. 1	open low broadleaf forest
Pachycondyla (javana group) sp. 1 *	closed broadleaf forest
Pachycondyla leeuwenhoeki *	closed 15m broadleaf forest
Pachycondyla (cf. luteipes) sp. 2 *	broadleaf forest
Pachycondyla sp. 18	open 25m broadleaf/bamboo
Paratrechina (cf. bourbonica) sp. 4	forest, open vegetation
Paratrechina sauteri	tall broadleaf forest
Paratrechina (cf. opaca) sp. 26 *	closed broadleaf forest
Paratrechina (nr. indica) sp. 9 *	closed tall broadleaf forest
Pheidole gatesi *	open 25m broadleaf/bamboo
Pheidole (cf. noda) sp. 1	tall broadleaf forest
Pheidole (rinae group) sp. 9	closed tall broadleaf forest
Pheidole (cf. smythiesi) sp.	open 25m broadleaf
Pheidole tsailuni *	broadleaf forest
Pheidole sp. 11-B	broadleaf forest, open vegetation
Pheidole sp. 13-A *	tall broadleaf forest
Pheidole sp. 33	closed 30m broadleaf/bamboo
Pheidole sp. 49	(not recorded)
Philidris sp. 1 *	broadleaf forest

Species	Habitat
Polyrhachis (cf. bicolor) sp. 17 *	closed tall broadleaf forest
Polyrhachis halidayi	broadleaf forest
Polyrhachis tyrannica	broadleaf forest
Polyrhachis vigilans *	closed 20m broadleaf
Polyrhachis wolfi *	tall broadleaf forest
Polyrhachis sp. 28	open 20m broadleaf
Ponera (cf. sinensis) sp. 1 *	open 25m broadleaf
Ponera sp. 3 *	tall broadleaf forest
Prenolepis (cf. emmae) sp. 1 *	tall broadleaf forest
<i>Pyramica</i> (cf. <i>canina</i>) sp. *	open 25m broadleaf
Strumigenys sp. *	closed 30m broadleaf forest
Tapinoma sp. 1	open 20m broadleaf
Technomyrmex albipes	forest, open shrubland
Technomyrmex sp. 2 *	closed tall broadleaf
Tetramorium bicarinatum	lawn
<i>Tetramorium</i> (cf. <i>guangxiensis</i>) sp. 16 *	closed 30m broadleaf/ bamboo
Tetramorium (cf. kraepelini) sp. 4 *	closed tall broadleaf forest
Tetramorium nipponense *	tall broadleaf forest
Tetramorium (cf. shensiense) sp.	grassland
Tetramorium (cf. walshi) sp. 20 *	closed 25m broadleaf forest
Tetraponera attenuata	open 20m broadleaf forest
Tetraponera binghami	village
Tetraponera modesta	closed 20m broadleaf forest
Vollenhovia sp. 5	open 20m broadleaf/ bamboo

- *Pachycondyla* sp. 18, *Pheidole* sp. 33, *Pheidole* sp. 49 and *Polyrhachis* sp. 28 are known only from Diaoluoshan.
- The percentage of forest-dependent species (not including new species) in the area near and above the resort was 62%, a rather high figure indicating high forest integrity. The percentage along the Baishuiling trail was 50%, indicating the mixture of good and disturbed forest. The figures for the lower parts, Nanxi and Dali, were 33% and 35% respectively, indicating relatively low integrity.
- The African exotic ant Anoplolepis gracilipes was widespread below certain altitude.

Dragonflies

- Thirty-five species were recorded from the Diaoluoshan area (Table 8). Five of these (Vestalis miao, Drepanosticta elongata, Drepanosticta zhoui, Sinosticta hainanense and Chlorogomphus gracilis) were previously undescribed (see K.D.P. Wilson & Reels, 2001). Chlorogomphus icarus, described as new by K.D.P. Wilson & Reels (2001), was subsequently found to be a synonym of C. usudai. Another new species, Anisogomphus sp., has yet to be described.
- The most frequently encountered in the middle-altitude western parts of the park included *Drepanosticta zhoui*, *Pseudolestes mirabilis* and *Euphaea ornata*. Most frequent at loweraltitude Nanxi were *Lamelligomphus hainanensis* and *Orientogomphus armatus*.

Table 8.	Dragonfly species recorded from the Diaoluoshan area, 24-27 May 1999. Sequence of families
follows Scho	rr <i>et al.</i> (2001a, 2001b).

Species	Notes
Calopteryx melli	
Vestalis miao	new species (Wilson & Reels, 2001)
Rhinocypha f. fenestrella	
Aciagrion tillyardi	
Euphaea ornata	
Philosina alba	new record for Hainan
Pseudolestes mirabilis	Hainan endemic
Coeliccia scutellum hainanense	Hainan endemic subspecies
Drepanosticta elongata	new species (Wilson & Reels, 2001)

Species	Notes
Drepanosticta zhoui	new species (Wilson & Reels, 2001)
Sinosticta hainanense	new species (Wilson & Reels, 2001)
Periaeschna magdalena	
Polycanthagyna erythromelas	
Tetracanthagyna waterhousei	
Chlorogomphus usudai	Hainan endemic
Chlorogomphus gracilis	new species (Wilson & Reels, 2001)
Macromia calliope	
Macromia clio	
Macromia katae	previously considered a Hong Kong endemic
Macromia moorei malayana	
Macromidia rapida	
Anisogomphus sp.	
Gomphidia k. kruegeri	
Lamelligomphus hainanensis	
Leptogomphus celebratus	Hainan endemic
Nihonogomphus thomassoni	Hainan endemic
Orientogomphus armatus	
Paragomphus pardalinus	
Diplacodes trivialis	
Onychothemis testaceum tonkinensis	
Orthetrum chrysis	
Palpopleura s. sexmaculata	
Tetrathemis platyptera	
Trithemis aurora	
Trithemis festiva	
Zygonyx iris insignis	

- Many of the dragonflies recorded were of conservation importance:
 - Vanmanenia hainanensis and Acrossocheilus iridescens iridescens are endemic to Hainan.
 - Chlorogomphus gracilis and Anisogomphus sp. are known only from Diaoluoshan.
 - Vestalis miao is known only from Diaoluoshan and Shangxi in Wanning County, Southeast Hainan (Kadoorie Farm and Botanic Garden, 2002a). It was named after the resident Miao people (K.D.P. Wilson & Reels, 2001).
 - An additional eight taxa (Drepanosticta zhoui, Drepanosticta elongata, Sinosticta hainanense, Pseudolestes mirabilis, Coeliccia scutellum hainanense, Chlorogomphus usudai, Leptogomphus celebratus and Nihonogomphus thomassoni) are endemic to Hainan.
 - *Philosina alba* is known only from Diaoluoshan and from Dinghushan Biosphere Reserve in western Guangdong (K.D.P. Wilson, 1999).
 - Lamelligomphus hainanensis, Macromia katae, and Zygonyx iris insignis are known only from Hainan and Hong Kong
 - Calopteryx melli and Paragomphus pardalinus are restricted to Hainan, Guangdong and Guangxi.
 - Orientogomphus armatus is known only from Hainan and Fujian.
 - *Macromia calliope* is known only from Hainan and northern Vietnam.
- Diaoluoshan contained high value forest and had an outstanding dragonfly fauna. The loweraltitude river at Nanxi was a very good site for gomphids and *Macromia* species.

Butterflies

- Eighty-one species were recorded over the four-day period (Table 9).
- The most abundant species in the middle-altitude parts of the park included *Papilio helenus*, *Papilio memnon*, *Appias nero*, *Eurema* sp., *Euploea midamus*, *Faunis eumeus* and *Ypthima baldus*. Most abundant at the lower-altitude parts were *P. memnon* and *Vindula erota*.
- *Euthalia thibetana* is apparently a new Hainan record, not recorded for Hainan by Chou (1994) or Bascombe (1995).

Species	Habitat	Notes
Caltoris bromus	forest	
Halpe homolea	forest	
	forest	
Hasora anura	forest	
Hasora chromus	river	
Mooreana trichoneura	forest	
Parnara quttata	stream/shrub	
Atrenheneure eidenee	forest	
Atrophaneura aldonea	lorest	
Graphium agamemnon	forest	
Graphium doson	river	
	forest	
Granhium sarnedon	stream/shrub	
Graphium sarpedon	Stream/Smub	
	lorest	
	river	
Graphium (Paranticopsis) macareus	forest	
Granhium (Pathysa) antinhates	(not recorded)	
Deshliente eristeleshies	(not recorded)	
Pachilopta aristolochiae	stream/snrub	
Papilio demoleus	river	
Papilio helenus	stream/shrub	
	forest	
	rivor	
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Papilio memnon	stream/snrub	
	forest	
	river	
Panilio nanhalus	forest	
r apilio rieprietus	river	
	liver	
Papilio polytes	river	
Papilio protenor	forest	
	river	
Panilio (Chilasa) clytia	river	
Traidan angarun	forest	
TTOILLES dedCUS	iorest	
	river	
Troides helena	stream/shrub	
	forest	
Troides sp	forest	
1101des sp.	rivor	
	nver	
Appias nero	stream/shrub	
	forest	
Catopsilia psvlla	forest edge	
Cenora nerissa	village	
	forcet	
Dellas pasitnoe	forest	
Eurema hecabe	forest	
<i>Eurema</i> sp.	forest	
•	stream/shrub	
	rivor	
Lieberneie eleveinne	river	
Hebomola glaucippe	river	
lxias pyrene	stream/shrub	
	river	
	forest	
Diaria (Artagaia) conidia	forest edge	
Prieris (Artogela) carifula		
Phonens thestylis	siream/snfub	
	torest	
	river	
Acvtolepis puspa	forest	
Caleta elna	forest	
Chiladaa laiya	forest	
Crillades lajus	lorest	
Jamides alecto	torest	
Lampides boeticus	river	
Paralaxita dora	forest	

 Table 9.
 Butterflies recorded at Diaoluoshan National Forest Park (24-27 May 1999). Sequence of families follows Bascombe (1995).

Species	Habitat	Notes
Prosotas nora	forest	
Ticherra acte	forest	
Zemeros flegyas	river	
Zizeeria maha	forest edge	
Cethosia biblis	stream/shrub	
Cethosia cyane	forest	
	river	
Charaxes bernardus	forest	
Chersonesia risa	forest	
Cupha erymanthis	stream/shrub	
	river	
Cyrestis cocles	forest	
.	river	
Cyrestis thyodamas	forest	
Euploea core		
Euploea midamus	forest	
	stream/snrub	
Fundana mulaikan	river	
Euploea mulciber	forest	now Hoinon record
	forest	new Hainan record
Faunis eunieus Hunolimpos bolino	forest	
Procis (lunonia) almana	field	
Precis (Junonia) atlitas	village	
Precis (Junonia) inhita	stream/shruh	
r reeis (suriona) iprita	forest	
	river	
Precis (Junonia) lemonias	forest	
r rooio (ourionia) romoniao	river	
	field	
Precis (Junonia) orithva	river	
Lethe chandica	forest	
Lethe insana	forest	
Lethe verma	forest	
Lethe (Neope) sp.	forest	
Mandarinia regalis	forest	
Melanitis leda	forest	
Mycalesis francisca	forest	
<i>Mycalesis</i> sp.	forest	
Neptis guia	forest	
Neptis hylas	forest edge	
Neptis leucoporus	forest	
Ideopsis similais	village	
Parantica aglea	forest	
Parantica sita	forest	
	river	
Parantica sp.	forest	
Phalanta phalanta	river	
Polyura narcea	TOPEST	
Polyura nepentnes	stream/shrub	
Rayaula crisilua Stiboobiono nicco	forest	
Subochiona nicea Stichophthalma sp	forest	
	stroom/shrub	
Tanaecia iulii	forest	
Vindula erota	river	
Ynthima haldus	forest	
Ypthima motschulskvi	forest	
Ypthima sp.	forest	
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- *Neptis guia* and *N. leucoporus* have not previously been encountered on KFBG surveys, and must be considered rare in South China.
- Most species were encountered in the forest. They included numerous forest specialists such as *Appias nero*, *Chersonesia risa*, *Euthalia thibetana*, *Lethe chandica*, *Lethe insana*, *Mandarinia regalis*, *Stibochiona nicea*, *Paralaxita dora* and *Ticherra acte*.

Molluscs

- Eight species of land snail, two species of slug and two species of freshwater snail were recorded (Table 10).
- The most frequently encountered terrestrial species was *Microcystis schmackeriana* while the most common aquatic species was *Galba pervia*.

I able 10. Molluscs recorded at Diaoluoshan National Forest			
Species	Habitat		
Bradybaena similaris	grassland		
Camaena xanthoderma polyzona	forest stream		
	forest		
Cyclophorus exItatus	forest		
Derocceras agrestis	forest		
Galba pervia	ditch		
Lagochilus hungerfordianus	forest		
Lagochilus pilosus	forest		
Leptopoma polyzonata	forest		
Microcystis schmackeriana	forest		
Semisulcospira paludiformis	forest stream		
Trochomorpha haenseli	forest		
Vaginulus alte	parkland		

 Table 10.
 Molluscs recorded at Diaoluoshan National Forest Park.

- Two of the species recorded are Hainan endemic: Lagochilus pilosus and Leptopoma polyzonata.
- The presence of many forest species (including Lagochilus hungerfordianus, L. pilosus, Leptopoma polyzonata, Microcystis schmackeriana, Camaena xanthoderma and Derocceras agrestis) indicates that the Diaoluoshan still has very good forests.

Summary of flora and fauna

- Diaoluoshan is probably unique on Hainan in that natural forest cover extends from low to quite high altitude. A high percentage cover of primary forest was found in the Forest Park. The forest in Nanxi Forest Farm (140-640 m), though largely secondary, is one of the most natural lowland forest areas in Hainan.
- The present survey recorded 331 vascular plant species, suggesting that the flora at Dialuoshan is quite rich; orchids were particularly rich. The recorded flora included four globally Threatened or nationally Protected species (*Vatica mangachapoi*, *Alseodaphne hainanense*, *Gymnosphaera giganthea* and *Sphaeropteris hainanensis*), two nationally Endangered species (*Anoectochilus roxburghii* and *Cymbidium eburneum*) and 21 Hainan endemic or globally restricted species.
- There is little up-to-date information on the mammal fauna of Diaoluoshan, but the habitat seems large enough to support viable populations of mammals, including Threatened species that have been recorded or reported to occur, such as Hainan Gymnure, Clouded Leopard and Asiatic Black Bear. The large populations of forest birds, including regionally rare species of pigeons and woodpeckers, and the Threatened Hainan Partridge and Hainan Leaf Warbler, indicate high ecological integrity.

- The rich herpetofauna included a number of species confined to natural forests of Hainan, such as the frogs *Leptobrachium hainanensis*, *Pelophryne scalpta* and *Philautus ocellatus*, and the snake *Rhabdophis adleri*.
- The terrestrial invertebrate fauna was also rich, with a high proportion of forest specialists among the ants, butterflies and molluscs. Four ant species have been found only from Diaoluoshan.
- The dragonfly fauna included several species new to science, and some which are known only from Southeast Hainan, as well as others restricted to coastal tropical South China. The assemblage of rare dragonfies recorded at Diaoluoshan is the most outstanding recorded in all KFBG's surveys to date (K.D.P. Wilson & Reels, 1999). While the present fish survey was inconclusive, the area is also likely to support a rich freshwater fish fauna.
- Baishuiling Nature Reserve was predicted to be of local biodiversity significance by MacKinnon *et al.* (1996). The findings of the present survey suggest the larger Diaoluoshan National Forest Park to be of national biodiversity importance.

Threats and problems

- The greatest threat to biodiversity is habitat damage, which was still occurring at the time of the survey. The natural forest near Dali was subject to high levels of selective logging, despite the national ban.
- A large area of forest near the resort had been recently cleared, for a deer farm. Reportedly the species to be farmed was Père David's Deer *Elaphurus davidianus*, which is not native to Hainan.
- There was a plan to build a hydroelectric plant near Nanxi. If implemented this is likely to cause serious damage to the low altitude forest present, and have significant impacts on the outstanding river biota.
- The attempted development of ecotourism has faced some difficulties. The resort area has a pleasant environment, but the high density of leeches is likely to dissuade many visitors. It is possible the high leech density is due to past and present occurrence of livestock, in which case the proposed deer-farming may exacerbate the problem. There were few if any environmental education resources for visitors.
- Over-collecting appears to have been a problem for some animals and plants. Orchids with high ornamental value (e.g. *Cymbidium eburneum*, *Cymbidium floribundum* and *Dendrobium densiflorum*) were apparently collected in huge quantities in the past and are still threatened by over-collection in Hainan. Reserve staff reported that terrestrial snails used to be common at Diaoluoshan, but had been depleted by over-collecting for duck feed in the past.
- Some orchids in this area were threatened and are still being threatened by over collection for ornamental purposes, such as *Cymbidium eburneum*, *Cymbidium floribundum* and *Dendrobium densiflorum* etc.

Opportunities

• Diaoluoshan probably has the largest expanse of natural forest on Hainan, stretching from low to quite high altitude, and the forest is of great importance to fauna and flora. Conservation resources should match its national biodiversity importance.

• With careful provision of alternative income sources to the residents, the ban on cutting native broadleaf trees in natural forests could be more effectively implemented. Residents could also benefit from education programmes, and from other financial benefits of forest conservation (e.g. ecotourism).

• The resort provides fairly good accommodation and a restaurant. An education programme could be established to draw attention of visitors to the rich and unique biodiversity of the area. Guidelines for ecotourism development are available (e.g. Ceballos-Lascuráin, 1996).

• In addition to tourism, the forest offers potential for other sustainable sources of income. It would be an important seed source for production of saplings, for reforesting the degraded landscape of Hainan, southern Guangxi and southern Guangdong. Sustainable collection of seeds and planting of saplings might provide a stable income for the local villagers and the Forest Park. Collection of young saplings from the forest, however, would need to be prevented, and further clearance or damage to existing forest should be strictly prohibited.

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Figure 1. Map showing location of Diaoluoshan National Forest Park, Southeast Hainan, China