
**NOTES ON A MIXED WOODPECKER FLOCK AT BUKIT BARISAN SELATAN
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While bird-watching in lowland forest near the Balambangang post of the Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park on 20 May 1992, we observed the following unusual flocking behaviour by woodpeckers.

Five species of woodpecker were observed in a clear association in disturbed forest. The species involved were Checker-throated Yeliownape *Picus menlaiis*, Banded Woodpecker *P. miniaceus*, Olive-backed Woodpecker *Dicaeum rafflesii*, Buff-necked Woodpecker *Meiglyptes tukkii* and Orange-backed Woodpecker *Reiwardtipicus validus*. The flock comprised only one individual of each species and all the birds were within a horizontal distance of 10 m from each other. No other species were in attendance.

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