

Common treeshrew at Portsdown estate

Subject: Common treeshrew, *Tupaia glis* (Mammalia: Scandentia: Tupaiidae).

Subject identified by: Contributor.

Location, date and time: Singapore Island, Portsdown estate, Jalan Hang Jebat; 14 May 2011; 1020 hrs.

Habitat: Secondary forest patch next to suburban housing estate with low colonial buildings.

Observer: Contributor.

Observation: Appears to be a young adult. This treeshrew would regularly use a fallen tree trunk as a transit route across open ground, when moving from forest to hedgerow. It would typically pause at this spot and survey the area before moving further from the forest.

Remarks: This is a confirmed record for the patch of secondary woodland bounded by Jalan Hang Jebat, the former KTM railway line and the Ayer Rajah Expressway. The treeshrew is also recorded from across the expressway at Kent Ridge (Baker & Lim, 2012).

Reference: Baker, N. & K. K. P. Lim, 2012. *Wild Animals of Singapore. A Photographic Guide to Mammals, Reptiles, Amphibians and Freshwater Fishes*. Reprint with corrections and updates. Draco Publishing and Distribution Pte. Ltd. and Nature Society (Singapore). 180 pp.



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