

# Colombia - Multicoloured Tanager Tour

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Apical Flycatcher by Mark McManus



Chestnut-bellied Chlorophonia by Mark McManus



Sedge Wren by Stephen Harris



Golden Tanager by Mark McManus

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## Introduction

This report was kindly written by Stephen Harris, a client on the tour, and contains his personal memories from the Colombia – Multicoloured Tanager Tour.

## Day 1

### Monday 19th February

We met up as a group outside the arrivals area at Cali airport, coming from various locations: Jonnier had been touring and leading constantly since the beginning of December 2017 (and thus had sites, individual trees sometimes, staked out for almost all of the important species), Stephen arrived by taxi from Cali city centre where he had enjoyed a weekend break, Nigel, Carole and Ros came fresh from Naturetrek's Santa Marta Tour, Stuart from Guatemala City and Pete, Peter and Mark overnight from London. Driver Hector pushed us through Cali's chaotic rush hour traffic to the relaxing calm of Club Campestre de Cali, for a buffet breakfast followed by a walk around the grounds. These feature both immaculate sports fields (principally golf and polo) and a patch of remnant dry forest with good trails. We were fortunate here to see our first Colombian endemics in the shape of Apical Flycatcher and Greyish Piculet, as well as a chance encounter with a Little Tinamou.

Satisfied with this good start, we moved onwards and upwards into the Western Andes lower slopes, to Finca Lolita for lunch and our first look at some hummingbird and tanager feeders. The afternoon was spent walking a quiet back road in the San Antonio Cloud Forest area above the lodge – part of the famous, but seemingly loosely-defined, Km18 birdwatching site. Colombian Chachalacha proved to be easy to see here – indeed we had a strange encounter with a young couple out walking on the trail with two dogs and a chachalacha!

It had been a full first day. Overnight at comfortable, if slightly chilly, Finca Lolita.

## Day 2

### Tuesday 20th February

We spent all of today along the Old Buenaventura Road, birding at various elevations down the Pacific slope of the Western Andes. The habitat was pretty much forest all the way, with a few little variations where some small-scale subsistence farming clings to the hillside. Birding was easy with good surfaces, gentle slopes and very little traffic. Focus for the visit was the roadside El Descanso café (Doña Dora), where we took both breakfast and lunch, watching the tanager and hummingbird feeders at the rear. Here we duly saw local speciality Toucan Barbet. Other special birds seen in the forest above or below the café included Swallow-tailed Kite, Green-fronted Lancebill, Tatama Tapaculo, Purplish-mantled Tanager, Golden-hooded Tanager and Choco Brushfinch.

Overnight again at Finca Lolita.

## Day 3

### Wednesday 21st February

The morning was spent walking along the 'El Silencio' road, off the main Cali-Dagua Road, as far as Finca Alejandria. This quiet road passes through cloud forest, forest edge and some garden habitats associated with the impressive-looking properties along here. It is level and very quiet in terms of traffic –forming part of the Km 18

birding site. Highlights along here were Ornate Hawk-Eagle and Metallic Green Tanager. We then enjoyed a barbecue lunch at the finca whilst watching the feeders. After a while we duly added this tour's gaudy flagship species, Multi-coloured Tanager, to our lists. There followed a scenic drive down into the Cauca Valley for an afternoon's birding at the Laguna el Sonso. This is a very nicely-developed wetland reserve, with an education centre and observation towers under construction. It offered marsh, river, lagoon and dry-woodland habitat and a completely different range of birds for our lists. Some of the best viewing however is from the verge of the busy Highway 23 with huge lorry loads of sugar cane thundering by. Memorable birds here included Tropical Screech Owl, Common Potoo, Lesser Nighthawk, Snail Kite and Masked Duck.

Overnight at the posh Hotel Guadalajara in Buga.

## Day 4

Thursday 22nd February

A dawn start from Buga and quite a long morning's drive to Pueblo Rico, back up in the Western Andes. Much of this was in heavy rain. A brief stop to look for Turquoise Dacnis at a fruiting tree was a wash-out. At Pueblo Rico we transferred to a pair of 4x4 Jeeps for the short drive to Montezuma Rainforest Lodge, at the entrance to the Tatama National Park.

The rain stopped, we had lunch and the afternoon was spent walking along the forest road at an altitude not so far uphill from the lodge. Birding here was easy as the track is wide but traffic-free and the gradients not too steep. Highlights of this first walk in the area were Cloud Forest Pygmy Owl, Black & Gold Tanager, Plain Ant Vireo and Olive Finch.

Overnight at Montezuma Rainforest Ecolodge.

## Day 5

Friday 23rd February

Today we all enjoyed a fantastic day's birding; the right set of circumstances for which only come along very occasionally. A pre-dawn departure from Montezuma Lodge saw us transported to the very top of the Montezuma mountain road, into a kind of elfin cloud forest. The air was thin and the views magnificent, shared with a few soldiers guarding a military post – the reason for the road's existence. We then spent the whole day walking slowly downhill through the forest, seeing hardly a soul and subjected to zero levels of traffic. We skipped a couple of quiet stretches by riding for a while in our jeeps, and we sat out a sharp little rainstorm at one point, but it was pretty close to perfection. Highlights today included Hooded Mountain Tanager, Munchique Wood Wren, Bicoloured Antvireo, Dusky Starfrontlet, Chestnut-bellied Flowerpiercer and Rufous Antpitta.

Overnight at Montezuma Rainforest Ecolodge.

## Day 6

Saturday 24th February

Jonnier moved the advertised itinerary around a little today to give us a last morning at Montezuma and to move some of the travelling time to the less productive midday. We took an early breakfast and then walked up the

track from Montezuma Lodge to the first bridge and back, seeing a whole host of additional species at this lower altitude.

After lunch we set off to drive to Pereira, reuniting with Hector and the minibus in Pueblo Rico where there was time for an ice cream. A second, short and unproductive stop at the supposedly magic Turquoise Dacnis tree was the only stop until we were through Pereira. There was then time only to squeeze in two brief stops at bridges over the Otún River before arriving at our overnight lodgings just before nightfall.

Highlights today included Chestnut Wood Quail, Lanceolated Monklet, Red-bellied Grackle, Crested Ant Tanager and Parker's Antbird in the forest in the morning, and White-capped Dipper, Torrent Tyrannulet and Torrent Duck on the Otún River in the evening.

Overnight at the functional Otún Quimbaya Lodge.

## Day 7

## Sunday 25th February

After heavy overnight rain, this was our first day in the Central Andes, but plans for an early start into the forest were thwarted by vehicle problems. We walked instead around the lodge grounds for a while whilst a replacement jeep was obtained. Once we reached the end of the forest track in Otún Quimbaya Sanctuary, we understood Jonnier's desire to make an early move. It was Sunday and the forest was very popular indeed with cyclists, ramblers and nature lovers, in general out for the day from Pereira. It was great to see, but it meant there were much higher levels of disturbance on the trail than we had become used to. We spent most of the morning walking down the gentle gradient of the forest road back towards the lodge, where we took lunch. Memorable birds in the forest were Cauca Guan, Red-ruffed Fruitcrow, Montane Woodcreeper, Fawn-breasted Tanager, Golden-plumed Parakeet and Cerulean Warbler.

The afternoon was spent back down in the Cauca Valley at the Embalse de Cameduadua. This is a dam with two lagoons, associated with a hydro-electric scheme. There was a recreational area and ice cream parlour, busy today with family groups and a wedding party, but the site was otherwise undisturbed. The best new birds here were Buff-necked Ibis, Blackish Rail, Yellow-headed Blackbird, Carib Grackle and Great Antshrike.

Overnight at the slightly odd Hotel Benidorm in Manizales.

## Day 8

## Monday 26th February

The entirety of today was spent at the Reserva Ecologica Rio Blanco, although we had a little scare in the early morning when a fallen tree blocked the track up to the reserve. This was quickly dealt with by a passing workman carrying a machete. Breakfast and lunch were taken at the Lodge within the reserve, watching its busy hummingbird feeders where White-bellied Woodstar and Sparking Violetear were the stars. Three feeding stations in the forest were visited in quick succession, where Bicoloured, Brown-banded, Chestnut-crowned and Slate-crowned Antpittas, plus Grey-browed Brushfinch performed to an appreciative audience. The rest of the day was spent walking in the forest of this beautiful, hilly reserve. We saw a long list of great species and the highlights for me were Streak-headed Antbird, Flammulated Treehunter, the fantastic White-capped Tanager,

Ocellated Tapaculo, Black-billed Mountain Toucan, Black-banded Woodcreeper and Masked Saltator. A really good day!

Overnight at Hotel Benidorm in Manizales.

## Day 9

Tuesday 27th February

Our last day together as a group and it was a big one, spent in the high central Andes. An early start saw some relentless uphill driving, culminating at a chilly breakfast stop beside Laguna Negra in the Los Nevados National Park. Our first high altitude birds here included Stout-billed Cinclodes and Sedge Wren. We then moved up to the National Park Visitors Centre at 13,449 feet to watch the gardens and take a couple of short walks in the thin air. Paramo specialists here included Andean Condor, Black-Chested Buzzard-Eagle, Andean Tit-Spintail, Brown-backed Chat Tyrant and, for some, Buffy Helmetcrest.

We descended back into cloud forest for a lunch stop at the Hotel Termales del Ruiz, where all of us watched the hummingbird and tanager feeders rather than take the waters, followed by a brief walk along the quiet access road. This was to be the last birding of the tour before proceeding to Pereira Airport and the final highlights were Great Sapphirewing, Rainbow-bearded Thornbill, Scarlet-bellied Mountain Tanager, Black-headed Hemispingus and Capped Conebill.

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Buff-tailed Coronet by Stephen Harris

## Species Lists

### Birds

Please note that the following is the list of sightings seen by the report author. A few additional species were noted by other members of the group and some reference is made to these at the end of the list.

#### Little Tinamou *Crypturellus soui harterti*

We were lucky enough to see one Little Tinamou disappearing into the undergrowth at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>.

#### Black-bellied Whistling Duck *Dendrocygna autumnalis fulgens*

Five or six were on a roadside water body on the way in to Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. Large numbers, perhaps 150, were at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### Fulvous Whistling Duck *Dendrocygna bicolor*

Seen only at Laguna de Sonso, where there were around 30 on 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### Torrent Duck *Merganetta armata colombiana*

A very popular male Torrent Duck was watched from the bridge over the Otún River at the entrance to Otún Quimbaya on the evening of 24<sup>th</sup>.

#### Comb Duck *Sarkidiornis sylvicola*

Nine birds were present at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### Blue-winged Teal *Anas discors*

Two birds were at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. Large numbers were present at Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>; perhaps 100 birds.

#### Mallard *Anas platyrhynchos*

A pair was on a small water feature at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. There was a small feral population of this species in and around Cali.

#### Andean Teal *Anas a. andium*

Four rather distant birds were on Laguna Negra on 27<sup>th</sup>.

#### Masked Duck *Nomonyx dominicus*

A sharp pair of eyes picked out a female bird hidden in the waterweed at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. This bird was sufficiently unusual here to cause a stir amongst the local guides.

#### Andean Ruddy Duck *Oxyura ferruginea*

A male was at Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>. Four were at Laguna Negra on 27<sup>th</sup>.

#### Colombian Chachalacha *Ortalis colombiana*

Thirteen birds were seen at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>, including an adult with two small juveniles. Three were on the lawns at Finca Lolita and two more in the Bosque de San Antonio, also on 19<sup>th</sup>. Some of these birds

were remarkably tame. Six more could be seen in the grounds of Finca Lolita during our early breakfast on 21<sup>st</sup>. Two were at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. Two visited the feeders at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Cauca Guan *Penelope perspicax*

Four of this very range-restricted species were seen in the grounds of the Otún Quimbaya Lodge on the morning of 25<sup>th</sup>, with four more seen deeper into the forest on the same morning.

Sickle-winged Guan *Penelope goudotii*

Our first sighting was of a bird that flew over the road right above our heads at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. Four were seen in the forest at Otún Quimbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>. One was seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Chestnut Wood Quail *Odontophorus hyperythrus*

A noisy group in the forest near to Montezuma Lodge evaded us for ages until at least three birds flew across the track and showed briefly on 24<sup>th</sup>. At least four crossed the road at Otún Quimbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>, causing a cyclist to wobble in the process. I saw the last two of a group that crossed the trail at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Pied-billed Grebe *Podilymbus podiceps*

A single bird was at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. Six were seen at Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Buff-necked Ibis *Theristicus c. caudatus*

Two birds were perched high up on an electricity pylon at Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Bare-faced Ibis *Phimosus infuscatus berlepschi*

The first couple of birds were seen from the minibus on the run in to Cali on the morning of 19<sup>th</sup> and there were four more to greet us on arrival at Club Campestre de Cali. At least 20 birds were at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. One was by the Otún River in Pereira on 24<sup>th</sup>. There were a lot at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>, maybe 250 in total.

Glossy Ibis *Plegadis falcinellus*

There were three birds at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Black-crowned Night Heron *Nycticorax nycticorax*

Two flyover birds were seen at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Striated Heron *Butoroides auriculata calcae*

At least four were seen at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. One was at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Western Cattle Egret *Bubulcus ibis*

A single bird was following the polo ponies at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. Twelve were at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. Fifteen were by the Otún River in Pereira on 24<sup>th</sup>. Five were at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>. Otherwise this was a fairly frequently observed roadside species on the longer journeys between sites for those that were paying attention.

Cocoi Heron *Ardea Cocoi*

There was one on a small water body by the entrance to Club Campestre de Cali as we drove in on 19<sup>th</sup>. Five were seen at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. At least one was at Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup> – a second bird here

was thought by some to be a Great Blue Heron. This would have been a rarity here and unfortunately it was not photographed, nor was it seen by Jonnier.

Great Egret *Egretta alba egretta*

At least eight birds were present at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. One was at Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Little Blue Heron *Egretta caerulea*

One was at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Snowy Egret *Egretta t. thula*

Quite a few (20+) were around the little roadside wetlands on the run in to Cali on the morning of 19<sup>th</sup> and another three or four were at Club Campestre de Cali. More than 15 were at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. One was by the Otún River bridge in the outskirts of Pereira on 24<sup>th</sup>. Twenty or more were at Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Neotropic Cormorant *Phalacrocorax b. brasilianus*

Up to twenty birds were present at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. One flew downriver over the Otún River bridge in the outskirts of Pereira on 24<sup>th</sup>. Thirteen were counted at Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Anhinga *Anhinga a. anhinga*

A single bird was seen in flight at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Turkey Vulture *Cathartes aura*

Three were seen over the higher slopes of the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>.

American Black Vulture *Caragyps atratus*

Many were seen around Cali on the morning of 19<sup>th</sup>. Subsequently seen daily, but less common in forested areas or at higher altitude.

Andean Condor *Vultur gryphus*

I don't think any of us seriously expected to see this species at Los Nevados National Park on 27<sup>th</sup>, but see it we did, with four or five fly-overs by at least one bird.

Western Osprey *Pandion haliaetus carolinensis*

One bird performed a brief fly-over at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Swallow-tailed Kite *Elanoides forficatus yetapa*

Five seen on the upper slopes and five more lower down on the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. Two flew over Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Black Hawk-Eagle *Spizaetus tyrannus serus*

Rather distant views of one in flight from the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>.

Ornate Hawk-Eagle *Spizaetus ornatus vicarious*

Flight views were obtained of a calling bird close to Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>.



Snail Kite      *Rostrhamus s. sociabilis*

Numerous at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>, where there were at least 20 birds giving some nice close-up views.

Barred Hawk      *Leucopternis princeps*

Two birds seen in flight over the upper elevations of the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>.

Roadside Hawk      *Rupornis m. magnirostris*

Single birds seen here and there, including at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>, a couple at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>, one at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>, one in Pereira on 24<sup>th</sup>, one at Otún Quimbaya on 25<sup>th</sup> and one at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

White-rumped Hawk      *Parabuteo leucorrhous*

One flew over the lodge at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

White-tailed Hawk      *Geranoaetus albicaudatus*

One flew over the lodge at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle      *Geranoaetus melanoleucus astralis*

A pleasing number of these, in various plumages, were flying around at the top of Los Nevados National Park on 27<sup>th</sup> – at least six different birds.

Broad-winged Hawk      *Buteo p. platypterus*

One seen in flight over the upper elevations of the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. Two were circling over the track at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Blackish Rail      *Pardirallus nigricans caucae*

This species proved to be easier to see than some of us feared, with at least four birds seen at Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Purple Gallinule      *Porphyryula martinicus*

One was glimpsed at the road side on the way from Cali Airport into town on 19<sup>th</sup>. Three birds were seen at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. There were two at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Common Gallinule      *Gallinula galeata paucilla*

A few roadside birds were noted on the morning of 19<sup>th</sup>. A dozen or more were seen at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

American Coot      *Fulicana americana*

Three were seen at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup> and two at Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Limpkin      *Aramus g. guarauna*

Three of these strange birds were seen at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Black-necked Stilt      *Himantopus m. mexicanus*

Five birds were at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup> and another five at Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Southern Lapwing      *Vanellus chilensis cayenensis*

The first few birds were seen as we drove through the suburbs of Cali on the morning of 19<sup>th</sup>. This species was most numerous at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>, with at least 30 present, particularly favouring the polo field.

A territorial pair were on the lawns at Finca Lolita throughout our time there. Four were seen at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. Two were at Otún Quimbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>. Around six were at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Wattled Jacana *Jacana jacana*

At least ten birds were seen at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. I noted just one at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>, although there were probably more at this site.

Spotted Sandpiper *Actitis macularius*

Five birds were along the riverbank or on floating logs at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. One was seen at the river crossing by the entrance to Otún Quimbaya on 24<sup>th</sup>. This species was plentiful at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup> – at least 15 present.

Solitary Sandpiper *Tringa solitaria*

A solitary bird was at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. A minimum of three were seen at Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Lesser Yellowlegs *Tringa flavipes*

At least six were seen at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Greater Yellowlegs *Tringa melanoleuca*

One was at the riverside at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. At least six were seen at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Feral Pigeon *Columba livia*

This unpopular species was only seen in urban areas, including Cali, Pueblo Rico, Pereira and Manizales.

Band-tailed Pigeon *Patagioenas fasciata*

Six were seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup> – I think there may be been others seen by the group elsewhere.

Pale-vented Pigeon *Patagioenas cayennensis*

Two were seen at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup> and one at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Plumbeous Pigeon *Patagioenas plumbea*

Two flew across the Old Buenaventura Road, early on 20<sup>th</sup>. One was seen at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup> with three there on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Ruddy Pigeon *Patagioenas subvinacea*

A couple of invisible birds were heard at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup>, with several more heard-only the following day. Miraculously, a couple of us actually saw a calling bird momentarily at Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Ruddy Ground Dove *Columbina talpacoti calcae*

First seen at Cali Airport on 19<sup>th</sup>. Around 25 were seen at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>, with many more heard calling at this site. Two were at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup>. Just a single bird was seen at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. Two were seen at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

White-tipped Dove *Leptotila verreauxii*

A single bird in flight at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup> was the only sighting of the trip.

Eared Dove *Zenaida auriculata calcae*

Small numbers were present at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. Eight were counted at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup>. Two were in the gardens at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. One was at the Otún Quimbaya Lodge on 25<sup>th</sup>. Four were seen at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Greater Ani *Crotophaga major*

One was at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Smooth-billed Ani *Crotophaga ani*

Two or three were seen at Cali Airport on 19<sup>th</sup>. Six were at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup> and four at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Squirrel Cuckoo *Piaya cayana nigricrissa*

Odd individual birds were seen here and there, including at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>, Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>, Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>, and Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Tropical Screech Owl *Megascops choliba*

A roosting bird was seen in tall riparian forest at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. A nest containing eggs was nearby.

Cloud Forest Pygmy Owl *Glaucidium nubicola*

A wet and bedraggled individual stared back at us from the forest at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Common Potoo *Nictibius griseus panamensis*

Two roosting birds were seen at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Lesser Nighthawk *Chordeiles acutipennis*

Four roosting birds were in trees in the little village at the entrance to Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Common Nighthawk *Chordeiles minor*

A sharp pair of eyes picked out a roosting bird at Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Rufous-bellied Nighthawk *Lurocalis rufiventris*

One flew rapidly over the lodge at Otún Quimbaya early on 25<sup>th</sup>.

White-collared Swift *Streptoprocne zonaris altissima*

Three passed over rapidly at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. Six more the following morning on the upper part of Old Buenaventura Road and eight lower down later in the day (morning birds flying uphill and afternoon birds flying downhill). Five were seen at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>. A group of eight flew over at Rio Blanco on the afternoon of 26<sup>th</sup>.

Rufous-breasted Hermit *Glaucis birsuittus*

One rather elusive bird was seen at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Green Hermit *Phaethornis guy emiliae*

Two or three were seen at Cali Airport on 19<sup>th</sup>.

Tawny-bellied Hermit *Phaethornis s. syrmatophorus*

At least one bird was coming in to the feeders at Montezuma Lodge at lunchtime on 22<sup>nd</sup>. One bird came in to the feeder situated high on Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Green-fronted Lancebill *Doryfera l. ludovicae*

One bird was found at a river crossing at lower elevation on the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. Other singles in similar circumstances at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

White-necked Jacobin *Forpus conspicillatus calcae*

A single male bird was seen at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. At least three birds were visiting the feeders at Finca Lolita at lunchtime on 19<sup>th</sup>. This was one of the species visiting the feeders at the El Descanso Café on 20<sup>th</sup>. At least five birds were on the feeders at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. Again, this was a common visitor to the feeders at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

Brown Violetear *Colibri delphinae*

At least one bird visited the feeders at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup> and at least one more at El Descanso café on 20<sup>th</sup>. Another single was seen along the track at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. Good numbers were visiting the feeders at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Lesser Violetear *Colibri cyanotus*

One came in to the feeders at the lodge at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Sparkling Violetear *Colibri c. coruscans*

A couple came to the feeders at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Black-throated Mango *Anthracoceros nigricollis*

A male at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup> and at least one bird at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup> were the only birds I saw, although others were picked up elsewhere.

Ruby-topaz Hummingbird *Chrysolampis mosquitus*

A bird in the tree canopy at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup> gave fleeting glimpses.

Green Thorntail *Phaethornis guy emiliae*

At least one was visiting the feeders at El Descanso Cafe on 20<sup>th</sup>.

Western Emerald *Chlorostilbon m. melanorhynchus*

At least one bird visited the feeders at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup>.

Crowned Woodnymph *Thalurania colombica subtropicalis*

At least one bird visited the feeders at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup> with several more at the El Descanso café on 20<sup>th</sup>. A common visitor to the feeders at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Blue-headed Sapphire *Hylocharis chrysura*

A male was on one of the feeders as we arrived at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. It turned out to be the only bird we saw.

Rufous-tailed Hummingbird *Amazilia tzacatl jacunda*

One was seen at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. Numerous were at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. One was at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Andean Emerald *Amazilia f. franciae*

At least one bird visited the feeders at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup>. Several birds were coming in to the feeders at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. Numerous at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

Steely-vented Hummingbird *Amazilia s. saucerrottei*

The first was seen at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. At least a couple of birds were buzzing around the feeders at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup>. This species was one of the common visitors to the feeders at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. A single bird was at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. One at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Speckled Hummingbird *Adelomyia melanogenys cervina*

At least two birds were coming in to feeders at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. Three-plus birds visited the feeder high on the trail at Montezuma on the morning of 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Fawn-breasted Brilliant *Heliodoxa rubinoides*

At least one bird was visiting the feeders at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. Small numbers visited the feeders at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Green-crowned Brilliant *Heliodoxa jacula*

Small numbers were visiting the feeders at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Empress Brilliant *Heliodoxa imperatrix*

One of the common visitors to the feeders at El Descanso Cafe on 20<sup>th</sup>. It was similarly numerous around the feeders at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup> and up at the high altitude feeders at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

White-tailed Hillstar *Urochroa b. bougueri*

A numerous visitor to the feeders at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup>. One at the summit of Montezuma was the first bird of the day on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Buff-tailed Coronet *Boissonneaua flavescens*

At least one bird visited the feeders at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. Numerous around the high-level feeders at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>. One was at Otún Quimbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>. Common on the feeders at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Velvet-purple Coronet *Boissonneaua jardini*

Numerous around the high-level feeders at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Shining Sunbeam *Aglaeactis c. cupripennis*

Numerous in the gardens of the Hotel Termals del Ruiz on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Mountain Velvetbreast *Lafresnaya lafresnayi*

A handful visiting the feeders at Hotel Termals del Ruiz on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Bronzy Inca *Coeligena coeligina*

At least two came in to the feeders at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. Two were seen at Otún Quimbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>. Three were seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Brown Inca *Coeligena wilsoni*

At least one bird visited the feeder high at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Collared Inca *Coeligena t. torquata*

A common visitor to the mountain-top feeder at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>. Visited the feeders at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup> in small numbers.

Dusky Starfrontlet *Coeligena orina*

We were fortunate to discover that one individual had been coming to the feeder set up near the summit at Montezuma. We stopped here for breakfast on 23<sup>rd</sup> and waited and it duly arrived.

Buff-winged Starfrontlet *Coeligena l. lutetiae*

A common visitor to the feeders at the Hotel Termales del Ruiz on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Great Sapphirewing *Pterophanes cyanopterus*

Probably the most numerous hummingbird species at the Hotel Termales del Ruiz on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Tourmaline Sunangel *Heliangelus exortis*

At least one bird came in to the feeder set up high on the trail at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>. A common visitor to the feeders at Rio Blanco Reserve on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Golden-breasted Puffleg *Eriocnornis mosquera*

Several were visiting the feeders at the Hotel Termales del Ruiz on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Purple-bibbed Whitetip *Urosticte benjamini*

One bird came in to the feeders at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Booted Racket-tail *Ocreatus underwoodii incommodus*

One was seen along the trail at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. This species was one of the common visitors to the feeders at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. One was seen in the cloud forest at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup>. One was at Otún Quimbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>. The sub-species we saw may be split in the future as White-booted Racket-tail.

Purple-backed Thornbill *Ramphomicron m. microhynchum*

One bird was seen high at Montezuma close to the military post.

Buffy Helmetcrest *Oxybogon stuebelli*

We struggled a bit with this high altitude endemic. One was definitely around at the Visitor Centre at Los Nevados National Park on 27<sup>th</sup>, but it declined to feed on the flowers we were watching and gave just rapid fly-over views to a few of us.

Tyrian Metaltail *Metallura t. tyrianthina*

One bird was seen high at Montezuma close to the military post. One more was seen high in the Los Nevados National Park on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Viridian Metaltail      *Metallura williami*

One or two birds came to the feeders at the Hotel Termales del Ruiz on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Rainbow-bearded Thornbill      *Chalcostigma herrani tolimae*

One bird came to the feeders at Termales del Ruiz on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Long-tailed Sylph      *Agelaiocercus kingi emmae*

One of the common visitors to the feeders at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. Seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Violet-tailed Sylph      *Agelaiocercus c. coelestis*

One of the more numerous visitors to the feeders at El Descanso Cafe on 20<sup>th</sup>. Plenty were coming in to the feeder at breakfast time high on Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Wedge-billed Hummingbird      *Schistes geoffroyi*

One bird was seen in the gardens of the buildings by the entrance to Rio Blanco Reserve on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Purple-throated Woodstar      *Calliphlox mitcheli*

One was seen along the trail at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. Numerous around the feeders at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. The commonest visitor to the feeders at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

White-bellied Woodstar      *Chaetocercus mulsant*

A visitor in small numbers to the feeders at the lodge at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Golden-headed Quetzal      *Pharomachrus a. auriceps*

One seen in the Bosque de San Antonio on 19<sup>th</sup>. A second, although less good views, at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>. One was at Otún Quimbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Collared Trogon      *Trogon collaris*

A fine male was seen along the trail at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Masked Trogon      *Trogon personatus*

A nice male was seen in the forest at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup>, with good views of a second there on 23<sup>rd</sup>. One was at Otún Quimbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>. Another male was seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Green Kingfisher      *Chloroceryle americana*

One bird was at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Ringed Kingfisher      *Megaceryle t. torquata*

Three were seen at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. One at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Andean Motmot      *Momotus a. aequatorialis*

A cautious bird came in to the feeders at Finca Lolita whilst we were breakfasting on 21<sup>st</sup> and two more were on wires just down the hill as we approached the start point for our Km. 18 walk a few minutes later. One was at Montezuma Lodge and another in the forest nearby on 22<sup>nd</sup>. Another single seen at Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup>. One seen at lower altitude at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Moustached Puffbird *Malacoptila mystacalis*

Excellent views were obtained of one at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>. Another was seen less well at Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Lanceolated Monklet *Micromonacha lanceolata*

We were all pleased to get good views of one of these at Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup>, just after somebody had commented that it was the one species we really needed to find.

Spot-crowned Barbet *Capito maculicoronatus rubilateratus*

Poor views were obtained of a single bird at lower elevation on the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup> – here at the southern limit of the species' range.

Red-headed Barbet *Eubucco bourcierii*

Rather distant views of a pair on the upper part of the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. One was heard calling at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. It was great to see a pair close up when they came in to the tanager feeders at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. One was at Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Toucan Barbet *Semnornis ramphastinus caucae*

The star bird at the El Descanso café duly appeared at lunchtime on 20<sup>th</sup>, with sustained views at close range of a pair of Toucan Barbets bringing in food for a well-grown juvenile. One was seen momentarily at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

White-throated Toucanet *Aulacorhynchus albivetta phaeolaemus*

Two were together at Bosque de San Antonio on 19<sup>th</sup>. One was seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Crimson-rumped Toucanet *Aulacorhynchus haematopygus*

Two were at Bosque de San Antonio on 19<sup>th</sup>. Two came in to the feeders at Finca Lolita on 21<sup>st</sup> and two more visited the feeders at Finca Alejandria later the same day. One at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Collared Aracari *Pteroglossus t. torquatus*

One bird seen rather distantly at lower elevation on the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>.

Black-billed Mountain Toucan *Andigena nigrirostris*

A single bird was seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>. A group of four were present in the treetops on the Termales access road on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Greyish Piculet *Picumnus granadensis*

Nice views were obtained of two birds at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>.

Acorn Woodpecker *Melanerpes formicivorus flavigula*

A single bird was seen in the gardens at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup>. Another was seen along the trail at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Red-crowned Woodpecker *Melanerpes r. rubricapillus*

Three were seen at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. One was by the Otún River in Pereira on 24<sup>th</sup>. One at the Embalse de Camaguadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Yellow-vented Woodpecker *Venilornis d. dignus*

One bird seen at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. Another was at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.



Smoky-brown Woodpecker *Picooides fumigatus reichenbachi*

The only bird of the trip gave brief views at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Golden-Olive Woodpecker *Colaptes rubiginosus*

One seen in the San Antonio Cloud Forest on 19<sup>th</sup>.

Crimson-mantled Woodpecker *Colaptes rivoli*

Two were at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Spot-breasted Woodpecker *Colaptes punctigula striatigularis*

Two were seen at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. A single bird was at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Lineated Woodpecker *Dryocopus l. lineatus*

A lovely male was seen at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. Three birds put on a bit of a show at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. One gave close views by the entrance to Otún Quimbaya on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Northern Crested Caracara *Caracara cheriway*

The only bird I saw was at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>, although I am aware that the species was seen at other locations by others in the group.

Yellow-headed Caracara *Milvago chimachima cordata*

The first of the tour flew over whilst we were loading up the minibus at Cali Airport on 19<sup>th</sup> and three were at Club Campestre de Cali later the same morning. Three were at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. One was perched up by the Otún River at the edge of Pereira on 24<sup>th</sup>. One at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Blue-headed Parrot *Pionus menstruus rubigularis*

Three flew over whilst we were loading up at Cali Airport on 19<sup>th</sup> and another six were flying around at Club Campestre de Cali later the same morning. A minimum of five were flying around at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. Two were seen at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Spectacled Parrotlet *Forpus conspicillatus calcae*

The first four birds of this species were seen at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. Five or six birds came to look at us when we were on the observation platform at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>, then an hour later we were stood under a tree that was filling with Spectacled Parrotlets (50-plus?) in a pre-roost gathering. Three were at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Golden-plumed Parakeet *Leptosittaca branickii*

A group of six were seen at Otún Quimbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>. Three more were seen on the Termals access road on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Scarlet-fronted Parakeet *Psittacara w. wagleri*

A group of eight whizzed over at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. Seven were seen in flight at Otún Quimbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Andean Tit-Spinetail *Leptasthenura a. andicola*

Seen only at Los Nevados National Park on 27<sup>th</sup>, where there were four or five.

Rufous Spinetail *Synallaxis u. unirufa*

One was at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Azara's Spinetail *Synallaxis azarae media*

Brief views were obtained of a single bird at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Red-faced Spinetail *Cranioleuca erythroptis griseigularis*

Two were seen in the Bosque de San Antonio on 19<sup>th</sup>. Several seen along the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>, including a pair bringing food to a nest.

Spotted Barbtail *Premnoplex b. brunnescens*

A single bird seen at Otún Quimbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Star-chested (Fulvous-dotted) Treerunner *Margarornis stellatus*

One was seen at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Pearled Treerunner *Margarornis squamiger perlatus*

One was at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Streaked Tuftedcheek *Pseudocolaptes b. boissonneaultii*

Two were seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>. One more was seen on the Termales access road on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Scaly-throated Foliage-gleaner *Anabacerthia variegaticeps temporalis*

Singles were seen in the cloud forest at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Montane Foliage-gleaner *Anabacerthia s. striaticollis*

Two were seen at Otún Quimbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Lineated Foliage-gleaner *Syndactyla subalaris*

One was seen at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Buff-fronted Foliage-gleaner *Philydor rufum riverti*

Two were seen at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Uniform Treehunter *Thripadectes ignobilis*

One was seen from the old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup> and another at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Striped Treehunter *Thripadectes b. holostictus*

Glimpses of one at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Streak-capped Treehunter *Thripadectes vergaticeps*

One was seen at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. One was near Montezuma Lodge on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Flammulated Treehunter *Thripadectes f. flammulatus*

One was seen visiting a nest hole at Rio Blanco Reserve on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Streaked Xenops *Xenops rutilans heterurus*

One was in a mixed flock close to Montezuma Lodge on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Tyrannine Woodcreeper *Dendrocincla t. tyrannina*

One was at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Wedge-billed Woodcreeper *Glyphorhynchus spirurus*

One was seen in the cloud forest at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup>, with two nearby the following day.

Strong-billed Woodcreeper *Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchus macarenae*

One was seen in the Bosque de San Antonio on 19<sup>th</sup>. Another was at Otún Quimbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Black-banded Woodcreeper *Dendrocolaptes picumnus*

The sighting of at least one, and probably two, birds at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup> was a very good record.

Cocoa Woodcreeper *Xiphorhynchus susurrans*

Two birds, presumably a pair, were in the riparian woodland at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Spotted Woodcreeper *Xiphorhynchus erythropygius*

Two birds were in the cloud forest at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup> and one nearby the following day.

Montane Woodcreeper *Lepidocolaptes lacryniger*

Two were seen at Otún Quimbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>. One was at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Brown-billed Scythebill *Campylorhamphus p. pusillus*

One seen from the old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>.

Great Antshrike *Taraba major*

Jonnier put a big effort into making sure we all got views of a Great Antshrike at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Bar-crested Antshrike *Thamnophilus multistriatus*

Two birds, including a lovely male, were seen at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. One was at Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup>. Two more were seen at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Uniform Antshrike *Thamnophilus unicolor grandior*

A singing male seen on the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. Another was seen at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Plain Antvireo *Dysithamnus mentalis*

A singing male was seen reasonably well in the undergrowth at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Bicoloured Antvireo *Dysithamnus o. occidentalis*

Two were seen at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Pacific Antwren *Myrmotherula pacifica*

A pair was seen at lower elevation on the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>.

Streak-headed Antbird *Drymophila striaticeps*

An adult female and an immature female were seen at Rio Blanco Reserve on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Parker's Antbird *Cercomacra parkeri*

Two were seen in a very productive area near the first bridge up from Montezuma Lodge on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Jet Antbird *Cercomacra n. nigricans*

Three or four elusive birds were seen or at least heard at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>.

Zeledon's Antbird *Myrmeciza zeledoni*

At least one, possibly two birds were by the bridge at Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Chestnut-crowned Antpitta *Grallaria r. ruficapilla*

Two birds came in to a feeding station at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>, giving great views.

Bicoloured Antpitta *Grallaria rufocinerea*

One came in to one of the worm feeding stations at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Rufous Antpitta *Grallaria r. rufala*

Ros flushed one from the trail at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup> and some of us managed a quick look before it vanished into the cloud forest.

Tawny Antpitta *Grallaria q. quitensis*

The first was heard-only at Laguna Negra on 27<sup>th</sup>, then most of us saw one at the Los Nevados National Park HQ a couple of hours later.

Brown-banded Antpitta *Grallaria milleri*

One visited a feeding station at Rio Blanco Reserve on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Slate-crowned Antpitta *Grallaria nana*

One bird visited a feeding station at Rio Blanca on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Ocellated Tapaculo *Acropternis o. orthonyx*

A singing male was seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>, although I think it would be fair to say that some had better views than others.

Ash-coloured Tapaculo *Myornis senilis*

One came in to a tape at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Nariño Tapaculo *Scytalopus vicini*

After hearing a few we eventually got a brief glimpse of one at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Tatama Tapaculo *Scytalopus alvarezlopezi*

We had great views of a roadside bird on the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. This species was first seen in 1991 and only described in 2017.

Blackish Tapaculo *Scytalopus l. latrans*

One was seen at Rio Blanco Reserve on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Sooty-headed Tyrannulet *Phyllomyias grisiceps caucae*

Two were seen at Embalse de Camaguadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Plumbeous-headed Tyrannulet *Phyllomyias plumbeiceps*

At least one was seen from the trail at Otún Oyumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Stout-billed Cinclodes *Cinclodes e. excelsior*

The first one was seen at Laguna Negra on 27<sup>th</sup>. Several others were seen at various points around Los Nevados National Park later the same morning.

Black-capped Tyrannulet *Phyllomyias n. nigrocapillus*

One was seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Ashy-headed Tyrannulet *Phyllomyias cinereiceps*

One was seen at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet *Tyrannulus elatus*

One was at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>.

Yellow-bellied Elaenia *Elaenia flavogaster*

One was seen at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>.

Southern Beardless Tyrannulet *Camptostoma obsoletum*

Two were seen close to Montezuma Lodge on 24<sup>th</sup>.

White-throated Tyrannulet *Mecocerculus leucophrys*

One was seen along the Termales access road on 27<sup>th</sup>.

White-tailed Tyrannulet *Mecocerculus poecilocercus*

One was at Rio Blanco Reserve on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Torrent Tyrannulet *Sepophaga c. cinerea*

One was seen from the bridge over the Otún River on the eastern edge of Pereira on 24<sup>th</sup>, then three more were seen a little further up the river a few minutes later.

Mouse-coloured Tyrannulet *Phaeomyias murina incomta*

Two were seen at the Embalse de Camaguadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Golden-faced Tyrannulet *Zimmerius chrysops*

Poor views were obtained of one at Bosque de San Antonio on 19<sup>th</sup>. Much better views of one carrying nesting material at Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. Another was seen at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. One was near Montezuma Lodge on the morning of 24<sup>th</sup>. One seen at Embalse de Camaguadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Variiegated Bristle-Tyrant *Pogontriccus p. poecilotis*

At least two were seen at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Marble-faced Bristle-Tyrant *Pogontriccus o. ophthalmicus*

Around seven were seen at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Streak-necked Flycatcher *Mionectes straticollis*

One was seen in the forest at Otún Quimbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Slaty-capped Flycatcher *Leptopogon superciliaris transandinus*

One was encountered low on the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>.

Rufous-breasted Flycatcher *Leptopogon rufipectus*

One was seen in the forest at Otún Quimbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Handsome Flycatcher *Nepbelomyias pulcher*

A little flock of six of this species was seen at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Ornate Flycatcher *Myiobriccus ornatus*

Four of these pretty little forest flycatchers were seen at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Scale-crested Pygmy Tyrant *Lophotriccus pileatus squamaecrista*

One was seen close to the El Descanso café on the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>.

Rufous-crowned Tody-Flycatcher *Poecilotritus ruficeps melanomystax*

Two birds were seen on the lower slopes at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Slaty-headed Tody-Flycatcher *Poecilotritus sylvia superciliaris*

A pair was seen at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Common Tody-Flycatcher *Todirostrum cinereum*

A single bird was seen at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. Other singles were at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>, Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup> and at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Fulvous-breasted Flatbill *Rhynchocyclus fulvipectus*

A single bird was seen at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Cinnamon Flycatcher *Pyrrhomyias cinnamomia pyrrhopterus*

Four were present along the upper part of the Old Buenaventura Road on the morning of 20<sup>th</sup>. Two were seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Black Phoebe *Sayornis nigricans*

Three were seen at river crossings on the lower part of the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. Five birds were by the fish pools at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup>. A couple more at Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup>. One was beside the Otún River on the afternoon of 24<sup>th</sup>.

Smoke-coloured Pewee *Contopus fumigatus*

One was at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup>. What was thought probably to be the same bird was seen on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Western Wood Pewee *Contopus sordidulus*

A single bird was seen, at lower altitude on the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>.

Vermilion Flycatcher *Pyrocephalus rubinus piurae*

Two in the carpark at Cali Airport on 19<sup>th</sup> gave an instant splash of colour to the tour and there were at least six more present later the same morning at Club Campestre de Cali. Five were at the Embalse de Camaguadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Streak-throated Bush Tyrant *Myiotheretes s. striaticollis*

Two of this striking species were seen on telephone wires at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Pied Water Tyrant *Fluvicola pica*

Just one of this striking species was seen, at the Embalse de Camaguadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Slaty-backed Chat-Tyrant *Ochthoeca cinnamomeiventris*

Two were seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Rufous-breasted Chat Tyrant *Ochthoeca rufipectoralis obfuscata*

Two were seen on the Termales access road on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Brown-backed Chat-Tyrant *Ochthoeca fumicolor ferruginea*

Five or more were seen in the high part of Los Nevados National Park on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Cattle Tyrant *Machetornis rixosa*

A single bird was in the horse paddocks at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup> and another was at the Embalse de Camaguadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Rusty-margined Flycatcher *Myiozetetes cayanensis bellmayri*

One was at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. Five were seen lower down, around the small farms, on the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. Two were at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. One was seen in the grounds at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup> and again on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Great Kiskadee *Pittangus sulphuratus caucensis*

Two noisy birds were in the carpark at Cali Airport on 19<sup>th</sup> and the species was conspicuous at Club Campestre de Cali later the same morning. At least five birds were at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. Three at the Embalse de Camaguadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Golden-crowned Flycatcher *Myiodynastes chrysocephalus minor*

One was seen at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. Another was by the river close to Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Tropical Kingbird *Tyrannus m. melancholicus*

A common species of open country and forest edge. First noted at Cali airport on 19<sup>th</sup> and then seen at many sites.

Fork-tailed Flycatcher *Tyrannus savana monachus*

A pair of this species around the car park at Cali Airport on 19<sup>th</sup> were the only birds seen.

Dusky-capped Flycatcher *Myiarchus tuberculifer*

One was seen close to Montezuma Lodge on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Apical Tyrant *Myiarchus apicalis*

We were fortunate to find a pair of this endemic species at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>.

Great Crested Flycatcher *Myiarchus crinitus*

The only bird of the trip was one at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Bright-rumped Attila *Attila spadiceus*

A single bird was seen at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Red-crested Cotinga *Ampelion rubrocristata*

One was at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Green & Black Fruiteater *Pipreola riefferii*

A female was seen at Bosque de San Antonio on 19<sup>th</sup>. Two were present at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup> and gave good views. A pair gave close views whilst we were breakfasting at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>. One was at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup> and another at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Barred Fruiteater *Pipreola a. arcuata*

At least one was seen at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Orange-breasted Fruiteater *Pipreola jacunda*

One was seen in cloud forest at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Scaled Fruiteater *Ampelioides tshudii*

One was seen in cloud forest at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Dusky Piha *Lipaugus fuscocinereus*

One was seen at Rio Blanco Reserve on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Olivaceous Piha *Snowornis c. cryptolophus*

One was encountered in the rainforest at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Purple-throated Fruitcrow *Oerula purpurata*

One was seen at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup> with two more nearby on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Red-ruffed Fruitcrow *Pyroderus scutatus*

One was in the grounds of the Otún Quimbaya Lodge early on the morning of 25<sup>th</sup> and at least another five were seen in the forest nearby later that morning.

Golden-winged Manakin *Masius chrysopterus bellus*

A female was seen momentarily at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Club-winged Manakin *Machaeropterus deliciosus*

A female was along the upper reaches of the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. A male was seen momentarily at Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup>.



Masked Tityra *Tityra semifasciata*

The only sighting was of two birds close to Montezuma Lodge on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Barred Becard *Pachyramphus v. versicolor*

An adult female was seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

White-winged Becard *Pachyramphus polychopterus dorsalis*

Three birds were seen in the upper part of the forest from Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>, including a singing male. A female was seen close to Montezuma Lodge on 24<sup>th</sup> with another at Otún Otumbaya the next day.

Black-billed Peppershrike *Cyclarbis nigristrostris atrirostris*

A singing male was encountered on the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. Two were seen at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. One was at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Slaty-crowned Shrike-Vireo *Vireolanus leucotis mikettae*

Shrike-Vireos are always great birds to see and this one, seen lower down on the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>, was no exception. A second bird was heard nearby.

Red-eyed Vireo *Vireo olivaceus*

One seen at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>.

Rufous-crowned Greenlet *Hylophilus poicilotis*

Two birds were seen close to Montezuma Lodge on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Black-chested Jay *Cyanocorax a. affinis*

Four rather distant birds were watched at Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Inca Jay *Cyanocorax yncas*

Three beautiful birds were at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup>. One was seen at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. Another single was at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Blue and White Swallow *Notiochelidon c. cyanoleuca*

The first few were seen around the car park at Cali Airport on 19<sup>th</sup>. Subsequently seen in small numbers at many sites.

Brown-bellied Swallow *Notiochelidon m. murina*

Five or six birds were present at the summit of Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>. Eight were in the higher part of Rio Blanco Reserve on 26<sup>th</sup>. Twenty or more at Los Nevados NP on 27<sup>th</sup> including nesting birds. Eight or so more were seen at the Hotel Termales del Ruiz later on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Southern Rough-winged Swallow *Stelgidopteryx ruficollis uropygialis*

There were at least 25 buzzing around Cali airport when we arrived on 25<sup>th</sup> with up to 10 more at Club Campestre de Cali later that morning. Two more were seen by the river crossing on the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. Three were seen at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. At least ten, probably more, were at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>. A lone bird was patrolling the river by Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup>. One was by the Otún River on 24<sup>th</sup>. Small numbers were present at the Embalse de Cameguadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Barn Swallow *Hirundo rustica erythrogaster*

Our only encounter with this familiar species was at Laguna de Sonso where there was a flock of around 100 on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Rufous Wren *Cinnycerthia unirufa unibrunnea*

Two were at Rio Blanco Reserve on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Sharpe's Wren/Sepia-Brown Wren *Cinnycerthia o. olivascens*

A group of seven, including a singing male, were seen at Bosque de San Antonio on 19<sup>th</sup>.

Sedge Wren (Grass Wren) *Cistothorus platensis aequatorialis*

Nice close views were obtained of one at Laguna Negra on 27<sup>th</sup>, with a second bird audible nearby.

Sooty-headed Wren *Pheugopedius spadix*

A pair, including a singing male, were seen at the upper levels of the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>.

Whiskered Wren *Pheugopedius mystacalis*

We obtained rather poor views of one at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Bay Wren *Cantorchilus nigricapillus connectens*

One bird was seen at the upper levels of the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. Another single was at Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup>.

House Wren *Troglodytes aedon striatulus*

Two were seen at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. Three were around the buildings at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup>. One was at the Emblase de Cameguadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Mountain Wren *Troglodytes s. stolstitialis*

Four were seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Grey-breasted Wood-Wren *Henicorbina leucophrys brunneiceps*

One was seen and another three or so heard at Bosque de San Antonio on 19<sup>th</sup>. Two were at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. Singles were heard at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup> and at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Munchique Wood-Wren *Henicorbina negreti*

A singing male gave good views at the summit of Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>. Another was heard a little way down the hill the same morning.

Chestnut-breasted Wren *Cyborhinus t. thoracicus*

A singing male at Km. 18 gave poor views on 21<sup>st</sup>. Another was heard only at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Andean Solitaire *Myadestes ralloides*

Singles were seen fleetingly at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> and at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Swainson's Thrush *Catharus ustulatus*

One seen at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup> and another at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Pale-eyed Thrush *Turdus leucops*

Just one was seen, in the forest at Montezuma on the morning of 24<sup>th</sup>.

Great Thrush *Turdus fuscater quindio*

The first was a single bird around the military base at Montezuma on the morning of 23<sup>rd</sup>. Another lone bird was seen at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>. Three seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>. One was at Laguna Negra on 27<sup>th</sup>, with three more at the Los Nevados NP Visitor Centre nearby. One visited the feeders at Hotel Termales del Ruiz on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Glossy-black Thrush *Turdus serranus*

One was at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>, looking remarkably like a European Blackbird.

Black-billed Thrush *Turdus ignobilis ignobilis/goodfellowi*

Numerous on the well-manicured lawns at Club Campestre de Cali on the morning of 19<sup>th</sup>. Particularly numerous at Finca Lolita where at least 20 birds were present on 19<sup>th</sup>. Relatively small numbers were seen along the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. Numerous in the gardens of Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. Two or three were seen in the grounds of Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup>. Single birds were seen in the forest at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. Several were seen in the Otún Quimbaya area on 25<sup>th</sup>. At least five were at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>. We probably saw two subspecies of Black-billed Thrush: *Goodfellowi* in the Western Andes and the nominate subspecies in the Central Andes.

White-capped Dipper *Cinclus leucocephalus leuconotus*

One was well-watched at the bridge by the Otún River in Pereira on 24<sup>th</sup> and two or three more were a little further up the river at a second stop the same afternoon.

Lesser Goldfinch *Spinus psaltria colombiana*

One was seen at a roadside stop east of Apia on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Yellow-bellied Siskin *Spinus zanthrogaster*

One was at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Thick-billed Euphonia *Euphonia lanirostris*

Three birds were seen in the gardens of Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup>.

White-vented Euphonia *Euphonia minuta humilis*

A displaying pair were seen at lower altitude on the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>.

Orange-bellied Euphonia *Euphonia xanthogaster chocoensis*

A pair were seen in the upper part of the Old Buenaventura Road and a further pair were at the El Descanso Cafe on 20<sup>th</sup>. Singles were at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> and at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Blue-naped Chlorophonia *Chlorophonia cyanea intensa*

Two birds, including one carrying nesting material, were at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Chestnut-breasted Chlorophonia *Chlorophonia pyrrhobryis*

Four were seen at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Black and White Warbler *Mniotilta varia*

The only one I saw was at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Olive-crowned Yellowthroat *Geothlypis s. semiflava*

A male was seen at the Emblase de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Cerulean Warbler *Setophaga cerulean*

One in the forest at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup> was a popular bird.

Tropical Parula *Setophaga pitiayumi pacifica*

Two were seen close to the El Descanso café on 20<sup>th</sup>. Two more were at Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Blackburnian Warbler *Setophaga fusca*

A female was seen at Bosque de San Antonio on 19<sup>th</sup>. Two were seen in the upper reaches of the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. There were at least five at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. Singles were seen at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Three were seen at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>. The final sighting was of one on the Termales access road on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Citrine Warbler *Myiothlypis luteoviridis*

One was seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Black-crested Warbler *Myiothlypis nigrocristata*

One was present on the Termales access road on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Buff-rumped Warbler *Myiothlypis fulvicauda semicervina*

One of these pretty birds in song was the first sighting of the morning at the top of the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. A singing male was heard at Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Russet-crowned Warbler *Myiothlypis coronata*

One was seen at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Three-striped Warbler *Basileuterus tristriatus*

Two were seen at Bosque de San Antonio on 19<sup>th</sup>. One in the upper part of the Old Buenaventura Road area on 20<sup>th</sup>. One was seen at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. At least six were seen at Montezuma on both 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, with just one there on 24<sup>th</sup> at lower altitude. One more was seen at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Canada Warbler *Cardellina canadensis*

One at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Slate-throated Whitestart *Myioborus miniatus*

The first two were seen at Bosque de San Antonio on 19<sup>th</sup>. There was one at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. Another was seen at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup>, with three more nearby on 23<sup>rd</sup>. One was seen at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>. Another was seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Golden-fronted Whitestart *Myioborus ornatus chrysops*

A singing male was at the top of Montezuma on the morning of 23<sup>rd</sup>. One was seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Chestnut-headed Oropendola *Psarocolius wagleri ridgwayi*

One bird came in to the feeders at the El Descanso Café on 20<sup>th</sup>. Two were at Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Russet-backed Oropendola *Psarocolius angustifrons salmoni*

Eight birds passed through the gardens at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup>, with another eleven seen nearby the next day and eight again on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Yellow Oriole *Icterus n. nigrogularis*

A bird was perched up on a billboard at Cali Airport on 19<sup>th</sup> and there was another at Club Campestre de Cali the same day. One was at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Shiny Cowbird *Molothrus bonariensis*

Up to ten birds were present around the horse paddocks at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. Five were at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Carib Grackle *Quiscalus lugubris*

Four were at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>. These birds are at the southern tip of this species' rapidly expanding range.

Red-bellied Grackle *Hypopyrrhus pyrohypogaster*

An entertaining group of six were seen at Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup> – an unusual record for the site.

Oriole Blackbird *Gymnomystax mexicanus*

Two were on the banks of the Cauca River at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Yellow-hooded Blackbird *Chrysomus icterocephalus*

A singing male was at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Bananaquit *Coereba flaveola*

Three were seen at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>, two at El Descanso on 20<sup>th</sup>. At least eight were in the gardens at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup> and two in the gardens at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup> and again on 24<sup>th</sup>. One was seen at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Rufous-collared Sparrow *Zonotrichia capensis*

Seen pretty much everywhere and at all altitudes. A bird was perched up on a billboard at Cali Airport on 19<sup>th</sup> and there was another at Club Campestre de Cali the same day. Two were at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. Four were around the gardens at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. Two birds were right up at the very top of Montezuma by the military post on the morning of 23<sup>rd</sup>. Six were present in the grounds of the Otún Quimbaya Lodge on the morning of 25<sup>th</sup>. Three singing males in the gardens of the lodge at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>. Two were at Laguna Negra and two more at the Hotel Termas del Ruiz on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Orange-billed Sparrow *Arremon aurantirostris occidentalis*

An elusive bird was the last of the day at the lowest point we reached on the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. It was a write-in to the Naturetrek Checklist for this tour.

Chestnut-capped Brushfinch *Arremon brunneinucha frontalis*

Two, including a singing male, were seen at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Olive Finch *Arremon castaneiceps*

Two pretty and charismatic birds fed on biscuit crumbs at our feet by one of the river crossings at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup>.

White-naped Brush Finch *Atlapetes albinucha*

One was seen at Bosque de San Antonio on 19<sup>th</sup>. One was at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Pale-naped Brush Finch *Atlapetes pallidinucha*

Two birds were in the gardens at the Hotel Termals del Ruiz on 27<sup>th</sup>, with another seen nearby from the access road.

Tricoloured (Choco) Brush Finch *Atlapetes crassus*

Three birds were seen on the upper part of the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>, including a singing male. Singles were at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup>. One was seen from the Termals access road on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Slaty Brush Finch *Atlapetes s. schistaceus*

Two or three were seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Common Bush Tanager *Chlorospingus flavopectus*

One was seen at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Dusky Bush Tanager *Chlorospingus semifuscus*

One was seen at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Yellow-throated Bush Tanager *Chlorospingus flavigularis marginatus*

Three birds were seen along the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. One was at Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup>.

White-capped Tanager *Sericossipha albocristata*

A loose group of six of these lovely birds were at Rio Blanco Reserve on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Dusky-faced Tanager *Mitrospingus c. cassini*

One was in the forest close to Montezuma Lodge on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Black-capped Hemispingus *Hemispingus atropileus*

One was seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>. Two were on the Termals access road on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Black-eared Hemispingus *Hemispingus m. melanotus*

Three were seen at Rio Blanco Reserve on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Black-headed Hemispingus *Hemispingus verticalis*

One bird was seen from the Termals access road on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Grey-hooded Bush Tanager *Cnemoscopus r. rubirostris*

One was at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

White-lined Tanager *Tachyphonus rufus*

One seen in the upper part and another on the lower part of the Old Buenaventura Road area on 20<sup>th</sup>.

Crimson-backed Tanager      *Ramphocelus dimidiatus*

Three of this striking species were seen at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. Another three were seen at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Crimson-rumped Tanager      *Ramphocelus ictronotus*

This species seems to show a wide range of colourings in the rump from red through orange to yellow. The first two were seen at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup>. Several were coming in to the feeders at the El Descanso café on 20<sup>th</sup>. Two or three were seen along the road at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. Five or six were around the grounds of Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. Four were around the feeders at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup>. Quite a few more were seen at Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup>. One was seen at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Blue-grey Tanager      *Thraupis episcopus quaesita*

As in many Latin American countries, this was the most frequently encountered Tanager species. Records from Club Campestre de Cali, Finca Lolita, Old Buenaventura Road, Km. 18, Finca Alejandria, Laguna de Sonso, Montezuma Lodge, Otún Quimbaya, Embalse de Cameduadua,

Palm Tanager      *Thraupis palmarum violivivata*

First seen at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup>. Subsequent records came from the Old Buenaventura Road, Km. 18, Finca Alejandria,

Blue-capped Tanager      *Thraupis cyanocephala annectens*

Two were seen very high on Montezuma on the morning of 23<sup>rd</sup>, with one there at much lower altitude on 24<sup>th</sup>. Two were seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Black-and-Gold Tanager      *Bangsia melanochlamys*

One was seen by some of the group in the cloud forest at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup> with better views of another a little higher up the same track on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Gold-ringed Tanager      *Bangsia aureocincta*

Views of one bird were achieved in the cloud forest at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Hooded Mountain Tanager      *Butbraupis montana cucullata*

Two beautiful birds were at the highest point on Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>. Four more were seen, albeit less well, from the Termales access road on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Lacrimose Mountain Tanager      *Anisognathus lacrymosus*

One was seen at Rio Blanco Reserve on 26<sup>th</sup>. A second was seen at the Hotel Termales del Ruiz on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Scarlet-bellied Mountain Tanager      *Anisognathus igniventris*

A couple of these very beautiful tanagers were seen at Hotel Termales del Ruiz on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Blue-winged Mountain Tanager      *Anisognathus somptuosus cyanopterus*

Two were seen at Bosque de San Antonio on 19<sup>th</sup>. Two more were at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. At least three birds were visiting the feeders at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. Three were seen at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup>. Lots in the gardens of the Lodge at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Black-chinned Mountain Tanager *Anisognathus notabilis*

One was seen at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Grass-green Tanager *Chlorornis r. riefferii*

A lone bird was seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Buff-breasted Mountain Tanager *Dubusia t. taeniata*

One bird visited the banana feeders in the garden of the lodge at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Purplish-mantled Tanager *Iridosornis porphyrocephalus*

A single bird was seen, in the upper part of the Old Buenaventura Road.

Fawn-breasted Tanager *Pipraeidea melanonota venezuelensis*

A single bird was seen, at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Glistening Green Tanager *Chlorochrysa phoenicotis*

One was seen in the upper part of the Old Buenaventura Road. Another was seen at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup>, with four more at Montezuma the following day.

Multicoloured Tanager *Chlorochrysa nittidissima*

A female and an immature male caused excitement when they came in to one of the feeders at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Golden Tanager *Tangara arthus*

A widespread species in the uplands, seen at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup>, on the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>, at Km. 18 and Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>, Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>,

Silver-throated Tanager *Tangara i. icterocephala*

Three or four birds were visiting the feeders at the El Descanso café on 20<sup>th</sup>. One came in at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

Saffron-crowned Tanager *Tangara xanthocephala*

One was seen at Km. 18, early on 21<sup>st</sup> with at least three more at Finca Alejandria later the same day.

Flame-faced Tanager *Tangara parzudakii lunigera*

One was seen at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Rufous-throated Tanager *Tangara rufifigula*

At least ten birds were seen along the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>.

Bay-headed Tanager *Tangara gyrola*

One visited the feeders at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup> and another the feeders at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Scrub Tanager *Tangara vitriolina*

One was at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. Two visited the feeders at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup>. One was seen along the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. One at Km. 18 and two at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. One had a nose around



the feeders at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup> and another was seen in the forest at Montezuma on 24<sup>th</sup>. One was at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Golden-naped Tanager *Tangara r. ruficervix*

Three were seen along the road at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. Two were at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Metallic-green Tanager *Tangara l. labradorides*

Two were seen at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup> and another two near Montezuma Lodge on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Blue-necked Tanager *Tangara cyanicollis*

Five or six at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup> included a pair visiting a nest site. One was at Otún Quimbaya Lodge on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Golden-hooded Tanager *Tangara larvata fanny*

One bird was seen at lower elevation on the Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. Two near Montezuma Lodge on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Beryl-spangled Tanager *Tangara nigroviridis cyanescens*

At least three birds were seen at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. One was at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>. Another single was seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Blue-and-Black Tanager *Tangara vasorii*

Two birds were in the lodge gardens at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup> with a dozen or more seen in the forest nearby.

Black-capped Tanager *Tangara heinei*

Two were at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup>. A single bird frequented the Lodge grounds at Montezuma on 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Swallow Tanager *Tersina viridis*

Two at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup> were the only Swallow Tanagers of the trip.

Green Honeycreeper *Chlorophanes spiza exsul*

Two birds were visiting the feeders at the El Descanso café on 20<sup>th</sup> and another was seen at lower elevation along the Buenaventura Road. At least five were around the gardens at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup> and three in similar circumstances at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup>. One in the 'Dacnis Tree' near Apia had us alert for a moment on 24<sup>th</sup>.

Golden-collared Honeycreeper *Iridophanes pullcherimus aureinucha*

A single bird was seen in the forest at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Capped Conebill *Conirostrum albifrons*

Two were seen from the Termals access road on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Rusty Flowerpiercer *Diglossa sittoides dorbignyi*

One was in the garden at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup>. Two more were seen at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Chestnut-bellied Flowerpiercer *Diglossa g. gloriosissima*

A pair was visiting an active nest up at the very highest point of Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Glossy Flowerpiercer *Diglossa lafresnayii*

One was seen in the gardens of the Hotel Termales del Ruiz on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Black Flowerpiercer *Diglossa humeralis*

One was seen at the Los Nevados National Park Visitor Centre on 27<sup>th</sup>.

White-sided Flowerpiercer *Diglossa a. albilatera*

One was seen at high altitude at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>. Two were working the gardens at Rio Blanco Lodge on 26<sup>th</sup>. Two were at the Hotel Termales del Ruiz on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Indigo Flowerpiercer *Diglossa indigotica*

One was seen at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Blueish Flowerpiercer *Diglossa caeruleascens*

One was seen at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Masked Flowerpiercer *Diglossa c. cyanea*

Two were around the grounds at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. One was at high level at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>. One was seen at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>. Four or five birds were busy around the gardens of the lodge at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>. Four more were at the Hotel Termales del Ruiz on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Plumbeous Sierra Finch *Phrygilus unicolor*

One bird was seen at Laguna Negra on 27<sup>th</sup> with another nearby at the Los Nevados NP Visitor Centre.

Slaty Finch *Haplospiza r. rustica*

There were brief views of a single bird at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Saffron Finch *Sicalis flaveola*

Up to ten birds were seen at Club Campestre de Cali. Two birds in the gardens at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup>. One was at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Buff-throated Saltator *Saltator m. maximus*

One was seen at Club Campestre de Cali and another at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup>.

Black-winged Saltator *Saltator a. atripennis*

One was at Km. 18 and two more at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. One was at Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup>. Two were seen at Otún Otumbaya on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Masked Saltator *Saltator cinctus*

There was excitement amongst locals and tourists alike when a pair of rare Masked Saltators passed through at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Streaked Saltator *Saltator s. striatipectus*

One was seen at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup>.

Blue-black Grassquit *Volatinia jacarina splendens*

Three were at Laguna de Sonso on 21<sup>st</sup>.

Slate-coloured Seedeater *Sporophila schistacea*

One was seen at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Yellow-bellied Seedeater *Sporophila nigricollis vivida*

Single birds was seen at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup> and Old Buenaventura Road on 20<sup>th</sup>. Two were at Km. 18 on 21<sup>st</sup>. Three birds were seen in the grounds of Montezuma Lodge on 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Ruddy-breasted Seedeater *Sporophila m. minuta*

One was seen at the Embalse de Cameduadua on 25<sup>th</sup>.

Paramo Seedeater *Catamenia b. homochroa*

One was at Laguna Negra on 27<sup>th</sup>.

Plushcap *Catamblyrhynchus d. diadema*

Two were seen at Rio Blanco on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Tooth-billed Tanager *Piranga lutea*

A male was in the gardens at Finca Lolita on 19<sup>th</sup>.

Summer Tanager *Piranga r. rubra*

As many as five birds were seen at Club Campestre de Cali on 19<sup>th</sup>. One was along the upper part of the Old Buenaventura Road and a second at the El Descanso café on 20<sup>th</sup>. Four different birds were using the feeders at Finca Alejandria on 21<sup>st</sup>. One was seen in the forest at Montezuma on 23<sup>rd</sup>. Several, in a variety of plumages, were in the gardens at Rio Blanco Lodge on 26<sup>th</sup>.

Crested Ant Tanager *Habia cristata*

This very attractive species was seen close to the bridge just above Montezuma Lodge on 24<sup>th</sup> – I saw just one, but I think there was a small group present.

Additional species seen by other tour participants include Andean Cock-of-the-Rock, Pacific Tuftedcheek, American Redstart, Black-thighed Puffleg, Yellow-bellied Chat Tyrant and Bronze-Olive Pygmy Tyrant.



Pacific Tuftedcheek by Mark McManus