

COLOMBIA - less travelled:

Mitú, Perijá, Inírida, *Ilanos*

November 9th - December 10th 2023



White-faced Amazon (Kawall's Parrot) at Mitú. Photo © Terry Laws

Report by Ann Duff

This four-week custom tour was arranged through Nature Colombia (www.naturecolombia.com) for five of us to visit less well-known areas of Colombia in search of some of the more difficult-to-see species. We were pleased that we used this company as they were helpful and efficient in sorting out any logistical problems we encountered. The main areas we wanted to visit included the Perijá range in north-east Colombia and the Amazonian towns of Mitú and Inírida in the far east of the country. An optional post-tour extension to the eastern Andean slope and *Ilanos* was made available and was taken up by all of the main tour participants. This trip report also includes our notes on a one-day pre-tour extension to the paramo in Chingaza National Park near Bogotá, as well as a last-day-of-the-tour visit to Sumapaz National Park and Chicaque Nature Reserve near Bogotá. 720 species of birds were recorded, of which 28 species were heard only. 19 species of mammals and 19 species of butterflies were also recorded.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Flights International return flights with Air Europa from London to Bogotá via Madrid cost £870 per person inclusive of all taxes. I have to add that I would not recommend this airline! During a 10 hours and 20 minutes outward bound flight we received only one meal soon after take-off and after that just a cup of tea or coffee prior to landing. On the return flight of 8 hours and 30 minutes we were given 'lunch' at 23:30! No visa is required but a Colombian immigration Checkmig form (see <https://apps.migracioncolombia.gov.co/pre-registro/en>) must be completed no sooner than 48 hours before both the inbound and outbound flights. In Colombia we had six internal Avianca or Satena flights, of which only one departed as originally scheduled. We had been warned that there were frequent changes to schedules and to expect such delays. The costs of all internal flights were included in the Nature Colombia invoice and had to be paid in full well in advance.

Guides Nature Colombia provided English-speaking birding guides and drivers for all stages of the tour. We found all of them to be excellent birders, all having great skill at identifying bird calls, use of playback and using laser pens to help us get on to the birds.

Transport in Colombia For five tour participants and a guide we had transport according to the terrain, varying from modern mini-buses to somewhat ramshackle 4x4s and at a couple of places a tuk-tuk!

Accommodation We spent several nights at a very good hotel in Bogotá then at variable quality hotels elsewhere, mainly with a/c or fans in the rooms. All had en-suite bathrooms but sometimes only cold showers in the Amazonian towns. Accommodation in Perijá was at a fairly basic, although clean and comfortable, lodge high in the mountains - perfectly acceptable.

Hotel Hilton Garden Inn, Bogotá Airport - 1 night at the start; 3 other nights between internal flights and 1 at the end of the tour

Hotel Mitú Real, Mitú - 6 nights

Chamicero del Perijá Reserve Lodge - 2 nights

Hotel Jagua Real, La Jagua de Ibirico - 1 night

Hotel Tarigua Ocaña, Ocaña - 2 nights

Hotel Fuente del Guania, Inírida - 5 nights

Hotel del Llano, Villavicencio - 1 night

Hotel El Aeropuerto, San José del Guaviare - 3 nights

Hotel GHL, Yopal - 1 night

Ecolodge Juan Solito, Hato La Aurora - 3 nights

Food and drink Generally good: *Breakfast*: Boxed breakfasts almost daily became rather tedious with the usual ham and cheese sandwich on soggy white bread predominating. Our guide was kind enough to obtain yogurt and fruit where possible. *Lunch*: provided at reserves or restaurants/cafes en route with an occasional boxed lunch. *Dinner*: plentiful quantity with a free choice from the menu except at Chamicero del Perijá Lodge and the Ecolodge Juan Solito where we were given set meals. *Drinks*: bottled water was provided throughout with juices or sodas with meals.

Currency Colombian peso (COP) is the national currency with an exchange rate of approx. COP5000 to GBP1 at the time of our visit. On arrival into the country, we used our debit cards to obtain currency from an ATM inside Bogotá Airport, in order to pay for laundry, drinks and tips. US\$ are not generally accepted in Colombia.

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Health Anti-malarial prophylaxis was advised for Mitú (where a case of malaria was reported during our visit) and Inírida. Yellow fever certificates are not compulsory nor were we asked for proof of COVID vaccinations. Chiggers and other biting insects were a constant irritation, especially in the lowlands, and wearing wellington boots in the field is advisable almost anywhere in Colombia.

Time zone Colombia is 5 hours behind GMT.

Weather Cold and misty at high altitude at Chingaza NP, Perijá and Sumapaz NP. Mostly very hot and sunny in the Amazonian region and on the *llanos*. Some time was lost due to occasional showers and an early morning in Inírida on 25/11 due to heavy winds and a tropical downpour.

Books For birds we relied on the *Birds of Colombia* by Steven L. Hilty (Lynx) as a reference book but on *Field Guide to the Birds of Colombia* by McMullan, Donegan & Quevedo (Proaves) once in the field. For mammals we used *All the Mammals of the World* (Lynx) on our return to the UK.

SUMMARY OF ITINERARY

- Nov. 9th** Overnight flight from London Gatwick via Madrid to Bogotá
- Nov. 10th** Pre-tour extension to Chingaza NP a.m.; Observatorio de Colibries p.m.
- Nov. 11th** La Florida Park before flight to Mitú
- Nov. 12th** Mitú Cachivera trail a.m.; Urania p.m.
- Nov. 13th** Ceima Cachivera trail a.m.; Finca los Caucanitas and Mitú town p.m.
- Nov. 14th** Puente de Lata; Pueblo Nuevo a.m.; Pueblo Nuevo p.m. but a different trail
- Nov. 15th** Sendero Bocatoma (Pipeline Trail) a.m.; Cerrito Verde p.m.
- Nov. 16th** Cruce Bocatoma all day with a break for lunch
- Nov. 17th** Mitú town; flight to Bogotá left very late so we missed our connecting flight to Valledupar; overnight at Hotel Hilton Garden Inn, Bogotá
- Nov. 18th** **Revised itinerary:** Flight to Riohacha; long drive to Chamicero del Perijá Reserve
- Nov. 19th** All day birding higher elevation above the lodge
- Nov. 20th** Lower elevation Perijá and around Mashiramo Glamping then downhill towards Manaure a.m; birding near La Paz en route to La Jagua de Ibirico p.m.
- Nov. 21st** Finca No Hay Como Dios and roadside birding a.m.; long drive to Ocaña and brief visit to Don Carmito's house (former ranger at Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve)
- Nov. 22nd** Don Carmito's house for coffee then Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve all day
- Nov. 23rd** Ocaña to Bucaramanga travel day; flight to Bogotá p.m.
- Nov. 24th** Flight to Inírida - left on time - a.m.; birding around town (Guamal Road) p.m.
- Nov. 25th** Power cut and tropical storm delayed birding before a visit to Sabanitas community a.m.; Caño Culebra p.m.
- Nov. 26th** Boat to the Matraca Trail a.m.; Caño Cunuben p.m.
- Nov. 27th** Boat to El Paujil Trail a.m.; boat to La Rompida p.m.
- Nov. 28th** Ecoparque KENKE (Sendero Flor de Inírida) a.m.; Caño Vitina and Sabanitas p.m.
- Nov. 29th** Sabanitas, Caño Culebra, Guamal Road and around town a.m.; flight to Bogotá p.m.
- Nov. 30th** Drive Bogotá to Guayabetal then Finca La Herreria a.m.; trails at the finca p.m.; drive to Villavicencio
- Dec. 1st** Bosque Bavaria a.m.; long drive to San José del Guaviare birding en route p.m.
- Dec. 2nd** Buena Vista a.m.; boat to Playas del Guaviare p.m.
- Dec. 3rd** Raudal del Guayabero all day; Puente Nowen, near San José del Guaviare, late p.m.
- Dec. 4th** Playa Guio (boat to Laguna Negra) and humidor in San José del Guaviare a.m.; flight to Yopal via Bogotá p.m.
- Dec. 5th** Drive from Yopal via Paz de Ariporo to Hato La Aurora (Juan Solito lodge) birding en route and around the lodge

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Dec. 6th	Crossed the Río Ariporo to bird the main hato a.m.; boat up the Río Ariporo
Dec. 7th	Crossed the Río Ariporo to drive to the main house, Hato La Aurora a.m.; boat down river until dusk
Dec. 8th	Drive from Hato La Aurora to Yopal birding en route a.m.; fly to Bogotá
Dec. 9th	Sumapaz NP a.m; Chicaque NR p.m. Flight to London Gatwick
Dec. 10th	Arrive London Gatwick p.m.

DAILY DIARY

Nov. 9th - International travel day

10:00 GMT Air Europa flight from London Gatwick to Bogotá via Madrid arriving at 19:35 local time. Met by our guide from Nature Colombia for transfer to the Hilton Garden Inn, Bogotá Airport.

Nov. 10th - Pre-tour extension: Chingaza NP, Observatorio de Colibries

04:40 Left our hotel for the long, slow drive to Chingaza NP. *Visitors must check the official website: <https://www.parquesnacionales.gov.co/nuestros-parques/pnn-chingaza/> for the rather onerous entry restrictions!* Cold, mist and drizzle hampered birding. Bronze-tailed Thornbill, Crowned Chat-tyrant, Pale-naped Brush-finch, Pale-bellied Tapaculo and Rufous (Muisca) Antpitta were some of the birds seen. In the afternoon we transferred to the Observatorio de Colibries where we spent a couple of hours enjoying the activity at the feeders. Highlights included Blue-throated Starfrontlet, Sword-billed Hummingbird, Great Sapphirewing and Coppery-bellied Puffleg.

Nov. 11th - La Florida Park, flight to Mitú

Checked out at 04:30 and drove to La Florida Park arriving before the gates were open at 06:00 so we ate our boxed breakfasts. We walked as far as the lagoon and had good views of Bogota Rail and Spot-flanked Gallinule. Transferred to the airport for our 13:15 Satena flight to Mitú; at 13:20 we were told it would be delayed. Eventually arrived in Mitú at 20:25 having lost our afternoon's birding. Our guide was required to pay a tourism tax of COP33000 (approx. £6.50) per person.



Misty morning at La Florida lake - photo © Ann Duff

Nov. 12th - Mitú

05:15 met our local guide, Miguel; drove to bridge which accesses start of Mitú Cachivera trail, an area of white-sand forest. Wellingtons were essential as we walked through the grassy area which preceded the trail itself. From this point it was hard to keep up with so many birds! Orange-cheeked Parrot, Maroon-tailed Parakeet, Black-chinned Antbird, Golden-headed Manakin and Short-tailed Pygmy-tyrant were just a few. Further along the trail we found Short-billed Honeycreeper, Imeri Warbling Antbird, a day roosting Blackish Nightjar, Grey-bellied Antbird, Black Manakin and Black-headed Parrot. We returned to Mitú for lunch before driving to Urania in the afternoon, seeing Bronzy Jacamar, Amazonian Scrub Flycatcher, White-browed Purpleuft, Spangled Cotinga, Red-fan Parrot, Amazonian Pygmy-kingfisher, Amazonian Tyrannulet and Opal-rumped Tanager for some. A take-away dinner delivered to our hotel was excellent.

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05:00 start for 40-45 minute drive to Ceima Cachivera - *terra firme* forest (permits required). We walked through the village to the Guianan Cock-of-the-Rock lekking area seeing Black-throated Antbird, Fiery Topaz (sub-adult), Paradise Jacamar on the way and then our target, a single Guianan Cock-of-the-Rock. Rain from 09:45 to 10:15 delayed our return to the vehicles and on our way back to them we were accosted by a rather inebriated couple who we couldn't understand as we don't speak Spanish and Miguel was some way ahead of us. Turned out they thought we didn't have permits which we did have. Mitú for lunch and a welcome siesta before visiting a hot, arid, white sand area near the worked-out Finca los Caucanitas. Good for Azure-naped Jay and Green-tailed Goldenthrout. On our way back into Mitú we visited various palm groves and eventually found a single Palmcreeper and the first of several Scarlet Macaws seen during the tour.

Nov. 14th - Mitú

04:30 drove for just over an hour to Puente de Lata (the metal bridge) where we had excellent views of three sparring male Fiery Topazes - superb! Close to the bridge there is a loop trail which produced Gould's Jewelfront, Scaly-breasted Woodpecker and great views of White-browed Purpleuft. On emerging back on to the main road we were delighted to see a Mottled-face Tamarin crossing the road. We continued to Pueblo Nuevo where we walked past the community long houses and on through waist-high grass to the start of the trail. Many new birds included Cinnamon-rumped Foliage-gleaner, Common Scale-backed Antbird, White-shouldered Antshrike and Chestnut-crested Antbird. We returned to the edge of the village for a boxed lunch; unfortunately there were no facilities available for us to use so we sweltered in the midday heat! We birded a different forest trail in the afternoon, seeing Banded Antbird and glimpsing a Tawny-tufted Toucanet.



Ancestral community long house (*maloca*) at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitú - photo © Andrew Duff

Nov. 15th - Mitú

04:45 drove to Sendero Bocatoma (Pipeline Trail), in white-sand forest, where wellingtons were again essential as a stream ran down the path and there were several log 'bridges' over deep water ditches to negotiate. Well worth it as the birding was excellent: Yellow-billed Jacamar, Yellow-green Grosbeak, Spot-backed Antwren, Citron-bellied Attila and, a real star, White-plumed Antbird. After lunch and a siesta we visited Cerrito Verde and had to wait for the rain to stop before adding Spot-backed Antbird. Lots of insect bites!!

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Nov. 16th - Mitú

04:30 drove to Cruce Bocatoma, an area of *terra firme* forest, and largely uphill. Rather quiet with the best birds being: Black-headed Antbird, Mouse-colored Antshrike, Pink-throated Becard, Great Jacamar, Black-bellied Cuckoo and Paradise Jacamar. Returned after lunch to bird the lower section seeing Amazonian Grosbeak. What was most exciting was having a large frog leaping madly along the track between us and then we realised that it was being chased by a very large fast-moving snake! Fortunately the snake wasn't poisonous, so Miguel said, just a *cazadora*, a hunter.



One very lucky frog - photo © Andrew Duff

Nov. 17th - Mitú, flight to Bogotá

05:00 birding around Mitú town early for parrots dispersing from roost, including good numbers of the very localised Kawall's Parrot, while also seeing a very confiding Amazonian Umbrellabird. Our 09:00 Satena flight to Bogotá had been rescheduled to 16:00 so most of the group continued to Urania to pick up a few extra species: Brown-banded Puffbird, Chestnut Woodpecker and Drab Water-tyrant. 14:30 transferred to the airport and were told that the plane was still in Bogotá and was due to arrive at 19:00. Eventually left Mitú at 21:30, only 12 hours late! We received 30% of our fare back but this was poor compensation for the morning's birding we missed at Los Besotes on the following day. We arrived at the hastily-booked Hilton Garden Inn, Bogotá Airport, at just after midnight, having missed our 16:19 Avianca flight to Valledupar.

Nov. 18th - flight to Riohacha, Riohacha to Chamicero del Perijá

No flights were available to Valledupar so we flew to Riohacha instead. The only House Sparrows of the trip were in the car park at Riohacha Airport. A brief stop in coastal scrub south of Riohacha was very worthwhile, producing Tocuyo Sparrow and Russet-throated Puffbird. We then continued driving south to La Paz where we exchanged our minibus for two 4x4s. A diversion not far from Manaure was a stakeout for the regional endemic Perija Brush-finch which performed despite the rain. We then carried on uphill to Chamicero del Perijá Lodge at approx. 2600 m, arriving at 17:45. Longuemare's Sunangels were still attending the feeders and at dusk we saw two Greater Band-winged Nightjars.

Nov. 19th - Chamicero del Perijá

05:00 took the 4x4s to Sabana Rubia, high paramo at an altitude of approx. 3000 m, to search for Perijá specialities. Perija Thistletail played hard to get in the cold, misty dawn but was eventually seen well as were the Black-fronted Brush-finch, Perija Metaltail, Perija Antpitta, Perija Tapaculo and a brief Perija Starfrontlet. An Andean Pygmy-owl was also called in. After an excellent lunch at the lodge we enjoyed watching Black-fronted Wood-Quail and Chestnut-crowned Antpitta at the feeders before retracing our steps to bird above the lodge, slowly making our way back down. After dinner we heard and saw a Rufous-banded Owl just outside the lodge.

Nov. 20th - Chamicero del Perijá to La Jagua de Ibirico, near La Paz

After breakfast we thanked the staff who had taken such good care of us at the lodge, packed our bags and drove slowly down the mountain above Manaure, stopping near Mashiramo Glamping to search for the highly localised and seasonal Rufous-shafted Woodstar, which we found. En route to La Jagua de Ibirico we took a side road near La Paz for Stripe-backed Wren.

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Nov. 21st - La Jagua de Ibirico to Ocaña, Finca No Hay Como Dios

Left La Jagua at 05:00 for the rough ride in old 4x4s up to Finca No Hay Como Dios where we were greeted by the owner, Nelson. Our main target was Perijá Parakeet and once we'd seen the parakeets Nelson's daughter-in-law cooked a delicious breakfast. On our way back to the main road we received news that there was a protest at La Palmita where locals had blocked the road which meant our mini-bus couldn't get through to pick us up in La Jagua. Our guide hastily contacted Nature Colombia's office and arranged for the 4x4s to take us to La Palmita where we walked through the blockade to another mini-bus on the other side. We continued to Ocaña where we briefly visited the garden of Don Carmito, a now-retired forest guard of the Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve.



Waiting for Perija Parakeets, Finca No Hay Como Dios - photo © Andrew Duff



Negotiating the blockade at La Palmita - photo © Brendan Ryan

Nov. 22nd - Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve

We again went to Don Carmito's garden to eat our boxed breakfasts while watching the birds at his feeders, before continuing the short drive up to the reserve. It took a while to find any bushbirds and the first was a female that we watched using her curved bill to strip a piece of bamboo. Other birds included Klages's Antbird, Stripe-breasted Spinetail, Chestnut-bellied Thrush and a pair of Black Hawk-eagles. Afternoon birding was delayed as our driver sought a way out of town; there was yet another blockade, this time by local minicab drivers. We returned to bird a different track outside the reserve, finding Band-tailed Guan, Grey-throated Warbler and Chestnut-bellied Thrush.

Nov. 23rd - Ocaña to Bucaramanga travel day, flight to Bogotá

A slow travel day on winding roads with two fairly long delays, firstly due to two lorries breaking down either side of the road with little room to get through and secondly due to a bad accident in which a large lorry had completely overturned. However we made it to Bucaramanga Airport in time for our delayed Avianca flight to Bogotá.

Nov. 24th - travel day, flight from Bogotá to Inírida, Inírida

Breakfast at the Hilton Garden Inn - luxury! The Satena flight to Inírida was on time and after checking in to our hotel we went birding in the afternoon with local guide, Daniel, of Orinoco Nature Tours. There was a slight breeze which helped as it was very hot. We drove along the rubbish-strewn Gaumal Road to visit an area of white-sand forest and savanna adding several new birds to our list, including Brown Jacamar, Golden-spangled Piculet, Rufous-crowned and Plain-crested Elaenias, Least Nighthawk and heard an Ash-throated Crake.

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Nov. 25th - Inírida

Woke early to see lightning and to hear the wind then thunderclaps followed by torrential rain and a power cut. We waited for the rain to ease off and left the hotel at 09:30 for the Sabanitas community village where soon after our arrival Brendan spotted a Sunbittern sauntering between the houses! We walked slowly through the white-sand forest for about three hours seeing a pair of Slate-colored Hawks and eventually our main target, Capuchinbird. An excellent lunch was cooked for us by members of the community who made us very welcome. Late afternoon we drove to Caño Culebra which was very quiet but where a Crested Eagle had been photographed a week or so prior to our visit. A large raptor was glimpsed flying away but unfortunately was not identifiable.

Nov. 26th - Inírida

This morning we took a boat across the Río Inírida where we were joined by a sharp-eyed member of the local Guardia Indigena. Along the river were several Black-collared Swallows. We birded the Matraca Trail (*varzea* forest) where it was very hot and sweaty but worth it for many new birds, including Varzea Schiffornis, Chestnut-capped and Collared Puffbirds, Cream-colored Woodpecker, Black Bushbird, Wire-tailed Manakin, Rufous-capped Antthrush, Orinoco Softtail and Orinoco Piculet! One highlight was watching a Buff-breasted Wren bathing repeatedly in the cup of a large white fungus - quite delightful. After lunch we explored Caño Cunuben by boat, failing to find Sungrebe but there was some consolation in seeing Orinoco River Dolphin.



Buff-breasted Wren - photo © Brendan Ryan

Nov. 27th - Inírida

A brief foray along a trail in woodland opposite our hotel for Spot-winged Antbird then across the river again to the El Paujil trail which was fairly quiet. Best birds were Blue-crowned Trogon and Rose-breasted Chat, and on the way back a surprise sighting of two Common Terns on a sand bar. After lunch the boat took us downriver then up the Río Guaviare to a very modest one-family settlement at La Rompida. Our target was the so-called Unnamed Antshrike which we duly saw very well. On our way back to Inírida at dusk we paused to watch a group of Band-tailed Nighthawks hawking low over the water where the rivers met. Our spotlights attracted the attention of a vigilant Colombian Navy patrol boat, all of the crew being armed with assault rifles and dressed in commando outfits, but we soon satisfied them that we were harmless. Back at the jetty in Inírida town we observed good numbers of Sand-colored Nighthawks feeding around some brightly-lit buildings.



Sunset over the Río Inírida - photo © Andrew Duff

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Nov. 28th - Inírida

Out today from 05:45 to 17:00 - exhausting! We first visited the Yapacana Antbird Reserve (Ecoparque KENKE) and after close views of a pair of said bird continued on the Sendero Flor de Inírida trail. Highlights included Spotted Puffbird, Saffron-crested Tyrant-manakin, Red-shouldered Tanager, and a Campina Thrush hopping about among the houses. Before lunch our tuk-tuks took us to Caño Vitina where we connected with Purple-breasted and Pompadour Cotingas. Back at the centre the ladies had prepared a traditionally-cooked feast for us and we were glad of the brief shower which necessitated a siesta. A Russet-crowned Crake was later attracted to playback from the dormitory at the centre.

Late afternoon we returned to Sabanitas to try for Pale-bellied Mourner again but without success.



Entrance sign KENKE - photo © Andrew Duff

Nov. 29th - Inírida, flight to Bogotá

Our Satena flight to Bogotá had been rescheduled but we still had time to revisit Sabanitas where we did eventually see the *Myiarchus*-like Pale-bellied Mourner - third time lucky! After a futile trip to Caño Culebra for potential Crested Eagle we drove into town to watch Orange-crowned Yellow-finch feeding on some rice put out for them on the pavement. Our flight time was changed again so we had plenty of time to shower and finish packing. Quite nice to have a few hours to relax at the Hilton Garden Inn in Bogotá when we eventually arrived.

Nov. 30th - Bogotá to Villavicencio, Finca La Herreria

04:00 start this morning to beat the traffic which we did until a few minutes away from our first destination, the town of Guayabetal, when a problem at one of the tunnels delayed us briefly. Jeeps were waiting to drive us from the town for over an hour up a bumpy, steep road to Finca La Herreria. By the time we arrived it was raining quite heavily so we had a drink before the short walk to the hide which the family have erected for guests to enjoy and photograph a very special bird: the recently described Cundinamarca Antpitta. The bird was already waiting to be fed and was at times too close to photograph - oh that more antpittas were so obliging! Ochre-breasted Brush-finch was also seen on the nearby hillside.

Shaira, the Herrero's 8-year-old daughter, gave us a wonderful talk, in English, explaining how this blackberry farm had become a nature reserve. After a good breakfast we walked one of the trails where Brown-breasted Parakeets were calling but not showing themselves. Another delicious meal before we left for the drive downhill back to our minibus, birding along the way and seeing two Green-bellied Hummingbirds and a White-browed Antbird. Drove to Villavicencio.



Shaira, future bird guide - photo © Ann Duff



Finca La Herreria - photo © Andrew Duff



Entrance sign at Finca La Herreria - photo © Ann Duff

Dec. 1st - Villavicencio to San José del Guaviare, Bosque Bavaria, Puente Nowen

05:15 drove the short distance to Bosque Bavaria where we ate our boxed breakfast before walking the track until mid-morning. Good birds included: Yellow-mandibled Sparrow, White-chested Puffbird, Yellow-billed Nunbird, White-chinned Jacamar and Amazonian Motmot. We were surprised to see a very large Green Iguana stationary on the track; sadly it had a broken leg and there was nothing we could do for it. A long drive to San José del Guaviare followed with a few stops en route, notably at Puente Nowen where the marshes held Scarlet Ibis, Snail Kite, Horned Screamer, Limpkin and other wetland species.

Dec. 2nd - San José del Guaviare

Met our local guide, Wilbur, and drove to Buena Vista close to the Río Guaviare where we quickly found Scarlet-crowned Barbet. Some other species seen were Dugand's Antwren, Orange-eyed Flatbill, Solitary Cacique and Grey Seedeater. We also saw several Golden-brown Uacari monkeys and a group of Proboscis Bats roosting under the footbridge. In the afternoon we took a boat to Playas del Río Guaviare, a river island where it was very hot and some of the group were feeling unwell with upset stomachs. We managed to find Lesson's Seedeater, River Tyrannulet and Orinoco Goose.

Dec. 3rd - San José del Guaviare, Raudal del Guayabero, Puente Nowen

04:30 start for the 90-minute drive to Raudal del Guayabero where Sooty-capped Hermits were buzzing among the buildings. We then took a boat through the most amazing gorge before disembarking to bird *terra firme* forest for the main target, Brown Nunlet. Apart from a nice Amazonian Royal Flycatcher the birding was rather quiet and the Common Woolly Monkeys were a nice diversion. We returned to the village for lunch where the villagers were busy putting up Christmas decorations and a Nativity scene in the centre of the village. Our guide decided we should try birding the far end of the trail we'd been on in the morning. However our driver refused to take his newish 4x4 up the fairly rough track. We began walking and spent some time getting acceptable views of a fast-flying Stripe-necked Tody-tyrant. The forest was a long way off from where we were and there was no shade; with some of the group still unwell we decided to head back to San José. We visited Puente Nowen again where we saw our only Capped Heron of the tour.

Dec. 4th - San José del Guaviare, Playa Guio, flight to Yopal via Bogotá

A lovely morning at Playa Guio being paddled silently to the Laguna Negra; sadly no Sungrebe although we did see lots of Hoatzins, Silvered Antbird, Great Potoo and a White-rumped Sirystes. On the way back to town we saw Purple-throated Fruitcrow and at a wetland on the edge of town there was a Slender-billed Kite. We walked to the airport from our hotel as it was across the road from it and yet

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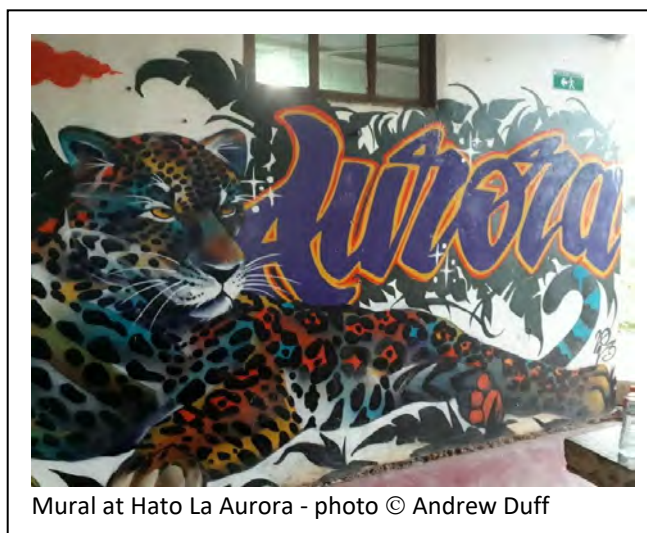
again our flight was delayed and it was touch-and-go as to whether we would make it to Bogotá in time for our connecting flight to Yopal. Fortunately the Yopal flight was delayed and we made it in time.

Dec. 5th - travel day, Yopal to Hato La Aurora

Left Yopal at 05:00 for the long drive to Hato La Aurora arriving at the Ecolodge Juan Solito at midday, having stopped en route for boxed breakfast and birding. Best birds on the journey were Sharp-tailed Ibis, Pale-headed Jacamar and good views of Crested Bobwhite. After lunch we met our lodge guide, Jeremiah, and birded in the lodge grounds seeing Two-banded Puffbird, White-bearded Flycatcher and Masked Cardinal. As we walked back to the lodge we casually asked our guide if there was any chance of seeing Giant Anteater on the estate and were told that one had been seen that afternoon close to the lodge and if we went quickly it might still be around! Jeremiah went to find the drivers and we followed after a brief detour to our rooms. We crammed into one jeep and raced to a small area of woodland where we soon found the anteater snuffling for ants amongst the tree roots and fallen branches. We watched until it disappeared from view, delighted to have fulfilled an ambition.

Dec. 6th - Hato La Aurora

We had arranged with Jeremiah that he would come to get us at first light if the anteater was still around which meant that, when news came that it was still showing, we immediately deserted our breakfasts. It was such a pleasure to watch this magnificent mammal ambling through the vegetation, pausing occasionally to sniff the air. Plain Thornbirds were also found around their huge stick nests in the same area. Satisfied, we returned to our cold scrambled eggs. We crossed the river where an African safari-style vehicle waited to take us across the open scrubby savanna as far as the wetlands. Apart from a distant Azure Gallinule, two Yellowish Pipits, Grassland Sparrow and an Aplomado Falcon, the lakes were rather



Mural at Hato La Aurora - photo © Andrew Duff

disappointing with just a few common waders, ducks and herons. After lunch back at the lodge we returned to the boat to go upriver looking for Crestless Curassow, but to no avail. However we did have amazing views of three Sunbitterns and a large Caiman with part of a mammal dangling from its jaws. A Tropical Screech-owl showed very well close to the dining room at the lodge in the evening.

Dec. 7th - Hato La Aurora

05:30 breakfast before crossing the river where two vehicles were waiting to take us back across the savanna but this time as far as the main house at Hato La Aurora where we birded the grounds, seeing Crane Hawk, King Vulture, some Spectacled Parrotlets and good views of the localised Venezuelan Troupial. Back at the lodge there was no vehicle available for us after lunch so some of the group set off on foot to bird along the entrance drive. It soon became apparent that it was too hot with no shade and very few birds. As there was a boat for us we had one last go at finding a curassow but without any success.

Dec. 8th - Hato La Aurora to Yopal, flight to Bogotá

We left the lodge at 06:30 for Yopal with stops en route for White-tailed Goldenthrout. Our 15:20 Satena flight to Bogotá had been delayed so our guide managed to get us on the earlier 11:00 flight which had also been delayed - confusing! We finally left Yopal at approx. 16:00, arriving at Hilton Garden Inn at

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17:50. After 45 minutes trying to check-in for our Air Europa flight home (we were being asked to pay extra for the seats the airline had assigned to us!) we gave up and went for our last dinner all together.

Dec. 9th - Bogotá, Sumapaz NP, Chicaque NR, flight to London

Last birding day so a very early 04:00 departure from the hotel, arriving at the paramo in Sumapaz NP at 05:50 after picking up a young lady from the parks department - seems it was necessary to be accompanied. It was cold, misty and drizzling when we walked from the lagoon down to the marsh for Noble Snipe where a pair of Northern Tawny Antpittas and Apolinar's Wren also put in an appearance. It took a while to find our main targets, Green-bearded Helmetcrest, Chestnut-winged Cinclodes, Andean Tit-spinetail and Rufous-browed Conebill, before we drove on to the army checkpoint where we had good views of a stunning Red-rumped Bush-tyrant. We still had plenty of time before our evening flight so we drove to Chicaque NP for a key target for some of the group. The feeders at the restaurant did not disappoint with great views of Golden-bellied Starfrontlet. The area around the toilet block also proved fruitful with two Chestnut-crowned Antpittas and an elusive Ash-colored Tapaculo. Further up the road a small feeding flock included a Plushcap and several Yellow-fronted Whitestarts. We left the reserve at 15:00 allowing lots of time to get to the airport just in case there were any hold-ups. Once at the airport we packed wellies away in our cases and settled in the Crepes & Waffle restaurant for drinks and to catch up on the checklist. Our flight inevitably was delayed for half-an-hour and after an uncomfortable eight-and-a-half hours of not sleeping we arrived in Madrid. From then all went smoothly and we landed at Gatwick on time on 10th December.

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BIRDS

Taxonomy and sequence mostly follow Hilty *Birds of Colombia*, which is based on the Birdlife International checklist.

Little Tinamou *Crypturellus soui* - heard Sendero Bocatoma 15-16/11; heard No Hay Como Dios 21/11

Undulated Tinamou *Crypturellus undulatus* - heard Playa Guio 3/12

Variiegated Tinamou *Crypturellus variegatus* - heard Sabanitas 14/11; heard Sendero Bocatoma 15-16/11

Barred Tinamou *Crypturellus casiquiare* - heard Cruce Bocatoma 16/11

Band-tailed Guan *Penelope argyrotis* - 3 near La Paz on 18/11; 7 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve on 22/11

Rufous-vented Chachalaca *Ortalis ruficauda* - seen daily at Juan Solito Lodge

Speckled Chachalaca *Ortalis guttata* - 1 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 4 Mitú 17/11; 2 Caño Culebra 25/11; 3 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12

Crested Bobwhite *Colinus cristatus* - 1 en route to Juan Solito Lodge, 5/12; 2 roadside near Juan Solito Lodge 6/12 & 8/12

Black-fronted Wood-quail *Odontophorus atrifrons* **VU** - 2 at Perijá Lodge on 19/11

Horned Screamer *Anhima cornuta* - seen daily on the *Ilanos*

White-faced Whistling-Duck *Dendrocygna viduata* - seen daily on the *Ilanos*

Black-bellied Whistling-Duck *Dendrocygna autumnalis* - seen daily on the *Ilanos*

Andean Duck *Oxyura ferruginea* - 5 at La Florida on 11/11 including some 'andina' types which are apparent hybrids with Ruddy Duck *O. jamaicensis*; 14 at Sumapaz NP on 9/12

Muscovy Duck *Cairina moschata* - 1 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11

Brazilian Teal *Amazonetta brasiliensis* - 6 on wetlands at Hato La Aurora 6/12

Andean Teal *Anas andium* - 5 at Sumapaz NP 9/12

Orinoco Goose *Oressochen jubatus* - 7 Playas del Guaviare 2/12; 1 Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12; 4 boat upriver Juan Solito Ecolodge 6/12

Blue-winged Teal *Spatula discors* - 7 La Florida 11/11

Pied-billed Grebe *Podilymbus podiceps* - 4 La Florida 11/11

Sunbittern *Eurypyga helias* - 1 walking around the village Sabanitas 25/11; 2 Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12; 3 boat upriver Juan Solito Ecolodge 6/12

Rock Dove *Columba livia* - regularly seen in towns and cities

Scaled Pigeon *Patagioenas speciosa* - 2 Mitú town 17/11; heard Ceima Cachivera 13/11; 1 Matraca Trail 26/11

Bare-eyed Pigeon *Patagioenas corensis* - 2 Chamicero del Perijá 18/11

Southern Band-tailed Pigeon *Patagioenas albilinea* - c. 20 Chingaza NP 10/11; 10+ en route to Observatorio de Colibries 10/11; c. 15 Chamicero del Perijá 20/11; Southern Band-tailed Pigeon is a Birdlife International split from Band-tailed Pigeon *P. fasciata*

Pale-vented Pigeon *Patagioenas cayennensis* - regularly around Inírida

Plumbeous Pigeon *Patagioenas plumbea* - heard Sendero Bocatoma Trail 16/11; 1 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11

Ruddy Pigeon *Patagioenas subvinacea* **VU** - 1 on 12/11 and 2 on 17/11 Urania; 1 Matraca Trail 26/11

White-tipped Dove *Leptotila verreauxi* - 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; 1 above Manaure 20/11; 4 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; 1 Chamicero del Perijá 22/11

Grey-fronted Dove *Leptotila rufaxilla* - heard Ceima Cachivera on 13/11

Lined Quail-dove *Zentrygon linearis* - heard Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11

Eared Dove *Zenaida auriculata* - 3 en route to Observatorio de Colibries 10/11; c. 15 La Florida 11/11; 3 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve on 22/11

Scaled Dove *Columbina squamata* - seen daily at Chamicero del Perijá

Common Ground-dove *Columbina passerina* - singles Urania 12/11 & 17/11; 1 Gaumal Road 24/11

Plain-breasted Ground-dove *Columbina minuta* - singles Inírida on 27-28/11

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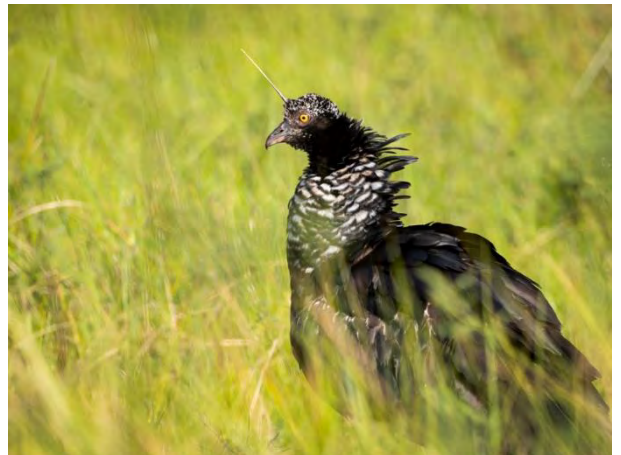
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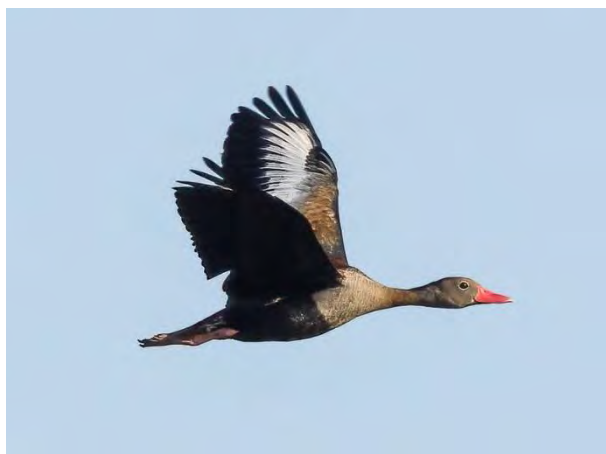
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- Ruddy Ground-dove** *Columbina talpacoti* - 1 Matraca Trail 26/11; 2 Sabanitas 28/11
- Blue Ground-dove** *Claravis pretiosa* - 1 female Sendero Bocatoma 15/11; heard Inírida 29/11
- Great Potoo** *Nyctibius grandis* - 1 Playa Guio 4/12
- Least Nighthawk** *Chordeiles pusillus* - 2 Guamal Road 24/11
- Common Nighthawk** *Chordeiles minor* - 1 Guamal Road 24/11
- Sand-colored Nighthawk** *Chordeiles rupestris* - c. 10 Inírida 27/11
- Band-tailed Nighthawk** *Nyctiprogne leucopyga* - 5 Río Guaviare 27/11
- Blackish Nightjar** *Nyctipolus nigrescens* - 1 Mitú Cachivera 12/11
- Greater Band-winged Nightjar** *Systellura longirostris* - 2 Chamicero del Perijá Lodge 18/11
- Pauraque** *Nyctidromus albicollis* - 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11
- White-collared Swift** *Streptoprocne zonaris* - c. 30 en route to San José del Guaviare 1/12; 6 Puente Nowen 3/12
- Grey-rumped Swift** *Chaetura cinereiventris* - 2 Urania 12/11; c. 10 Sendero Bocatoma 16/11; 4 Sabanitas 25/11 & 29/11; 2 Buena Vista 2/12
- Short-tailed Swift** *Chaetura brachyura* - c. 10 Urania 12/11; 5 around Mitú 15/11; 2 Matraca Trail 26/11
- Fork-tailed Palm-swift** *Tachornis squamata* - numerous Mitú 12-13/11; 1 Sabanitas 25/11; 2 Inírida 29/11
- Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift** *Panyptila cayennensis* - 2 Buena Vista 2/12
- Fiery Topaz** *Topaza pyra* - 1 female Ceima Cachivera on 13/11; 3 males Puente de Lata 14/11
- White-necked Jacobin** *Florisuga mellivora* - 1 female Puente de Lata 14/11; 1 male Sendero Bocatoma 15/11
- Rufous-breasted Hermit** *Glaucis hirsutus* - 1 Buena Vista 2/12
- Grey-chinned Hermit** *Phaethornis griseogularis* - 1 Bosque Bavaria 1/12
- Reddish Hermit** *Phaethornis ruber* - 1 Ceima Cachivera 13/11; 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; 1 Sendero Bocatoma 16/11; 1 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11
- Sooty-capped Hermit** *Phaethornis augusti* - 3 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
- White-bearded Hermit** *Phaethornis hispidus* - 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11; 1 Buena Vista 2/12
- Straight-billed Hermit** *Phaethornis bourcieri* - 1 Mitú Cachivera 12/11
- Great-billed Hermit** *Phaethornis malaris* - 1 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11
- Green (Lesser) Violet-ear** *Colibri cyanotus* - Chamicero del Perijá 18/11, 19/11, 20/11; 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11; 7 Chicaque NR 9/12.; in the eBird/Clements and IOC taxonomies the South American form is split from the Central American form as Lesser Violet-ear *Colibri cyanotus*
- Sparkling Violet-ear** *Colibri coruscans* - c. 10 Observatorio de Colibries 10/11; 2 La Florida 11/11; 3 Chamicero del Perijá 18-20/11; 2 Chicaque NR 9/12

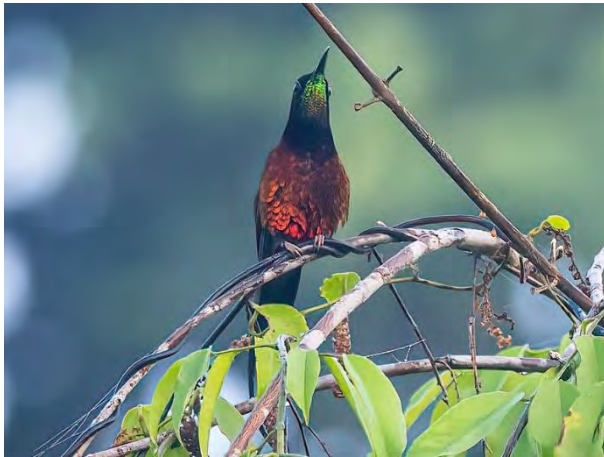
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White-tailed Goldenthrroat *Polytmus guainumbi* - 1 between Juan Solito Lodge and Pasa de Ariporo 8/12

Green-tailed Goldenthrroat *Polytmus theresiae* - 1 Finca los Caucanitas, Mitú 13/11; 1 Guamal Road 24/11; 3 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11

Ruby-topaz Hummingbird *Chrysolampis mosquitus* - 1 female near Riohacha 18/11

Black-throated Mango *Anthracothorax nigricollis* - 1 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 1 Finca los Caucanitas 13/11; 1 Puente de Lata 14/11

Longuemare's Sunangel *Heliangelus clarisse* - 4 Chamicero del Perijá 18/11; c. 10 on 19/11; similar number on 20/11

Tourmaline Sunangel *Heliangelus exortis* - 4 Chicaque NR 9/12

Speckled Hummingbird *Adelomyia melanogenys* - 3 Finca La Herreria 30/11

Long-tailed Sylph *Agelaiocercus kingii* - 2 Finca La Herreria 30/11; Chicaque NR 9/12

Black-tailed Trainbearer *Lesbia victoriae* - 2 Observatorio de Colibries 10/11

Green-tailed Trainbearer *Lesbia nuna* - 1 Observatorio de Colibries 10/11

Bronze-tailed Thornbill *Chalcostigma heteropogon* - 2 Chingaza NP 10/11

Green-bearded Helmetcrest *Oxypogon guerinii* - 1 Sumapaz NP 9/12

Perija Metaltail *Metallura iracunda* EN - 3+ Chamicero del Perijá 19/11

Tyrian Metaltail *Metallura tyrianthina* - 2 Chingaza NP 10/11; 3 Observatorio de Colibries 10/11; 7+ Chamicero del Perijá 19/11; 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11

Glowing Puffleg *Eriocnemis vestita* - 3 Chingaza NP 10/11; 2 Observatorio de Colibries 10/11

Coppery-bellied Puffleg *Eriocnemis cupreovertris* - 1 Chingaza NP 10/11; 1 Observatorio de Colibries 10/11

Emerald-bellied Puffleg *Eriocnemis aline* - 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11

Collared Inca *Coeligena torquata* - 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11; 1 Chicaque NR 9/12

Perijá Starfrontlet *Coeligena consita* **VU** - 1 briefly Chamicero del Perijá 19/11

Golden-bellied Starfrontlet *Coeligena bonapartei* - 3 Chicaque NR 9/12

Blue-throated Starfrontlet *Coeligena helianthea* - 3 Observatorio de Colibries 10/11

Mountain Velvetbreast *Lafresnaya lafresnayi* - 1 female Chamicero del Perijá 19/11

Sword-billed Hummingbird *Ensifera ensifera* - 1 Observatorio de Colibries 10/11

Great Sapphirewing *Pterophanes cyanopterus* - 1 Observatorio de Colibries 10/11

Buff-tailed Coronet *Boissonneaua flavescens* - 1 Chicaque NR 9/12

Gould's Brilliant (Jewelfront) *Heliodoxa aurescens* - 1 Puente de Lata trail 14/11

Blue-tailed Emerald *Chlorostilbon mellisugus* - 2 Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12; 3 en route Hato La Aurora to Yopal 8/12

Coppery Emerald *Chlorostilbon russatus* - 2 below Manaure 20/11

Short-tailed Emerald *Chlorostilbon poortmani* - 1 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11

Grey-breasted Sabrewing *Campylopterus largipennis* - 1 Mitú Cachivera 12/11

White-vented Plumeleteer *Chalybura buffonii* - 2 below Manaure 20/11; 1 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11

Crowned Woodnymph *Thalurania colombica* - 1 below Manaure 20/11

Fork-tailed Woodnymph *Thalurania furcata* - 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11, 16-17/11; 1 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11

Rufous-tailed Hummingbird *Amazilia tzacatl* - 1 below Manaure 20/11

Steely-vented Hummingbird *Saucerottia saucerottei* - 4 below Manaure 20/11; 1 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11

Green-bellied Hummingbird *Saucerottia viridigaster* - 4 en route to Villavicencio 30/11

Glittering-throated Emerald *Chionomesa fimbriata* - 1 Guamal Road 24/11; 1 La Rompida 27/11; 1 Playa Guio 4/12

Versicolored Emerald *Chrysuronia versicolor* - 2 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11

Shining-green Hummingbird *Chrysuronia goudoti* - 1 below Manaure 20/11

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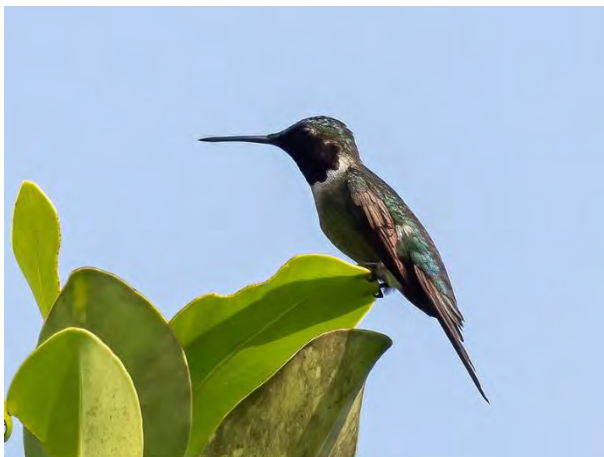
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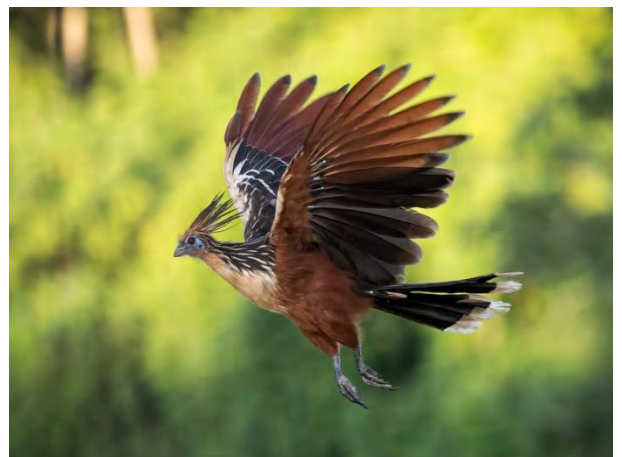
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Amethyst Woodstar - photo © Terry Laws



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White-chinned Sapphire *Chlorestes cyanus* - 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11; 1 Sabanitas 25/11; 3 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12

White-bellied Woodstar *Chaetocercus mulsant* - 10+ Observatorio de Colibries 10/11

Rufous-shafted Woodstar *Chaetocercus jourdani* - 3 near Mashiramo Glamping 20/12, seen around orange-flowered bushes in the garden of a bungalow downhill from the main glamping area

Amethyst Woodstar *Calliphlox amethystina* - 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11

Hoatzin *Opisthocomus hoazin* - good numbers at Playa Guio; regularly seen from the boat at Juan Solito Lodge

Greater Ani *Crotophaga major* - 1 La Florida 11/11; 4 Playa Guio 4/12

Smooth-billed Ani *Crotophaga ani* - seen regularly

Groove-billed Ani *Crotophaga sulcirostris* - 1 Chamicero del Perijá 20/11

Striped Cuckoo *Tapera naevia* - heard Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11

Pheasant Cuckoo *Dromococcyx phasianellus* - 1 Buena Vista 2/12

Little Cuckoo *Coccyua minuta* - 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11

Common Squirrel-cuckoo *Piaya cayana* - heard/seen regularly

Black-bellied Cuckoo *Piaya melanogaster* - 1 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11

Yellow-billed Cuckoo *Coccyzus americanus* - 1 near Rihacha 18/11

Dark-billed Cuckoo *Coccyzus melacoryphus* - 1 Playas del Guaviare 2/12

Russet-crowned Crake *Rufirallus viridis* - 1 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11 was very responsive to playback

Bogota Rail *Rallus semiplumbeus* - 1 La Florida Park 11/11

Grey-cowled Wood-rail *Aramides cajaneus* - 1 boat upriver Juan Solito Ecolodge 6/12

Ash-throated Crake *Mustelirallus albicollis* - heard Playas del Guaviare 2/12

Purple Gallinule *Porphyrio martinicus* - 1 en route from Hato La Aurora to Yopal

Azure Gallinule *Porphyrio flavirostris* - 1 Puente Nowen 3/12; 1 Hato La Aurora 6/12

Common Gallinule *Gallinula galeata* - 2 La Florida 11/11

Spot-flanked Gallinule *Porphyriops melanops* - 2 La Florida 11/11

American Coot *Fulica americana* - 50+ La Florida 11/11, here the sedentary ssp. *columbiana*

Limpkin *Aramus guarauna* - 1 en route to San José del Guaviare

Wood Stork *Mycteria americana* - 1 Hato La Aurora 6/12

Jabiru *Jabiru mycteria* - 2 Río Guaviare 27/11; 1 en route to Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12; 1 Hato La Aurora 6/12

Roseate Spoonbill *Platalea ajaja* - 1 Playas del Guaviare 2/12; 1 Hato La Aurora 7/12

Buff-necked Ibis *Theristicus caudatus* - 2 en route to Ocaña 12/11; 4 en route to San José del Guaviare 1/12; 1 boat upriver Juan Solito Ecolodge 6/12

Sharp-tailed Ibis *Cercibis oxycerca* - 2 en route to Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12; daily around the lodge

Green Ibis *Mesembrinibis cayennensis* - 5 Urania 12/11; 10 around Mitú 16/11; 1 Playa Guio 4/12

Bare-faced Ibis *Phimosus infuscatus* - c. 100 La Florida 11/11; c. 20 en route to San José del Guaviare

White Ibis *Eudocimus albus* - 3 en route to San José del Guaviare; 1 Hato La Aurora 7/12

Scarlet Ibis *Eudocimus ruber* - c. 28 en route to San José del Guaviare; 1 Hato La Aurora 6/12; 20+ Hato La Aurora 7/12

Rufescent Tiger-heron *Tigrisoma lineatum* - 1 Puente Nowen 3/12; 1 boat upriver Juan Solito Ecolodge 6/12

Black-crowned Night-heron *Nycticorax nycticorax* - 4 La Florida 11/11

Yellow-crowned Night-heron *Nyctanassa violacea* - 1 en route from Hato La Aurora to Yopal

Green-backed (Striated) Heron *Butorides striata* s. lat. - 1 La Florida 11/11; forms in South America and the Old World are split by IOC from those in North & Central America as Striated Heron *B. striata* s. str.

Cattle Egret *Bubulcus ibis* - seen regularly wherever there are cattle

Cocoi Heron *Ardea cocoi* - 8 Río Guaviare 27/11; 1 boat upriver Juan Solito Ecolodge 6/12

Great White Egret *Ardea alba* - seen regularly in wetlands

Whistling Heron *Syrigma sibilatrix* - 5 en route to San José del Guaviare; 1 boat upriver Juan Solito Ecolodge 6/12

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Spot-flanked Gallinule



American Coot - photo © Terry Laws

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- Capped Heron** *Pilherodius pileatus* - 1 Puente Nowen 3/12
- Tricolored Heron** *Egretta tricolor* - 1 near Riohacha 18/11
- Little Blue Heron** *Egretta caerulea* - 1 Guamal Road 24/11; 2 en route to San José del Guaviare; 1 boat upriver Juan Solito Ecolodge 6/12
- Snowy Egret** *Egretta thula* - seen daily on the *llanos*
- Neotropical Cormorant** *Nannopterum brasilianum* - 1 La Florida 11/11; 2 Río Inírida 26/11; 1 Caño Cunuben 26/11; c. 300 Río Guaviare 27/11; Playas del Guaviare 2/12
- Anhinga** *Anhinga anhinga* - 1 Río Inírida 26/11; 1 Caño Cunuben 26/11; 1 Playa Guío 4/12
- Double-striped Thick-knee** *Burhinus bistriatus* - 8 Hato La Aurora 6/12
- Black-winged(-necked) Stilt** *Himantopus himantopus* - 1 Hato La Aurora 6/12; in the eBird/Clements and IOC taxonomies the form concerned is split as Black-necked Stilt *H. mexicanus*
- American Golden Plover** *Pluvialis dominica* - 1 airfield, Mitú 13/11; 2 airfield, Mitú 15/11
- Collared Plover** *Charadrius collaris* - 2 Inírida 27/11; 2 Playas del Guaviare 2/12; 2 boat upriver Juan Solito Ecolodge 6/12
- Pied Lapwing** *Hoploxypterus cayanus* - 1 Inírida 27/11; 1 Playas del Guaviare 2/12
- Southern Lapwing** *Vanellus chilensis* - seen regularly
- Wattled Jacana** *Jacana jacana* - common on the *llanos*
- Upland Sandpiper** *Bartramia longicauda* - 2 airfield, Mitú 12/11
- Least Sandpiper** *Calidris minutilla* - 1 Hato La Aurora 6/12
- Semipalmated Sandpiper** *Calidris pusilla* - 1 Playas del Guaviare 2/12; 1 Playas del Guaviare 2/12
- Noble Snipe** *Gallinago nobilis* - 1 Sumapaz NP 9/12
- Spotted Sandpiper** *Actitis macularius* - 3 Inírida 27/11; 1 boat upriver Juan Solito Ecolodge 6/12
- Solitary Sandpiper** *Tringa solitaria* - 2 en route to Bogotá 10/11; 3 Guamal Road 24/11; 1 Playas del Guaviare 2/12; 1 Hato La Aurora 6/12
- Lesser Yellowlegs** *Tringa flavipes* - 1 Playas del Guaviare 2/12; 1 Hato La Aurora 6/12
- Greater Yellowlegs** *Tringa melanoleuca* - 5 Sumapaz NP 9/12
- Black Skimmer** *Rynchops niger* - 3 Río Inírida 26/11; c. 40 Río Guaviare 27/11
- Yellow-billed Tern** *Sternula superciljaris* - 1 boat upriver Juan Solito Ecolodge 6/12
- Large-billed Tern** *Phaetusa simplex* - 2 Río Inírida 26/11; c100 Inírida 27/11; 1 boat upriver Juan Solito Ecolodge 6/12
- Common Tern** *Sterna hirundo* - 2 on a river island opposite Inírida 27/11 (!); rare inland, this is thought to be the first record for the department of Guainía
- Andean Pygmy-owl** *Glaucidium jardinii* - 1 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11
- Ferruginous Pygmy-owl** *Glaucidium brasilianum* - 1 near La Paz 20/11
- Burrowing Owl** *Athene cunicularia* - 6 Hato La Aurora 6/12
- Tropical Screech-owl** *Megascops choliba* - 1 Juan Solito Lodge 6/12
- Rufous-banded Owl** *Ciccaba albitarsis* - 1 Chamicero del Perijá Lodge, in trees above the jeep track 19/11
- Turkey Vulture** *Cathartes aura* - seen regularly, but in much smaller numbers than American Black Vulture
- Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture** *Cathartes burrovianus* - 1 La Florida 11/11, probably rare here; 1 near Riohacha 18/11
- Greater Yellow-headed Vulture** *Cathartes melambrotus* - seen regularly at Mitú
- American Black Vulture** *Coragyps atratus* - seen regularly except at Mitú where it is absent
- King Vulture** *Sarcoramphus papa* - 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11; 1 Hato La Aurora 7/12
- Osprey** *Pandion haliaetus* - 1 Río Inírida 26/11; 1 Caño Cunuben 26/11
- White-tailed Kite** *Elanus leucurus* - 1 en route from La Florida to Bogotá Airport 11/11; 1 near La Paz 20/11
- Grey-headed Kite** *Leptodon cayanensis* - 2 Puente de Lata 14/11; 2 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11; 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11
- Swallow-tailed Kite** *Elanoides forficatus* - 1 Sabanitas 25/11; 1 Matraca Trail 26/11

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Black Hawk-eagle *Spizaetus tyrannus* - 2 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11
Double-toothed Kite *Harpagus bidentatus* - 2 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11
Sharp-shinned (Plain-breasted) Hawk *Accipiter striatus* - 1 above Manaure 20/11; in the IOC checklist this form is split from Sharp-shinned Hawk as Plain-breasted Hawk *A. ventralis*
Black-collared Hawk *Busarellus nigricollis* - 1 en route to San José del Guaviare 1/12; 1 Hato La Aurora 7/12
Crane Hawk *Geranospiza caerulescens* - 1 Hato La Aurora 7/12
Plumbeous Kite *Ictinia plumbea* - 1 Bosque Bavaria 1/12
Snail Kite *Rostrhamus sociabilis* - 4 en route to San José del Guaviare 1/12
Slender-billed Kite *Helicolestes hamatus* - 1 at a small wetland area on the edge of San José del Guaviare town 4/12
Roadside Hawk *Rupornis magnirostris* - seen regularly
Slate-colored Hawk *Buteogallus schistaceus* - 1 Sabanitas 25/11; 1 Playa Guio 4/12
Savanna Hawk *Buteogallus meridionalis* - 1 Caño Culebra 29/11; 1 Hato La Aurora 6/12
White-tailed Hawk *Geranoaetus albicaudatus* - 1 en route to San José del Guaviare 1/12
Black-chested Buzzard-eagle *Geranoetus melanoleucos* - 1 Sumapaz NP 9/12
Broad-winged Hawk *Buteo platypterus* - 1 above Manaure 18/11
Short-tailed Hawk *Buteo brachyurus* - 1 Caño Culebra 25/11
Zone-tailed Hawk *Buteo albonotatus* - 1 near Mashiramo Glamping 20/11
Golden-headed Quetzal *Pharomachrus auriceps* - 2 above Manaure 20/11; 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11
Black-tailed Trogon *Trogon melanurus* - 1 Matraca Trail 26/11
Green-backed Trogon *Trogon viridis* - 2 Urania 12/11; 1 Caño Cunuben 26/11; 1 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11; 1 Bosque Bavaria 1/12
Violaceous (Amazonian) Trogon *Trogon violaceus* - 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11; in most of the world bird checklists the Amazonian form is split as Amazonian Trogon *T. ramonianus* (not followed by Birdlife International)
Blue-crowned Trogon *Trogon curucui* - 2 El Paujil Trail 27/11
Collared Trogon *Trogon collaris* - 1 Buena Vista 2/12
Whooping Motmot *Momotus subrufescens* - 2 near La Jagua 21/11
Amazonian Motmot *Momotus momota* - 1 Ceima Cachivera 13/11; 2 Bosque Bavaria 1/12
Ringed Kingfisher *Megaceryle torquata* - 1 Urania 12/11; 2 near Inírida 24/11 & 26/11; 1 en route to San José del Guaviare 1/12; 1 boat upriver Juan Solito Ecolodge 6/12
Amazon Kingfisher *Chloroceryle amazona* - singles seen daily around Inírida 26-29/11; 2 Playa Guio 4/12; 1 boat upriver Juan Solito Ecolodge 6/12
American Pygmy-kingfisher *Chloroceryle aenea* - 1 Urania 12/11; 1 Playa Guio 4/12
Green Kingfisher *Chloroceryle americana* - 3 en route to El Paujil Trail 27/11; 1 Playa Guio 4/12
White-eared Jacamar *Galbacyrhynchus leucotis* - 3 La Rompida 27/11; 1 Buena Vista 2/12; 3 1 Playa Guio 4/12
Brown Jacamar *Brachygalba lugubris* - 8 Guamal Road 24/11; 4 Sabanitas 25/11; 6 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
Pale-headed Jacamar *Brachygalba goeringi* - 2 en route to Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12; 4 Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12; 1 boat upriver Juan Solito Ecolodge 6/12
Yellow-billed Jacamar *Galbula albirostris* - 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11
Rufous-tailed Jacamar *Galbula ruficauda* - 1 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11
Green-tailed Jacamar *Galbula galbula* - 2 Matraca Trail 26/11; 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11
White-chinned Jacamar *Galbula tombacea* - 2 Bosque Bavaria 1/12; 1 Playa Guio 4/12
Bronzy Jacamar *Galbula leucogastra* - 2 Urania 12/11; 2 Puente de Lata trail 14/11; 1 Urania 17/11; 5 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11
Paradise Jacamar *Galbula dea* - 1 Ceima Cachivera 13/11; 4 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11
Great Jacamar *Jacamerops aureus* - 1 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11

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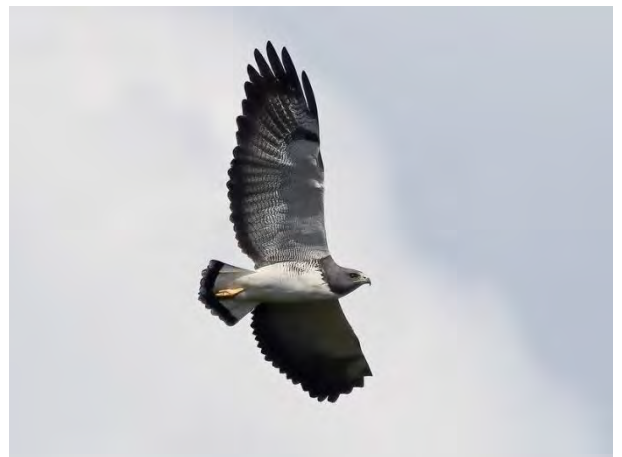
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Paradise Jacamar



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- White-necked Puffbird** *Notharchus hyperrhynchus* - 2 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11
- Brown-banded Puffbird** *Notharchus ordii* - 2 Urania 17/11
- Greater Pied Puffbird** *Notharchus tectus* s. str. - 1 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 2 Matraca Trail 26/11; Greater Pied Puffbird is a Birdlife International split of the Amazonian form of Pied Puffbird *N. tectus* s. lat.
- Chestnut-capped Puffbird** *Cyphos macrodactylus* - 1 Matraca Trail 26/11
- Spotted Puffbird** *Nystactes tamatia* - 2 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11
- Collared Puffbird** *Bucco capensis* - 1 Matraca Trail 26/11
- Russet-throated Puffbird** *Hypnelus ruficollis* s. str. - 1 near Riohacha 18/11;
- Two-banded Puffbird** *Hypnelus bicinctus* - 1 Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12; Two-banded Puffbird is a Birdlife International and IOC split from Russet-throated Puffbird *H. ruficollis* s. lat.
- White-chested Puffbird** *Malacoptila fusca* - 2 Bosque Bavaria 1/12
- Moustached Puffbird** *Malacoptila mystacalis* - 2 near Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11
- Brown Nunlet** *Nonnula brunnea* - 1 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
- Black-fronted Nunbird** *Monasa nigrifrons* - 2 Caño Cunuben 26/11; 1 Buena Vista 2/12
- White-fronted Nunbird** *Monasa morphoeus* - 1 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
- Yellow-billed Nunbird** *Monasa flavirostris* - 2 Bosque Bavaria 1/12; 4 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
- Swallow-winged Puffbird** *Chelidoptera tenebrosa* - seen daily in Mitú and Inírida
- Yellow-throated Toucan** *Ramphastos ambiguus* - 4 above Manaure 20/11; heard 26/11, 27/11, 29/11 Inírida
- Cuvier's (White-throated) Toucan** *Ramphastos tucanus* s. str. - seen daily in Mitú; Cuvier's Toucan is a Birdlife International split from White-throated Toucan *R. tucanus* s. lat.
- Channel-billed Toucan** *Ramphastos vitellinus* - 3 Puente de Lata 14/11; 2 Bosque Bavaria 1/12
- Greyish-throated (Southern Emerald) Toucanet** *Aulacorhynchus albivitta* s. str. - 2 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11; c10 above Manaure 20/11; Greyish-throated Toucanet is a Birdlife International and IOC split from Southern Emerald Toucanet *A. albivitta* s. lat.
- Crimson-rumped Toucanet** *Aulacorhynchus haematopygus* - 2 near Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11
- Tawny-tufted Toucanet** *Selenidera nattereri* - 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11
- Humboldt's (Lettered) Araçari** *Pteroglossus humboldti* - 4 Sabanitas 25/11; 2 Matraca Trail 26/11; 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11; Humboldt's Araçari is a Birdlife International split from Lettered Araçari *P. inscriptus*
- Chestnut-eared Araçari** *Pteroglossus castanotis* - heard Finca La Herreria 30/11
- Many-banded Araçari** *Pteroglossus pluricinctus* - 3 Ceima Cachivera 13/11; 4 Matraca Trail 26/11; 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11; 2+ Bosque Bavaria 1/12
- Ivory-billed Araçari** *Pteroglossus azara* - 3 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11
- Scarlet-crowned Barbet** *Capito aurovirens* - 2 Buena Vista 2/12; 1 Playa Guio; 4/12
- Gilded Barbet** *Capito auratus* - 1 Ceima Cachivera 13/11; heard 14/11, 15/11, 16/11 Mitú; heard 26/11, 27/11 Inírida; 6 Playa Guio 4/12
- Red-headed Barbet** *Eubucco bourcierii* - 2 Finca La Herreria 30/11
- Orinoco Piculet** *Picumnus pumilus* - 1 Matraca Trail 26/11
- Golden-spangled Piculet** *Picumnus exilis* - 2 Guamal Road 24/11; 1 Caño Culebra 25/11
- Scaled Piculet** *Picumnus squamulatus* - 2 en route to Villavicencio 30/11
- Crimson-crested Woodpecker** *Campephilus melanoleucos* - 3 Cerrito Verde 15/11; 2 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11; 1 La Rompida 27/11
- Yellow-throated Woodpecker** *Piculus flavigula* - heard El Paujil Trail 27/11
- Crimson-mantled Woodpecker** *Colaptes rivolii* - 1 Observatorio de Colibries
- Spot-breasted Woodpecker** *Colaptes punctigula* - 2 Caño Cunuben 26/11; 1 Buena Vista 2/12; 1 Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12; 1 Hato La Aurora 6/12
- Golden-olive Woodpecker** *Colaptes rubiginosus* - 1 above Manaure 20/11

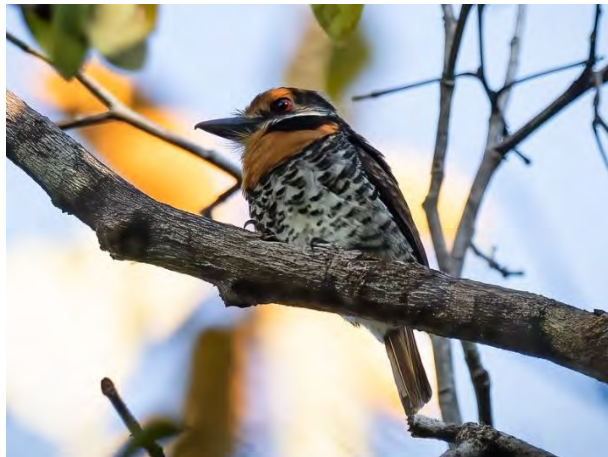
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Greater Pied Puffbird



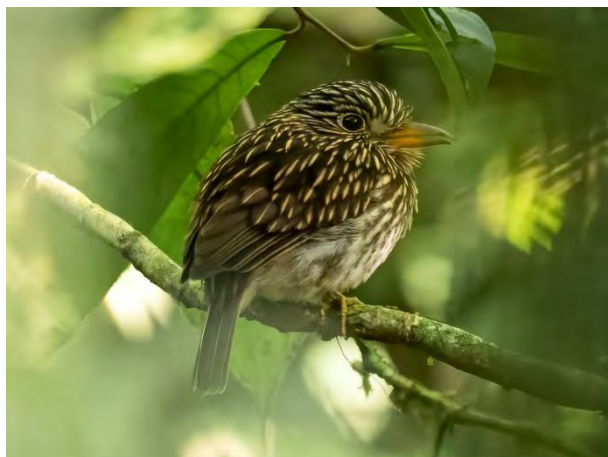
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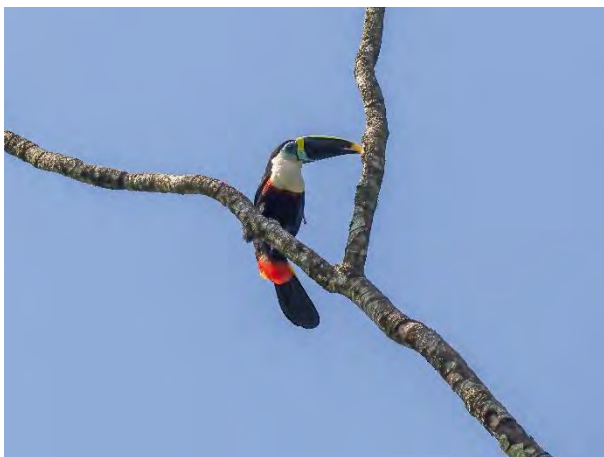
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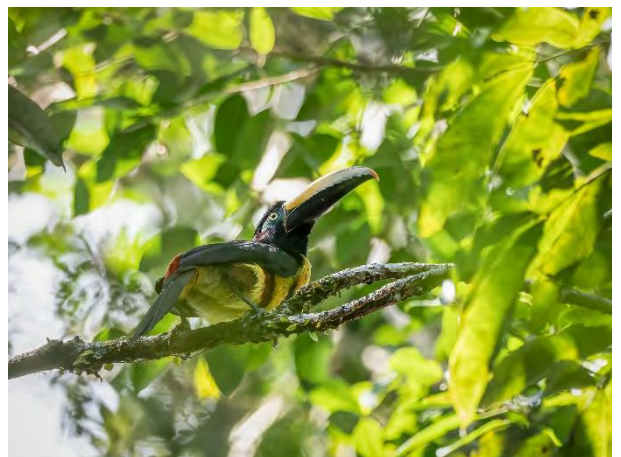
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- Amazonian Black-breasted (Ringed) Woodpecker** *Celeus occidentalis* - 1 Caño Cunuben 26/11;
Amazonian Black-breasted Woodpecker is a Birdlife International split from Ringed Woodpecker *C. torquatus*
- Cream-colored Woodpecker** *Celeus flavus* - 1 Matraca Trail 26/11
- Waved (Scaly-breasted) Woodpecker** *Celeus undatus* - 2 Puente de Lata trail 14/11; 1 Matraca Trail 26/11; 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11; 1 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11; in eBird/Clements and Howard & Moore checklists this form is still split as Scaly-breasted Woodpecker *C. grammicus* (lumped by Birdlife International by 2020 and by IOC in 2023)
- Chestnut Woodpecker** *Celeus elegans* - 2 Mitú 17/11; 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11; 1 Buena Vista 2/12
- Lineated Woodpecker** *Hylatomus lineatus* - 2 La Rompida 27/11; 2 Inírida 29/11; 1 Hato La Aurora 7/12
- Yellow-tufted Woodpecker** *Melanerpes cruentatus* - 6 Mitú Cachivera 12/11 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; 3 around Mitú 17/11; 3 Guamal Road 24/11; 2 Caño Culebra 25/11; 4 Matraca Trail 26/11
- Red-crowned Woodpecker** *Melanerpes rubricapillus* - 1 Perijá 20/11; 4 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; Hato La Aurora 2 on 6/12 & 4 on 7/12
- Smoky-brown Woodpecker** *Leuconotopicus fumigatus* - 1 La Florida 11/11; 2 below Manaure 20/11
- Red-stained Woodpecker** *Veniliornis affinis* - 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11; 1 Sabanitas 25/11; 2 Matraca Trail 26/11
- Laughing Falcon** *Herpetotheres cachinnans* - 1 Caño Culebra 25/11; 2 Playa Guio 4/12
- Barred Forest-falcon** *Micrastur ruficollis* - heard Cruce Bocatoma 16/11
- Crested Caracara** *Caracara cheriway* - seen regularly
- Red-throated Caracara** *Ibycter americanus* - seen regularly around Mitú
- Yellow-headed Caracara** *Milvago chimachima* - common on the llanos
- Black Caracara** *Daptrius ater* - seen fairly regularly
- American Kestrel** *Falco sparverius* - seen daily at Hato La Aurora 7/12
- Merlin** *Falco columbarius* - 1 Mitú Cachivera 12/11
- Bat Falcon** *Falco rufigularis* - 1 Puente de Lata 14/11; 1 Caño Culebra 25/11
- Aplomado Falcon** *Falco femoralis* - 2 Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12; 1 Hato La Aurora 6/12
- Barred Parakeet** *Bolborhynchus lineola* - heard lower Perijá 20/11
- Orange-chinned Parakeet** *Brotogeris jugularis* - c. 15 near Riohacha 18/11
- Cobalt-winged Parakeet** *Brotogeris cyanopectus* - seen/heard daily in Mitú, Inírida, San José del Guaviare
- Orange-cheeked Parrot** *Pyrilia barrabandi* - 3 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; 3 Mitú town 17/11
- Blue-headed Parrot** *Pionus menstruus* - 3 Finca los Caucanitas 13/11; 3 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; heard Mitú town 17/11; 2 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; daily in Inírida
- Yellow-crowned Amazon** *Amazona ochrocephala* - 4 Hato La Aurora 6/12
- Scaly-naped Amazon** *Amazona mercenarius* - 28 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11; 4 Finca La Herreria 30/11
- Southern Mealy Amazon** *Amazona farinosa* s. str. - 4 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 2 Mitú town 17/11; 3 Caño Culebra 25/11; 2 El Paujil Trail 27/11; Southern Mealy Amazon is a Birdlife International and IOC split from Mealy Amazon *A. farinosa* s. lat.
- White-faced Amazon (Kawall's Parrot)** *Amazona kawalli* - c. 50 Mitú town 17/11; only recently discovered in Colombia and previously thought to be a Brazilian endemic, seeing this bird in such numbers was one of the highlights of the tour
- Orange-winged Amazon** *Amazona amazonica* - seen/heard daily in Inírida
- Green-rumped Parrotlet** *Forpus passerinus* - 2 near Riohacha 18/11
- Spectacled Parrotlet** *Forpus conspicillatus* - 4 Hato La Aurora 7/12
- Black-headed Parrot** *Pionites melanocephalus* - 1 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 4 Puente de Lata trail 14/11; 2 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11; 4 Inírida 25/11; 1 Sabanitas 29/11
- Red-fan Parrot** *Deroptyus accipitrinus* - 3 Urania 12/11; 1 Mitú town 17/11

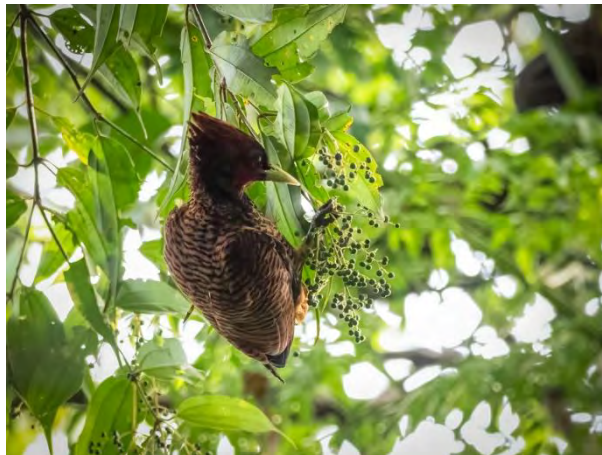
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Ringed Woodpecker



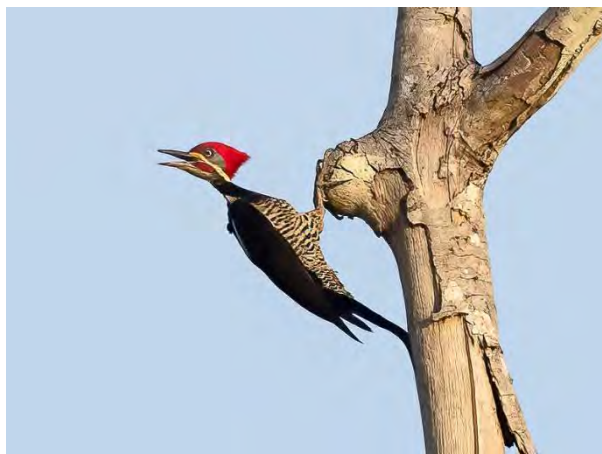
Cream-colored Woodpecker



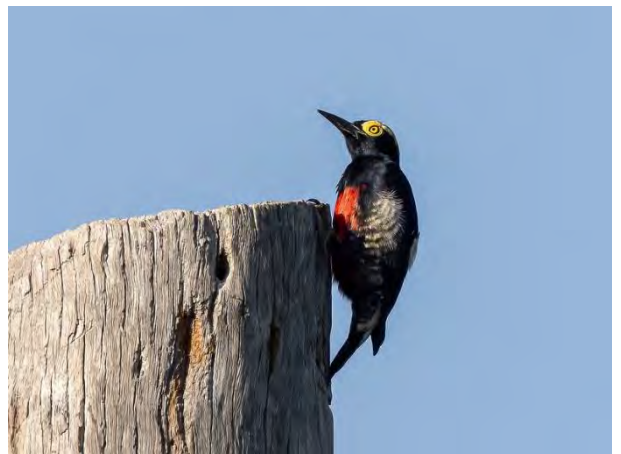
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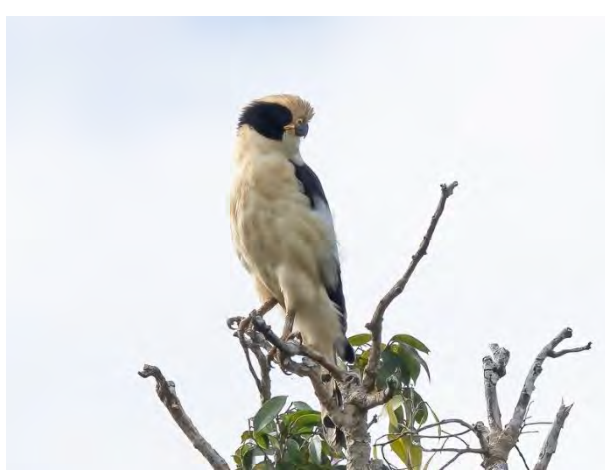
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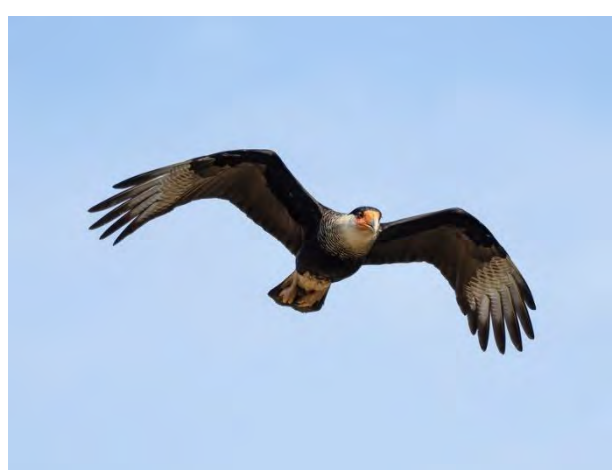
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Perija Parakeet *Pyrrhura caeruleiceps* **EN** - c. 15 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; Perijá Parakeet is a Birdlife International split from Painted Parakeet *P. picta*

Maroon-tailed Parakeet *Pyrrhura melanura* - 5 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 5 Ceima Cachivera 13/11; heard Inírida 26/11

Brown-throated Parakeet *Eupsittula pertinax* - c. 10 near La Paz 20/11; 4 Guamal Road 24/11; heard Finca La Herreria 30/11; 2 Playa Guio 4/12; 25+ Hato La Aurora 7/12

Red-bellied Macaw *Orthopsittaca manilatus* - c. 40 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; c. 15 Ceima Cachivera 13/11; c. 70 Mitú town 17/11; 4 on 1-2/12 San José del Guaviare

Blue-and-yellow Macaw *Ara ararauna* - 3 near La Jagua 21/11

Scarlet Macaw *Ara macao* - up to 4 Mitú town 13-17/11; 4 Caño Culebra 25/11; 2 Caño Cunuben 26/11; 6 Sabanitas 28/11; 3 Juan Solito Ecolodge 7/12; 21 Juan Solito Ecolodge 8/12

Chestnut-fronted Macaw *Ara severus* - seen daily at Inírida and Hato La Aurora

Scarlet-fronted Parakeet *Psittacara wagleri* - c. 20 near Mashiramo Glamping 20/11

Blue-crowned Parakeet *Psittacara acuticaudatus* - c. 50 between Yopal and Hato La Aurora 5/12

White-eyed Parakeet *Psittacara leucophthalmus* - c. 10 Playas del Guaviare 2/12; 2 near San José del Guaviare 3/12

Yapacana Antbird *Aprositornis disjuncta* - a pair Ecoparque KENKE 28/11

Grey-bellied Antbird *Ammonastes pelzelni* - 1 Mitú Cachivera 12/11

Black-throated Antbird *Myrmophylax atrothorax* - 2 Ceima Cachivera 13/11; 2 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11; 1 heard Cruce Bocatoma 16/11; 1 Bosque Bavaria 1/12; 1 heard Raudal del Guayabero 3/12; 1 heard Playa Guio 4/12

Dot-winged Antwren *Microrhophias quixensis* - 1 Matraca Trail 26/11

Black Bushbird *Neotantes niger* - 2 Matraca Trail 26/11

Recurve-billed Bushbird *Clytoctantes alixii* **EN** - 3 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11

Northern White-fringed Antwren *Formicivora intermedia* - 2 near Riohacha 18/11; 1 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; 2 Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12; Northern White-fringed Antwren is a Birdlife International and IOC split from White-fringed Antwren *F. grisea* s. lat.

Southern White-fringed Antwren *Formicivora grisea* s. str. - 3 Guamal Road 24/11; 2 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11; Southern White-fringed Antwren is a Birdlife International and IOC split from White-fringed Antwren *F. grisea* s. lat.

Pygmy Antwren *Myrmotherula brachyura* - 1 Matraca Trail 26/11

Moustached Antwren *Myrmotherula ignota* - 1 Urania 12/11; 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11

Yellow-throated Antwren *Myrmotherula ambigua* - heard Pueblo Nuevo 14/11

Amazonian Streaked Antwren *Myrmotherula multostriata* - 2 Matraca Trail 26/11; heard Playa Guio 4/12

Cherrie's Antwren *Myrmotherula cherriei* - 2 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11; 4 Sabanitas 28/11

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Recurve-billed Bushbird



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- White-flanked Antwren** *Myrmotherula axillaris* - 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; 2 Sabanitas 25/11; 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11
- Banded Antbird** *Dichrozona cincta* - 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11
- Dusky-throated Antshrike** *Thamnomanes ardesiacus* - 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11
- Cinereous Antshrike** *Thamnomanes caesi* - heard Pueblo Nuevo 14/11
- Plain Antwren** *Dysithamnus mentalis* - 2 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11
- Dugand's Antwren** *Herpsilochmus dugandi* - 1 Buena Vista 2/12
- Spot-backed Antwren** *Herpsilochmus dorsimaculatus* - 3 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11; 2 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11
- Fasciated Antshrike** *Cymbilaimus lineatus* - heard Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; heard Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; 2 Matraca Trail 26/11
- Great Antshrike** *Taraba major* - 1 Matraca Trail 26/11; heard El Paujil Trail 27/11
- Black-crested Antshrike** *Sakesphorus canadensis* - 3 Matraca Trail 26/11; 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11
- Bar-crested Antshrike** *Thamnophilus multistriatus* - 2 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11
- Mouse-colored Antshrike** *Thamnophilus murinus* - 2 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11
- Blackish-grey Antshrike** *Thamnophilus nigrocinereus* - 1 male Matraca Trail 26/11
- Northern Slaty Antshrike** *Thamnophilus punctatus* - heard Bosque Bavaria 1/12
- White-shouldered Antshrike** *Thamnophilus aethiops* - 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11
- Amazonian Antshrike** *Thamnophilus amazonicus* - 2 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 2 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11; 2 Urania 17/11; 1 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
- Unnamed Antshrike** *Thamnophilus* sp. - 2 La Rompida 27/11; by some considered to be a morphologically distinct, strongly isolated population (?subspecies) of the Chestnut-backed Antshrike *T. palliatus* from Peru, Bolivia and central and eastern Brazil, but surely a good species in its own right and well worth making the effort to see
- Grey Antbird** *Cercomacra cinerascens* - heard Ceima Cachivera 13/11; heard Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; 1 Cerrito Verde 15/11; heard Cruce Bocatoma 16/11; 2 Matraca Trail 26/11
- Dusky Antbird** *Cercomacroides tyrannina* - 2 Ceima Cachivera 13/11; heard Cruce Bocatoma 16/11; 1 Bosque Bavaria 1/12; heard Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
- Klages's Antbird** *Drymophila klagesi* - 2 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11
- Imeri Warbling-antbird (Antwarbler)** *Hypocnemis flavescens* - 1 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; heard around Mitú 14-16/11
- White-plumed Antbird** *Pithys albifrons* - 2 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11
- Common Scale-backed Antbird** *Willisornis poecilinotus* - 2 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; heard around Mitú 14-15/11; 3 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11
- White-cheeked Antbird** *Gymnopithys leucaspis* - 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11; heard Cruce Bocatoma 16/11
- Chestnut-crested Antbird** *Rhegmatorhina cristata* - 2 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11
- Spot-backed Antbird** *Hylophylax naevius* - 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; 2 Cerrito Verde 15/11
- Dot-backed Antbird** *Hylophylax punctulatus* - 2 El Paujil Trail 27/11
- Black-chinned Antbird** *Hypocnemoides melanopogon* - 3 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; heard Matraca Trail 26/11
- Silvered Antbird** *Sclateria naevia* - 1 Playa Guio 4/12
- Spot-winged Antbird** *Myrmelastes leucostigma* - heard Cruce Bocatoma 16/11; 3 trail opposite Hotel Fuente del Guania 27/11
- Black-faced Antbird** *Myrmoborus myotherinus* - 1 Ceima Cachivera 13/11; heard Bosque Bavaria 1/12
- White-browed Antbird** *Myrmoborus leucophrys* - 1 en route to Villavicencio 30/11; 1 Bosque Bavaria 1/12
- Black-headed Antbird** *Percnostola rufifrons* - 3 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11
- White-shouldered Antbird** *Akletos melanoceph* - 2 Buena Vista 2/12; heard Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
- Chestnut-belted Gnatcatcher** *Conopophaga aurita* - 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11

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Fasciated Antshrike



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White-shouldered Antbird m. - photo © Terry Laws

- Chestnut-crowned Antpitta** *Grallaria ruficapilla* - 1 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11; 2 Chicaque NP 9/12
- Cundinamarca Antpitta** *Grallaria kaestneri* **EN** - 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11
- Perija Antpitta** *Grallaria saltuensis* **EN** - 1 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11
- Rufous (Muisca) Antpitta** *Grallaria rufula* s. lat. - 3 Chingaza NP 10/11; following the 13-way split of Rufous Antpitta, in other world bird checklists this form is split as Muisca Antpitta *G. rufula* s. str. (not followed by Birdlife International)
- Northern Tawny Antpitta** *Grallaria alticola* - 3 Sumapaz NP 9/12
- Thrush-like Antpitta** *Myrmothera campanisona* - heard Cerrito Verde 15/11
- Ash-colored Tapaculo** *Myornis senilis*- 1 Chicaque NR 9/12
- Blackish Tapaculo** *Scytalopus latrans* - heard Chicaque NR 9/12
- Long-tailed Tapaculo** *Scytalopus micropterus* - 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11
- Perija Tapaculo** *Scytalopus Perijánus* **VU** - 3 seen and 1 heard Chamicero del Perijá 19/11
- Pale-bellied Tapaculo** *Scytalopus griseicollis* - 2 Chingaza NP 10/11
- Rufous-capped Antthrush** *Formicarius colma* - 2 Matraca Trail 26/11
- Eastern Olivaceous Woodcreeper** *Sittasomus griseicapillus* s. str.- 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11; heard Ecoparque KENKE 28/11; Eastern Olivaceous Woodcreeper is a Birdlife International split from Olivaceous Woodcreeper *S. griseicapillus* s. lat.
- Plain-brown Woodcreeper** *Dendrocincla fuliginosa* - 1 Sabanitas 25/11
- Wedge-billed Woodcreeper** *Glyphorhynchus spirurus* - 1 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11; 1 Sabanitas 25/11; 1 Mataraca Trail 26/11; 1 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11

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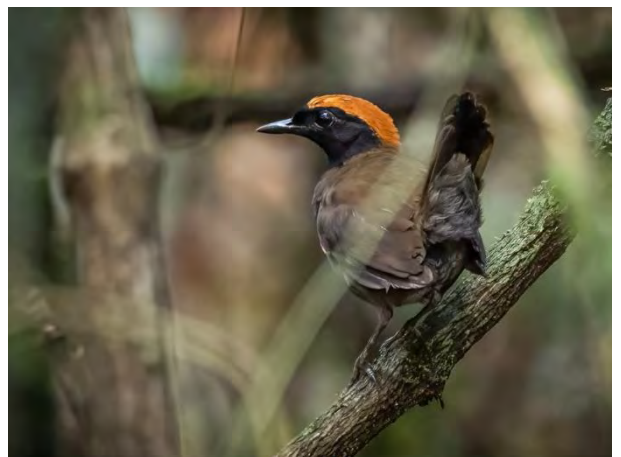
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- Cinnamon-throated Woodcreeper** *Dendrexetastes rufigula* - 1 Matraca Trail 26/11
- Long-billed Woodcreeper** *Nasica longirostris* - 1 Matraca Trail 26/11; 1 Buena Vista 2/12
- Amazonian Barred Woodcreeper** *Dendrocolaptes certhia* - 1 Sabanitas 25/11
- Black-banded Woodcreeper** *Dendrocolaptes picumnus* - 1 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11
- Strong-billed Woodcreeper** *Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchus* - 1 Buena Vista 2/12
- Striped Woodcreeper** *Xiphorhynchus obsoletus* - 1 Sabanitas 25/11; 2 El Paujil Trail 27/11; 2 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11; 1 Buena Vista 2/12
- Line-crowned (Ocellated) Woodcreeper** *Xiphorhynchus beuperthuisii* - 1 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11; Line-crowned Woodcreeper is a Birdlife International split from Ocellated Woodcreeper *X. ocellatus*
- Lafresnaye's (Buff-throated) Woodcreeper** *Xiphorhynchus guttatoides* - 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; 1 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11; 2 El Paujil Trail 27/11; 1 Bosque Bavaria 1/12; heard Hato La Aurora 6/12; Lafresnaye's Woodcreeper is a Birdlife International split from Buff-throated Woodcreeper *X. guttatus*
- Olive-backed Woodcreeper** *Xiphorhynchus triangularis* - 1 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11
- Straight-billed Woodcreeper** *Dendroplex picus* - 2 near La Paz 20/11; 1 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11
- Red-billed Scythebill** *Campylorhamphus trochilirostris* - 1 Matraca Trail 26/11; heard El Paujil 27/11
- Streak-headed Woodcreeper** *Lepidocolaptes souleyetii* - 1 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11
- Montane Woodcreeper** *Lepidocolaptes lacrymiger* - 1 above Manaure 20/11; 2 Chicaque NR 9/12
- Slender-billed Xenops** *Xenops tenuirostris* - 1 Sabanitas 25/11; 1 Matraca Trail 26/11
- Palmcreeper** *Berlepschia rikeri* - 1 Mitú town 13/11, responded eventually to playback
- Streaked Tuftedcheek** *Pseudocolaptes boissonneaui* - 1 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11
- Chestnut-winged Cinclodes** *albidiventris* - 4 Sumapaz NP 9/12
- Cinnamon-rumped Foliage-gleaner** *Philydor pyrrhodes* - 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11
- Montane Foliage-gleaner** *Anabacerthia striaticollis* - 1 above Manaure 20/11
- Olive-backed Foliage-gleaner** *Automolus infuscatus* - 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11
- Andean Tit-spinetail** *Leptasthenura andicola* - 2 Sumapaz NP 9/12
- Plain (Rufous-fronted) Thornbird** *Phacellodromus inornatus* - 4 Hato La Aurora 6/12; Plain Thornbird is a Birdlife International, eBird/Clements and IOC split from Rufous-fronted Thornbird *P. rufifrons*
- White-browed Spinetail** *Hellmayrea gularis* - heard Chamicero del Perijá 19/11
- Streak-backed Canastero** *Asthenes wyatti* - 2 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11
- Perija Thistletail** *Asthenes Perijána* EN - 2 seen and others heard Chamicero del Perijá 19/11
- White-chinned Thistletail** *Asthenes fuliginosa* - heard Chingaza NP 10/11; 1 Sumapaz NP 9/12
- Speckled Spinetail** *Thripophaga gutturata* - 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11; 1 Bosque Bavari 1/12; 1 en route to Hato La Aurora
- Orinoco Softtail** *Thripophaga cherriei* VU - 2 Matraca Trail 26/11; 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11
- Rusty-backed Spinetail** *Cranioleuca vulpina* - 4 Caño Cunuben 26/11

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Wedge-billed Woodcreeper



Strong-billed Woodcreeper - photo © Terry Laws



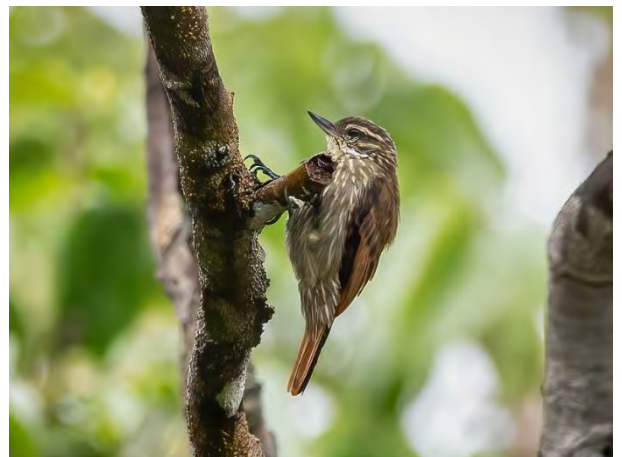
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- Yellow-chinned Spinetail** *Certhiaxis cinnamomeus* - 1 Hato La Aurora 6/12; 2 between Hato La Aurora and Yopal 8/12
- Plain-crowned Spinetail** *Synallaxis gujanensis* - 2 La Rompida 27/11
- White-whiskered Spinetail** *Synallaxis candei* - 1 near Riohacha 18/11
- Rufous Spinetail** *Synallaxis unirufa* - 2 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11; 6 above Manaure 20/11; 1 Chicaque NR 9/12
- Stripe-breasted Spinetail** *Synallaxis cinnamomea* - 2 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11
- Pale-breasted Spinetail** *Synallaxis albescens* - 3 above Manaure 20/11; 1 Hato La Aurora 6/12
- Silvery-throated Spinetail** *Synallaxis subpudica* - 2 Chingaza NP 10/11; heard La Florida 11/11
- Saffron-crested Tyrant-manakin** *Neopelma chrysocephalum* - 2 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11
- Dwarf Tyrant-manakin** *Tyrannetes stolzmanni* - heard 14/11 & 16/11 Mitú
- Black Manakin** *Xenopipo atronitens* - 1 female Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 2 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11
- Yellow-crested(-crowned) Manakin** *Heterocercus flavivertex* - 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11
- White-bearded Manakin** *Manacus manacus* - heard 13/11 & 16/11 Mitú; 1 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
- Wire-tailed Manakin** *Pipra filicauda* - 1 Matraca Trail 26/11; 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11; 1 Buena Vista 2/12
- Striolated (Western Striped) Manakin** *Machaeropterus striolatus* - 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; heard Urania 17/11; heard Bosque Bavaria 1/12
- White-crowned Manakin** *Pseudopipra pipra* - 1 female Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 2 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11; 2 Urania 17/11
- Golden-headed Manakin** *Ceratopipra erythrocephala* - 1 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 1 Puente de Lata trail 14/11; 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11; 2 Bosque Bavaria 1/12; heard Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
- Blue-crowned Manakin** *Lepidothrix coronata* - 1 Ceima Cachivera 13/11; heard Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; 2 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11
- Golden-breasted Fruiteater** *Pipreola aureopectus* - 2 above Manaure 20/11
- Green-and-black Fruiteater** *Pipreola riefferii* - 2 Finca La Herreria 30/11; 1 Chicaque NR 9/12
- Guianan Cock-of-the-rock** *Rupicola rupicola* - 1 Ceima Cachivera 13/11
- Red-crested Cotinga** *Ampelion rubrocristatus* - 4 Chingaza NP 10/11; 1 Observatorio de Colibries 10/11
- Purple-throated Fruitcrow** *Querula purpurata* - 1 near Playa Guio 4/12
- Amazonian Umbrellabird** *Cephalopterus ornatus* - 1 Urania 12/11; 1 collecting nest material Mitú town 17/11
- Capuchinbird** *Perissocephalus tricolor* - 1 Sabanitas 25/11
- Screaming Piha** *Lipaugus vociferans* - 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; heard Mitú 15-16/11; heard Inírida daily; 1 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
- Spangled Cotinga** *Cotinga cayana* - 1 Urania 12/11; 2 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11
- Purple-breasted Cotinga** *Cotinga cotinga* - 1 female Caño Vitina 28/11
- Bare-necked Fruitcrow** *Gymnoderus foetidus* - 4 Sabanitas 25/11; 3 El Paujil 27/11
- Pompadour Cotinga** *Xipholena punicea* - 1 Caño Vitina 28/11; 1 en route to Sabanitas 28/11; 1 near Caño Culebra 29/11
- Amazonian (Tropical) Royal Flycatcher** *Onychorhynchus coronatus* s. str. - 1 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12; Amazonian Royal Flycatcher is a Birdlife International and IOC split from Royal Flycatcher *O. coronatus* s. lat.
- Ruddy-tailed Flycatcher** *Terenotriccus erythrurus* - 1 Puente de Lata trail 14/11
- White-browed Purpletuft** *Iodopleura isabellae* - 1 Urania 12/11; 4 Puente de Lata trail 14/11; 2 Urania 17/11
- Western Black-tailed Tityra** *Tityra cayana* s. str. - 2 Urania 12/11; 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11; 4 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11; 1 Sabanitas 25/11; 1 Caño Cunuben 26/11; 3 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11; 1 Playa Guio 4/12; Western Black-tailed Tityra is a Birdlife International split from Black-tailed Tityra *T. cayana* s. lat.
- Pink-throated Becard** *Pachyramphus minor* - 1 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11
- Cinnamon Becard** *Pachyramphus cinnamomeus* - heard Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11
- Chestnut-crowned Becard** *Pachyramphus castaneus* - 1 Buena Vista 2/12; 2 Playa Guio 4/12
- Black-capped Becard** *Pachyramphus marginatus* - heard Cerrito Verde 15/11

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- White-winged Becard** *Pachyramphus polychopterus* - 1 Inírida town 24/11; 1 Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12
- Varzea Schiffornis** *Schiffornis major* - 1 with a broken upper mandible Matraca Trail 26/11
- Brown-winged Schiffornis** *Schiffornis turdina* - 1 Sabanitas 25/11
- Cinnamon Manakin-tyrant (Neopipo)** *Neopipo cinnamomea* - 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11
- Rufous-headed Pygmy-tyrant** *Pseudotriccus ruficeps* - 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11
- Olive-striped Flycatcher** *Mionectes galbinus* - 2 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11
- Ochre-bellied Flycatcher** *Mionectes oleagineus* - seen daily Mitú; 1 above Manaure 20/11; 1 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11; 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11; 1 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
- Slaty-capped Flycatcher** *Leptopogon superciliaris* - 1 above Manaure 20/11; 1 Bosque Bavaria 1/12
- Yellow-olive Flatbill (Flycatcher)** *Tolmomyias sulphurescens* - 2 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11
- Orange-eyed Flatbill (Flycatcher)** *Tolmomyias traylori* - 2 Buena Vista 2/12
- Yellow-margined Flatbill (Flycatcher)** *Tolmomyias assimilis* - 1 Sabanitas 25/11
- Grey-crowned Flatbill (Flycatcher)** *Tolmomyias poliocephalus* - 2 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; heard daily Mitú; 1 Matraca Trail 26/11
- Ochre-lored Flatbill (Flycatcher)** *Tolmomyias flaviventris* - 2 Mitú town 17/11; 1 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; heard daily Hato La Aurora
- Short-tailed Pygmy-tyrant** *Myiornis ecaudatus* - 2 Mitú Cachivera 12/11
- Double-banded Pygmy-tyrant** *Lophotriccus vitiosus* - 1 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
- Helmeted Pygmy-tyrant** *Lophotriccus galeatus* - 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11
- Pale-eyed Pygmy-tyrant** *Atalotriccus pilaris* - 2 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; 3 Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12; 2 Juan Solito Ecolodge 7/12
- White-eyed Tody-tyrant** *Hemitriccus zosterops* - 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11; heard Sabanitas 25/11
- Pearly-vented Tody-tyrant** *Hemitriccus margaritaceiventer* - 1 near Riohacha 18/11
- Stripe-necked Tody-tyrant** *Hemitriccus striaticollis* - 1 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
- Rufous-crowned Tody-flycatcher** *Poecilotriccus ruficeps* - 2 near Mashiramo Glamping 20/11; 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11
- Rusty-fronted Tody-flycatcher** *Poecilotriccus latirostris* - 1 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11
- Slate-headed Tody-flycatcher** *Poecilotriccus sylvia* - 1 Matraca Trail 26/11
- Common Tody-flycatcher** *Todirostrum cinereum* - 1 Inírida town 24/11; heard La Rompida 27/11; 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11; 2 Hato La Aurora 7/12
- Yellow-browed Tody-flycatcher** *Todirostrum chrysocrotaphum* - 1 Mitú Cachivera 12/11
- Handsome Flycatcher** *Nephelomyias pulcher* - 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11
- Cinnamon Flycatcher** *Pyrrhomyias cinnamomeus* - 2 Finca La Herreria 30/11; 2 Chicaque NR 9/12
- Cliff Flycatcher** *Hirundinea ferruginea* - 1 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12

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- Mountain (Spectacled) Tyrannulet** *Zimmerius improbus* - 2 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11; 6 above Manaure 20/11
- Golden-faced Tyrannulet** *Zimmerius chrysops* - 1 above Manaure 20/11; 5 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11; 3 Finca La Herreria 30/11
- Slender-footed Tyrannulet** *Zimmerius gracilipes* - seen almost daily at Mitú and Inírida
- Slender-billed Tyrannulet** *Inezia tenuirostris* - near Riohacha 18/11
- Amazonian Tyrannulet** *Inezia subflava* - 1 Urania 12/11; heard Sabanitas 25/11
- Pale-tipped Tyrannulet** *Inezia caudata* - 1 en route to Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12
- White-lored Tyrannulet** *Ornithion inerme* - 1 Caño Culebra 25/11
- Southern Beardless Tyrannulet** *Camptostoma obsoletum* - 1 around Inírida 24/11; 1 Sabanitas 28/11; 2 en route to Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12; Hato La Aurora 6-8/11
- Rufous-crowned Elaenia** *Elaenia ruficeps* - 1 Guamal Road 24/11
- Plain-crested Elaenia** *Elaenia cristata* - 2 Guamal Road 24/11
- Yellow-bellied Elaenia** *Elaenia flavogaster* - 1 above Manaure 20/11; 1 en route to Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12; 1 Hato La Aurora 7/11
- Mountain Elaenia** *Elaenia frantzii* - 1 Chingaza NP 10/11; 3 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11; 4 above Manaure 20/11
- Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet** *Tyrannulus elatus* - 1 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 3 Urania 12/11; 2 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11; 1 Mitú town 17/11; 1 Sabanitas 25/11; 2 Matraca Trail 26/11; 2 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12; 2 Playa Guio 4/12
- Forest Elaenia** *Myiopagis gaimardii* - 1 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11; 1 Inírida 29/11
- Yellow-crowned Elaenia** *Myiopagis flavivertex* - 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11
- Greenish Elaenia** *Myiopagis viridicata* - 1 above Manaure 20/11
- Yellow Tyrannulet** *Capsiempis flaveola* - 2 El Paujil Trail 27/11
- Sooty-headed Tyrannulet** *Phyllomyias griseiceps* - 2 above Manaure 20/11
- Black-capped Tyrannulet** *Phyllomyias nigrocapillus* - 1 Chingaza NP 10/11; 1 Chicaque 9/12
- Mouse-colored Tyrannulet** *Phaeomyias murina* - 2 La Rompida 27/11; 2 Playa Guio 4/12; 1 Hato La Aurora 6/12
- White-throated Tyrannulet** *Mecocerculus leucophrys* - 6 Chingaza NP 10/11; 1 La Florida 11/11; c. 10 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11; 1 Chicaque NR 9/12
- Torrent Tyrannulet** *Serpophaga cinerea* - 2 La Florida 11/11
- River Tyrannulet** *Serpophaga hypoleuca* - 2 Playas del Guaviare 2/12
- Cinnamon Attila** *Attila cinnamomeus* - 1 Sabanitas 28/11; 1 Buena Vista 2/12; 2 Playa Guio 4/12
- Citron-bellied Attila** *Attila citriniventris* - 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11; heard Ecoparque KENKE 28/11
- Bright-rumped Attila** *Attila spadiceus* - heard Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; heard Cruce Bocatoma 16/11; heard Bosque Bavaria 1/12; heard Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
- Piratic Flycatcher** *Legatus leucophaeus* - regularly seen around Mitú and Inírida
- Rufous-tailed Flatbill** *Ramphotrigon ruficauda* - 1 Sabanitas 25/11
- Great Kiskadee** *Pitangus sulphuratus* - 1 near Riohacha 18/11; seen daily in Inírida; seen regularly in *llanos*
- Lesser Kiskadee** *Philohydor lictor* - c. 10 Caño Cunuben 26/11; heard Puente Nowen 3/12
- Cattle Tyrant** *Machetornis rixosa* - 1 en route to Ocaña 21/11; 1 inside terminal at Bucaramanga Airport 23/11; seen almost daily on the *llanos*
- Sulphury Flycatcher** *Tyrannopsis sulphurea* - 4 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 1 Finca los Caucanitas 13/11; 1 Inírida 28/11
- Boat-billed Flycatcher** *Megarynchus pitangua* - 1 above Manaure 20/11; 1 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; 1 Hato La Aurora 7/12
- Golden-bellied Flycatcher** *Myiodynastes hemichrysus* - 2 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11
- Rusty-margined Flycatcher** *Myiozetetes cayanensis* - seen regularly Mitú, Inírida and on the *llanos*
- Social Flycatcher** *Myiozetetes similis* - 4 above Manaure 20/11; 1 Sabanitas 25/11 & 28/11
- Yellow-throated Flycatcher** *Conopias parvus* - 2 Caño Culebra 25/11

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Southern Beardless Tyrannulet - photo © Terry Laws



Rufous-crowned Elaenia



Plain-crested Elaenia - photo © Terry Laws



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Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet



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Citron-bellied Attila

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White-bearded Flycatcher *Phelpsia inornata* - seen daily at Juan Solito Ecolodge 5-8/12
Tropical Kingbird *Tyrannus melancholicus* - common just about everywhere
Fork-tailed Flycatcher *Tyrannus savana* - 1 en route to Ocaña; 1 en route to San José del Guaviare 1/12; daily on the llanos
Greyish Mourner *Rhytipterna simplex* - 3 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11
Pale-bellied Mourner *Rhytipterna immunda* - heard Sabanitas 25/11; 2 Sabanitas 29/11
White-rumped Sirystes *Sirystes albocinereus* - 1 Playa Guio 4/12
Swainson's Flycatcher *Myiarchus swainsoni* - 1 Sabanitas 25/11; 1 Sabanitas 28/11; 1 Sabanitas 29/11; 2 Playa Guio 4/12
Dusky-capped Flycatcher *Myiarchus tuberculifer* - 2 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 1 Ceima Cachivera 13/11; 2 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11
Short-crested Flycatcher *Myiarchus ferox* - 2 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 2 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12; 1 Playa Guio 4/12
Great Crested Flycatcher *Myiarchus crinitus* - 1 La Florida 11/11; 1 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11
Brown-crested Flycatcher *Myiarchus tyrannulus* - 2 Hato La Aurora 5/12 & 7/12
Crowned Chat-tyrant *Silvicultrix frontalis* - 1 Chingaza NP 10/11
Rufous-breasted Chat-tyrant *Ochthoeca rufipectoralis* - 4 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11; the form here is ssp. *rubicundula* which is confined to the Serranía de Perijá
Brown-backed Chat-tyrant *Ochthoeca fumicolor* - 1 Chingaza NP 10/11
Northern Scrub-flycatcher *Sublegatus arenarum* - 1 Hato La Aurora 7/12
Amazonian Scrub-flycatcher *Sublegatus obscurior* - 1 Urania 12/11
Vermilion Flycatcher *Pyrocephalus rubinus* - 1 near La Paz 20/11; 1 en route Hato La Aurora to Yopal 8/12
Pied Water-tyrant *Fluvicola pica* - 1 Playas del Guaviare 2/12; 1 Hato La Aurora 7-8/12
White-headed Marsh-tyrant *Arundinicola leucocephala* - 2 Playas del Guaviare 2/12; 1 en route to Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12; 1 en route to Yopal 8/12
Amazonian Black-tyrant *Knipolegus poecilocercus* - 1 Matraca Trail 26/11
Red-rumped Bush-tyrant *Cnemarchus erythropygius* - 1 Sumapaz NP 9/12
Streak-throated Bush-tyrant *Myiotheretes striaticollis* - 1 Chingaza NP 10/11
Drab Water-tyrant *Ochthornis littoralis* - 1 Urania 17/11; 1 Caño Cunuben 26/11
Fuscous Flycatcher *Cnemotriccus fuscatus* - 2 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11
Euler's Flycatcher *Lathotriccus euleri* - 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11; heard Buena Vista 2/12; heard Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
Black Phoebe *Sayornis nigricans* - 2 near Riohacha 18/11
Olive-sided Flycatcher *Contopus cooperi* - 1 La Florida 11/11
Smoke-colored Pewee *Contopus fumigatus* - 1 near Mashiramo Glamping 20/11
Eastern Wood-pewee *Contopus virens* - 4 La Florida 11/11; 1 Puente de Lata 14/11
Rufous-browed Peppershrike *Cyclarhis gujanensis* - heard Pueblo Nuevo 14/11
Scrub Greenlet *Hylophilus flavipes* - heard near Riohacha 18/11
Brown-headed Greenlet *Hylophilus brunneiceps* - 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11
Dusky-capped Greenlet *Pachysylvia hypoxantha* - 2 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11
Yellow-green Vireo *Vireo flavoviridis* - 1 La Florida 11/11
Red-eyed Vireo *Vireo olivaceus* - common La Florida 11/11; common around Mitú
Chivi Vireo *Vireo chivi* - 1 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 2 above Manaure 20/11; 5 around Peurto Inírida 24/11; 1 Sabanitas 25/11; 2 Bosque Bavaria 1/12; 2 Buena Vista 2/12; 5+ Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
Yellow-throated Vireo *Vireo flavifrons* - 2 above Manaure 20/11
Violaceous Jay *Cyanocorax violaceus* - 2 en route San José del Guaviare 1/12; 3 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12; 10+ en route to and at Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12; 2 boat upriver Juan Solito Ecolodge 6/12
Green Jay *Cyanocorax yncas* - 4 near Mashiramo Glamping 20/11; 5 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11; 2 Finca La Herreria 30/11

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Black-chested Jay *Cyanocorax affinis* - 3 near Riohacha 18/11; 2 near la Paz 20/11; 6+ Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11

Azure-naped Jay *Cyanocorax heilprini* - 3 Finca los Caucanitas 13/11

Black-capped Donacobius *Donacobius atricapilla* - 4 Puente Nowen 3/12; 3 Laguna Negra 4/12; 1 en route to Yopal 8/12

Barn Swallow *Hirundo rustica* - 6 en route to San José del Guaviare 1/12; common 2/12; common Hato La Aurora

White-winged Swallow *Tachycineta albiventer* - 1 Ceima Cachevera 13/11; 1 Urania 17/11; upto 4 Inírida 24/11 & 26/11; common Río Guaviare 2-3/12; 4 boat upriver Juan Solito Ecolodge 6/12 & 2 on 7/12

Brown-chested Martin *Progne tapera* - 1 Caño Vitina 28/11; 2 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12

Grey-breasted Martin *Progne chalybea* - small numbers around Mitú and Inírida; 2 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12

Southern Rough-winged Swallow *Stelgidopteryx ruficollis* - 1 above Manaure 20/11; small numbers around Inírida; 2 Playa Guio 4/12

Blue-and-white Swallow *Pygochelidon cyanoleuca* - 3 Finca La Herreria 30/11; 2 Playas del Guaviare 2/12

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Black-collared Swallow *Pygochelidon melanoleuca* - 7+ Río Inírida 26/11; 3 Caño Cunuben 26/11
White-banded Swallow *Atticora fasciata* - 4 Mitú 12/11; 1 Urania 17/11; 2 Caño Cunuben 26/11
Brown-bellied Swallow *Orochelidon murina* - c. 80 Observatorio de Colibries 10/11; 20+ La Florida 11/11
Collared Gnatwren *Microbates collaris* - heard Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
Long-billed Gnatwren *Ramphocaenus melanurus* - 1 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; 1 Matraca Trail 26/11
Tropical Gnatcatcher *Polioptila plumbea* - 2 near Riohacha 18/11; 2 Inírida 29/11; heard Hato La Aurora 6/12
Scaly-breasted Wren *Microcerculus marginatus* - heard Mitú 14/11 & 16/11; heard Bosque Bavaria 1/12; 1 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
House Wren *Troglodytes aedon* - seen/heard almost daily
Mountain Wren *Troglodytes solstitialis* - 1 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11
Apolinar's Wren *Cistothorus apolinari* **EN** - 4 Sumapaz NP 9/12
Stripe-backed Wren *Campylorhynchus nuchalis* - a pair near La Paz 20/11
Thrush-like Wren *Campylorhynchus turdinus* - 2 Caño Cunuben 26/11; 3 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
Bicolored Wren *Campylorhynchus griseus* - 2 near La Paz 20/11; 2 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; up to 4 seen daily Juan Solito Ecolodge
Whiskered Wren *Pheugopedius mystacalis* - 2 below Manaure 20/11; 1 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; 4 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11
Coraya Wren *Pheugopedius coraya* - 1 Ceima Cachivera 13/11; heard daily Mitú; 1 near Inírida 29/11; heard Buena Vista 2/12
Rufous-breasted Wren *Pheugopedius rutilus* - 2 above Manaure 20/11; heard Finca La Herreria 30/11
Rufous-and-white Wren *Thryophilus rufalbus* - heard Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11
Buff-breasted Wren *Cantorchilus leucotis* - 2 Matraca Trail 26/11; heard El Paujil 27/11; heard Playa Guio 4/12; heard between Yopal and Hato La Aurora 5/12 & 8/12
White-breasted Wood-wren *Henicorhina leucosticta* - heard Pueblo Nuevo 14/11; heard Cruce Bocatoma 16/11
Grey-breasted Wood-wren *Henicorhina leucophrys* - 1 above Manaure 20/11; 2 Finca La Herreria 30/11; 1 Chicaque 9/12
Tropical Mockingbird *Mimus gilvus* - 4 near Riohacha 18/11; 2 above Manaure 20/11; 2 Sabanitas 25/11; 2 Inírida 29/12; seen daily on the *Ilanos*
Andean Solitaire *Myadestes ralloides* - 1 above Manaure 20/11
Swainson's Thrush *Catharus swainsoni* - heard above Manaure 20/11
Grey-cheeked Thrush *Catharus minimus* - 1 Ceima Cachivera 13/11; 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11
Orange-billed Nightingale-thrush *Catharus aurantiirostris* - heard above Manaure 20/11; 2 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11
Slaty-backed Nightingale-thrush *Catharus fuscater* - heard above Manaure 20/11; heard Finca La Herreria 30/11
Pale-breasted Thrush *Turdus leucomelas* - c. 10 above Manaure 20/11; heard Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; 1 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11; 2 Bosque Bavaria 1/12
Cocoa Thrush *Turdus fumigatus* - 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11; 1 Buena Vista 2/12
Yellow-legged Thrush *Turdus flavipes* - 1 above Manaure 20/11
Spectacled Thrush *Turdus nudigenis* - 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11
Chestnut-bellied Thrush *Turdus fulviventris* - 3 near Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11
Black-hooded Thrush *Turdus olivater* - 2 above Manaure 20/11
Great Thrush *Turdus fuscater* - seen fairly regularly in the mountains
Glossy-black Thrush *Turdus serranus* - heard Chamicero del Perijá 19/11; heard above Manaure 20/11
Black-billed Thrush *Turdus ignobilis* - 3 Sabanitas 25/11; small numbers on the *Ilanos* most days
Campina Thrush *Turdus arthuri* - 3 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11
House Sparrow *Passer domesticus* - 1+ Riohacha Airport 18/11

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Pale-breasted Thrush



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- Yellowish Pipit** *Anthus lutescens* - 2 Hato La Aurora 6/12 and 1 on 7/12
- Blue-naped Chlorophonia** *Chlorophonia cyanea* - 10 above Manaure 20/11; 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11
- Chestnut-breasted Chlorophonia** *Chlorophonia pyrrhophrys* - 1 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11
- Plumbeous Euphonia** *Euphonia plumbea* - 2 Urania 12/11 and 1 on 17/11; heard Sabanitas 25/11; 2 Sabanitas 28/11
- Purple-throated Euphonia** *Euphonia chlorotica* - 6 Hato La Aurora 5/12; 2 Hato La Aurora 7/12
- Trinidad Euphonia** *Euphonia trinitatis* - 3 near La Paz 20/11
- Thick-billed Euphonia** *Euphonia laniirostris* - 1 above Manaure 20/11; 2 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; 2 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11; 1 Buena Vista 2/12; 2 Yopal to Hato La Aurora 5/12
- White-lored (Golden-bellied) Euphonia** *Euphonia chrysopasta* - 2 Urania 12/11; 1 Inírida town 24/11; 2 Buena Vista 2/12; heard Playa Guio 4/12
- White-vented Euphonia** *Euphonia minuta* - 1 Urania 12/11; 2 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11; 2 Urania 17/11; 1 Guamal Road 29/11
- Orange-bellied Euphonia** *Euphonia xanthogaster* - 1 en route to Villavicencio 30/11; 5 Bosque Bavaria 1/12; 1 Buena Vista 2/12
- Rufous-bellied Euphonia** *Euphonia rufiventris* - 1 Urania 12/11; 4 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11
- Lesser Goldfinch** *Spinus psaltria* - 2 La Florida 11/11; 1 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11
- Andean Siskin** *Spinus spinescens* - c. 30 Chingaza NP 10/11
- Tocuyo Sparrow** *Arremonops tocuyensis* - 1 near Riohacha 18/11
- Black-striped Sparrow** *Arremonops conirostris* - 2 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11
- Grassland Sparrow** *Ammodramus humeralis* - 1 Hato La Aurora 6/12
- Yellow-browed Sparrow** *Ammodramus aurifrons* - small numbers Mitú seen daily; 3 Playas del Guaviare 2/12; daily Hato La Aurora
- Common Chlorospingus** *Chlorospingus flavopectus* - 4 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11; 10 above Manaure 20/11; 2 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11; 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11
- Grey-browed Brushfinch** *Arremon assimilis* - heard Chicaque NR 9/12
- Perija Brush-finch** *Arremon Perijánus VU* - 2 above Manaure 18/11
- Yellow-mandibled Sparrow** *Arremon axillaris* - 3 Bosque Bavaria 1/12; Yellow-mandibled Sparrow is a Birdlife International split from Pectoral Sparrow *A. taciturnus* s. lat.
- Pectoral Sparrow** *Arremon taciturnus* s. str. - 2 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11
- Golden-winged Sparrow** *Arremon schlegeli* - 3 above Manaure 20/11
- Moustached Brush-finch** *Atlapetes albofrenatus* - 2 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11; 2 Chicaque NR 9/12
- Ochre-breasted Brush-finch** *Atlapetes semirufus* - 3 Finca La Herreria 30/11
- Pale-naped Brush-finch** *Atlapetes pallidinucha* - 2 Chingaza NP 10/11
- Black-fronted Brush-finch** *Atlapetes nigrifrons* - 2 Chamicero del Perijá Lodge 19/11; 4+ above Manaure 20/11
- Slaty Brush-finch** *Atlapetes schistaceus* - c. 10 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11; 5+ above Manaure 20/11
- Rufous-collared Sparrow** *Zonotrichia capensis* - seen Chingaza NP and La Florida; seen daily at Chamicero del Perijá; seen at Sumapaz NP and Chicaque NR 9/12
- Eastern Meadowlark** *Sturnella magna* - 1 La Florida 11/11; daily Hato La Aurora
- Red-breasted Meadowlark** *Leistes militaris* - 2 airfield, Mitú 13/11; 3 Playas del Guaviare 2/12; daily Hato La Aurora
- Russet-backed Oropendola** *Psarocolius angustifrons* - 10 Buena Vista 2/12
- Crested Oropendola** *Psarocolius decumanus* - 2 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; seen daily Inírida; 2 Finca La Herreria 30/11; common Bosque Bavaria 1/12; 2 Buena Vista 2/12; daily Hato La Aurora
- Green Oropendola** *Psarocolius viridis* - 1 Urania 12/11
- Amazonian (Olive) Oropendola** *Psarocolius yuracares* - c. 10 Urania 12/11; small numbers seen daily around Mitú; heard Caño Cunuben 26/11; Amazonian Oropendola is a Birdlife International split from Olive Oropendola *P. bifasciatus*
- Solitary Cacique** *Cacicus solitarius* - 4 Buena Vista 2/12

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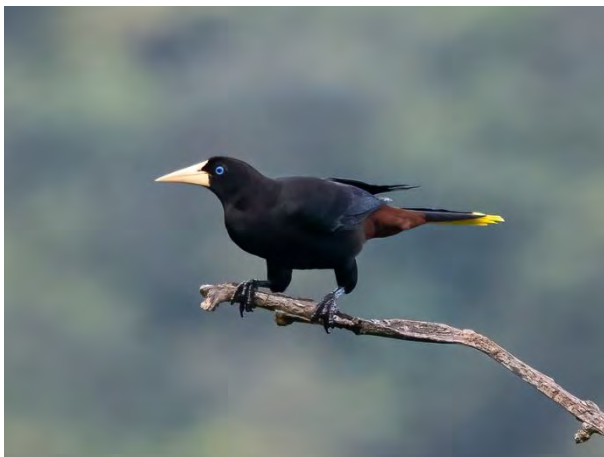
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- Yellow-rumped Cacique** *Cacicus cela* - seen almost daily in Mitú, Inírida and on the *llanos*
- Yellow-backed Oriole** *Icterus chrysater* - 2 La Florida 11/11; 2 Hato La Aurora 6/12
- Yellow Oriole** *Icterus nigrogularis* - 2 near Riohacha 18/11; 1 near La Paz 20/11; 2 Hato La Aurora 7/12
- Venezuelan Troupial** *Icterus icterus* - 1 Hato La Aurora 7/12
- Orange-crowned Oriole** *Icterus auricapillus* - 3 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11
- Moriche (Epaulet) Oriole** *Icterus chrysocephalus* - 1 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 1 Urania 12/11; 2 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11; Moriche Oriole is a Birdlife International split from Epaulet Oriole *I. cayanensis*
- Giant Cowbird** *Molothrus oryzivorus* - c. 10 Urania 12/11; 5 Inírida 24/11; seen almost daily Hato La Aurora
- Shiny Cowbird** *Molothrus bonariensis* - c. 20 centre of Inírida 24/11; 5 Inírida 29/11; seen almost daily Hato La Aurora
- Carib Grackle** *Quiscalus lugubris* - c. 20 Riohacha 18/11; 1 above Manaure 20/11; 3 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; 1 en route to Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12; 5 Hato La Aurora 7/12
- Velvet-fronted Grackle** *Lamprosar tanagrinus* - c. 15 Matraca Trail 26/11; 2 El Paujil Trail 27/11; c. 10 Buena Vista 2/12
- Oriole Blackbird** *Gymnomystax mexicanus* - 3 en route to Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12; seen daily Hato La Aurora
- Yellow-hooded Blackbird** *Chrysomus icterocephalus* - 5 La Florida 11/11
- Northern Waterthrush** *Parkesia noveboracensis* - 1 La Florida 11/11; heard Sabanitas 25/11
- Black-and-white Warbler** *Mniotilta varia* - 3 above Manaure 20/11; 1 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; 2 near Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11
- Tennessee Warbler** *Leiothlypis peregrina* - 2 above Manaure 20/11; 2 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; 1 Don Carmito's house 22/11
- Mourning Warbler** *Geothlypis philadelphia* - 1 La Florida 11/11; 2 above Manaure 20/11
- American Redstart** *Setophaga ruticilla* - 1 La Florida 11/11; 1 Urania 17/11; 8 above Manaure 20/11; 1 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11; 5 Bosque Bavaria 1/12
- Tropical Parula** *Setophaga pitayumi* - 1 above Manaure 20/11
- Bay-breasted Warbler** *Setophaga castanea* - 1 near La Jagua 21/11; 2 Bosque Bavaria 1/12
- Blackburnian Warbler** *Setophaga fusca* - 4 La Florida 11/11; 2 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11; several above Manaure 20/11; 3 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11; several Finca La Herreria 30/11; 5 Chicaque NR 9/12
- American Yellow Warbler** *Setophaga petechia* - 2 La Florida 11/11; 2 above Manaure 20/11; Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; 1 Sabanitas 25/11; 4 Sabanitas 28/11; 1 Bosque Bavaria 1/12
- Blackpoll Warbler** *Setophaga striata* - small numbers seen regularly Mitú, Inírida and en route to the *llanos*
- Black-crested Warbler** *Myiothlypis nigrocristata* - 2 Chingaza NP 10/11; 1 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11; 5 above Manaure 20/11; 2 Chicaque NR 9/12
- Grey-throated Warbler** *Myiothlypis cinereicollis* - 1 below Manaure 20/11; 3 near Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11
- Rufous-(Chestnut-)capped Warbler** *Basileuterus rufifrons* - 6 above Manaure 20/11; 1 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11; in the eBird/Clements and IOC taxonomies the more southerly yellow-bellied forms are now split from the white-bellied group as Chestnut-capped Warbler *B. delatirii*
- Yellow-(Golden-)crowned Warbler** *Basileuterus cabanisi* - 4 above Manaure 20/11; 1 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11; 2 Finca La Herreria 30/11; 1 Bosque Bavaria 1/12; Yellow-crowned Warbler is a Birdlife International split from Golden-crowned Warbler *B. culicivorus*
- Canada Warbler** *Cardellina pusilla* - 1 La Florida 11/11; 2 Bosque Bavaria 1/12
- Slate-throated Whitestart** *Myioborus miniatus* - 1 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11; 4 above Manaure 20/11; 2 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11; 1 Chicaque NR 9/12
- Yellow-(Golden-)fronted Whitestart** *Myioborus ornatus* s. str. - 4 Chicaque NR 9/12; Yellow-fronted Whitestart is a Birdlife International split from Golden-fronted Whitestart *M. ornatus* s. lat.

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Yellow-rumped Cacique



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Rufous-capped Warbler - photo © Brendan Ryan



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- Rose-breasted Grosbeak** *Pheucticus ludovicianus* - 2 La Florida 11/11; 2 above Manaure 20/11
- Rose-breasted Chat** *Granatellus pelzelni* - 1 El Paujil Trail 27/11
- Amazonian Grosbeak** *Cyanoloxia rothschildii* - 1 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11
- Summer Tanager** *Piranga rubra* - 1 La Florida 11/11; 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11; 3 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11; 2 above Manaure 20/11; 1 Sabanitas 25/11; 4+ Bosque Bavaria 1/12
- Hepatic Tanager** *Piranga flava* - 2 Don Carmito's house 22/11; 1 en route to Bucaramanga 23/11
- Yellow-green Grosbeak** *Caryothraustes canadensis* - 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11
- Plushcap** *Catamblyrhynchus diadema* - 1 Chicaque NR 9/12
- Hooded Tanager** *Nemosia pileata* - 2 La Rompida 27/11; 1 Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12
- Wedge-tailed Grass-finch** *Emberizoides herbicola* - 1 Guamal Road 24/11
- Green Honeycreeper** *Chlorophanes spiza* - 1 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 4 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11; 2 Bosque Bavaria 1/12
- Yellow-backed Tanager** *Hemithraupis flavicollis* - 4 Mitú Cachivera 12/11
- Swallow Tanager** *Tersina viridis* - 1 Urania 12/11; 2 above Manaure 20/11; 4 Bosque Bavaria 1/12; 2 Playa Guio 4/12
- Purple Honeycreeper** *Cyanerpes caeruleus* - seen daily Mitú; 2 Bosque Bavaria 1/12; 1 Buena Vista 2/12; 1 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
- Short-billed Honeycreeper** *Cyanerpes nitidus* - 3 Mitú Cachivera 12/11
- Blue Dacnis** *Dacnis cayana* - 5 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 3 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11; small numbers almost daily Inírida; 2 Finca La Herreria 30/11; 1 Playa Guio 4/12
- Yellow-bellied Dacnis** *Dacnis flaviventer* - 5 Urania 12/11; 3 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11; 2 Buena Vista 2/12
- Black-faced Dacnis** *Dacnis lineata* - 1 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11
- Caribbean Grey (Grayish) Saltator** *Saltator olivascens* - 2 near Riohacha 18/11; 3 Hato La Aurora 7/12; 1 Hato La Aurora 8/12; Caribbean Grey Saltator is a Birdlife International split from Grayish Saltator *S. coerulescens*
- Streaked Saltator** *Saltator striatipectus* - 4 above Manaure 20/11; 3 Don Carmito's house 22/11
- Buff-throated Saltator** *Saltator maximus* - 2 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 1 Don Carmito's house 21/11; 4 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11; 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11; 2 Bosque Bavaria 1/12
- Slate-colored Saltator (Grosbeak)** *Saltator grossus* - 1 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11; 2 Urania 17/11; 1 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12
- Bananaquit** *Coereba flaveola* - seen widely in small numbers
- Black-faced Grassquit** *Melanospiza bicolor* - 1 near Riohacha 18/11
- Dull-colored Grassquit** *Asemospiza obscura* - 2 above Manaure 20/11; 1 Finca No Hay Como Dios 21/11
- Blue-black Grassquit** *Volatinia jacarina* - seen in small numbers Mitú; 1 near Riohacha 18/11; 1 above Manaure 20/11; 1 en route to Bucaramanga 23/11; 1 Yopal to Hato La Aurora 5/12

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Grey-headed Tanager *Eucometis penicillata* - 1 Matraca Trail 26/11; 2 El Paujil Trail 27/11; 2 Buena Vista 2/12

Flame-crested Tanager *Loriotus cristatus* - 4 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11

Pileated Finch *Coryphospingus pileatus* - 1 near Riohacha 18/11

Fulvous-crested Tanager *Maschalethraupis surinama* - 2 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 2 Ceima Cachivera 13/11

Red-shouldered Tanager *Tachyphonus phoenicius* - 4 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11

White-lined Tanager *Tachyphonus rufus* - 1 above Manaure 20/11; 2 Don Carmito's house 21/11

Masked Crimson Tanager *Ramphocelus nigrogularis* - 2 Caño Cunuben 26/11; 5 Buena Vista 2/12

Crimson-backed Tanager *Ramphocelus dimidiatus* - 2 above Manaure 20/11; 2 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11

Silver-beaked Tanager *Ramphocelus carbo* - seen in numbers daily in Mitú, Inírida and on the *Ilanos*

Lesson's Seedeater *Sporophila bouvronides* - 8 Playas del Guaviare 2/12

Grey Seedeater *Sporophila intermedia* - 1 Buena Vista 2/12; 3+ Raudal del Guayabero 3/12; 2 Hato La Aurora 6/12

White-naped Seedeater *Sporophila fringilloides* - 1 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11

Black-and-white Seedeater *Sporophila luctuosa* - 5 near Mashiramo Glamping 20/11

Yellow-bellied Seedeater *Sporophila nigricollis* - 2 en route Ocaña to Bucaramanga 23/11

Chestnut-bellied Seed-finch *Sporophila angolensis* - 1 Urania 17/11; 1 Sabanitas 25/11; 5 Playas del Guaviare 2/12; 1 en route to Juan Solito Ec lodge 5/12

Chestnut-bellied Seedeater *Sporophila castaneiventris* - 1 Mitú Cachevera 12/11; 2 Guamal Road 24/11

Black-eared Hemispingus *Sphenopsis melanotis* - 3 Chicaque NR 9/12

Superciliaried Hemispingus *Thlypopsis superciliaris* - 2 Chicaque NR 9/12

Orange-headed Tanager *Thlypopsis sordida* - 2 La Rompida 27/11

Chestnut-vented Conebill *Conirostrum speciosum* - 1 Juan Solito Ec lodge 5/12; 1 Hato La Aurora 7/12

Rufous-browed Conebill *Conirostrum rufum* - 3 Sumapaz NP 9/12

Saffron Finch *Sicalis flaveola* - 1 en route to Villavicencio 30/11; 1 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12; 10 Hato La Aurora 7/12

Orange-fronted Yellow-finch *Sicalis columbiana* - c. 20 feeding on rice put out for them on the pavement in a busy part of Inírida town centre; c. 20 on lawns at Juan Solito Lodge 5-7/12

Plumbeous Sierra-finch *Geospizopsis unicolor* - 4 Sumapaz NP 9/12

Bluish Flowerpiercer *Diglossa caerulea* - 2 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11; 2 above Manure 20/11; 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11

Masked Floweriercer *Diglossa cyanea* - 2 Chingaza NP 10/11; 2 Finca La Herreria 30/11

Rusty Flowerpiercer *Diglossa sittoides* - 1 above Manure 20/11

Glossy Flowerpiercer *Diglossa lafresnayii* - 4 Chingaza NP 10/11; 1 Chicaque NR 9/12

White-sided Flowerpiercer *Diglossa albilatera* - 1 Observatorio de Colibries 10/11; 2 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11; 3 above Manure 20/11; 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11

Black Flowerpiercer *Diglossa humeralis* - 4 Chingaza NP 10/11; c15 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11

Buff-breasted Mountain-tanager *Dubusia taeniata* - heard above Manaure 20/11

Blue-capped Tanager *Sporathraupis cyanocephala* - 5+ Chamicero del Perijá 19/11; several above Manaure 20/11; 1 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11; 1 Chicaque NR 9/12

Scarlet-bellied Mountain-tanager *Anisognathus lunulatus* - 3 Chingaza NP 10/11

Lacrimose Mountain-tanager *Anisognathus lacrymosus* - 4 Chamicero del Perijá 19/11

Black-faced Tanager *Schistochlamys melanopsis* - 4 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11; 1 hato La Aurora 7/12

Masked Cardinal *Paroaria nigrogenis* - seen daily Juan Solito Ec lodge

Red-capped Cardinal *Paroaria gularis* - 3 Caño Cunuben 26/11; 2 Puente Nowen 3/12

Speckled Tanager *Ixothraupis guttata* - 2 Don Carmito's house 22/11; several Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11; 1 en route to Villavicencio 30/11

Blue-grey Tanager *Thraupis episcopus* - seen almost daily in Mitú, Inírida and on the *Ilanos*

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Fulvous-crested Tanager



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Chestnut-bellied Seed-finch m.



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Black-headed Tanager f.

Palm Tanager *Thraupis palmarum* - seen almost daily in Mitú, Inírida and on the *llanos*

Black-headed Tanager *Stilpnia cyanoptera* - 4 near Mashiramo Glamping 20/11; 4 Don Carmito's house 22/11

Black-capped Tanager *Stilpnia heinei* - 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11

Blue-necked Tanager *Stilpnia cyanicollis* - 20+ en route to Villavicencio 30/11; 1 Bosque Bavaria 1/12

Masked Tanager *Stilpnia nigrocincta* - seen most days Mitú

Scrub Tanager *Stilpnia vitriolina* - 2 Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11; 1 Finca La Herreria 30/11

Burnished-buff Tanager *Stilpnia cayana* - small numbers Inírida and on the *llanos*

Blue-and-black Tanager *Tangara vassorii* - 1 Chicaque NR 9/12

Beryl-spangled Tanager *Tangara nigroviridis* - 2 Finca La Herreria 30/11

Bay-headed Tanager *Tangara gyrola* - 2 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11

Golden Tanager *Tangara arthus* - 1 near Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve 22/11

Turquoise Tanager *Tangara mexicana* - 4+ Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 1 Mitú town 17/11; 2 Buena Vista

Paradise Tanager *Tangara chilensis* - 10 Urania 12/11; 4 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11; 10 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11

Opal-crowned Tanager *Tangara callophrys* - 1 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11

Opal-rumped Tanager *Tangara velia* - 1 Urania 12/11

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Blue-necked Tanager - photo © Terry Laws



Burnished-buff Tanager - photo © Terry Laws

MAMMALS

Taxonomy and sequence follow *All the Mammals of the World* (Lynx).

Northern Black-eared Opossum *Didelphis marsupialis* - 1 Bosque Bavaria 1/12

Giant Anteater *Myrmecophaga tridactyla* - 1 Hato La Aurora 5-6/12

Linnaeus's Two-toed Sloth *Choloepus didactylus* - 1 from the boat at Caño Cunuben 26/12

Mottled-face Tamarin *Saguinus inustus* - seen daily around Mitú 13-16/11

Humboldt's Squirrel Monkey *Saimiri cassiquiarensis* - 4 El Paujil 27/11; 10 Bosque Bavaria 1/12; 2 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12; 1 Playa Guio 4/12

Brown Capuchin *Sapajus apella* - 6 El Paujil Trail 27/11; 3 Playa Guio 4/12

White-chested Titi *Cheracebus lugens* - 3 Sabanitas 25/11; 4 Ecoparque KENKE 28/11; 1 Sabanitas 29/11

Golden-brown Uacari *Cacajao melanocephalus* - 6+ Buena Vista 2/12

Colombian Red Howler *Alouatta seniculus* - heard Chamicero del Perijá 20/11; 2 Buena Vista 2/12; heard Raudal del Guayabero 3/12; 2 Playa Guio 4/12

White-bellied Spider Monkey *Ateles belzebuth* - 4 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12

Common Woolly Monkey *Lagothrix lagothricha* - 4 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12

Brazilian Guinea Pig *Cavia aperea* - c. 10 La Florida 11/11; 4+ Sumapaz NP 9/12

Greater Capybara *Hydrochoerus hydrochaeris* - seen regularly at Hato La Aurora

Black Agouti *Dasyprocta fuliginosa* - 1 en route Raudal del Guayabero to San José del Guaviare 3/12; 2 Hato La Aurora 7/12

Red-tailed Squirrel *Sciurus granatensis* - 1 Chamicero del Perijá 18/11; 2 above Manaure 20/11

Proboscis Bat *Rhynchonycteris naso* - several at Buena Vista 2/12 on concrete supports of the bridge at the start of the trail

Orinoco River Dolphin *Inia humboldtiana* - 2 from the boat at Caño Cunuben 26/12; 1 Río Inírida 27/11

Common Red Brocket *Mazama americana* - 1 near Juan Solito Ecolodge 5/12

White-tailed Deer *Odocoileus virginianus* - around Juan Solito Ecolodge 5-8/12 including one very tame (rehabilitated) individual that came into the dining area!

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BUTTERFLIES

Taxonomy and family sequence follow the Butterflies of America website (www.butterfliesofamerica.com). Genera and species are listed alphabetically. Thanks to Nigel Peace for identifying our photographs.

PAPILIONIDAE

Protesilaus sp. - 1 Raudel del Guayabero 3/12

NYMPHALIDAE

Brown Peacock *Anartia amathea* - 1 Hato la Aurora 7/12

White Peacock *Anartia jatrophe* - 1 Hato la Aurora 7/12

Caeruleptychia lobelia - 1 El Paujil trail 27/11

Two-eyed Eighty-eight *Callicore pitheas* - 1 Hato la Aurora 7/12

Agathina Emperor *Doxocopa agathina* - 1 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12

Epiphile epimenes - 1 Mitú Cachivera 12/11; 1 above Manaure 20/11

Heliconius ethilla - 1 Raudal del Guayabero 3/12

Heliconius sara - 1 Bosque Bavaria 1/12

Heliconius xanthocles - 1 Cruce Bocatoma 16/11

Hyposcada illinissa - 1 Bosque Bavaria 1/12

Lasiophila zapatoza - 1 above Manaure 20/11

Ruddy Daggerwing *Marpesia petreus* - 1 Mitú town 17/11

Norica Daggerwing *Marpesia themistocles* - 1 Sendero Bocatoma 15/11

Pierella lamia - 1 Buena Vista 2/12

RIODINIDAE

Mesene mygdon - 1 El Paujil trail 27/11

Whitened Eyed-metalmark *Mesosemia zonalis* - 1 Pueblo Nuevo 14/11

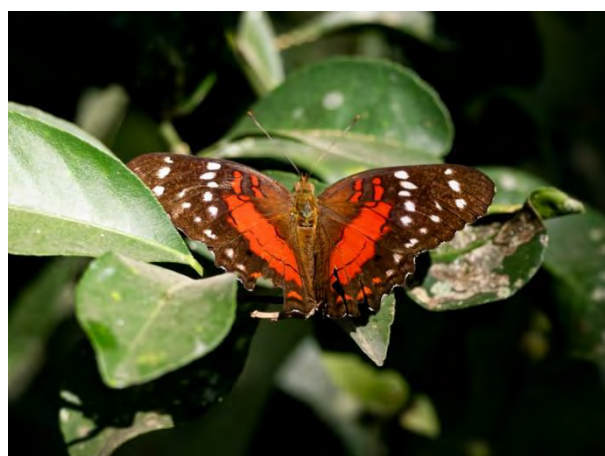
HESPERIIDAE

Cecropterus (= *Autochton*) *zarex* - 1 Bosque Bavaria 1/12

Eantis pallida - 1 above Manaure 20/11



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White Peacock - photo © Terry Laws



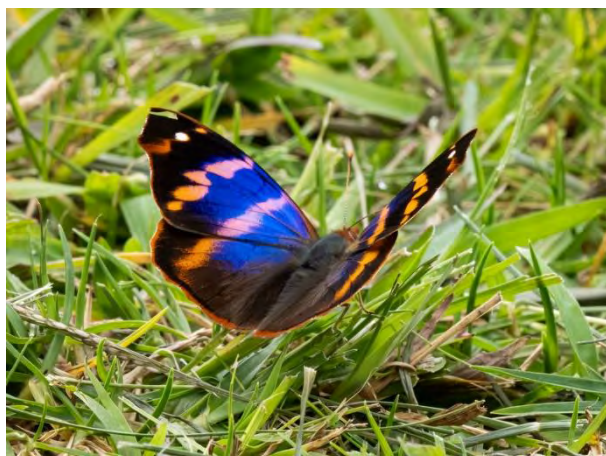
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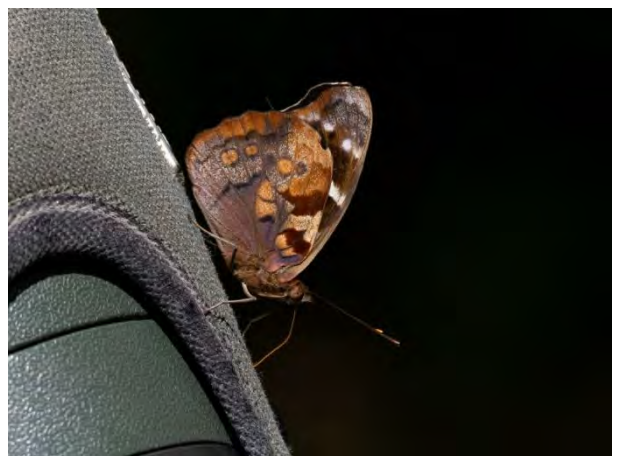
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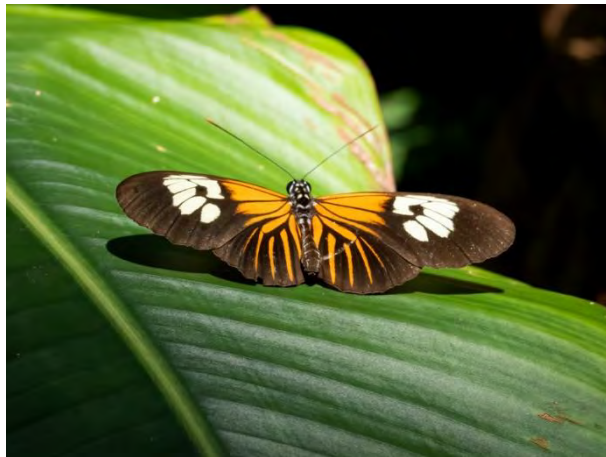
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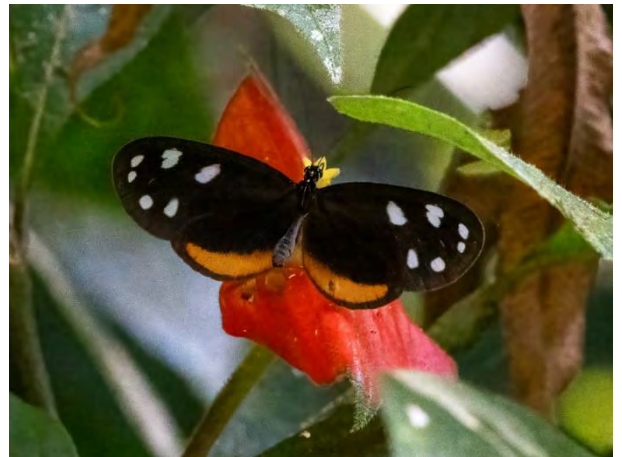
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