Ecuador
The Andes Introtour & High Andes Extension
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Once again we ran this tour that without any doubt is one of the most popular among our clients from all over. Ecuador is a key place to start birding in the Tropics and this tour fits the diversity of life zones in the Andes with its bird’s richness and combines this with gorgeous scenery and comfortable lodging. Considering that the itinerary gives you the chance to get good views of many endemic or range/restricted species found in this part of the Andes, you don’t need any other reason or a vast experience in the tropics to come with us, and in fact with the High Andes Extension we will cover a pretty wide altitudinal range with the chance of many more additional birds.

Nov 17: Yanacocha. After leaving Quito in the dark, it became a little foggy as we climbed up towards the western flanks of the Pichincha volcanic complex. However, we managed to see Cayambe and Antisana volcanoes, two out of the four highest peaks in Ecuador.
Along the road we stopped in a couple of places and one of the first birds observed well was this very cooperative *Blackish Tapaculo* which came and stayed in the open for at least a minute.

Inside the reserve an *Andean Pygmy-Owl* kept us busy for at least 15 minutes trying to find him, until it flew away without giving us a sighting; fortunately immediately after this we got our reward with a small flock of *Black-chested Mountain-Tanagers (above)* and *Golden-crowned Tanagers*. A few meters farther along, we enjoyed good scope views of a male *Barred Fruiteater (below)* who came to the forest edge. Along the “Trocha Inca” (Inca trail), we ran into a couple of mixed feeding flocks containing *Spectacled Redstart, Superciliaried Hemispingus, Cinereous and Blue-backed Conebills, White-banded, and White-throated Tyrannulets*.

![Image 1](image1.jpg)

On our way down out of the reserve, *Andean Lapwing* was found foraging at the potato fields down below the reserve, large numbers of *Band-tailed Pigeon (below)* were located along the upper portion of the Alambi River, and a bit of work was needed in order to get *Plain-tailed Wrens* into view after hearing their impressively loud voices. *Crimson-mantled Woodpecker* together with an unexpected *Pale-legged Hornero* were seen too.

![Image 2](image2.jpg)
Lower down the valley another surprise awaited in the shape of a small flock of Beautiful Jays with their loud and mechanical-sounding calls... the grand finale of day 1 was all the action at the feeders in Tandayapa Lodge.

**Nov 18: Tandayapa Valley.** Today we decided go to the hide first, here one normally sees many interesting birds that come in to eat bugs attracted to the night light. We enjoyed unbeatable views of Streak-capped Treehunter, Immaculate Antbird, and White-throated Quail-Dove. Although calling from a close range, a Scaled Antpitta never came in. Then we returned to the lodge for breakfast and we had a wonderful time with the about dozen hummingbird species normally seen at the feeders. We walked the Tanager trail for an hour or so getting the following species: Marble-faced Bristle-Tyrant, Ornate Flycatcher, Dusky-capped Flycatcher, and Barred, Cinnamon, Black-and-white, and White-winged Becards (the last was only heard).

After breakfast we drove up to the upper Tandayapa Valley and saw one of the highlights of the day, the impressive Black-and-chestnut Eagle soaring high above the road, here we also got Pearled Treerunner, Crimson-mantled Woodpecker, and Black-eared Hemispingus. In the afternoon, after a tasty lunch at the lodge, we went back up to the old Nono-Mindo road and finally found our Torrent Duck.

**Nov 19: Milpe Bird Sanctuary.** Today we visited Milpe Bird Sanctuary, starting our birding in the open habitat near the reserve, where we saw Olive-crowned Yellowthroat, Bronze-winged Parrot, Scarlet-backed Woodpecker, Red-faced Spinetail, Fawn-breasted Tanager, Choco Toucan, and others. We walked to the parking lot, usually a very productive spot especially early in the morning and saw some other beauties like Common Tody-Flycatcher, Piratic Flycatcher, Sooty-headed Tyrannulet, White-thighed Swallow, and Purple Honeycreeper. Milpe is perhaps best known for its manakins, and we headed down the trail in search of them, getting outstanding views of Club-winged (below) and Golden-winged Manakins, both displaying at their lek sites. Along the trail between the two sites we also got a very cooperative Ochre-breasted Antpitta.
Later on, while heading towards the Milpe Gardens section of the sanctuary, I heard a familiar call, first very softly but then as we got closer it became clear and loud. **Lanceolated Monklet!** I shouted, and with a little playback and patience it came in and perched on an open branch just a few meters away from us. What a stunning bird!

![Lanceolated Monklet](image)

**Nov 20: Mashpi Reserve.** Visiting this beautiful forest involves a long drive, but it was worth it when we managed to find some of the target species: Uniform Treehunter, Orange-breasted and Scaled Fruiteaters, Indigo Flowerpiercer, Glistening-green and Moss-backed Tanagers, Bay Wren, and three species of Solitaire: Andean, Black, and Rufous-brown. The last one was the most cooperative one, giving us superb long views during our lunch break. On the upper part of the road we heard Rufous-fronted Wood-Quails while Maroon-tailed Parakeet flew overhead. Collared Trogon (below) and Collared Aracari also came in, in my opinion a rather high elevation for that species. On the way back, we were held up couple of times due to open views of Golden-headed Quetzal.

![Collared Trogon](image)
Nov 21: Rio Silanche Bird Sanctuary. After driving for about an hour and a half, we arrived at a swamp that often has Brown Wood-Rail. No luck today with this secretive species, but instead had a Green Kingfisher perched at the other side of the swamp. I wanted to get to the reserve before it was too hot, but this is often hard to do because of the crazy bird activity along the entrance road. One of the favorite birds of the trip was found in a mixed flock half way along this road; the Red-billed Scythebill was hidden at first but eventually showed itself, along with Ruddy Foliage-gleaner, Pacific and Checker-throated Antwrens, and Acadian Flycatcher.

Reaching the edge of the sanctuary, we walked up the road and had some interesting birds like: Purple-throated Fruitcrow, Rufous-tailed Jacamar, Cinnamon and Guayaquil Woodpeckers, Swallow-tailed Kite, and Laughing Falcon. When we arrived at the main part of the reserve, we climbed to the observation tower and found Rose-faced Parrot, Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift.

On our way back to the lodge, we went to a known Lyre-tailed Nightjar spot, and with a little of patience we saw two females before dinner.

Nov 22: Paz de las Aves.- After struggling a little bit to get to the reserve because of the slippery road, we enjoyed a very interesting morning with the Paz Brothers. We started with the entertaining Andean Cock-of-the-rock lek, then walked down the well-maintained trail to see many exceptional birds like Dark-backed Wood-Quail, Rufous-breasted Antthrush, Ochre-breasted and Moustached Antpittas, and Ocellated Tapaculo.
After the traditional snack of bolones y café, we hit the road in direction of Mindo looking for one bird in particular, Sunbittern. We went straight to a spot where I’ve seen it before, and after a few minutes of searching and a Spotted Sandpiper, we found it at an open portion of the river for unbeatable views.

The last site we birded today was the dry Andean forest near Calacalí. Here we got Tropical Mockingbird, Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle, Ash-breasted and Band-tailed Sierra-Finches, just to mention some. We arrived at the hotel in Quito, and after checking the sightings for the day, said our goodbyes for the ones not joining the extension.

**Nov 23: Antisana Ecological Reserve & Papallacta Pass.** We started off the first day of the High Andes extension heading south-east passing through small towns, Andean farms, and a very large lava flow. Notable species seen today were Silvery Grebe, Andean Condor, Black-faced Ibis, Sharp-shinned Hawk, Variable Hawk, Carunculated Caracara, Greater Yellowlegs, Black-winged Ground-Dove, Giant Hummingbird, Barn Swallow, and Grassland Yellow-Finch. In the afternoon, we headed to Papallacta, stopping along the way for Hooded Siskin and Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle. As we got to the pass we decided to “go for it” and try to find the main target up there, Rufous-bellied Seedsnipe. Good weather up here is really rare and you always have to take advantage of it! And after an hour up there at 14000 feet, and some rather exhausting walking, we found a pair of these super-cryptic birds. Then we went down to Guango Lodge with its incredible hummingbird feeders and tasty food.

**Nov 24: Guango Lodge.** We decided to get up early and do some birding before breakfast. The open areas around the lodge are often very active in the morning and today we saw Rufous-breasted Chat-Tyrant, Turquoise Jay, Mountain Wren, Black-capped and Black-eared Hemispinguses, and Mountain Cacique among others. Later on we went for a hike on the pipeline trail and encountered a small family of Andean Guans, and a Gray-breasted Mountain-Toucan started calling from a tree top. It’s always a treat to find this gorgeous Toucan and we did just in time because the rain suddenly came down a lot heavier.

After lunch, we packed up and started to head back to Quito. There was time to bird another area, the road above the hot springs that Papallacta is famous for. This road goes through nice temperate forest, and we found some new species for the tour like Viridian Metaltail, Agile Tit-Tyrant, and Black-backed Bush-Tanager. They were nice birds to end the trip on, and we headed back through the bustling Quito suburbs to our hotel for the final night.
LIST OF SPECIES

The total number of species we recorded on the trip was 358. Of these 358 species, 25 were only heard. The taxonomic order of this list follows *The Birds of Ecuador*, by Ridgely and Greenfield.

Birds listed “h” were heard only and birds listed “e” were seen during the extension only. Taxonomy and nomenclature of this list follow *The Birds of Ecuador* by Robert Ridgely and Paul Greenfield, 2001.

**GREBES**
e Silvery Grebe

**DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS**
Torrent Duck
e Andean (Speckled) Teal
e Yellow-billed Pintail
e Andean Ruddy-Duck (Andean Duck)

**HERONS, BITTERNs, AND EGRETS**
Cattle Egret

**AMERICAN VULTURES**
e Andean Condor
Black Vulture
Turkey Vulture

**KITES, EAGLES, HAWKS, OSPREY**
Swallow-tailed Kite
Sharp shinned (Plain-breasted) Hawk
e Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle
Roadside Hawk
Short-tailed Hawk
Variable Hawk
Black-and-chestnut Eagle

**FALCONS AND CARACARAS**
e Carunculated Caracara
Laughing Falcon
Barred Forest-Falcon
Collared Forest-Falcon
American Kestrel

**CURASSOWS, GUANS, ETC.**
e Andean Guan
h Wattled Guan
Sickle-winged Guan

**NEW WORLD QUAILS**
h Rufouus-fronted Wood-Quail
Dark-backed Wood-Quail

**RAILS, GALLINULES, AND COOTS**
e Andean (Slate-colored) Coot

**SANDPIPERS, SNIPES, ETC.**
e Greater Yellowlegs
Spotted Sandpiper
Rufous-bellied Seedsnipe

**POUTERS AND LAPWINGS**
Andean Lapwing
### Gulls and Terns

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e Giant Hummingbird  Patagona gigas
Shining Sunbeam  Aglaeactis cupripennis
e Mountain Velvetbreast  Lafresnaya lafresnayi
Great Sapphirewing  Pterophanes cyanopterus
Brown Inca  Coeligena wilsoni
Collared Inca  Coeligena torquata
Buff-winged Starfrontlet  Coeligena lutetiae
Sword-billed Hummingbird  Ensifer ensifera
Buff-tailed Coronet  Boissonneuaua flavescens
e Chestnut-breasted Coronet  Boissonneuaua matthewsii
Velvet-purple Coronet  Boissonneuaua jardini
Gorgeted Sunangel  Heliangelus strophianus
e Tourmaline Sunangel  Heliangelus exortis
Sapphire-vented Puffleg  Erioncenis luciani
Golden-breasted Puffleg  Erioncenis mosquera
Booted Racket-tail  Ocreatus underwoodii
Black-tailed Trainbearer  Lesbia victoriae
Collared Inca  Metallura williami
Sword-billed Hummingbird  Metallura tyrianthina
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TROGONS AND QUETZALS
Golden-headed Quetzal  Pharomachrus auriceps
Chocó (White-eyed) Trogon  Trogon comptus
Collared Trogon  Trogon collaris
Masked Trogon  Trogon personatus

MOTMOTS
Broad-billed Motmot  Electron platyrhynchum

KINGFISHERS
Green Kingfisher  Baryphthengus martii

JACAMARS
Rufous-tailed Jacamar  Galbula ruficauda

PUFFBIRDS
White-whiskered Puffbird  Malacoptila panamensis
Lanceolated Monklet  Micromonacha lanceolata

NEW WORLD BARBETS
Red-headed Barbet  Eubucco bourcierii
Toucan Barbet  Semnornis ramphastinus

TOUCANS
Crimson-rumped Toucanet  Aulacorhynchus haematopygus
Gray-breasted Mountain-Toucan  Andigena hypoglauca
Pale-mandibled (Collared) Araçari  Pteroglossus erythropygius
Plate-billed Mountain-Toucan  Andigena laminirostris
Chocó Toucan  Ramphastos brevis
Chestnut-mandibled Toucan  Ramphastos swainsonii
WOODPECKERS & PICULETS
Crimson-mantled Woodpecker
Golden-olive Woodpecker
Cinnamon Woodpecker
Black-cheeked Woodpecker
Smoky-brown Woodpecker
h Bar-bellied Woodpecker
Scarlet-backed Woodpecker
Guayaquil Woodpecker

OVENBIRDS
e Bar-winged (Chestnut-winged) Cinclodes
e Stout-billed Cinclodes
Pacific (Pale-legged) Hornero
h Slaty Spinetail
h White-browed Spinetail
Red-faced Spinetail
e White-chinned Thistletail
e Many-striped Canastero
Streaked Tuftedcheek
Pearled Treerunner
Lineated Foliage-gleaner
Scaly-throated Foliage-gleaner
Western (Striped) Woodhaunter
Buff-fronted Foliage-gleaner
Ruddy Foliage-gleaner
h Striped Treehunter
Streak-capped Treehunter
Uniform Treehunter
Plain Xenops

WOODCREEPERS
Plain-brown Woodcreeper
Wedge-billed Woodcreeper
Strong-billed Woodcreeper
Spotted Woodcreeper
h Streak-headed Woodcreeper
Montane Woodcreeper
Red-billed Scythebill

TYPICAL ANTBIRDS
Uniform Antshrike
Pacific Antwren
Checker-throated Antwren
Slaty Antwren
Dot-winged Antwren
White-flanked Antwren
Immaculate Antbird
h Chestnut-backed Antbird
Esmeraldas Antbird
Dusky Antbird

ANTHRUSHES & ANTPITTAS
Rufous-breasted Antthrush
Black-headed Antthrush
Undulated Antpitta
Scaled Antpitta
Moustached Antpitta
Chestnut-crowned Antpitta
Chestnut-naped Antpitta
Rufous Antpitta
Tawny Antpitta
Ochre-breasted Antpitta

TAPACULOS
Unicolored (Blackish) Tapaculo
Nariño Tapaculo
Spillmann’s Tapaculo
Páramo Tapaculo
Ocellated Tapaculo

TYRANT FLYCATCHERS
Sooty-headed Tyrannulet
Golden-faced (Choco) Tyrannulet
Brown-capped Tyrannulet
Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet
Yellow-bellied Elaenia

White-crested Elaenia
Sierran Elaenia
White-throated Tyrannulet
White-banded Tyrannulet
Tufted Tit-Tyrant

Agile Tit-Tyrant
Slaty-capped Flycatcher
Marble-faced Bristle-Tyrant
Bronze-olive Pygmy-Tyrant
Rufous-headed Pygmy-Tyrant
Scale-crested Pygmy-Tyrant

Black-headed Tody-Flycatcher
Common Tody-Flycatcher
Ornate Flycatcher
Cinnamon Flycatcher
Tawny-breasted Flycatcher
Sulphur-rumped Flycatcher
Western Wood-Pewee
Smoke-colored Pewee
Acadian Flycatcher
Black Phoebe
Brown-backed Chat-Tyrant
Slaty-backed Chat-Tyrant
Rufous-breasted Chat-Tyrant
Crowned Chat-Tyrant

Yellow-bellied Chat-Tyrant

Páramo (Plain-capped) Ground-Tyrant
Masked Water-Tyrant
Dusky-capped Flycatcher

Formicarius nigricapillus
Grallaria squamigera
Grallaria guatimalensis
Grallaria alleni
Grallaria ruficapilla
Grallaria nuchalis
Grallaria rufula
Grallaria quitensis
Grallaricula flavirostris

Rhinocryptidae
Scytalopus unicolor
Scytalopus vicinior
Scytalopus spillmanni
Scytalopus canus
Acropternis orthonyx

Tyrannidae
Phyllomyias griseiceps
Zimmerius chrysops
Ornithion bruneicapillum
Camptostoma obsoletum

Elaenia flavogaster
Elaenia albiceps
Elaenia pallatangae
Mecocerculus leucophrys
Mecocerculus stictopterus

Anairetes parulus
Uromyias agilis
Leptopogon superciliaris
Pogonotriccus ophthalmicus
Pseudotriccus pelzelni

Pseudotriccus ruficeps
Lophotriccus pileatus
Todirostrum nigriceps
Todirostrum cinereum

Pyrrhomyias cinnamomea
Myiobius villosus
Myiobius sulphureipygii
Contopus sordidulus
Contopus fumigatus
Empidonax virescens
Sayornis nigricans

Ochthoea fumicolor
Ochthoea cinnamomeiventris
Ochthoea rufitectoralis
Silvicultrix frontalis

Silvicultrix diadema
Muscisaxicola alpina
Fluvicola nengeta
Myiarchus tuberculifer
Boat-billed Flycatcher
Social Flycatcher
Rusty-margined Flycatcher
Golden-crowned Flycatcher
Piratic Flycatcher
Tropical Kingbird
Snowy-throated Kingbird
Barred Becard
Cinnamon Becard
White-winged Becard
Black-and-white Becard
One-colored Becard
Masked Tityra

Cotingidae
Barred Fruiteater
Orange-breasted Fruiteater
Scaled Fruiteater
Olivaceous Piha
Andean Cock-of-the-rock
Purple-throated Fruitcrow

Cotingas Cotingidae

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MANAKINS
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White-bearded Manakin
Club-winged Manakin

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CROWs, JAYS, AND MAGPIES
Turquoise Jay
Beautiful Jay

VIREOS AND ALLIES
Red-eyed Vireo
Brown-capped Vireo
Lesser Greenlet

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Rufous-brown Solitaire
Spotted Nightingale-Thrush
Swainson’s Thrush
Great Thrush
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DIPPERS
White-capped Dipper

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SWALLOWS AND MARTINS
Brown-bellied Swallow
Blue-and-white Swallow
White-thighed Swallow
Southern Rough-winged Swallow

SWALLOWS AND MARTINS
Brown-bellied Swallow
Blue-and-white Swallow
White-thighed Swallow
Southern Rough-winged Swallow

SWALLOWS AND MARTINS
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