



A [Tropical Birding](#) set departure tour

NORTHERN COLOMBIA: The Santa Marta Mountains and The Caribbean

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Blue-naped Chlorophonia from El Dorado Lodge

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Introduction:

After a break for a year, due to the global lockdown, it was wonderful to be able to run this tour again in 2021. The tour started out at Salamanca National Park, where Sapphire-bellied and Sapphire-throated Hummingbirds and Bicolored Conebills all featured. Before the end of this day, we had also added Rufous-vented Chachalaca, Bicolored Wren, Russet throated Puffbird, Bare-faced Ibis, Green-rumped Parrotlet and the rare Northern Screamer. Moving onto the Guajira Peninsula, we observed some cracking species, like White-whiskered Spinetail, Lance-tailed Manakin, Black-backed Antshrike, Tocuyo Sparrow, Orinoco Saltator, Ruby-topaz Hummingbird and Vermilion Cardinal. On our third day of birding we visited Tayrona National Park, clocking birds like Military Macaw, Whooping Motmot, the White-bellied Antbird before making our way up into the Santa Marta Mountains for an extended stay. This yielded a series of specialists of this mountain range, like White-tailed Starfrontlet, Santa Marta Parakeet, Santa Marta Antpitta, Santa Marta Antbird, Santa Marta Foliage-Gleaner, Santa Marta Brushfinch, Hermit Wood-Wren, Santa Marta Tapaculo, Santa Marta Screech-Owl Santa Marta Bush-Tyrant, White-lored and Santa Marta Warblers, Yellow-crowned Redstart. Other highlights in this area included Groove-billed Toucanet, Golden-breasted Fruiteater, Blue-naped Chlorophonia, Rusty-breasted Antpitta, Lined-Quail-Dove and Sierra Nevada Brushfinch. Following this time in El Dorado Reserve in the mountains we descended to Minca, which held avian treats of its own, like Scaled Piculet, Coppery Emerald and the endemic Golden-winged Sparrow. The tour ended close to Barranquilla city, with one more specialty, the endemic Chestnut-winged Chachalaca that closed out the tour.



Green-and-gold Woodpecker from Isla Salamanca

Tour Summary:**Day 1 (of birding): Isla Salamanca National Park, Palermo, Acacia Restaurant, and El Peaje.**

After an evening meeting in *Barranquilla* the day before, the trip began in earnest with the short drive to *Isla Salamanca National Park*, a small park located along the road towards *Riohacha*. On arriving there we ate our packed breakfast, supplemented by some food items provided by our driver for the tour, *Virgilio*. We soon spotted two of our targets, when **Sapphire-throated and Sapphire-bellied Hummingbirds** were observed chasing each other from tree to tree. Right after our breakfast, and these hummingbirds, took a short walk, where we found an active **Panama Flycatcher** and **Bicolored Conebill** in the mangroves, and also found a **Bare-throated Tiger-Heron** too. **Red-rumped and Green-and-gold Woodpeckers** were also noted on the walk, while a small pond held waterbirds, like **Lesser Yellowlegs**, **Solitary Sandpiper**, and **Striated and Green Herons**. Our walk along the boardwalk yielded **Yellow-chinned Spinetail**, **Pied Water-Tyrant**, and a very vocal **Pied Puffbird**.

Later in the morning, we did some road birding near kilometer 4. This continued to yield some great birds, like **Bare-faced Ibis**, **Snail Kite**, **Wattled Jacana**, **Brown-throated Parakeet**, **Spot-breasted Woodpecker**, **Straight-billed Woodcreeper**, **Cattle Tyrant** and **White-headed Marsh-Tyrant**. However, the most interesting sighting was aided by our driver, *Virgilio*, who took us to a recent spot for **Northern Screamer**, where this rare species was waiting for us on arrival!



Northern Screamer from the Palermo area

After we left the *screamer* behind, we stopped off for lunch at a restaurant near *Tayrona*, where we noted **Carib Grackle**, **Amazon and Ringed Kingfishers**, **Blue-headed Parrot**, and a pair of majestic **King Vultures** in flight. After lunch, and a further few hours driving we made another productive roadside stop, which brought us **Blue-crowned Parakeet** and **Pale-legged Hornero**, and the use of a *pygmy-owl* call brought in no pygmy-owls but plenty of other mobbing birds, like **Green-rumped Parrotlet**, **Fork-tailed Flycatcher**, **Bicolored Wren**, **Vermilion and Yellow-breasted Flycatchers**, **Golden-fronted Greenlet**, **Trinidad Euphonia** and **Glaucous Tanager**. This same area also yielded **Merlin**, **White-tailed Kite**, and **Rufous-vented Chachalaca**. A little further on, towards the end of the day, we spotted a pair of **Double-striped Thick-Knee**, which nicely rounded off our first day of birding.

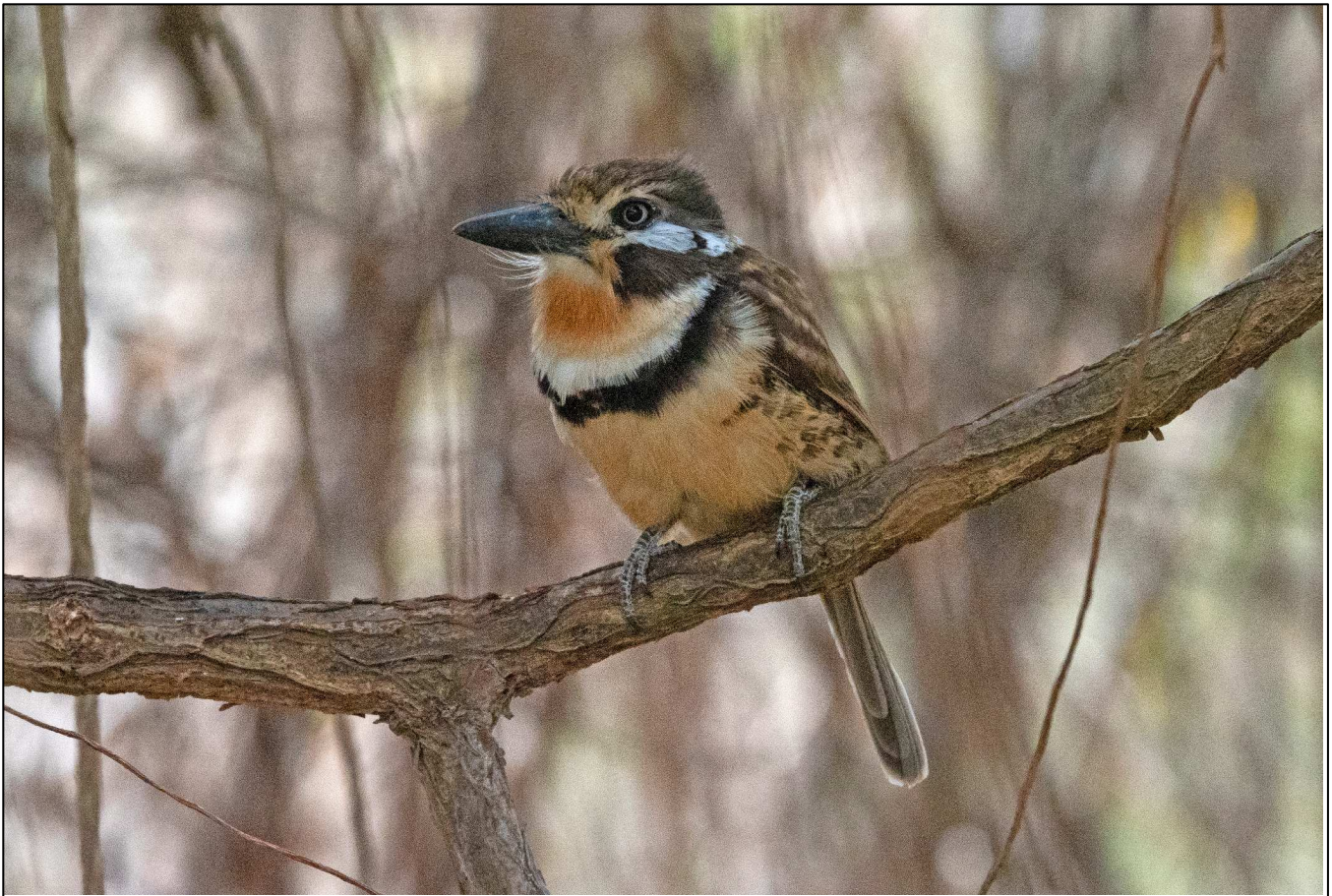
Day 2: Flamenco Bird Sanctuary and Las Gaviotas Road.

Once again, we took a packed breakfast in the field with us, this time starting out at a place called *Boca Camarones*, which means “mouth of the shrimp”. This is where a lot of shrimp gather at the meeting of fresh and saltwater. The highlight here were the mobs of **Scarlet and White Ibises**, which look pretty special side-by-side, and this coastal area also featured plenty of other waterbirds, like **Royal and Caspian Terns**, **Roseate Spoonbill**, **Whimbrel**, **Lesser Black-backed** and **Laughing Gulls**, **Black Skimmer**, **Brown Pelican**, **Magnificent Frigatebird**, **Black-bellied Plover** and **American Oystercatcher**.



Scarlet and White Ibises from *Boca Camarones* near Salamanca Bird Sanctuary

In stark contrast to our early birding, we then birded an area of open, dry scrubby habitat. While the habitat is unremarkable in appearance, the birdlife there is amazing, and we racked up some really nice species, like the spectacular **Vermilion Cardinal**, and the striking **White-whiskered Spinetail** in addition to **Chestnut Piculet**, **Buffy Hummingbird**, **Red-billed Emerald**, **Pearl Kite**, **Black-backed Antshrike**, **Northern White-fringed Antwren**, **Red-billed Scythebill**, **Russet-throated Puffbird**, **Tocuyo Sparrow**, **Orinocan Saltator** and **Pileated Finch**. Over lunch alongside the sea, we admired some local shorebirds. The final birding of the day was spent along the quiet *Las Gaviotas Road*. There, **Ruby-topaz Hummingbird** fed on some *Balsa* flowers, and **Crimson-backed Tanager**, **Collared Forest-Falcon**, **Blue Dacnis**, **Red-legged Honeycreeper** and the locally rare **Southern Bentbill** were all found. We then drove to *La Finca Jorará* for the night.



Russet-throated Puffbird from *Flamenco Bird Sanctuary*



Vermillion Cardinal from *Flamenco Bird Sanctuary*

Day 3: Tayrona National Park, and Minca to El Dorado Reserve.

Right after breakfast we headed to *Tayrona National Park*, a popular park for horseback riding and beachgoers. With the help of our local guide, *Angel*, we visited the park early, before the onset of the heavier crowds. In spite of it being a rather rainy morning, we set about birding all the same, and saw plenty all the same. Flyover **Military Macaw** was a major highlight, as were sightings of a male **Lance-tailed Manakin**, and observations of a couple of troops of striking, punk-haired **Cotton-top Tamarins**. Other morning highlights included **Crimson-crested Woodpecker**, **Pale-bellied Hermit**, **White-bearded Manakin**, **Long-billed Gnatwren**, **Southern Bentbill**, a singing **White-chinned Sapphire**, **Black-crowned Antshrike**, and **White-bellied Antbird**. Following this productive morning, we went to *Minca* for lunch, an area we would return to later on the tour. There, we transferred to a set of 4 x 4 jeeps for the drive up to *El Dorado Reserve* in the *Santa Marta Mountains*.

Following lunch, we drove up towards *El Dorado Reserve* making several notable stops along the road there. Our first stop brought us our first specialties of the mountains, like **Santa Marta Antbird**, **Santa Marta Foliage-Gleaner**, **Santa Marta Brushfinch**, as well as **Rusty-breasted Antpitta**. Further on, we added more species, including **Groove-billed Toucanet**, **Masked Tityra**, **Rufous-breasted Wren**, **Crested Oropendola**, **Gray-throated Leaftosser**, **Short-tailed Hawk** and the melodic, **Orange-billed Nightingale-Thrush**. We arrived at *El Dorado Lodge* late in the afternoon.



Southern Bentbill from Las Gaviotas Road and Santa Marta Antbird along the El Dorado Road.





Santa Marta Parakeet from *Sierra Nevada National Park*

Day 4: El Dorado Reserve and Sierra Nevada National Park.

Even though we only had a short distance to travel, the slow road to our mountain stop in *Sierra Nevada National Park* meant we left early to cover this distance efficiently, and to ensure we were on site at the best time for birds, around dawn. After recent rain, we were happy to be greeted with a clear morning, with the fresh mountain air around us. Before we had even taken our breakfast in the field, we were seeing some of our target species, a series of Santa Marta Mountain endemics like, **Santa Marta Warbler**, **Yellow-crowned Redstart**, and **Rusty-headed Spinetail**. Then, our driver *Cacique* called us over to eyeball one of the threatened endemics protected in this reserve, **Santa Marta Parakeet**. Birding along a quiet road after breakfast we continued to add interesting birds, a mix of more widespread species with Santa Marta specialties, including the notoriously shy **Flammulated Treehunter**, endemic **Santa Marta Bush-Tyrant**, **Hermit Wood-Wren** and **Streak-capped Spinetail**, as well as **Yellow-bellied Chat-Tyrant**, **White-throated Tyrannulet**, **Plushcap**, and **Scarlet-fronted Parakeet**. However, the most spectacular of the endemics seen was a **White-tipped Quetzal**. It had been an incredibly productive opening to the day, and from there we made our way down to the lodge from these higher elevations, stopping at some private hummingbird feeders on the way down, which produced two more key species, **Santa Marta Woodstar** and **White-tailed Starfrontlet**. Further down from there, we got to glimpse the **Santa Marta Antpitta**, and sighted **Brown-rumped Tapaculo**, **White-lored Warbler**, and **Black-throated Tody-Tyrant**.



Private feeders in the *Santa Marta Mountains* produce these two endemic hummingbirds,
Santa Marta Woodstar and *White-tailed Starfrontlet*



Day 5: El Dorado Lodge and Reserve.

After covering the higher elevations the day before, on this day we focused in and around the lodge, lower down and closer to home. The birding started right on the deck of the lodge, where fruit feeders and hummingbird feeders drew in a bounty of interesting species, like **Blue-naped Chlorophonia**, **Band-tailed Guan**, **Black-chested Jay**, **Crowned Woodnymph** and the very scarce **Lazuline Sabrewing**.



Black-chested Jay at El Dorado Lodge

Our scheduling of the lodge on this day also allowed us to have our Covid tests right at the lodge, which were needed for departures out of the country at the end of the tour. Having these arranged on the lodge grounds avoided us from having to change the original itinerary in any significant way.

After that, we birded along a nearby trail where we managed to see **Masked Trogon**, **White-sided Flowerpiercer**, **Sickle-winged Guan**, **Montane Foliage-Gleaner**, **Montane and Strong-billed Woodcreepers**, and got a brief look at a **Lined Quail-Dove**. Other standouts were a handful of calling **White-tipped Quetzals**, **Golden-breasted Fruiteater**, and the endemic **Sierra Nevada Brushfinch**. For the late afternoon, we birded our way downhill from the lodge, picking up yet more new species like **Southern Emerald Toucanet**, **Swallow Tanager**, **Black-hooded Thrush**, and the endemic **Santa Marta Tapaculo**. We lingered until dark, when we also added another endemic nightbird, the recently described **Santa Marta Screech-Owl**.



The endemic **White-tipped Quetzal** from the *Santa Marta Mountains*

Day 6: El Dorado Lodge to Colores de la Sierra.

Today we needed to leave this wonderful lodge and reserve behind, after taking some final birding right around the property, where many of the same great Santa Marta birds featured again, and we also added **Slaty-capped Nightingale-Thrush**, **Brown-capped Vireo**, **Cinnamon Flycatcher**, **Northern Waterthrush** and **Golden-olive Woodpecker**. On the way down from this reserve, we made some roadside stops that produced **Streaked Xenops**, **Summer Tanager**, **Tropical Parula**, and **Black-and-white Becard**. We made a stop at a coffee shop come gift shop, where souvenirs were purchased and fruit feeders held **Black-headed**, **Swallow**, and **Crimson-backed Tanagers**, and **Rusty Flowerpiercer**. At the same site we were also fortunate to see a cruising **Black-and-chestnut Eagle**.

By lunchtime we had arrived and checked in at our next destination, *Colores de la Sierra*. We stationed ourselves beside the feeders after lunch, where **Red-crowned Woodpecker**, **Tennessee Warbler** and **Yellow-backed Orioles** were seen, as well as **Steely-vented Hummingbird**, **Rufous-tailed Hummingbird**, **White necked Jacobin** and **White-vented Plumeleteer** on their hummingbird feeders. From the porch we also found **Crested Oropendola**, **Scaled Piculet**, **Whooping Motmot**, and **Bicolored Wren**. Then in the evening, we managed to find a **Black-banded Owl** by the parking lot too.



Swallow Tanager from *Minca* area and Yellow-baked Oriole at *Colores de la Sierra*



Day 7: Minca Area and Universidad del Norte.

All too soon, the final birding day of the tour had come, and so we made the most of it, birding as much as we could around Minca before returning to the city of *Baranquilla* for flights out the next day. Even though it was our final day's birding, new species continued to stream in, as we were in mega diverse Colombia after all! **Rufous-capped and Golden-crowned Warblers, Bay-headed Tanager, Rose-breasted Grosbeak, Streaked and Buff-throated Saltators**, a nesting **Gray-lined Hawk**, **Cinnamon Becard**, and the cartoon-like **Keel-billed Toucan** were all seen.

Later on, we headed downhill, where we saw the endemic **Coppery Emerald**, in addition to **Rufous-tailed Jacamar, Gartered Trogon, Coopman's Tyrannulet, Sepia-capped Flycatcher, Pale-eyed Pygmy-Tyrant, Streak-headed Woodcreeper, Black-and-white Warbler, Yellow-legged Thrush, American Redstart, Thick-billed Seed-Finch and Lesser Goldfinch**. Best of all was getting the endemic **Golden-winged Sparrow** before we left the area. On top of these species, we also saw a number in the air, including raptor species like **Swallow-tailed and Plumbeous Kites, Broad-winged Hawk and Black Hawk-Eagle**.



Golden-winged Sparrow in the Minca area

After packing up and loading up our bags on the jeeps, we started driving downhill where we met once again with our original driver *Virgilio*. There was time for one final stop before we returned to our *Baranquilla* hotel for a final night, when we found another endemic, the **Chestnut-winged Chachalaca**, which provided a good close to the tour. In the same area, other species were found like **Saffron Finch**, **Russet-throated Puffbird**, **Brown-throated Parakeet**, **Great Kiskadee**, **Gray-Kingbird** and the endemic **Sapphire-bellied Hummingbird** one more time too.

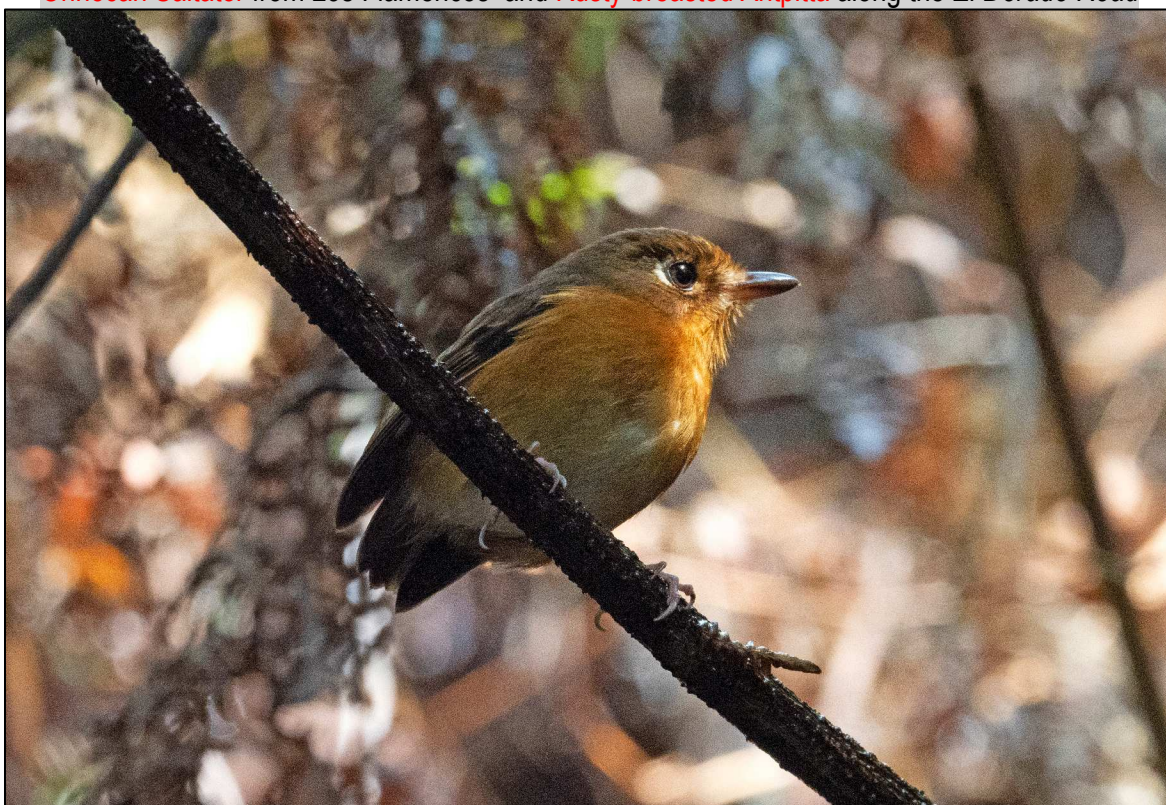


Yellow-legged Thrush from near *Minca*

At the end of a very successful trip, we had recorded **339 species**, of which **325 were seen**, with the main highlights being endemics and specialties like **Santa Marta Parakeet**, **White-tailed Starfrontlet**, **Santa Marta Tapaculo**, **Golden-winged Sparrow**, **Coppery Emerald**, **Vermilion Cardinal**, **Northern Screamer**, **Santa Marta Warbler**, **Golden-breasted Fruiteater**, **Santa Marta Antbird**, **White-tipped Quetzal**, **Santa Marta Screech-Owl**, as well as other more widespread and popular species like **Blue-naped Chlorophonia**, **Whooping Motmot**, **Golden-olive and Crimson-crested Woodpeckers**, **Rufous-tailed Jacamar**, **Green Kingfisher**, **Swallow Tanager**, **Swallow-tailed Kite**, **Fork-tailed Flycatcher**, **Pied Water-Tyrant** and the conspicuous **Scarlet Ibis**.



Orinocan Saltator from Los Flamencos and Rusty-breasted Antpitta along the El Dorado Road



CHECKLISTS

The taxonomy of the bird list follows: Clements, James F., White, Anthony W., and Fitzpatrick, John W. The Clements Checklist of Birds of the World. Cornell, 2007. Includes updates to 2019.

H indicates a species that was HEARD, but not seen.

GO indicates a species recorded by the GUIDE ONLY.

E indicates an ENDEMIC SPECIES.

Birds:**TINAMOUS**

Little Tinamou

SCREAMERS

Northern Screamer

DUCKS, GEESE, AND WATERFOWL

Black-bellied Whistling-Duck

Fulvous Whistling-Duck

Blue-winged Teal

CRACIDS

Chestnut-winged Chachalaca (E)

Rufous-vented Chachalaca

Band-tailed Guan

Sickle-winged Guan

NEW WORLD QUAIL

Black-fronted Wood-Quail

PIGEONS AND DOVES

Rock Pigeon

Pale-vented Pigeon

Scaled Pigeon

Bare-eyed Pigeon

Band-tailed Pigeon

Common Ground-Dove

Ruddy Ground-Dove

Scaled Dove

White-tipped Dove

Lined Quail-Dove

Eared Dove

CUCKOOS

Smooth-billed Ani

Groove-billed Ani

Squirrel Cuckoo

NIGHTJARS AND ALLIES

Common Pauraque

SWIFTS

Chestnut-collared Swift

White-collared Swift

TINAMIDAE

Crypturellus soui

H

ANHIMIDAE

Chauna chavaria

ANATIDAE

Dendrocygna autumnalis

Dendrocygna bicolor

Anas discors

CRACIDAE

Ortalis garrula

Ortalis ruficauda

Penelope argyrotis

Chamaepetes goudotii

ODONTOPHORIDAE

Odontophorus atrifrons atrifrons

H

COLUMBIDAE

Columba livia

Patagioenas cayennensis

Patagioenas speciosa

Patagioenas corensis

Patagioenas fasciata

Columbina passerina

Columbina talpacoti

Columbina squammata

Leptotila verreauxi

Zentrygon linearis

Zenaida auriculata

CUCULIDAE

Crotophaga ani

Crotophaga sulcirostris

Piaya cayana

CAPRIMULGIDAE

Nyctidromus albicollis

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APODIDAE

Streptoprocne rutila

Streptoprocne zonaris

HUMMINGBIRDS

White-necked Jacobin
 Pale-bellied Hermit
 Sooty-capped Hermit
 Brown Violetear
 Lesser (Green) Violetear
 Sparkling Violetear
 Ruby-topaz Hummingbird
 Black-backed Thornbill (E)
 Tyrian Metaltail
 White-tailed Starfrontlet (E)
 Mountain Velvetbreast
 Santa Marta Woodstar (E)
 Red-billed Emerald
 Coppery Emerald
 Lazuline Sabrewing
 White-vented Plumeleteer
 Crowned Woodnymph
 Buffy Hummingbird
 Steely-vented Hummingbird
 Rufous-tailed Hummingbird
 Sapphire-throated Hummingbird
 Sapphire-bellied Hummingbird (E)
 Shining-green Hummingbird
 White-chinned Sapphire

RAILS, GALLINULES, COOTS

Sora
 Common Gallinule
 Purple Gallinule

LIMPKIN

Limpkin

THICK-KNEES

Double-striped Thick-knee

STILTS AND AVOCETS

Black-necked Stilt

OYSTERCATCHERS

American Oystercatcher

PLOVERS AND LAPWINGS

Black-bellied (Gray) Plover
 Southern Lapwing
 Wilson's Plover
 Semipalmated Plover

JACANAS

Wattled Jacana

SANDPIPERS

Whimbrel
 Ruddy Turnstone
 Red Knot
 Stilt Sandpiper

TROCHILIDAE

Florisuga mellivora
Phaethornis anthophilus
Phaethornis augusti
Colibri delphinae
Colibri thalassinus
Colibri coruscans
Chrysolampis mosquitos
Ramphomicron dorsale
Metallura tyrianthina
Coeligena phalerata
Lafresnaya lafresnayi
Chaetocercus astreans
Chlorostilbon gibsoni
Chlorostilbon russatus
Campylopterus falcatus
Chalybura buffonii
Thalurania colombica colombica
Leucippus fallax
Amazilia saucerottii
Amazilia tzacatl
Lepidopyga coeruleogularis
Lepidopyga lilliae
Lepidopyga goudoti goudoti
Hylocharis cyanus

RALLIDAE

Porzana carolina
Gallinula galeata
Porphyrio martinicus

ARAMIDAE

Aramus guarauna

BURHINIDAE

Burhinus bistriatus

RECURVIROSTRIDAE

Himantopus mexicanus

HAEMATOPODIDAE

Haematopus palliatus

CHARADRIIDAE

Pluvialis squatarola
Vanellus chilensis
Charadrius wilsonia
Charadrius semipalmatus

JACANIDAE

Jacana jacana

SCOLOPACIDAE

Numenius phaeopus
Arenaria interpres
Calidris canutus
Calidris himantopus

GO

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Sanderling
Least Sandpiper
Western Sandpiper
Spotted Sandpiper
Solitary Sandpiper
Willet

Lesser Yellowlegs

GULLS, TERNS, & SKIMMERS

Laughing Gull
Lesser Black-backed Gull
Caspian Tern
Royal Tern
Sandwich Tern
Black Skimmer

FRIGATEBIRDS

Magnificent Frigatebird

CORMORANTS AND SHAGS

Neotropic Cormorant

PELICANS

Brown Pelican

HERONS, EGRETS AND BITTERNS

Bare-throated Tiger-Heron
Great Blue Heron
Cocoi Heron
Great Egret
Snowy Egret
Little Blue Heron
Tricolored Heron
Cattle Egret
Green Heron
Striated Heron

IBISES AND SPOONBILLS

White Ibis
Scarlet Ibis
Glossy Ibis
Bare-faced Ibis
Roseate Spoonbill

NEW WORLD VULTURES

Turkey Vulture
Black Vulture
King Vulture
Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture

OSPREY

Osprey

HAWKS, EAGLES, AND KITES

Pearl Kite
White-tailed Kite
Gray-headed Kite
Swallow-tailed Kite

Calidris alba
Calidris minutilla
Calidris mauri
Actitis macularius
Tringa solitaria
Tringa semipalmata
Tringa flavipes

LARIDAE

Leucophaeus atricilla
Larus fuscus
Hydroprogne caspia
Thalasseus maximus
Thalasseus sandvicensis
Rynchops niger

FREGATIDAE

Fregata magnificens

PHALACROCORACIDAE

Phalacrocorax brasilianus

PELECANIDAE

Pelecanus occidentalis

ARDEIDAE

Tigrisoma mexicanum
Ardea herodias
Ardea cocoi
Ardea alba
Egretta thula
Egretta caerulea
Egretta tricolor
Bubulcus ibis
Butorides virescens
Butorides striata

THRESKIORNITHIDAE

Eudocimus albus
Eudocimus ruber
Plegadis falcinellus
Phimosus infuscatus
Platalea ajaja

CATHARTIDAE

Cathartes aura
Coragyps atratus
Sarcoramphus papa
Cathartes burrovianus

PANDIONIDAE

Pandion haliaetus

ACCIPITRIDAE

Gampsonyx swainsonii
Elanus leucurus
Leptodon cayanensis
Elanoides forficatus

Black Hawk-Eagle
Black-and-chestnut Eagle
Snail Kite
Double-toothed Kite
Plumbeous Kite
Savanna Hawk
Roadside Hawk
Harris's Hawk
Gray-lined Hawk
Broad-winged Hawk
Short-tailed Hawk

OWLS

Santa Marta Screech-Owl (E)
Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl
Mottled Owl
Black-and-white Owl

TROGONS

White-tipped Quetzal
Gartered Trogon
Masked Trogon

MOTMOTS

Whooping Motmot

KINGFISHERS

Ringed Kingfisher
Amazon Kingfisher
Green Kingfisher

PUFFBIRDS

White-necked Puffbird
Pied Puffbird
Russet-throated Puffbird (Russet-throated)

JACAMARS

Rufous-tailed Jacamar

TOUCANS

Southern Emerald-Toucanet (Santa Marta)
Groove-billed Toucanet (Yellow-billed)
Collared Aracari
Keel-billed Toucan

WOODPECKERS

Scaled Piculet
Chestnut Piculet
Red-crowned Woodpecker
Smoky-brown Woodpecker
Red-rumped Woodpecker
Crimson-crested Woodpecker
Lineated Woodpecker
Golden-green Woodpecker (Gold-throated)
Golden-olive Woodpecker
Spot-breasted Woodpecker

Spizaetus tyrannus
Spizaetus isidori
Rostrhamus sociabilis
Harpagus bidentatus
Ictinia plumbea
Buteogallus meridionalis
Rupornis magnirostris
Parabuteo unicinctus
Buteo nitidus
Buteo platypterus
Buteo brachyurus

STRIGIDAE

Megascops sp.nov.
Glaucidium brasilianum
Ciccaba virgata
Ciccaba nigrolineata

TROGONIDAE

Pharomachrus fulgidus
Trogon caligatus
Trogon personatus

MOMOTIDAE

Momotus subrufescens

ALCEDINIDAE

Megaceryle torquata
Chloroceryle amazona
Chloroceryle americana

BUCCONIDAE

Notharchus hyperrhynchus
Notharchus tectus
Hypnelus ruficollis ruficollis

GALBULIDAE

Galbula ruficauda

RAMPHASTIDAE

Aulacorhynchus albivitta lautus
Aulacorhynchus sulcatus calorhynchus
Pteroglossus torquatus nuchalis
Ramphastos sulfuratus

PICIDAE

Picumnus squamulatus
Picumnus cinnamomeus
Melanerpes rubricapillus
Picoides fumigatus
Veniliornis kirkii
Campephilus melanoleucos
Dryocopus lineatus
Piculus chrysochloros xanthochlorus
Colaptes rubiginosus alleni
Colaptes punctigula ujhelyii

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FALCONS AND CARACARAS

Barred Forest-Falcon
 Collared Forest-Falcon
 Crested Caracara
 Yellow-headed Caracara
 Laughing Falcon
 American Kestrel (South American)
 Merlin
 Bat Falcon
 Peregrine Falcon

PARROTS

Orange-chinned Parakeet
 Red-billed Parrot
 Blue-headed Parrot
 Scaly-naped Parrot
 Green-rumped Parrotlet
 Santa Marta Parakeet (E)
 Brown-throated Parakeet
 Military Macaw
 Blue-crowned Parakeet
 Scarlet-fronted Parakeet

TYPICAL ANTIBIRDS

Black-crested Antshrike (Streak-fronted)
 Black-crowned (W. Slaty) Antshrike
 Black-backed Antshrike
 White-fringed Antwren (Northern)
 Santa Marta Antbird (E)
 White-bellied Antbird

ANTPITTAS

Santa Marta Antpitta (E)
 Rufous Antpitta (Sierra Nevada)
 Rusty-breasted Antpitta

TAPACULOS

Santa Marta Tapaculo (E)
 Brown-rumped Tapaculo (E)

OVENBIRDS

Gray-throated Leaf Tosser
 Plain-brown Woodcreeper (Plain-brown)
 Strong-billed Woodcreeper
 (Andean/Northern)
 Cocoa Woodcreeper (Lawrence's)
 Straight-billed Woodcreeper
 Red-billed Scythebill
 Streak-headed Woodcreeper
 Montane Woodcreeper
 Streaked Xenops
 Pale-legged Hornero (Caribbean)
 Montane Foliage-gleaner
 Santa Marta Foliage-gleaner (E)
 Flammulated Treehunter

FALCONIDAE

Micrastur ruficollis H
Micrastur semitorquatus
Caracara cheriway
Milvago chimachima
Herpetotheres cachinnans H
Falco sparverius ochraceus
Falco columbarius
Falco rufigularis
Falco peregrinus

PSITTACIDAE

Brotogeris jugularis
Pionus sordidus saturatus
Pionus menstruus
Amazona mercenarius
Forpus passerinus viridissimus
Pyrrhura viridicata
Eupsittula pertinax aeruginosa
Ara militaris
Thectocercus acuticaudatus koenigi
Psittacara wagleri

THAMNOPHILIDAE

Sakesphorus canadensis pulchellus
Thamnophilus atrinucha atrinucha
Thamnophilus melanonotus
Formicivora grisea intermedia
Drymophila hellmayri
Myrmeciza longipes longipes

GRALLARIIDAE

Grallaria bangsi
Grallaria rufula spatiator
Grallarica ferrugineipectus

RHINOCRYPTIDAE

Scytalopus sanctaemartae
Scytalopus latebricola

FURNARIIDAE: FURNARIINAE

Sclerurus albigularis
Dendrocincla fuliginosa lafresnayei
Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchus sanctaemartae
Xiphorhynchus susurrans nana
Dendroplex picus picirostris
Campylorhamphus trochilirostris venezuelensis
Lepidocolaptes souleyetii lineaticeps
Lepidocolaptes lacrymiger sanctaemartae
Xenops rutilans phelpsi
Furnarius leucopus longirostris
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Clibanornis rufipectus
Thripadectes flammulatus

Streak-capped Spinetail
 Yellow-chinned Spinetail
 Rusty-headed Spinetail (E)
 White-whiskered Spinetail
TYRANT FLYCATCHERS
 Brown-capped Tyrannulet
 Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet (Northern)
 White-throated Tyrannulet
 Mouse-colored Tyrannulet (Northern)
 Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet
 Forest Elaenia
 Greenish Elaenia
 Yellow-bellied Elaenia
 Mountain Elaenia
 Olive-striped Flycatcher
 Ochre-bellied Flycatcher
 Sepia-capped Flycatcher
 Sooty-headed Tyrannulet
 Golden-faced (Coopmans's) Tyrannulet
 Northern Scrub-Flycatcher
 Slender-billed Tyrannulet
 Pale-tipped Tyrannulet
 Pale-eyed Pygmy-Tyrant
 Southern Bentbill
 Pearly-vented Tody-Tyrant
 Black-throated Tody-Tyrant
 Common Tody-Flycatcher
 Black-headed Tody-Flycatcher
 Yellow-olive Flycatcher (Santa Marta)
 Yellow-breasted (Ochre-lored) Flycatcher
 Ruddy-tailed Flycatcher
 Black-tailed Flycatcher
 Bran-colored Flycatcher
 Vermilion Flycatcher (saturatus)
 Santa Marta Bush-Tyrant (E)
 Pied Water-Tyrant
 White-headed Marsh Tyrant
 Yellow-bellied Chat-Tyrant
 Cattle Tyrant
 Bright-rumped Attila (Northern)
 Dusky-capped Flycatcher
 Panama Flycatcher
 Brown-crested Flycatcher (South American)
 Lesser Kiskadee
 Great Kiskadee
 Boat-billed Flycatcher (South American)
 Social Flycatcher (Social)
 Golden-crowned Flycatcher
 Streaked Flycatcher (Northern)

Cranioleuca hellmayri
Certhiaxis cinnamomeus
Synallaxis fusciorufa
Synallaxis candei
TYRANNIDAE
Ornithion brunneicapillus
Camptostoma obsoletum cauae
Mecocerculus leucophrys
Phaeomyias murina incomta
Tyrannulus elatus
Myiopagis gaimardii bogotensis
Myiopagis viridicata accola
Elaenia flavogaster
Elaenia frantzii browni
Mionectes olivaceus galbinus
Mionectes oleagineus parvus
Leptopogon amaurocephalus diversus
Phyllomyias griseiceps
Zimmerius chrysops minimus
Sublegatus arenarum atriostriis
Inezia tenuirostris
Inezia caudata intermedia
Atalotriccus pilaris
Oncostoma olivaceum
Hemitriccus margaritaceiventer
Hemitriccus granadensis
Todirostrum cinereum
Todirostrum nigriceps
Tolmomyias sulphurescens exortivus
Tolmomyias flaviventris aurulentus
Terenotriccus erythrurus
Myiobius atricaudus atricaudus
Myiophobus fasciatus fasciatus
Pyrocephalus rubinus saturatus
Myiotheretes pernix
Fluvicola pica
Arundinicola leucocephala
Ochthoeca diadema jesupi
Machetornis rixosa
Attila spadiceus parvirostris
Myiarchus tuberculifer pallidus
Myiarchus panamensis
Myiarchus tyrannulus tyrannulus
Pitangus lictor
Pitangus sulphuratus rufipennis
Megarynchus pitangua pitangua
Myiozetetes similis columbianus
Myiodynastes chrysocephalus
Myiodynastes maculatus nobilis

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Piratic Flycatcher
Tropical Kingbird
Eastern Kingbird
Gray Kingbird
Fork-tailed Flycatcher (*sanctaemartae*)

COTINGAS

Golden-breasted Fruiteater

MANAKINS

Lance-tailed Manakin
White-bearded Manakin

TITYRAS AND ALLIES

Masked Tityra
Cinnamon Becard
Black-and-white Becard

VIREOS, SHRIKE-BABLERS AND ERPNIS

Rufous-browed Peppershrike (Northern)
Golden-fronted Greenlet
Brown-capped Vireo
Red-eyed Vireo

CROWS, JAYS, AND MAGPIES

Black-chested Jay

SWALLOWS

Blue-and-white Swallow
Southern Rough-winged Swallow
Gray-breasted Martin
Barn Swallow

WRENS

Scaly-breasted Wren (Southern)
House Wren (Southern)
Hermit (Santa Marta) Wood-Wren (E)
Stripe-backed Wren
Bicolored Wren
Rufous-breasted Wren
Rufous-and-white Wren
Buff-breasted Wren
Gray-breasted Wood-Wren (*bangsi*)

GNATCATCHERS

Long-billed Gnatwren
Tropical Gnatcatcher

THRUSHES AND ALLIES

Orange-billed Nightingale-Thrush
Slaty-backed Nightingale-Thrush
Pale-breasted Thrush
Yellow-legged Thrush
Clay-colored Thrush
Black-hooded Thrush
Great Thrush

MOCKINGBIRDS AND THRASHERS

Tropical Mockingbird

Legatus leucophaius
Tyrannus melancholicus
Tyrannus tyrannus
Tyrannus dominicensis
Tyrannus savana sanctaemartae

COTINGIDAE

Pipreola aureopectus

PIPRIDAE

Chiroxiphia lanceolata
Manacus manacus flaveolus

TITYRIDAE

Tityra semifasciata columbiana
Pachyramphus cinnamomeus
Pachyramphus albogriseus coronatus

VIREONIDAE

Cyclarhis gujanensis cantica H
Pachysylvia aurantiifrons aurantiifrons
Vireo leucophrys mirandae
Vireo olivaceus

CORVIDAE

Cyanocorax affinis affinis

HIRUNDINIDAE

Pygochelidon cyanoleuca
Stelgidopteryx ruficollis aequalis
Progne chalybea
Hirundo rustica

TROGLODYTIDAE

Microcerculus marginatus corrasus H
Troglodytes aedon atopus
Henicorhina anachoreta
Campylorhynchus nuchalis
Campylorhynchus griseus albicilius
Pheugopedius rutilus
Thryophilus rufalbus cumanensis
Cantorchilus leucotis collinus
Henicorhina leucophrys bangsi

POLIOPTILIDAE

Ramphocaenus melanurus sanctaemarthae
Polioptila plumbea anteocularis

TURDIDAE

Catharus aurantirostris sierrae
Catharus fuscater sanctaemartae
Turdus leucomelas
Turdus flavipes
Turdus grayi
Turdus olivater
Turdus fuscater

MIMIDAE

Mimus gilvus

THRUSH-TANAGER

Rosy Thrush-Tanager

FINCHES, EUPHONIAS AND ALLIES

Blue-naped Chlorophonia

Trinidad Euphonia

Thick-billed Euphonia (Black-tailed)

Lesser Goldfinch

NEW WORLD SPARROWS

Black-striped Sparrow

Tocuyo Sparrow

Sierra Nevada (Stripe-headed) Brushfinch (E)

Golden-winged Sparrow

Rufous-collared Sparrow

Santa Marta Brushfinch (E)

TROUPIALS AND ALLIES

Yellow-billed Cacique

Crested Oropendola

Yellow-rumped Cacique (Western)

Yellow-backed Oriole

Yellow Oriole

Baltimore Oriole

Bronzed Cowbird (Bronze-brown)

Giant Cowbird

Great-tailed Grackle

Carib Grackle

Yellow-hooded Blackbird

NEW WORLD WARBLERS

Northern Waterthrush

Black-and-white Warbler

Prothonotary Warbler

Tennessee Warbler

American Redstart

Tropical Parula (South American)

Blackburnian Warbler

Rufous-capped Warbler

Golden-crowned Warbler (Cabanis's)

Santa Marta Warbler (E)

White-lored Warbler (E)

Slate-throated Redstart

Yellow-crowned Redstart (E)

CARDINALS AND ALLIES

Summer Tanager

Scarlet Tanager

Vermilion Cardinal

Golden (-bellied) Grosbeak

Rose-breasted Grosbeak

TANAGERS AND ALLIES

Gray-headed Tanager (Gray-crested)

White-lined Tanager

RHODINOCICHLIDAE*Rhodinocichla rosea beebei*

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FRINGILLIDAE*Chlorophonia cyanea**Euphonia trinitatis**Euphonia lanirostris crassirostris**Spinus psaltria***PASSERELLIDAE***Arremonops conirostris conirostris*

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*Arremonops tocuyensis**Arremon basilicus**Arremon schlegeli**Zonotrichia capensis**Atlapetes melanocephalus***ICTERIDAE***Amblycercus holosericeus**Psarocolius decumanus**Cacicus cela flavicrissus/vitellinus**Icterus chrysater**Icterus nigrogularis**Icterus galbula**Molothrus aeneus armenti**Molothrus oryzivorus**Quiscalus mexicanus**Quiscalus lugubris**Chrysomus icterocephalus***PARULIDAE***Parkesia noveboracensis**Mniotilta varia**Protonotaria citrea**Oreothlypis peregrina**Setophaga ruticilla**Setophaga pitiayumi pitiayumi**Setophaga fusca**Basileuterus rufifrons**Basileuterus culicivorus indignus**Basileuterus basilicus**Myiothlypis conspicillatus**Myioborus miniatus sanctaemartae**Myioborus flavivertex***CARDINALIDAE***Piranga rubra**Piranga olivacea**Cardinalis phoeniceus**Pheucticus chrysogaster**Pheucticus ludovicianus***THRAUPIDAE***Eucometis penicillata cristata**Tachyphonus rufus*

Crimson-backed Tanager	<i>Ramphocelus dimidiatus molochinus</i>	
Black-cheeked Mountain-Tanager (E)	<i>Anisognathus melanogenys</i>	
Blue-gray Tanager (Blue-gray)	<i>Thraupis episcopus nesophila</i>	
Glaucous Tanager	<i>Thraupis glaucocolpa</i>	
Palm Tanager	<i>Thraupis palmarum</i>	
Black-headed Tanager (Black-headed)	<i>Tangara cyanoptera cyanoptera</i>	
Black-capped Tanager	<i>Tangara heinei</i>	
Bay-headed Tanager (Bay-and-green)	<i>Tangara gyrola toddi</i>	
Swallow Tanager	<i>Tersina viridis grisescens</i>	
Blue Dacnis	<i>Dacnis cayana napaea</i>	
Purple Honeycreeper	<i>Cyanerpes caeruleus caeruleus</i>	
Red-legged Honeycreeper	<i>Cyanerpes cyaneus eximius</i>	
Bicolored Conebill	<i>Conirostrum bicolor bicolor</i>	
Rufous-browed Conebill	<i>Conirostrum rufum</i>	
Black Flowerpiercer	<i>Diglossa humeralis nocticolor</i>	GO
White-sided Flowerpiercer	<i>Diglossa albilatera albilatera</i>	
Rusty Flowerpiercer	<i>Diglossa sittoides hyperythra</i>	
Plushcap	<i>Catamblyrhynchus diadema diadema</i>	
Saffron Finch (Saffron)	<i>Sicalis flaveola flaveola</i>	
Blue-black Grassquit	<i>Volatinia jacarina splendens</i>	GO
Thick-billed Seed-Finch	<i>Sporophila funerea</i>	
Yellow-bellied Seedeater	<i>Sporophila nigricollis</i>	
Pileated Finch	<i>Coryphospingus pileatus rostratus</i>	
Bananaquit (Continental)	<i>Coereba flaveola obscura</i>	
Black-faced Grassquit	<i>Tiaris bicolor omissus</i>	
Buff-throated Saltator	<i>Saltator maximus maximus</i>	
Orinocan Saltator	<i>Saltator orenocensis rufescens</i>	
Grayish Saltator (Middle American)	<i>Saltator coerulescens brewsteri</i>	
Streaked Saltator	<i>Saltator striatipectus perstriatus</i>	

Mammals:

Venezuelan Red Howler	<i>Alouatta seniculus</i>
Cotton-top Tamarin (E)	<i>Saguinus oedipus</i>
Tayra	<i>Eira barbara</i>
Red-tailed Squirrel	<i>Sciurus granatensis</i>
Crab-eating Fox	<i>Cerdocyon thous</i>
Central American Agouti	<i>Dasyprocta granatensis</i>