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 Starrfrontlet, 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.
Tour Summary:


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!
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.
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.
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 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 Leafletosser, 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.
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.

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.
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.
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.

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 Chloropophonia, 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

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**GO** indicates a species recorded by the GUIDE ONLY.

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- 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
- Lazuliine 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

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### 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

### RALLIDAE
- Sora
- Common Gallinule

### ARAMIDAE
- Limpkin

### BURHINIDAE
- Double-striped Thick-knee

### RECURVIROSTRIDAE
- Black-necked Stilt

### HAEMATOPODIDAE
- American Oystercatcher

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

### JACANIDAE
- Wattled Jacana

### SCOLOPACIDAE
- Whimbrel
- Ruddy Turnstone
- Red Knot
- Stilt Sandpiper
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
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Actitis macularius
Tringa solitaria
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Phimosus infuscatus
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Cathartes aura
Coragyps atratus
Sarcoramphus papa
Cathartes burrovianus
Pandion haliaetus
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

**STRIGIDAE**
Megascops sp.nov.
Glaucidium brasilianum
Ciccaba virgata
Ciccaba nigrolineata

**TROGONIDAE**
Pharomachrus fulgidus
Trogon caligatus
Trogon personatus

**MOMOTIDAE**
Momotus subrubescens

**ALCEDINIDAE**
Megaceryle torquata
Chloroceryle amazona
Chloroceryle americana

**BUCCONIDAE**
Notharchus hyperhynchus
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 chrysocholos xanthochlorus
Colaptes rubiginosus alleni
Colaptes punctigula ujhelyii
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 ANTBIRDS
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 Leafflocker
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
Micrastur semitorquatus
Caracara cheriway
Milvago chimachima
Herpetotheres cachinnans
Falco sparverius ochraceus
Falco columbarius
Falco ruficularis
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
Grallaricula ferruginepectus

RHINOCRYPTIDAE
Scytalopus sanctaemartae
Scytalopus latebricola

FURNARIIDAE: FURNARIINAE
Sclerurus albiginarius
Dendrocincla fuliginosa lafresnayei
Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchus
sanctaemartae
Xiphorhynchus susurrans nana
Dendroplex picus picrostris
Campylorhamphus trochilirostris venezuelensis
Lepidocolaptes souleyetii lineaticeps
Lepidocolaptes lacrymiger sanctaemartae
Xenops rutilans phelpsi
Furnarius leucopus longirostris
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Clibanornis rufipectus
Thripadectes flammulatus
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Brown-capped Tyrannulet
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Forest Elaenia
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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-ored) 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)
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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

TITRYRAS AND ALLIES
Masked Tityra
Cinnamon Becard
Black-and-white Becard

VIREOS, SHRIKE-BABBLLERS AND ERPORENS
Rufous-browed Peppershrake (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
Tyrrannus melancholicus
Tyrrannus tyrannus
Tyrrannus dominicensis
Tyrrannus savana sanctaemartae

COTINGIDAE
Pipreola aureopectus

PIPRIDAE
Chiroxiphia lanceolata
Manacus manacus flaveolus

TITRYRIDAE
Tityra semifasciata columbiana
Pachyramphus cinnamomeus
Pachyramphus albogriseus coronatus

VIREONIDAE
Cyclarhis gujanensis cantica
Pachyrisylvia aurantiifrons aurantiifrons
Vireo leucophrys mirandae
Vireo olivaceus

CORVIDAE
Cyanocorax affinis affinis

HIRUNDIDAE
Pygochelidon cyanoleuca
Stelgidopteryx ruficollis aequalis
Progne chalybea
Hirundo rustica

TROGLODYTIDAE
Microcerculus marginatus corrasus
Troglydtes aedon atopus
Henicorhina anchoreta
Campylorhynchus nuchalis
Campylorhynchus griseus albicilius
Pheugopedius rutilus
Thryophilus rufalus cumanensis
Cantorchilus leucotis collinus
Henicorhina leucophrys bangsi

POLIOPTILIDAE
Ramphocaenus melanurus sanctaemartae
Polioptila plumbea antecularis

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

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Glaucous Tanager
Palm Tanager
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Black-capped Tanager
Bay-headed Tanager (Bay-and-green)
Swallow Tanager
Blue Dacnis
Purple Honeycreeper
Red-legged Honeycreeper
Bicolored Conebill
Rufous-browed Conebill
Black Flowerpiercer
White-sided Flowerpiercer
Rusty Flowerpiercer
Plushcap
Saffron Finch (Saffron)
Blue-black Grassquit
Thick-billed Seed-Finch
Yellow-bellied Seedeater
Pileated Finch
Bananaquit (Continental)
Black-faced Grassquit
Buff-throated Saltator
Orinocan Saltator
Grayish Saltator (Middle American)
Streaked Saltator

Mammals:

Venezuelan Red Howler
Cotton-top Tamarin (E)
Tayra
Red-tailed Squirrel
Crab-eating Fox
Central American Agouti

Ramphocelus dimidiatus molochinus
Anisognathus melanogenys
Thraupis episcopus nesophila
Thraupis glaucocolpa
Thraupis palmarum
Tangara cyanoptera cyanoptera
Tangara heinei
Tangara gyrola toddi
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Sporophila nigricollis
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Coereba flaveola obscura
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Saltator orenocensis rufescens
Saltator coerulescens brewsteri
Saltator striatippecus perstriatus

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