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Flocks of noisy White-capped Tanagers roam the cloudforests of Northern Peru. This is one of the best tours for them (NA)

When I first visited Northern Peru in 2002, I drove down from Ecuador in my own car with a couple of friends. It was pretty rough to say the least. There were no eco-lodges, and the hotels that did exist often left a lot to be desired. In some areas there was nothing at all and we ended up sleeping in the car. There were hardly any trails except for ones we made ourselves, and the roads were truly appalling back then. Feeders? Not a chance. All of that was still worth enduring to experience the superb birding and all those endemics. How things have changed since then! Northern Peru has had a tourism renaissance in the years since and now we can see the amazing birds of the region by staying in great eco-lodges and much-improved hotels with all the expected amenities, and many of them have feeders. Our 2019 tour went very smoothly with virtually no logistical challenges of any sort. Weather was superb with very little rain. In fact, I thought the weather in some ways was too good. Unusually hot and sunny weather in the cloudforest along the eastern slopes of the Andes led to below average mixed flock activity. However most of what we missed were relatively widespread and common species, and as a group we managed to see nearly all the possible endemics on the itinerary, with really only one fairly surprising miss on the last day. Some highlights were the nearly 60(!) **hummingbirds** including stunners like the unforgettable **Marvelous Spatuletail**, **Rufous-crested Coquette**, **Royal Sunangel**, and **Gray-bellied Comet**; five **antpittas** seen well, of which the hardest was the often difficult **Pale-billed Antpitta**, the cute **Yellow-faced Parrotlet** in record time, a **Spotted Rail** completely out in the open, close-up views of the enigmatic **Long-whiskered Owlet**, three species of **inca-finches**, **Peruvian Plantcutter**, and an amazing set of colorful tanagers like **White-capped Tanager**, **Yellow-scarfed Tanager**, and **Black-bellied Tanager**. Once again we had Omar as our excellent driver, and he has been making great use of the bins I brought him last year. He is quickly becoming an excellent birder as well, and even though I'd hate to lose him as a driver, I would not be surprised to see him become a bird guide in the not-so-distant future.



We enjoyed magnificent mountain scenery throughout much of the tour (GE)

The tour began in Lima, and after a short night we were on a plane to the city of Chiclayo. Omar, as well two of the group who had come in a few days early for a cultural extension, were already there waiting when we landed. Soon we were heading north out of the city, passing through farmland and bleak desert on our way to Bosque de Pomac. Our first target was the threatened **Peruvian Plantcutter**, which is endemic to mesquite woodland in coastal Peru. It was absent from the spot where I usually find it, but we did see another endemic target there, **Rufous Flycatcher** (below) and lots of **Gray-and-white Tyrannulets**. Not wanting to miss the **plantcutter**, we went to “plan B” – Omar found a reserve ranger with a pickup and talked him into driving us across a dry river bed to another spot for it, where we found a pair almost immediately, giving their weird kazoo-like calls. We had a few other birds here including **Necklaced Spinetail**, **Collared Warbling-Finch**, and **Collared Antshrike** before the pickup took us back to our van. We then drove to sparser habitat deeper in the reserve to look for **Tumbes Swallow**. We quickly spotted a **Coastal Miner**, another endemic, before setting out on a hot hike through the sand. No swallows were in evidence though we did see **Scarlet-backed Woodpecker** and **Streak-headed Woodcreeper**. We were about to give up when I saw a distant swallow flying back and forth over a hill. It was too far to see the field marks, but we were not about to let a little hill get in the way of a good sighting, so we slogged up and finally saw it well, looking down on its pale rump.



Rufous Flycatcher (GE)

After a picnic lunch, we drove a couple of hours to the Chaparrí community reserve and met up with the local guide, Daniel, who would be with us the next couple of days. We spent the afternoon driving slowly to the lodge, making various stops for **Cinereous Finch**, **Parrot-billed Seedeater**, **Short-tailed Woodstar**, **Peruvian Meadowlark**, **Short-tailed Field Tyrant**, and various other birds before reaching the lodge and checking in. We had our first views of the impressive **White-winged Guans** as it got dark.

No early start was necessary today as we woke up to the sounds of the forest coming to life. **White-tailed Jays**, **Long-tailed Mockingbirds**, **Croaking Ground-Doves** and **Tumbes Sparrows** swarmed the feeders as we had breakfast, and after breakfast we waited at the stream for the hummingbirds to come in and bathe, seeing **Amazilia Hummingbird**, **Purple-collared** and **Short-tailed Woodstars**, and **Tumbes Hummingbird (NA)**:



We then had a fun and very birdy walk through the reserve with Daniel, easily finding almost everything we were looking and more, like **Elegant Crescentchest**, **Black-capped Sparrow**, **White-headed Brushfinch**, **Superciliated Wren**, **Tumbes Tyrant**, **Gray-and-gold Warbler**, **Pacific Elaenia**, **White-edged Oriole**, **Plumbeous-backed Thrush**, and more. We stopped to have a look at the Spectacled Bears in the rehabilitation center, and were followed around by an inquisitive (but definitely wild) **Sechuran Fox**. As is normal for this area, bird activity died down later in the morning as the intense sun arced high into the sky. We had a long and leisurely break in the middle of the day to relax, watch the feeders, or wander around on our own. We headed out again in late afternoon, going down to lower elevations to look for **Sulphur-throated Finch** and finding three almost immediately, along with some **Chestnut-throated Seedeaters**. We enjoyed repeat views of many other species and the beautiful sunset as we waited for it to get dark enough to look for nightjars. **Scrub Nightjars** were singing distantly, but it was hard to get close to them. Finally one came overhead for a quick view before we started driving back to the lodge. Part way back, we spotted a small, very pale nightjar in the headlights of the van, which turned out to be **Tschudi's Nightjar**, which only recently was split from the more widespread Band-winged Nightjar, and is found only on the coastal plain of Peru and northern Chile. It was the first time we had gotten it on this tour. We were a bit late getting back, so had a quick dinner and did the list before going out to look for **Peruvian Screech-Owl**, which was not responsive but rather amazingly Daniel managed to spot one by searching methodically with his spotlight. It was a nice bird to finish off the day.



White-tailed Jay (NA)



Collared Antshrike (NA)



Tschudi's Nightjar (GE)



Peruvian Screech-Owl (GE)

After a bit of birding next morning around the lodge, we packed our bags and started down the entrance road. We stopped at a stream where there was a lot of bird activity, and were treated to the site of a flock of around 700 **Sulphur-throated Finches** that took off from the trees, swirled overhead, and disappeared into the distance (*photo next page, NA*).



We spent a couple of hours birding near the Tinajones Reservoir, adding numerous waterbirds to the list like **Comb Duck**, **Puna Ibis**, **White-cheeked Pintail**, **Gray-hooded Gull**, **Slate-colored Coot**, and various **shorebirds** and **herons**. A stop near Daniel's house before we left got us a flock of **Peruvian Thick-knees** lounging around. We bid farewell to Daniel then down to the coast to have a picnic lunch. Squadrons of **Peruvian Pelicans** soared by a regular intervals and farther out **Peruvian Boobies** were fishing. We walked out to some reedbeds to look for **Many-colored Rush-Tyrant** and **Wren-like Rushbird**, which both came in close despite the strong and persistent wind. Our search for Peruvian Pipit was less successful, and the intense wind didn't help. We called off the search and headed to our lodge, arriving early enough to relax a bit in preparation for the long day coming up.

Our 4:15am departure paid off as we had little traffic and made great time to Limón de Porculla, where we had a picnic breakfast surrounded by terrific scenery. The birding here this morning was probably the best I've ever had, though the main target **Piura Chat-Tyrant** gave us a little scare as we only saw one and it didn't show until rather late. Virtually every bird I was hoping to find showed well for us, headlined by **Chapman's Antshrike**, **Black-cowled Saltator**, **Bay-crowned** and **White-winged Brush-Finches**, **Ecuadorian Piculet**, **Henna-hooded** and **Rufous-necked Foliage-gleaners**, **Line-cheeked Spinetail**, and **Three-banded Warbler**. By late morning we were continuing our journey, crossing the continental divide into the Marañón drainage. We stopped for lunch at a simple restaurant that served superb chicken then continued on to the hot, bustling city of Jaén. We dropped out bags in the hotel then went north of the city to a relatively new private reserve called Yanahuanca. I had never birded there before, but was quickly impressed by how good it was. We only birded

a short stretch of the entrance road, but had nonstop bird activity and had most of our targets in a very short amount of time. The gorgeous **Marañon Crescentchest** and **Little Inca-Finch** were the clear standouts among the others that included **Northern Slaty-Antshrike**, **Necklaced (Chinchipe) Spinetail**, **Drab Seed eater**, **Red-crested Finch**, and **Striped Cuckoo**.



Piura Chat-Tyrant from Limón de Porculla (NA)



Chapman's Antshrike, also from Porculla (NA)



Marañon Crescentchest, seen on our first afternoon at Bosque de Yanahuanca (NA)



Little Inca-Finch (NA)

Jaén was having its yearly festival, and our hotel unfortunately was on a hill right above it, so sleep was a little hard to come by that evening. That didn't stop us from heading back to Yanahuanca, where we had our picnic breakfast in the owner's yard and enjoyed some super fresh eggs. **Marañon Spinetail** is one of the tougher regional endemics of this area, so we decided to focus our efforts on it. Omar knew a stakeout for one

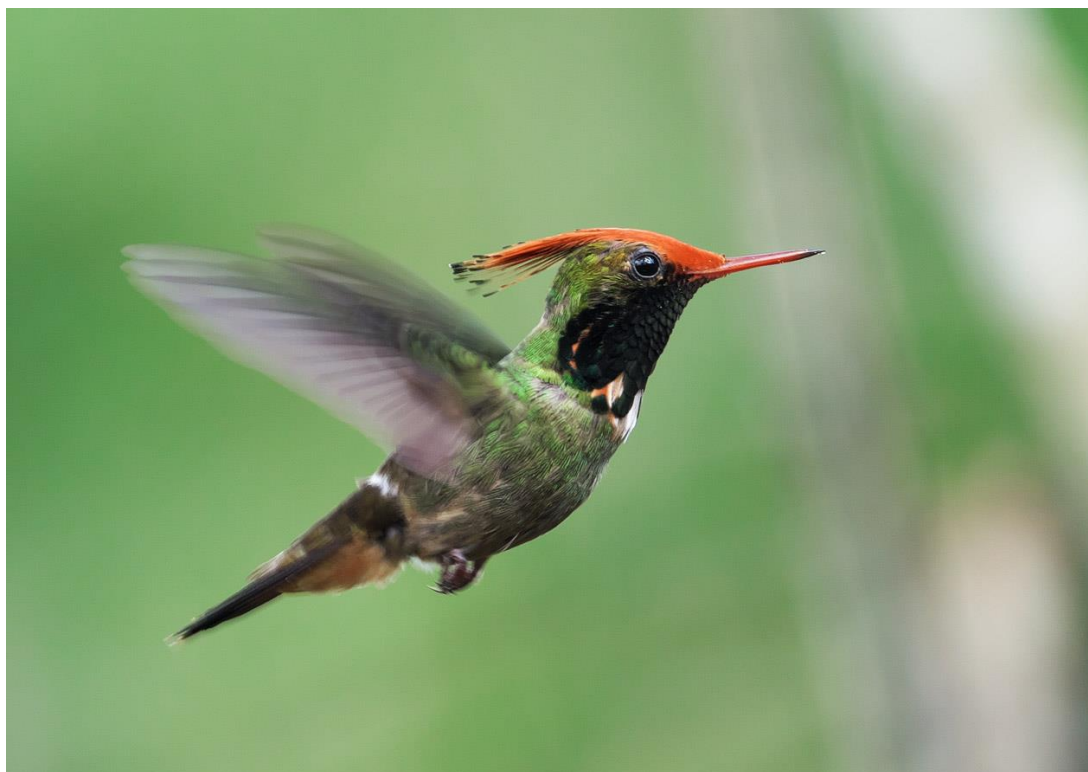
along one of the trails, so he came along to help us find it. Along the way, we tracked down **Black-capped Sparrow**, **Dull-colored Grassquit**, **Buff-bellied Tanager**, and had some of our best views of **Pacific Parrotlet**. We reached a dark, damp gully that looked like spinetail heaven, and sure enough a pair came in and showed surprisingly well for this usually tough bird. A horde of mosquito also found us which quickly drove us out to safety. On our way out of the reserve, we stopped for some **Green Jays** and then ended up finding a bunch of other birds including **Marañon Thrush** and **Peruvian Pygmy-Owl**. We drove through the middle of the day east and then back up into the mountains to Huembo Lodge, where we would spend a single night in order to ensure good views of their star attraction, **Marvelous Spatuletail**. After waiting forty minutes at the feeders, we were getting a little nervous, when finally a male snuck in stealthily and had a drink (NA):



His right streamer hadn't reached its full length yet, but we were very happy to see it. Another young male was also coming, but he had almost no tail at all. Other hummers at the feeders included **Bronzy Inca**, **Chestnut-breasted Coronet**, **Andean Emerald**, **Sparkling** and **Lesser Violet-ears**, and **White-bellied Hummingbird**. A few **Andean Guans** also moved through the trees while we waited.

Some easy birding after breakfast at Huembo got us the hoped-for endemic **Speckle-chested Piculet**, along with a few other birds like **Silvery Tanager**, **Streaked Saltator**, **Southern Emerald-Toucanet**, and **Pale-edged Flycatcher**. Soon after we loaded up the van and continued our journey east. We stopped along the way after hearing some **White-capped Tanagers**, and soon had a tree full of them screeching at us at the side of the road. Another stop got us a female and very briefly a male Royal Sunangel, but we'd have to try again for better views. The same location had **Rufous-tailed Tyrant** and **Deep-blue Flowerpiercer**. Down into the foothills, we had our picnic lunch at some hummer feeders that attracted a long **Ecuadorian Piedtail** along with more common species like **Green Hermit**, **Violet-headed Hummingbird**, and **Fork-tailed Woodnymph**. A big mixed species flock along the highway was challenging due to glare and tall trees, but we picked out a number of neat birds including **Ashy-throated Bush-Tanager**, **Paradise Tanager**, and **Marble-faced Bristle-Tyrant**, while a **Hoffmann's Two-toed Sloth** was a bit of a surprise. After lunch, we drove down into the Rio Mayo valley, through the city of Moyobamba, and finally reached Waqanki Lodge, where we would stay the

next three nights. Most of the afternoon was spent watching hummers, both at the feeders in front of the rooms and also at the main set up a hill behind the lodge. Our hummingbird list burgeoned quickly, highlighted by the mindblowing **Rufous-crested Coquette**, along with **Amethyst Woodstar**, **Blue-tailed Emerald**, **Gray-breasted Sabrewing**, **Golden-tailed** and **White-chinned Sapphires**, **Great-billed Hermit**, **Sapphire-spangled Emerald**, and others.



Rufous-crested Coquette (GE)

While based in Waqanki Lodge, we spent our mornings birding the lodge and the trails nearby on foot, and during the afternoons we used the van to visit other sites nearby. Weather was hot and mostly sunny and dry, with only one short burst of rain. That was a mixed blessing – no one wanted to bird a sometimes difficult trail in the rain, but I also felt the dry conditions adversely affected the forest bird activity. We still had some superb birds there, but there were also some extended slow periods. A lot of time was spent on the lower parts of the trail up Quebrada Mishquiyacu, where some of the best sightings were a perched **Black-and-white Hawk-Eagle**, **Painted** and **Golden-headed Manakins**, the gaudy **Golden-collared Toucanet**, **Lafresnaye's Piculet**, **Black-and-white Tody-Flycatcher**, **Black-bellied Tanager**, **Bluish-fronted Jacamar**, **Peruvian Warbling**, **Spot-backed**, and **Blackish Antbirds**, **Yellow-browed Tody-Flycatcher**, and many more. Down closer to the lodge, we found the handsome **Rusty-backed Antwren**, recently-described **Varzea Thrush**, and lots of colorful birds such as **Gilded Barbet**, **Green-backed Trogon**, **Turquoise Tanager**, and **Blue-naped Chlorophonia**. One of our afternoon outings was to the famous Oilbird colony at the Km 515 bridge. They were all paired up and many of them were allopreening, clearly gearing up for the breeding season. A pond near Moyobamba had three **Masked Ducks**, and the rice fields near Rioja were superb; along with numerous waterbirds and shorebirds, we added **Oriole Blackbird**, **Spot-breasted Woodpecker**, **Pale-eyed Blackbird**, **Red-capped Cardinal**, **Blue-winged Parrotlet**, **Chestnut-bellied Seedeater**, and had a wonderful encounter with a **Spotted Rail** that completely out into the open. Another afternoon outing was to Morro de Calzada, an isolated

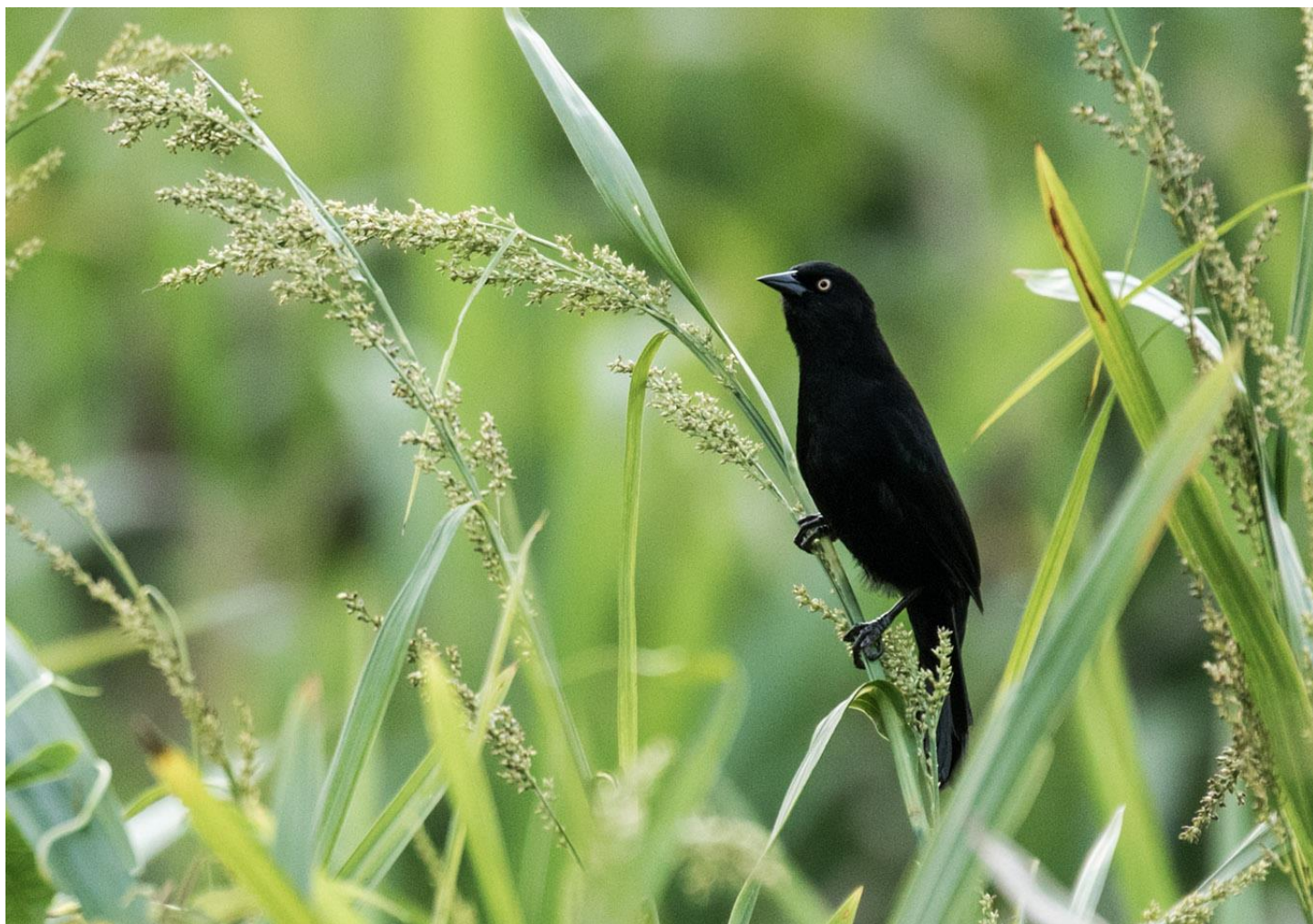
mountain in the middle of the valley. There we quickly found the target endemic **Mishana Tyrannulet** along with various other birds like **Blue-crowned Trogon**, **Stripe-necked Tody-Tyrant**, and **Swallow-winged Puffbird**.



Spotted Rail in the rice fields near Rioja (NA)



Looking down on the Oilbirds at Km 515 (NA)



The scarce Pale-eyed Blackbirds in a grassy marsh near the Rioja rice fields (NA)

We had to check out of Waqanki very early in order to be at the Arena Blanca reserve at dawn. The owner puts out food for tinamous shortly after dawn, so after a quick breakfast we headed into the blind. A **Little Tinamou** came in almost immediately along with an **Orange-billed Sparrow**, and a little while later another Little Tinamou arrived trailed by a young fledgling. We waited a while longer hoping for **Cinereous Tinamou**, but sadly it was a no-show, though we did see a **Gray-fronted Dove**. We left the blind and spent time at the hummingbird feeders and flower garden to see **Blue-fronted Lancebill**, **Brown Violet-ear**, **Many-spotted Hummingbird**, **Little Woodstar**, **Wire-crested Thorntail**, and other hummers we had seen previously, then managed to call in a **Zimmer's Antbird** for a good view. Leaving Arena Blanca, we birded patches of cloudforest along the highway hoping for some mixed-species flocks, though hot and sunny weather was stifling the activity. We still managed to see a variety of other birds like **Dark-breasted Spinetail**, **Olive-chested Flycatcher**, **Rusty-fronted Tody-Flycatcher**, **Thrush-like Wren**, and **Golden-rumped Euphonia** before having our picnic lunch and driving up to the pass at Abra Patricia. After arriving at Owlet Lodge, we took a break in preparation for the long walk coming up this evening, enjoying the hummingbird coming to the feeders, which included **Emerald-bellied Puffleg**, **Long-tailed Sylph**, **Speckled Hummingbird**, **Amethyst-throated Sunangel**, **Collared Inca**, and **Sword-billed Hummingbird**.



Little Tinamou coming to the blind at Arena Blanca (GE)

At 3:30pm, we started down the trail towards the stakeout for the famed Long-whiskered Owlet. Leaving early allowed us to take our time going down without having to rush, and to do some birding along the way. According to the lodge's owlet guide (Roberto), the most reliable currently was about 1.5 mi. (2.5 km.) from the lodge. Based on my experience from the 2017 tour, I knew we were better off trying there. Distant thunder had us a bit worried but the weather stayed nice and the hike down was pretty productive, with **Striped Treehunter**, **Inca Flycatcher**, **Black-capped Hemispingus**, and **Citrine Warbler** some of the birds seen. We reached the spot before sunset and waited for it to get dark, listening to the sounds of a calling Lyre-tailed Nightjar. I lent my spotlight to Roberto and he started calling the **Long-whiskered Owlet**. It started calling back very quickly, and a few minutes later it sounded really close, but was not visible. Then, a small shape fluttered right over, missing our heads by inches, and landed nearby – however it took off again the instant Roberto tried to put the light on it. So we tried again, and as time passed it felt like we had missed our chance, but suddenly it sounded really close again and Roberto knew right where to look. This time it was perfect! While I have seen this unique and special bird a number of times now, this was the closest view I'd ever had. It made the long hike back to the lodge a heck of a lot easier, and we arrived for a late dinner complete with Pisco Sours.



Long-whiskered Owlet (NA)

After the long day, we had a late (at least by some standards...) breakfast at the lodge, then walked down to the driveway to look for a few things before 8:00am, which is when they put out worms for the antpittas. We had great luck with two more endemics, **Johnson's Tody-Flycatcher** and **Yellow-scarfed Tanager**: (NA)



It then started admiring its reflection in the side mirror of one of the parked vans, something it much do a lot considering the mess. At 7:55am we were ready at the worm feeder, and the birds were already there waiting. A **Rusty-tinged Antpitta** was hopping around looking for the worms that had not yet been put out for it, and as we were wondering where Roberto was, we realized the **Chestnut Antpitta** had hopped right up behind us while we were watching the Rusty-tinged, and was just a few feet away!: (NA)



That bird used to be really hard to see up until a couple of years ago. Roberto then came along and put out the worms, but we had already seen the birds as well as we could have hoped, so headed out onto the trails for the rest of the morning. Flock activity remained quiet, but we managed to see **Variable Antshrike**, **Rufous-vented Tapaculo**, **Sharpe's** and **Mountain Wrens**, **Streaked Tuftedcheek**, **Sulphur-bellied** and **Mottle-cheeked Tyrannulets**, **Flavescent Flycatcher**, **Grass-green**, b, and **Flame-faced Tanagers**, and Capped Conebill, among others. After lunch, we took the van down the road to Fundo Alto Nieva, a private reserve about 20 minutes from Owlet Lodge, stopping along the way to get better views of **Royal Sunangel**. One of the reserve staff dug up some earthworms and then let us about 20 minutes along a trail into the forest, where we settled down to wait. After a while, two tiny **Ochre-fronted Antpittas** darted into view and posed perfectly before hopping down to eat the worms. This is another scarce and local endemic that up until a few years ago was extremely hard to find, but now can be reasonably expected on most trips. After that, we headed to their hummingbird feeders which were quite active, bringing in **Greenish Puffleg**, **Violet-fronted Brilliant**, **Booted Racket-tail**, and even another **Royal Sunangel** which normally does not come to the feeders this time of year. We headed back to Owlet Lodge before it got dark, where a **Swallow-tailed Nightjar** was hunting insects near the lights.



Ochre-fronted Antpitta from Fundo Alto Nieva (NA)



Royal Sunangel near the feeders at Alto Nieva (NA)

The weather changed overnight and the next morning was misty with some light rain. We returned once again to Alto Nieva, and waited under cover at their fruit feeders for a little while enjoying coffee and waiting for the rain to stop. **Blue-winged Mountain-Tanager** and **Black-faced Tanager** came in to munch some bananas while we were there. Finally the rain stopped, and we headed out onto the trails successfully finding two more of the regional endemics we were still looking for, **Cinnamon-breasted Tody-Tyrant** and **Bar-winged Wood-Wren**, along with a striking Yellow-throated Tanager. Thinking that the cloudy conditions would be better for mixed flocks, we headed back to the van and birded along the Alto Mayo reserve along the highway. The hoped-for flocks did appear, with several stunning **Vermilion Tanagers** headlining a cast that also included **Lemon-browed Flycatcher**, **Bronze-green Euphonia**, **Three-striped Warbler**, **Rufous-crested Tanager**, and **Orange-eared Tanager**. The local guide at Alto Nieva had also given us a tip on where to look for **Lanceolated Monklet**, and the tiny puffbird came in right away for a nice views. After lunch back at the lodge, we had one last birding session along their trails, where the highlights were **White-collared Jay**, **Olive Flycatcher**, and **Rufous Spinetail**.

It was dark and misty when we loaded the van, checked out of Owlet Lodge, and headed back west for about an hour. The rain held off, so the plan to head up the steep and difficult San Lorenzo trail was still “on”, though some of the group stayed with Omar to do some easier birding nearby. We made good time up the very steep and rocky trail, but deforestation had advanced since the last time I had gone up, and our first try for **Pale-billed Antpitta** was a total failure. Fortunately, we did not have to go much farther before we heard one singing. Finding a spot where we could actually see it was another matter entirely, but with some bushwhacking and scrambling we put ourselves into position, and had an excellent time watching one of these neat birds hopping back and forth and feeding in a small clearing inside the forest: (NA)





Part of the steep trail up to the Pale-billed Antpitta stakeout (NA)

Other birds we saw on the hike up and back down again were **Plain-tailed Wren**, **Violet-throated Starfrontlet**, **Rufous-capped Antshrike**, **Russet-mantled Softtail**, **Gray-browed Brushfinch**, **Lacrimose Mountain-Tanager**, and **Superciliaried Hemispingus**. Meanwhile, Omar's team also had a good morning, first birding forest patches lower down for **Speckle-faced Parrot**, **Southern Emerald-Toucanet**, **Green-and-black Fruiteater**, and tons of tanagers. Then, at some fields near the Laguna Pomacochas, they managed to flush up a **Puna Snipe** and also saw various other birds including **Grassland Yellow-Finch**. After the team reunited, we spent the afternoon driving along the scenic **Utcubamba Canyon**, making a few stops for **Torrent Duck**, **Buff-bellied** and **Blue-and-yellow Tanagers**, **Marañon Thrush**, **Scarlet-fronted Parakeet**, and the endemic **Black-necked Woodpecker**. We arrived in Leymebamba with enough time to check out the local hummingbird feeders, and while they didn't have anything new, it was nice to relax a bit after the long day. **Andean Slaty-Thrush** and **Rusty Flowerpiercer** were also seen near the little café. We had one night in a lovely hotel in Leymebamba with some of the best food and certainly the freshest veggies of the trip.

Crossing the Marañon Canyon is simply out of this world. There are not many places on Earth where you experience chilly, temperate elfin forest and blazing hot desert within a few hours of each other. The temperature was 46°F (8°C) as we started birding in the cool forest patches above Leymebamba, tracking down a gaudy **Gray-breasted Mountain-Toucan** along with another **Russet-mantled Spinetail**, **Shining**

Sunbeam, Tyrian Metaltail, Smoky Bush-Tyrant, Mountain Cacique, Scarlet-bellied Mountain-Tanager, Rufous-breasted Chat-Tyrant, and Moustached Flowerpiercer. Higher up, the forest became even more stunted and we quickly located the target endemic **Coppery Metaltail** along with **Sapphire-vented Puffleg** and **White-chinned Thistletail**. We reached the east rim of the canyon at 11750 ft. (3580 m.), where the weather was surprisingly pleasant and not very windy at all for a change: (NA)



We had great luck with a **Neblina Tapaculo** that came out and sat in the open, along with **Many-striped Canastero**, **Drab Hemispingus**, **Brown-backed Chat-Tyrant**, and a few other hardy high elevation species before beginning our descent towards the river far below. We stopped to admire the view a few times and to have a picnic lunch before the scenery and vegetation changed dramatically. Layers came off one by one as cacti started to dominate the landscape, and we had to stop suddenly when two **Buff-bridled Inca-Finches** flew in front of the van. As we were enjoying watching this handsome endemic, a soft chattering drew our attention, and almost immediately we spotted two **Yellow-faced Parrotlets** teed up on a leafless tree in the distance. I raced back to get the scope and then we walked closer to get a nice view of this threatened and often difficult to find endemic. One of them took off, but the other stuck around to be admired: (NA)





Buff-bridled Inca-Finch (GE)



The road down into the Marañon Canyon (GE)

As we reached the bottom of the canyon, the temperatures soared to 100°F (38°C). No one wanted to hang around long in the baking sun, but we endured it long enough to find some **Peruvian Pigeons** before starting up the west side, zigzagging up to slightly cooler elevations. Our luck continued as we quickly found our remaining targets in the form of **Chestnut-backed Thornbird** and **Gray-winged Inca-Finch**. We reached the west rim back up where it was cool at 10200 ft. (3100 m.) and then drove down to the town of Celendín, where we'd spend the next two nights.

We had managed to see all the Marañon Canyon targets in one afternoon, something that hadn't been done on this trip for many years. That gave us more time to bird the higher elevations and allowed us a more

relaxed day than we would have had otherwise. We had our picnic breakfast next to a tiny patch of forest where a **Rufous Antpitta** still hung on. The local subspecies sounds very distinct and will likely be split someday. The antpitta showed well, which was a great way to start, and we also saw a **Golden-billed Saltator**, **Black-crested Tit-Tyrant**, and **Jelski's Chat-Tyrant** before moving on. Another quick stop got us a **White-tailed Shrike-Tyrant**, which in this area is oddly more common than the more widespread Black-billed. The next stop was a bust as the trees had been mostly removed and the birds I was hoping for were not there anymore. Then it started to rain pretty hard resulting in rather cold, damp, and unpleasant conditions. After taking shelter in the van for a while, the rain let up a bit and we found a few more birds like **Tit-like Dacnis**, **Yellow-breasted Brush-Finch**, **White-throated Tyrannulet**, and **Great Sapphirewing**. We tried a few other spots and managed to get some glimpses of the endemic **Striated Earthcreeper** before heading back for lunch. Our afternoon session was pretty slow and quiet though we did see **White-browed Chat-Tyrant**, **"Baron's" Line-cheeked Spinetail**, and a gaudy male **Rainbow Starfrontlet** that made it all worthwhile.

Next morning started with a fantastic sighting of the rare **Plain-tailed Warbling-Finch**, which I had not seen in years, and then we mopped up the rest of the birds we were looking for between Celendín and Cajamarca including **Rusty-crowned Tit-Spinetail**, **Streak-throated Canastero**, **Rufous-webbed Tyrant**, and **Cream-winged Cinclodes**: (GE)



We then headed towards the Rio Chonta, hoping to get a head start on our search for Gray-bellied Comet. It's fortunate that we did, since we learned that the road was being rebuilt and was going to be closed entirely except from between 1pm and 2pm! With some time to spare, we birded a bit near the pass west of Cajamarca finding virtually nothing whatsoever, and then had a nice lunch in the city before heading back out.

We got through the roadblock right when it opened and reached the comet spot a short while later, stopping only to see a **White-winged Cinclodes** hopping around in a stream. Our search for the comet started slowly, though we did find a nice-looking **Black Metaltail**. After a while, Omar, who had stayed by the van, started jumping up and down and waving at us, and of course we knew what that went. We hurried back and got their in time to see one **Gray-bellied Comet** feeding in a flowering tree and occasionally perching nearby. Soon after, the road crew's lunch break finished and trucks and bulldozers started rumbling by. With our targets in the bag, we decided not to press our luck and managed to get back to Cajamarca and checked into our hotel on the main Plaza. We had an easy afternoon to enjoy this historic city and relax a bit.

One last morning, one last endemic target... Unfortunately our luck had run out. Despite a lengthy search, there was absolutely no sign of any **Great Spinetails** other than a possible nest that no signs up activity. We added only two new birds, **Giant Hummingbird** and **White-winged Black-Tyrant**, and had more views of **Spot-throated Hummingbird**: (NA)



We then drove up to a lake to check more spinetail habitat and to see what else was up there, but there was surprisingly little on the lake other than **Slate-colored Coots**, though we did get a **Plumbeous Rail** and a **Peruvian Sierra-Finch**. We got back to the hotel before check-out time to pack up, shower, and change, then had an extended lunch before heading to the airport for our flights back to Lima. Everything was on time, and we made our evening international connections without any problems. Despite the somewhat disappointing morning, it had still been a fun and productive tour. Thanks everyone for coming and I hope to see you all again on another trip in the future!

BIRD LIST

The taxonomy of the bird list follows the August 2019 version of eBird/Clements (available here: <http://www.birds.cornell.edu/clementschecklist/download/>)

528 species were seen by at least one member of the group, and another 49 were heard only

(H) indicates a species that was HEARD only.

(G) indicates a species recorded by the GUIDE ONLY.

(E) indicates a species or subspecies endemic to Peru.

TINAMOUS

- H** Cinereous Tinamou
Little Tinamou

- H** Tataupa Tinamou
Andean Tinamou

DUCKS, GEESE, AND WATERFOWL

- Black-bellied Whistling-Duck
Comb Duck
Torrent Duck
Cinnamon Teal
White-cheeked Pintail
Masked Duck

CRACIDS

- H** Speckled Chachalaca
Andean Guan
White-winged Guan (E)

GREBES

- Pied-billed Grebe
Great Grebe

PIGEONS AND DOVES

- Rock Pigeon
Band-tailed Pigeon
Peruvian Pigeon
H Plumbeous Pigeon
Ruddy Ground Dove
Croaking Ground Dove
H Blue Ground Dove
Bare-faced Ground Dove
White-tipped Dove
Gray-fronted Dove
West Peruvian Dove
Eared Dove

CUCKOOS

- Smooth-billed Ani
Groove-billed Ani
Striped Cuckoo

TINAMIDAE

- Crypturellus cinereus*
Crypturellus soui
Crypturellus tataupa
Nothoprocta pentlandii

ANATIDAE

- Dendrocygna autumnalis*
Sarkidiornis melanotos
Merganetta armata
Spatula cyanoptera
Anas bahamensis
Nomonyx dominicus

CRACIDAE

- Ortalis guttata*
Penelope montagnii
Penelope albipennis

PODICIPEDIDAE

- Podilymbus podiceps*
Podiceps major

COLUMBIDAE

- Columba livia*
Patagioenas fasciata
Patagioenas oenops
Patagioenas plumbea
Columbina talpacoti
Columbina cruziana
Claravis pretiosa
Metriopelia ceciliae
Leptotila verreauxi
Leptotila rufaxilla
Zenaida meloda
Zenaida auriculata

CUCULIDAE

- Crotophaga ani*
Crotophaga sulcirostris
Tapera naevia

Squirrel Cuckoo

NIGHTJARS AND ALLIES

Lesser Nighthawk

H Rufous-bellied Nighthawk

Tschudi's Nightjar

Common Pauraque

Scrub Nightjar

Swallow-tailed Nightjar

H Lyre-tailed Nightjar**OILBIRD**

Oilbird

SWIFTS

Chestnut-collared Swift

White-collared Swift

White-tipped Swift

Fork-tailed Palm-Swift

HUMMINGBIRDS

White-necked Jacobin

Green Hermit

Great-billed Hermit

Gray-chinned Hermit (Porculla)

Green-fronted Lancebill

Blue-fronted Lancebill

Brown Violetear

Lesser (Green) Violetear

Sparkling Violetear

Black-throated Mango

Amethyst-throated Sunangel

Royal Sunangel

Wire-crested Thorntail

Rufous-crested Coquette

Ecuadorian Piedtail

Speckled Hummingbird

Long-tailed Sylph

Gray-bellied Comet (E)

Green-tailed Trainbearer

Tyrian Metaltail

Coppery Metaltail (E)

Black Metaltail (E)

Greenish Puffleg

Sapphire-vented (Coppery-naped) Puffleg

Emerald-bellied Puffleg

Marvelous Spatuletail (E)

Shining Sunbeam

Bronzy Inca

Collared Inca

Violet-throated Starfrontlet

Rainbow Starfrontlet

Sword-billed Hummingbird

Great Sapphirewing

*Piaya cayana***CAPRIMULGIDAE***Chordeiles acutipennis**Lurocalis rufiventris**Systellura decussata**Nyctidromus albicollis**Nyctidromus anthonyi**Uropsalis segmentata**Uropsalis lyra***STEATORNITHIDAE***Steatornis caripensis***APODIDAE***Streptoprocne rutila**Streptoprocne zonaris**Aeronautes montivagus**Tachornis squamata***TROCHILIDAE***Florisuga mellivora**Phaethornis guy**Phaethornis malaris**Phaethornis griseogularis porcullae**Doryfera ludovicae**Doryfera johannae**Colibri delphinae**Colibri cyanotus**Colibri coruscans**Anthracothorax nigricollis**Heliangelus amethysticollis**Heliangelus regalis**Discosura popelairii**Lophornis delattrei**Phlogophilus hemileucurus**Adelomyia melanogenys**Agelaiocercus kingii**Taphrolesbia griseiventris**Lesbia nuna**Metallura tyrianthina**Metallura theresiae**Metallura phoebe**Haplophaedia aureliae cutucuensis**Eriocnemis luciani catharina**Eriocnemis alina**Loddigesia mirabilis**Aglaeactis cupripennis**Coeligena coeligena**Coeligena torquata**Coeligena violifer**Coeligena iris**Ensifera ensifera**Pterophanes cyanopterus*

Chestnut-breasted Coronet
 Booted Racket-tail
 Fawn-breasted Brilliant
 Violet-fronted Brilliant
 Giant Hummingbird
 Amethyst Woodstar
 Peruvian Sheartail
 Short-tailed Woodstar
 Purple-collared Woodstar
 White-bellied Woodstar
 Little Woodstar
 Blue-tailed Emerald
 Violet-headed Hummingbird
 Gray-breasted Sabrewing
 Fork-tailed Woodnymph
 Many-spotted Hummingbird
 Tumbes Hummingbird
 Spot-throated Hummingbird
 White-bellied Hummingbird
 Amazilia Hummingbird
 Andean Emerald
 Sapphire-spangled Emerald
 Golden-tailed Sapphire
 White-chinned Sapphire

RAILS, GALLINULES, AND COOTS

Spotted Rail
 H Blackish Rail
 Plumbeous Rail
 Common Gallinule
 Slate-colored (Andean) Coot
 Purple Gallinule

H Russet-crowned Crake

LIMPKIN

Limpkin

THICK-KNEES

Peruvian Thick-knee

STILTS AND AVOCETS

Black-necked Stilt

OYSTERCATCHERS

American Oystercatcher

PLOVERS AND LAPWINGS

Black-bellied (Gray) Plover
 Andean Lapwing
 Collared Plover

H Killdeer

JACANAS

Wattled Jacana

SANDPIPERS AND ALLIES

Whimbrel
 Sanderling

Boissonneaua matthewsii
Ocreatus underwoodii
Heliodoxa rubinoides
Heliodoxa leadbeateri
Patagona gigas
Calliphlox amethystina
Thaumastura cora
Myrmia micrura
Myrtis fanny
Chaetocercus mulsant
Chaetocercus bombus
Chlorostilbon mellisugus
Klais guimeti

Campylopterus largipennis
Thalurania furcata
Taphrospilus hypostictus
Leucippus baeri
Leucippus taczanowskii
Amazilia chionogaster
Amazilia amazilia
Amazilia franciae
Amazilia lactea
Chrysuronia oenone
Hylocharis cyanus

HAEMATOPODIDAE

Pardirallus maculatus
Pardirallus nigricans
Pardirallus sanguinolentus
Gallinula galeata
Fulica ardesiaca
Porphyrio martinica
Anurolimnas viridis

JACANIDAE

Aramus guarauna

THINOCORIDAE

Burhinus superciliaris
Coragyps atratus
Himantopus mexicanus mexicanus

STERCORARIIDAE

Haematopus palliatus

LARIDAE

Pluvialis squatarola
Vanellus resplendens
Charadrius collaris
Charadrius vociferus
Cathartes aura
Jacana jacana
Cathartes burrovianus
Numenius phaeopus
Calidris alba

Baird's Sandpiper
 Least Sandpiper
 Pectoral Sandpiper
 Puna Snipe
 Wilson's Phalarope
 Spotted Sandpiper
 Greater Yellowlegs
 Lesser Yellowlegs

GULLS, TERNS, AND SKIMMERS

Andean Gull
 Gray-hooded Gull
 Kelp Gull

BOOBIES AND GANNETS

Peruvian Booby

CORMORANTS AND SHAGS

Neotropic Cormorant

PELICANS

Brown Pelican
 Peruvian Pelican

HERONS, EGRETS, AND BITTERNS

Fasciated Tiger-Heron
 Cocoi Heron
 Great Egret
 Snowy Egret
 Little Blue Heron
 Cattle Egret
 Striated Heron

IBISES AND SPOONBILLS

Puna Ibis

NEW WORLD VULTURES

Black Vulture
 Turkey Vulture

OSPREY

Osprey

HAWKS, EAGLES, AND KITES

Pearl Kite
 Swallow-tailed Kite
 Black-and-white Hawk-Eagle
 Snail Kite
 Plumbeous Kite
 Sharp-shinned (Plain-breasted) Hawk
 Savanna Hawk
 Roadside Hawk
 Harris's Hawk
 Variable Hawk

OWLS

- H** White-throated Screech-Owl
- H** Tropical Screech-Owl
- Peruvian Screech-Owl
- H** Band-bellied Owl

Calidris bairdii
Calidris minutilla
Calidris melanotos
Gallinago andina
Phalaropus tricolor
Actitis macularius
Tringa melanoleuca
Tringa flavipes
Vultur gryphus
Chroicocephalus serranus
Chroicocephalus cirrocephalus
Larus dominicanus

SULIDAE

Sula variegata

PHALACROCORACIDAE

Phalacrocorax brasilianus

PELECANIDAE

Pelecanus occidentalis
Pelecanus thagus

ARDEIDAE

Tigrisoma fasciatum
Ardea cocoi
Ardea alba
Egretta thula
Egretta caerulea
Bubulcus ibis
Butorides striata

THRESKIORNITHIDAE

Plegadis ridgwayi

CATHARTIDAE

Coragyps atratus
Cathartes aura

PANDIONIDAE

Pandion haliaetus

BURHINIDAE

Gampsonyx swainsonii
Elanoides forficatus
Spizaetus melanoleucus
Rostrhamus sociabilis
Ictinia plumbea
Accipiter striatus ventralis
Buteogallus meridionalis
Rupornis magnirostris
Parabuteo unicinctus
Geranoaetus polyosoma

STRIGIDAE

Megascops albogularis
Megascops choliba
Megascops roboratus
Pulsatrix melanota

H Yungas Pygmy-Owl
 Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl
 Peruvian Pygmy-Owl
 Long-whiskered Owlet (E)
 Burrowing Owl
H Rufous-banded Owl
TROGONS
H Golden-headed Quetzal
 Green-backed Trogon
 Blue-crowned Trogon
 Collared Trogon
H Masked Trogon
MOTMOTS
 Broad-billed Motmot
KINGFISHERS
 Ringed Kingfisher
PUFFBIRDS
 Lanceolated Monklet
 Swallow-winged Puffbird
JACAMARS
 Bluish-fronted Jacamar
NEW WORLD BARBETS
 Gilded Barbet
TOUCANS
 Southern Emerald-Toucanet
 Gray-breasted Mountain-Toucan
 Lettered Aracari
H Chestnut-eared Aracari
 Golden-collared Toucanet
 Channel-billed Toucan
WOODPECKERS
 Lafresnaye's Piculet
 Ecuadorian Piculet
 Speckle-chested Piculet (E)
 Yellow-tufted Woodpecker
 Smoky-brown Woodpecker
 Little Woodpecker
 Scarlet-backed Woodpecker
H Red-stained Woodpecker
 Lineated Woodpecker
 Golden-olive Woodpecker
 Crimson-mantled Woodpecker
 Black-necked Woodpecker (E)
 Spot-breasted Woodpecker
 Andean Flicker
FALCONS AND CARACARAS
 Black Caracara
 Mountain Caracara
 Crested Caracara
 American Kestrel

Glaucidium bolivianum
Glaucidium brasilianum
Glaucidium peruanum
Xenoglaux loweryi
Athene cunicularia
Ciccaba albitarsis
TROGONIDAE
Pharomachrus auriceps
Trogon viridis
Trogon curucui
Trogon collaris
Trogon personatus
MOMOTIDAE
Electron platyrhynchum
ALCEDINIDAE
Megaceryle torquata
BUCCONIDAE
Micromonacha lanceolata
Chelidoptera tenebrosa
GALBULIDAE
Galbula cyanescens
CAPITONIDAE
Capito auratus
RAMPHASTIDAE
Aulacorhynchus albivitta cyanolaemus
Andigena hypoglaucha
Pteroglossus inscriptus
Pteroglossus castanotis
Selenidera reinwardtii
Ramphastos vitellinus
PICIDAE
Picumnus lafresnayi
Picumnus sclateri
Picumnus steindachneri
Melanerpes cruentatus
Dryobates fumigatus
Dryobates passerinus
Dryobates callonotus
Dryobates affinis
Dryocopus lineatus
Colaptes rubiginosus
Colaptes rivolii
Colaptes atricollis
Colaptes punctigula
Colaptes rupicola
FALCONIDAE
Daptrius ater
Phalcoboenus megalopterus
Caracara cheriway
Falco sparverius

Aplomado Falcon
H Bat Falcon
 Peregrine Falcon
PARROTS
 Barred Parakeet
 Cobalt-winged Parakeet
 Red-billed Parrot
 Speckle-faced Parrot (White-capped)
 Blue-headed Parrot
 Scaly-naped Parrot
 Blue-winged Parrotlet
 Pacific Parrotlet
 Yellow-faced Parrotlet (E)
 Scarlet-fronted Parakeet
 Red-masked Parakeet
 White-eyed Parakeet
TYPICAL ANTIBIRDS
H Fasciated Antshrike
 Barred Antshrike
 Rufous-capped Antshrike
 Chapman's Antshrike
GO Lined Antshrike
 Collared Antshrike
H Collared Antshrike (shumbae)
 Plain-winged Antshrike
 Northern Slaty-Antshrike
 Variable Antshrike
 Plain Antvireo
 Bicolored Antvireo
H Stripe-chested Antwren
 White-flanked Antwren
H Yellow-breasted Antwren
 Rusty-backed Antwren
H Streak-headed (Long-tailed) Antbird
 Peruvian Warbling-Antbird
 Blackish Antbird
 White-backed Fire-eye
H Spot-winged Antbird
 Zimmer's Antbird
 Spot-backed Antbird
CRESCENTCHESTS
 Marañon Crescentchest
 Elegant Crescentchest
ANTPITTAS
H Chestnut-crowned Antpitta
H Stripe-headed Antpitta
 Pale-billed Antpitta (E)
 Rusty-tinged Antpitta (E)
H Rufous Antpitta (North Peruvian)
 Rufous Antpitta (Cajamarca)

Falco femoralis
Falco rufigularis
Falco peregrinus
PSITTACIDAE
Bolborhynchus lineola
Brotogeris cyanoptera
Pionus sordidus
Pionus tumultuosus seniloides
Pionus menstruus
Amazona mercenarius
Forpus xanthopterygius
Forpus coelestis
Forpus xanthops
Psittacara wagleri
Psittacara erythrogenys
Psittacara leucophthalmus
THAMNOPHILIDAE
Cymbilaimus lineatus
Thamnophilus doliatus
Thamnophilus ruficapillus
Thamnophilus zarumae
Thamnophilus tenuipunctatus
Thamnophilus bernardi bernardi
Thamnophilus bernardi shumbae
Thamnophilus schistaceus
Thamnophilus punctatus
Thamnophilus caerulescens
Dysithamnus mentalis
Dysithamnus occidentalis
Myrmotherula longicauda
Myrmotherula axillaris
Herpsilochmus axillaris
Formicivora rufa
Drymophila caudata
Hypocnemis peruviana
Cercomacroides nigrescens
Pyriglena leuconota
Myrmelastes leucostigma
Sciaphylax castanea
Hylophylax naevius
MELANOPAREIIDAE
Melanopareia maranonica
Melanopareia elegans
GRALLARIIDAE
Grallaria ruficapilla
Grallaria andicolus
Grallaria carrikeri
Grallaria przewalskii
Grallaria rufula obscura
Grallaria rufula cajamarcae

Chestnut Antpitta (E)

Ochre-fronted Antpitta (E)

H Leymebamba (Rusty-breasted) Antpitta**TAPACULOS****H** Blackish Tapaculo**H** Trilling Tapaculo

Rufous-vented Tapaculo (E)

H White-crowned Tapaculo

Neblina Tapaculo (E)

OVENBIRDS AND WOODCREEPERS

Coastal Miner (E)

Slender-billed Miner

Olivaceous Woodcreeper

Yungas Woodcreeper (undescribed form)

H Tyrannine Woodcreeper

Olive-backed Woodcreeper

Streak-headed Woodcreeper

Montane Woodcreeper

Streaked Xenops

Streaked Tuftedcheek

Pale-legged Hornero

Pale-legged (Pacific) Hornero

Wren-like Rushbird

Striated Earthcreeper (E)

Cream-winged Cinclodes

White-winged Cinclodes

H Buff-fronted Foliage-gleaner

Montane Foliage-gleaner

H Buff-browed Foliage-gleaner

Rufous-necked Foliage-gleaner

Henna-hooded Foliage-gleaner

Striped Treehunter

H Spotted Barbtail

Pearled Treerunner

Rusty-crowned Tit-Spinetail (E)

Rufous-fronted Thornbird

Chestnut-backed Thornbird (E)

Many-striped Canastero

Streak-throated Canastero

White-chinned Thistletail

Russet-mantled Softtail (E)

H Ash-browed Spinetail

Line-cheeked Spinetail

Line-cheeked (Baron's) Spinetail (E)

Marañon Spinetail

Necklaced Spinetail

Necklaced Spinetail (Chinchipe) (E)

Dark-breasted Spinetail

Azara's Spinetail

Rufous Spinetail

*Grallaria blakei**Grallaricula ochraceifrons**Grallaricula leymebambae***RHINOCRYPTIDAE***Scytalopus latrans intermedius**Scytalopus parvirostris**Scytalopus femoralis**Scytalopus atratus**Scytalopus altirostris***FURNARIIDAE***Geositta peruviana**Geositta tenuirostris**Sittasomus griseicapillus amazonus**Deconychura [undescribed form]**Dendrocicla tyrannina**Xiphorhynchus triangularis**Lepidocolaptes souleyetii**Lepidocolaptes lacrymiger**Xenops rutilans**Pseudocolaptes boissonneautii**Furnarius leucopus tricolor**Furnarius leucopus cinnamomeus**Phleocryptes melanops**Geocerthia serrana**Cinclodes albiventris**Cinclodes atacamensis**Philydor rufum**Anabacerthia striaticollis**Syndactyla rufosuperciliata**Syndactyla ruficollis**Clibanornis erythrocephalus**Thripadectes holostictus**Premnoplex brunnescens**Margarornis squamiger**Leptasthenura pileata**Phacellodomus rufifrons**Phacellodomus dorsalis**Asthenes flammulata**Asthenes humilis**Asthenes fuliginosa peruviana**Thripophaga berlepschi**Cranioleuca curtata**Cranioleuca antisimensis palamblae**Cranioleuca antisimensis baroni**Synallaxis maranonica**Synallaxis stictothorax maculata**Synallaxis stictothorax chinchipensis**Synallaxis albigularis**Synallaxis azarae**Synallaxis unirufa*

TYRANT FLYCATCHERS

Many-colored Rush Tyrant

Streak-necked Flycatcher

Olive-striped Flycatcher

Slaty-capped Flycatcher

Inca Flycatcher (E)

Marble-faced Bristle-Tyrant

Mottle-cheeked Tyrannulet

H Ecuadorian Tyrannulet

Rufous-headed Pygmy-Tyrant

GO White-bellied Pygmy-Tyrant

Scale-crested Pygmy-Tyrant

Stripe-necked Tody-Tyrant

Pearly-vented Tody-Tyrant

Black-throated Tody-Tyrant

Cinnamon-breasted Tody-Tyrant

Johnson's Tody-Flycatcher (E)

Black-and-white Tody-Flycatcher

Rusty-fronted Tody-Flycatcher

Common Tody-Flycatcher

Yellow-browed Tody-Flycatcher

Olivaceous Flatbill (Western)

Yellow-olive Flycatcher

Yellow-margined Flycatcher

Yellow-breasted Flycatcher (Olive-faced)

Cinnamon Flycatcher

H Cliff Flycatcher

Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet

White-tailed Tyrannulet

White-banded Tyrannulet

White-throated Tyrannulet

Sulphur-bellied Tyrannulet

Black-crested Tit-Tyrant

Mouse-colored Tyrannulet (Amazonian)

Mouse-colored Tyrannulet (Tumbes)

Mouse-colored Tyrannulet (Marañon)

Yellow Tyrannulet

Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet

Forest Elaenia

Pacific Elaenia

Highland Elaenia

Yellow-bellied Elaenia

Lesser Elaenia

Sierran Elaenia

Torrent Tyrannulet

H Black-capped Tyrannulet

Ashy-headed Tyrannulet

H Plumbeous-crowned Tyrannulet

Mishana Tyrannulet (E)

Peruvian Tyrannulet (E)

TYRANNIDAE*Tachuris rubrigastra**Mionectes striaticollis**Mionectes olivaceus**Leptopogon superciliosus**Leptopogon taczanowskii**Phylloscartes ophthalmicus**Phylloscartes ventralis**Phylloscartes gualaquiza**Pseudotriccus ruficeps**Myiornis albiventris**Lophotriccus pileatus**Hemitriccus striaticollis**Hemitriccus margaritaceiventer**Hemitriccus granadensis**Hemitriccus cinnamomeipectus**Poecilotriccus luluae**Poecilotriccus capitalis**Poecilotriccus latirostris**Todirostrum cinereum**Todirostrum chrysocrotaphum**Rhynchocyclus olivaceus aequinoctialis**Tolmomyias sulphurescens**Tolmomyias assimilis**Tolmomyias flaviventris**Pyrrhomyias cinnamomeus**Hirundinea ferruginea**Camptostoma obsoletum**Mecocerculus poecilocercus**Mecocerculus stictopterus**Mecocerculus leucophrys**Mecocerculus minor**Anairetes nigrocristatus**Phaeomyias murina wagae**Phaeomyias murina tumbezana/inflava**Phaeomyias murina maranonica**Capsiempis flaveola**Tyrannulus elatus**Myiopagis gaimardii**Myiopagis subplacens**Elaenia obscura**Elaenia flavogaster**Elaenia chiriquensis**Elaenia pallatangae**Serpophaga cinerea**Phyllomyias nigrocapillus**Phyllomyias cinereiceps**Phyllomyias plumbeiceps**Zimmerius villarejoi**Zimmerius viridiflavus*

Tawny-crowned Pygmy-Tyrant
 Gray-and-white Tyrannulet
 Flavescent Flycatcher
 Olive-chested Flycatcher
 Bran-colored Flycatcher
 Euler's Flycatcher
 Olive Flycatcher
 Smoke-colored Pewee
 Tropical Pewee (Tumbes)
 Black Phoebe
 Vermilion Flycatcher
 Rufous-tailed Tyrant
 White-winged Black-Tyrant
 White-browed Ground-Tyrant
 White-tailed Shrike-Tyrant
 Streak-throated Bush-Tyrant
 Smoky Bush-Tyrant
 Rufous-webbed Bush-Tyrant
 Tumbes Tyrant
 Jelski's Chat-Tyrant
 Slaty-backed Chat-Tyrant
 Rufous-breasted Chat-Tyrant
 Brown-backed Chat-Tyrant
 Piura Chat-Tyrant (E)
 White-browed Chat-Tyrant
 Long-tailed Tyrant
 Short-tailed Field Tyrant
 Rufous Flycatcher (E)
 Dusky-capped Flycatcher
 Short-crested Flycatcher
 Sooty-crowned Flycatcher (phaeocephalus)
 Sooty-crowned Flycatcher (interior)
 Pale-edged Flycatcher
 Brown-crested Flycatcher
 Great Kiskadee
 Boat-billed Flycatcher
 Social Flycatcher
 Gray-capped Flycatcher
 Lemon-browed Flycatcher
 Baird's Flycatcher
 Streaked Flycatcher
 Piratic Flycatcher
 Tropical Kingbird
COTINGAS
 Green-and-black Fruiteater
H Barred Fruiteater
 Peruvian Plantcutter (E)
 Red-crested Cotinga
 Chestnut-crested Cotinga
 Andean Cock-of-the-rock

Euscarthmus meloryphus
Pseudelaenia leucospodia
Myiophobus flavicans
Myiophobus cryptoxanthus
Myiophobus fasciatus
Lathrotriccus euleri
Mitrephanes olivaceus
Contopus fumigatus
Contopus cinereus punensis
Sayornis nigricans
Pyrocephalus rubinus
Knipolegus poecilurus
Knipolegus aterrimus
Muscisaxicola albilora
Agriornis albicauda
Myiotheretes striaticollis
Myiotheretes fumigatus
Polioxolmis rufipennis
Tumbezia salvini
Ochthoeca jelskii
Ochthoeca cinnamomeiventris angustifasciata
Ochthoeca rufipectoralis
Ochthoeca fumicolor
Ochthoeca piurae
Ochthoeca leucophrys
Colonia colonus
Muscigralla brevicauda
Myiarchus semirufus
Myiarchus tuberculifer
Myiarchus ferox
Myiarchus phaeocephalus phaeocephalus
Myiarchus phaeocephalus interior
Myiarchus cephalotes
Myiarchus tyrannulus
Pitangus sulphuratus
Megarynchus pitangua
Myiozetetes similis
Myiozetetes granadensis
Conopias cinchoneti
Myiodynastes bairdii
Myiodynastes maculatus
Legatus leucophaeus
Tyrannus melancholicus
COTINGIDAE
Pipreola riefferii
Pipreola arcuata
Phytotoma raimondii
Ampelion rubrocrissatus
Ampelion rufaxilla
Rupicola peruvianus

MANAKINS

Painted (Striped) Manakin (E)

H Fiery-capped Manakin

Golden-headed Manakin

GO Wing-barred Piprites**TITYRAS AND ALLIES**

Masked Tityra

Green-backed (Yellow-cheeked) Becard

H Barred Becard**GO** White-winged Becard**VIREOS**

Rufous-browed Peppershrike

H Slaty-capped Shrike-Vireo

Brown-capped Vireo

Chivi (Red-eyed) Vireo

CROWS, JAYS, AND MAGPIES

White-collared Jay

Green Jay

White-tailed Jay

SWALLOWS

Blue-and-white Swallow

Brown-bellied Swallow

GO White-banded Swallow

Southern Rough-winged Swallow

Gray-breasted Martin

Tumbes Swallow

Chestnut-collared Swallow

WRENS

Scaly-breasted Wren

House Wren

Mountain Wren

Sedge Wren

Fasciated Wren

Thrush-like Wren

Plain-tailed Wren

Coraya Wren

Speckle-breasted Wren

Speckle-breasted Wren (Marañon)

Superciliated Wren

Sharpe's (Sepia-brown) Wren

Bar-winged Wood-Wren

Gray-breasted Wood-Wren

H Chestnut-breasted Wren**GNATCATCHERS**

Tropical Gnatcatcher

Tropical Gnatcatcher (Marañon)

DIPPERS

White-capped Dipper

DONACOBIOUS

Black-capped Donacobius

PIPRIDAE*Machaeropterus eckelberryi**Machaeropterus pyrocephalus**Ceratopipra erythrocephala**Piprites chloris***TITYRIDAE***Tityra semifasciata**Pachyramphus viridis peruanus**Pachyramphus versicolor**Pachyramphus polychopterus***VIREONIDAE***Cyclarhis gujanensis**Vireolanius leucotis**Vireo leucophrys**Vireo chivi***CORVIDAE***Cyanolyca viridicyanus**Cyanocorax yncas**Cyanocorax mystacalis***HIRUNDINIDAE***Pygochelidon cyanoleuca**Orochelidon murina**Atticora fasciata**Stelgidopteryx ruficollis**Progne chalybea**Tachycineta stolzmanni**Petrochelidon rufocollaris***TROGLODYTIDAE***Microcerculus marginatus**Troglodytes aedon**Troglodytes solstitialis**Cistothorus platensis**Campylorhynchus fasciatus**Campylorhynchus turdinus**Pheugopedius euophrys schulenbergi**Pheugopedius coraya**Pheugopedius sclateri paucimaculatus**Pheugopedius sclateri sclateri**Cantorchilus superciliaris**Cinnycerthia olivascens**Henicorhina leucoptera**Henicorhina leucophrys**Cyphorhinus thoracicus***POLIOPTILIDAE***Polioptila plumbea bilineata**Polioptila plumbea maior***CINCLIDAE***Cinclus leucocephalus***DONACOBIIDAE***Donacobius atricapilla*

THRUSHES AND ALLIES

- H** Andean Solitaire
- H** Slaty-backed Nightingale-Thrush
- H** White-eared Solitaire
- Pale-breasted Thrush
- Hauxwell's Thrush
- H** White-necked Thrush
- Varzea Thrush
- Pale-eyed Thrush
- Plumbeous-backed Thrush
- Black-billed Thrush
- Marañon Thrush
- Great Thrush
- Chiguanco Thrush
- Andean Slaty Thrush

MOCKINGBIRDS AND THRASHERS

- Long-tailed Mockingbird

EUPHONIAS AND SISKINS

- Blue-naped Chlorophonia
- Purple-throated Euphonia
- Thick-billed Euphonia
- Golden-rumped Euphonia
- Bronze-green Euphonia
- GO** White-vented Euphonia
- Orange-bellied Euphonia
- Lesser Goldfinch
- Hooded Siskin
- Olivaceous Siskin

SPARROWS AND ALLIES

- Ashy-throated Chlorospingus (Bush-Tan.)
- Common Chlorospingus (Bush-Tanager)
- Tumbes Sparrow
- Yellow-browed Sparrow
- Gray-browed (Stripe-headed) Brushfinch
- Orange-billed Sparrow
- Black-capped Sparrow (Black-capped)
- Black-capped Sparrow (Marañon)
- Rufous-collared Sparrow
- White-headed Brushfinch
- Yellow-breasted Brushfinch
- Yellow-breasted (Baron's) Brushfinch
- White-winged Brushfinch
- Bay-crowned Brushfinch

TROUPIALS AND ALLIES

- Peruvian Meadowlark
- Yellow-billed Cacique
- Russet-backed Oropendola
- Crested Oropendola
- Scarlet-rumped Cacique
- Yellow-rumped Cacique

TURDIDAE

- Myadestes ralloides*
- Catharus fuscater*
- Entomodestes leucotis*
- Turdus leucomelas*
- Turdus hauxwelli*
- Turdus albicollis*
- Turdus sanchezorum*
- Turdus leucops*
- Turdus reevei*
- Turdus ignobilis*
- Turdus maranonicus*
- Turdus fuscater*
- Turdus chiguanco*
- Turdus nigriceps*

MIMIDAE

- Mimus longicaudatus*

FRINGILLIDAE

- Chlorophonia cyanea*
- Euphonia chlorotica*
- Euphonia lanirostris*
- Euphonia cyanocephala*
- Euphonia mesochrysa*
- Euphonia minuta*
- Euphonia xanthogaster*
- Spinus psaltria*
- Spinus magellanicus*
- Spinus olivaceus*

PASSERELLIDAE

- Chlorospingus canigularis*
- Chlorospingus flavopectus*
- Rhynchospiza stolzmanni*
- Ammodramus aurifrons*
- Arremon assimilis*
- Arremon aurantirostris*
- Arremon abeillei abeillei*
- Arremon abeillei nigriceps*
- Zonotrichia capensis*
- Atlapetes albiceps*
- Atlapetes latinuchus latinuchus*
- Atlapetes latinuchus baroni*
- Atlapetes leucopterus*
- Atlapetes seebohmi*

ICTERIDAE

- Leistes bellicosus*
- Amblycercus holosericeus*
- Psarocolius angustifrons*
- Psarocolius decumanus*
- Cacicus uropygialis*
- Cacicus cela*

Mountain Cacique

White-edged Oriole

Yellow-tailed Oriole

Shiny Cowbird

Giant Cowbird

Scrub Blackbird

Oriole Blackbird

Pale-eyed Blackbird

NEW WORLD WARBLERS

Masked Yellowthroat (Black-lored)

Tropical Parula

Three-striped Warbler

Three-banded Warbler

Citrine Warbler

Black-crested Warbler

Buff-rumped Warbler

Gray-and-gold Warbler

Russet-crowned Warbler

Slate-throated Redstart (Whitestart)

Spectacled Redstart (Whitestart)

CARDINALS AND ALLIES

Hepatic Tanager

Golden (Golden-bellied) Grosbeak

TANAGERS AND ALLIES

Red-capped Cardinal

Black-faced Tanager

Magpie Tanager

White-capped Tanager

Rufous-crested Tanager

Black-capped (White-browed) Hemispingus

Oleaginous Hemispingus

GO Black-eared Hemispingus

Buff-bellied Tanager

Superciliaried Hemispingus

Rufous-chested Tanager

Plain-tailed Warbling-Finch (E)

White-lined Tanager

Black-bellied Tanager (E)

Silver-beaked Tanager

Vermilion Tanager

Grass-green Tanager

Lacrimose Mountain-Tanager

Scarlet-bellied Mountain-Tanager

Blue-winged Mountain-Tanager

Yellow-throated Tanager

Yellow-scarfed Tanager (E)

Blue-and-yellow Tanager

Orange-eared Tanager

Blue-gray Tanager

Palm Tanager

*Cacicus chrysnotus**Icterus graceannae**Icterus mesomelas**Molothrus bonariensis**Molothrus oryzivorus**Dives waczewiczi**Gymnomystax mexicanus**Agelasticus xanthophthalmus***PARULIDAE***Geothlypis aequinoctialis peruviana**Setophaga pitayumi**Basileuterus tristriatus**Basileuterus trifasciatus**Myiothlypis luteoviridis**Myiothlypis nigrocristata**Myiothlypis fulvicauda**Myiothlypis fraseri**Myiothlypis coronata**Myioborus miniatus**Myioborus melanocephalus***CARDINALIDAE***Piranga flava**Pheucticus chrysogaster***THRAUPIDAE***Paroaria gularis**Schistochlamys melanopsis**Cissopis leverianus**Sericossypha albocristata**Creurgops verticalis**Kleinothraupis atropileus auricularis**Sphenopsis frontalis**Sphenopsis melanotis**Thlypopsis inornata**Thlypopsis superciliaris**Thlypopsis ornata**Microspingus alticola**Tachyphonus rufus**Ramphocelus melanogaster**Ramphocelus carbo**Calochaetes coccineus**Chlorornis riefferii**Anisognathus lacrymosus**Anisognathus igniventris**Anisognathus somptuosus**Iridosornis analis**Iridosornis reinhardti**Pipraeidea bonariensis**Chlorochrysa calliparaea**Thraupis episcopus**Thraupis palmarum*

Blue-capped Tanager
Yellow-bellied Tanager
Spotted Tanager
Silvery (Silver-backed) Tanager
Burnished-buff Tanager
Masked Tanager
Blue-necked Tanager
Blue-and-black Tanager
Beryl-spangled Tanager
Metallic-green Tanager
Turquoise Tanager
Paradise Tanager
Bay-headed Tanager
Saffron-crowned Tanager
Flame-faced Tanager
Green-and-gold Tanager
Swallow Tanager
Black-faced Dacnis
Blue Dacnis
Purple Honeycreeper
Green Honeycreeper
Guira Tanager
Capped Conebill
Cinereous Conebill
Moustached Flowerpiercer
Black-throated Flowerpiercer
White-sided Flowerpiercer
Rusty Flowerpiercer
Deep-blue Flowerpiercer
Bluish Flowerpiercer
Masked Flowerpiercer
Peruvian Sierra-Finch
Tit-like Dacnis
Plumbeous Sierra-Finch
Ash-breasted Sierra-Finch
Cinereous Finch (E)
Gray-winged Inca-Finch (E)
Buff-bridled Inca-Finch (E)
Little Inca-Finch (E)
Drab Hemispingus
Gray-hooded Bush Tanager
Collared Warbling-Finch
Saffron Finch
Grassland Yellow-Finch
Sulphur-throated Finch
Blue-black Grassquit
Parrot-billed Seed eater
Chestnut-throated Seed eater
Drab Seed eater
Chestnut-bellied Seed eater

Thraupis cyanocephala
Ixothraupis xanthogastra
Ixothraupis punctata
Tangara viridicollis
Tangara cayana
Tangara nigrocincta
Tangara cyanicollis
Tangara vassorii
Tangara nigroviridis
Tangara labradorides
Tangara mexicana
Tangara chilensis
Tangara gyrola
Tangara xanthocephala
Tangara parzudakii
Tangara schrankii
Tersina viridis
Dacnis lineata
Dacnis cayana
Cyanerpes caeruleus
Chlorophanes spiza
Hemithraupis guira
Conirostrum albifrons
Conirostrum cinereum
Diglossa mystacalis
Diglossa brunneiventris
Diglossa albilatera
Diglossa sittoides
Diglossa glauca
Diglossa caerulescens
Diglossa cyanea
Phrygilus punensis
Xenodacnis parina
Geospizopsis unicolor
Geospizopsis plebejus
Piezorina cinerea
Incaspiza ortizi
Incaspiza laeta
Incaspiza watkinsi
Pseudospingus xanthophthalmus
Cnemoscopus rubrirostris
Poospiza hispaniolensis
Sicalis flaveola
Sicalis luteola
Sicalis taczanowskii
Volatinia jacarina
Sporophila peruviana
Sporophila telasco
Sporophila simplex
Sporophila castaneiventris

GO

Chestnut-bellied Seed-Finch
Band-tailed Seedeater
Plain-colored Seedeater
Red-crested Finch
Bananaquit
Dull-colored Grassquit
Buff-throated Saltator
Grayish Saltator (Amazonian)
Streaked Saltator
Black-cowled Saltator
Golden-billed Saltator
Slate-colored Grosbeak

OLD WORLD SPARROWS

House Sparrow

MAMMALS

Sechuran Fox
Hoffmann's Two-toed Sloth
Black Agouti
Guayaquil Squirrel
White-tailed Deer

Sporophila angolensis
Catamenia analis
Catamenia inornata
Coryphospingus cucullatus
Coereba flaveola
Asemospiza obscura
Saltator maximus
Saltator coerulescens azarae
Saltator striatipectus
Saltator nigriceps
Saltator aurantiirostris
Saltator grossus

PASSERIDAE

Passer domesticus

Lycalopex sechurae
Choloepus hoffmanni
Dasyprocta fuliginosa
Sciurus stramineus
Odocoileus virginianus