



A [Tropical Birding](#) SET DEPARTURE tour

COLOMBIA: Northern

10th-18th March 2022



Santa Marta Antpitta at Sierra Nevada National Park (Jose Illanes)

TOUR LEADERS: Jose Illanes & Keith Barnes

REPORT and PHOTOS BY: Jose Illanes

TOUR SUMMARY:

DAY 1 (of birding) March 11: Isla Salamanca National Refuge. After all meeting at the hotel in Barranquilla the previous evening and having dinner together, we were now ready to bird! On this trip we also had TB guide and owner *Keith Barnes* along with us to help some cool birds and provide us with his wonderful company too.

We started out at *Isla Salamanca Wildlife Refuge*, a 45-minute drive from our hotel. We took a boxed breakfast in the field with hot coffee that our driver Virgilio brought for us. During breakfast, we found two major targets, **Sapphire-throated and Sapphire-bellied Hummingbirds**, which came in to feed on a local flowering tree. After having breakfast, we birded around this beautiful natural reserve, surrounded by three different species of *mangroves*, where we found **Panama Flycatcher, Bicolored Conebill, Russet-throated Puffbird, Black-crested Antshrike** and a friendly **Straight-billed Woodcreeper**. Later, we went to bird on the boardwalk that weaves through the mangrove forest. Along there, we found many **Prothonotary Warblers**, as well as **Pied Water-Tyrant, Red-rumped Woodpecker**, a very tame **Pied Puffbird** and **Yellow-chinned Spinetail** near the water's edge. As a result of some concerted scanning around the water, we also encountered **Tricolored and Little-blue Herons, Wattled Jacana, Bare-faced Tiger-Heron** and spot four species of kingfishers: **Green, Ringed, Amazon and American Pygmy Kingfishers**. Other common species in the area were **Snail Kite, Whimbrel, Black-necked Stilt, Great-tailed Grackle**, and **Solitary and Spotted Sandpipers**.



Russet-throated Puffbird from the "KM 4 Road" (Jose Illanes)

Later in the morning, we went to bird the "KM 4 Road", just a short distance from where we had been earlier. This was extremely productive, with **Stripe-backed and Bicolored Wrens, Brown-throated Parakeet, Olivaceous Saltator, Bare-faced and Glossy Ibises, Great Kiskadee, Boat-billed Flycatcher**, a pair of **Vermilion Flycatchers** and **Striated and Cocoli Herons** too.

This quiet dirt road also brought us **Bronzed Cowbird, Carib Grackle, Ruddy Ground-Dove, Scaled Dove, Red-crowned Woodpecker, Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture, Crested and Yellow-headed Caracaras**, and the marsh areas held **White-headed Marsh-Tyrant, Yellow-hooded Blackbird, Purple and Common Gallinules, Southern Lapwing, and Limpkin**. Then, just as we were getting ready to leave, *Keith* noticed a **Pearl Kite**.

After that, we drive a few hours and took lunch in a restaurant where we added more birds like, **Crimson-backed Tanager, Orange-chinned Parakeet, Gray-Seedeater, Broad winged Hawk and Common Black-Hawk** while waiting for our meals. Following lunch, we drove towards *Riohacha* the northernmost town in *Colombia*. Unfortunately, there were some local community demonstrations along the road, which delayed our birding schedule. However, once passed the protests, we found **Green-rumped Parrotlet, Glaucous Tanager, Bare-eyed Pigeon, Blue-crowned Parakeet, Shinning-green Hummingbird, Trinidad Euphonia** and **Rufous-vented Chachalaca** before arriving at the hotel in *Riohacha* late in the day.



Bicolored Wren from La Jorara (Jose Illanes)

DAY 2 (March 12): Guajira Peninsula (Flamencos National Wildlife Refuge) and Las Gaviotas Road. On this day, we birded around *Flamencos National Wildlife Refuge* near *Camorones* village, which is not that far from *Riohacha* town.

Once again, we took a field breakfast (this is quite normal and regular in *Colombia*!). For this part, we had a local guide *Johnny* who came with us to find some of the dry, scrubby habitat species.

While we were having our breakfast, we found some of these, most notably a pair of male and female **Vermilion Cardinals**, which was a very good start! Once we finished our food, we went to bird along one of the trails used by the local people, where we found **Buffy Hummingbird**, **Crested Bobwhite**, and a pair of **Rufous-vented Chachalaca**. We were then quickly distracted by the excited voice of Keith, who'd found a sleeping **Northern Tamandua**. Further along the same trail we also picked up a few local species like **White-fringed Antwren**, **Northern Scrub Flycatcher**, **Red-billed Emerald**, **Black-faced Grassquit**, **Pileated Finch**, **Pale-tipped** and **Slender-billed Tyrannulets**, a cute **Chestnut Piculet**, **Tocuyo Sparrow**, **Rufous-tailed Jacamar**, **Pale-legged Hornero**, **Trinidad Euphonia**, **Pearly-vented Tody-Tyrant**, and also the extremely handsome **White-whiskered Spinetail**. We also found another major target, **Black-backed Antshrike**.



Black-backed Antshrike from Flamenco National Wildlife Refuge (Jose Illanes)

After this successful morning, we went to visit a place with feeders, which brought welcome respite from the heat. This led us to better views of **Buffy Hummingbird** but also **Yellow Oriole**, **Pileated Finch**, **Scaled Dove**, **Vermilion Cardinal**, and **Red-crowned Woodpecker**.

An **Orinocan Saltator** also visited the feeders several times too, a species that we'd been searching in vain for that morning! On the way to lunch, we checked the shoreline and found **Lesser Black-backed and Laughing Gulls, Royal, Sandwich and Caspian Terns, Black Skimmer, Magnificent Frigatebird, Brown Pelican, Great, Snowy and Reddish Egrets, White Ibis**, and, best of all, the vibrant **Scarlet Ibis**.

After lunch, we continued our journey, stopping for half a dozen **Double-striped Thick-knees**. Before leaving this beautiful region, we stopped one more time at the edge of a dry and green area, where we picked up **Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl, Golden-fronted Greenlet, Rufous-tailed Jacamar, Buff-breasted Wren**, another **Sapphire-bellied Hummingbird, Glaucous Tanager** and the cute, **Yellow-breasted Flycatcher**. All of this happened before we got to our lodge in *Jorara*. Once we got there, we had time for some Colombian beer to celebrate our successful day and took a delicious dinner.



Orinocan Saltator from Flamenco National Wildlife Refuge (Jose Illanes)

DAY 3 (March 13): Las Gaviotas Road to El Dorado. Unfortunately on this day, we received further bad news that local people had blocked a road so that we couldn't go to our first planned birding destination. However, this didn't stop us from birding, and instead we went to bird along *Las Gaviotas Road*, which offered us similar birding to what we had planned originally.

Birding this forested habitat yielded **Forest Elaenia**, **Blue Dacnis** **Brown-capped Tyrannulet**, **Crimson-backed Tanager**, **Black-headed Tody-Flycatcher**, and we also managed great looks of **Southern Bentbill**, **White-necked Puffbird** and **Lance-tailed Manakin** at display site.



Lance-tailed Manakin from Las Gaviotas Road (Jose Illanes)

Birding further along the same road, we managed to see **Military Macaw** flying passed, and a small feeding flock brought us **Trinidad** and **Thick-billed Euphonias**, **Black-whiskered Vireo**, **Yellow-rumped Cacique**, **Bright-rumped Attila**, **White-winged Becard**, **Streak-headed Woodcreeper**, and **Lesser Kiskadee**. We also found **Whooping Motmot** and the shy and skulking **White-bellied Antbird**.

After such a productive morning, we returned to the lodge to have lunch. In this area we also encountered **Plain-breasted Thrush**, **Bicolored Wren**, and **Orange-crowned Oriole**. After lunch, we drove to *Minca* and exchanged vehicles for the epic drive up to *El Dorado Lodge*, an incredible lodge with an incredible view in the *Santa Marta Mountains*. We arrived late in the day and soon did our checklist, took dinner, and retired for the night, with an early morning on the cards for the following day.



White-bellied Antbird from Las Gaviotas Road (Jose Illanes)

DAY 4 (March 14): Sierra Nevada National Park and El Dorado Lodge. Today we started very early from the lodge and took the usual breakfast again. Our reason for the early start was to reach the high point where we needed to bird at dawn, the best time for getting some of the key species. The distance to that point is not far, but the road conditions means that the journey took a couple of hours! This meant that we were traveling for much of the journey in darkness. As we traveled during this period a significant call was heard, which led to us seeing a wonderful **Stygian Owl** that gave us great looks. The front vehicle also saw a **Band-winged Nightjar** later on. Once we arrived on the road along the *Santa Marta Mountains* ridge, we were greeted by very windy conditions, making the birding a little more difficult than hoped. However, that did not stop us from picking up some stellar *Santa Marta* specialties, like a **Santa Marta Brushfinch** that came in to check us out while we ate breakfast in the field. After breakfast, we took a short walk, where we located **Santa Marta (Hermit) Wood-Wren**, **Flammulated Treehunter**, and **Scarlet-fronted Parakeet**. However, the biggest surprise was getting close and brilliant views of **Sierra Nevada Antpitta**, a recent split from *Rufous Antpitta*, and now a local endemic species. Another walk provided us with a feeding flock that held **Streak-capped Spinetail**, **Cinnamon Flycatcher**, **Santa Marta Warbler**, **Mountain Elaenia**, **Yellow-crowned Redstart** and the much wanted **Black-checked (Santa Marta) Mountain-Tanager**. While walking this same road, we also found **Yellow-bellied Chat-Tyrant**, **Great Thrush**, **White-throated Tyrannulet** and the endemic **Rusty-headed Spinetail**.



Black-cheeked Mountain-Tanager from Sierra Nevada National Park (Jose Illanes)

After such a wonderful morning, we went to bird in the lower valley of the park, which brought us a few more special birds of the area. We found species like **Sierra Nevada Brushfinch**, **White-lored Warbler**, **Golden-breasted Fruiteater** and **Lined Quail-Dove**. Besides them, we also spotted species like **Black-throated Tody-tyrant**, **Black Flowerpiercer**, **Slate-throated Redstart**, **Blue-capped** and **Black-capped Tanagers**, **Golden-olive Woodpecker** and we ended the day by seeing a **White-tipped Quetzal** by the parking lot.

DAY 5 (March 15): El Dorado Reserve area. We started the day by taking breakfast at the lodge, and as we were only birding very locally, did not need such an early start, for once! After a cooked breakfast we focused our attentions on the lodge feeders, which comprise of both hummingbird feeders and fruit feeders. The former attracted **Crowned Woodnymph**, **Lesser and Brown Violetears**, and the most wanted of them all locally, a **White-tailed Starfrontlet**. Meanwhile, the fruit feeders produced observations of **Bay-headed**, **Blue-capped** and **Black-capped Tanagers** and the outstanding **Blue-naped Chlorophonia**, a regular favorite amongst visitors for good reason! In the same general area we also saw **White-sided Flowerpiercer**, **Band-tailed** and **Sickle-winged Guans** and a bunch of **Black-chested Jays**.

A short walk on the lodge trails gave us some species we hadn't seen yet, like **Masked Trogon**, **Slaty-backed Nightingale-Thrush**, **Black-hooded Thrush** and the furtive **Gray-throated Leaf-tosser**.



Yellow-crowned Redstart from Sierra Nevada National Park and *White-tailed Starfrontlet* from El Dorado (Jose Illanes)



For the rest of the morning, we drove higher up from the lodge to visit the **Santa Marta Antpitta** feeding station. Timing is always important for this wild bird, and fortunately we made good time, and after a wait, in it came! A small feeding flock was also located in the same area, with **Montane and Strong-billed Woodcreepers**, **Olive-striped Flycatcher**, **Montane Foliage-Gleaner**, **Barred Becard** and migrant **Blackburnian** and **Black-and-white Warblers**.

After lunch, and a rest, we drove down from the lodge trying to get some of the species that we were still missing. Our first stop brought us **Spotted Barbtail**, **Groove-billed Toucanet**, the endemic **Santa Marta Tapaculo** and the scarce **Moustached Puffbird**, which was particularly great to see. Our last stop of the day was at our driver's new guest house. From the balcony there we were able to find **Golden-crowned Flycatcher**, **Yellow-legged Thrush**, **Swallow** and **Black-headed Tanagers**, **Rose-breasted Grossbeak**, **Black-and-white** and **Yellow-bellied Seedeaters**, **Lesser Goldfinch** and **Yellow-backed Oriole**. Finally, at dusk, we ended up seeing a couple *mammal* species, like **Kinkajou**, **Gray-handed Night-Monkey** as well as the endemic **Santa Marta Screech-Owl**, two of which were seen following initially difficulty in finding it.



Band-tailed Guan from El Dorado Reserve (Jose Illanes)

DAY 6 (March 16): El Dorado to Minca. Once again today we enjoyed a “late” breakfast, as we started by birding from the lodge again during our last spell at this wonderful location.

Our goal was to try and find some of the species that we were still missing, but we were also happy to get better views of the species that we had seen before too. Some of the birds we saw during this final stint there included **Sierra Nevada and Santa Marta Brushfinches, Black-chested Jay, Masked Trogon, Band-tailed Guan, Bay-headed and Black-capped Tanagers**, the striking **Blue-napped Chlorophonia** and same selection of *hummingbirds* at the feeders.

Once we were done with this place, we started to make our way down in elevation, birding the lower part of the valley as we did so. During our first stop at a nice clearing, after careful scanning, we found **Crimson-crested Woodpecker, Spectacled Tyrannulet, Masked Tityra, Dusky-capped Flycatcher, and Yellow-legged Thrush**. A short walk produced a second encounter with **Santa Marta Tapaculo** for those people who did not see it the first-time round. A pair of **Rusty-breasted Antpittas** also gave us a good look too. Much further down the road in an area of more disturbed habitat, a short stop brought us a couple more target species, such as **Santa Marta Antbird** and the shy **Santa Marta Foliage-Gleaner**. After that, we headed down towards *Minca* village, where we were staying, and to take lunch before our afternoon activities.



*Photo page before: **Blue-naped Chlorophonia** at El Dorado Lodge (Jose Illanes)*

Before and after lunch, we had the chance to enjoy the *hummingbird* feeders in Minca, where we saw **White-necked Jacobin**, **Rufous-tailed** and **Steely-vented Hummingbirds**, **White-vented Plumeleteer**, as well as **Black-chested Jay** at a fruit feeder. After a rest for a little while, we went to the upper part of the *Minca valley*. This area proved fertile ground, as found the shy **Rosy Thrush Tanager**, **Rufous-and-white** and **Rufous-breasted Wrens**, **Chestnut-capped** and **Golden-crowned Warblers**, **Coppery Emerald** and also got wonderful views of **Golden-winged Sparrow**. As it was then getting late, we went to get nice looks at the sunset on someone's property, and also to survey their flowers for another local specialty. As soon as we arrived there, we found a **Santa Marta Woodstar** feeding at a flowering *Inga* tree. As this was a very missable bird, we were only too happy to pick this one up in the nick of time. Further excitement was provided by seeing a pair of **Black-and-white Owls**, once it had got dark.

At the end of the day, we celebrated today's excellent birds, and the **Rosy Thrush-Tanager** in particular, with *Keith*, who believes this was his landmark 8000th species for the World!



***Rosy Thrush-Tanager** from the Minca area, a landmark 8000th species for Keith! (Jose Illanes)*

DAY 7 (March 17): Minca area to Barranquilla. Unfortunately, this our last day of the trip. After breakfast at the hotel, we drove up the road for a while in pursuit of some final missing birds. This led us to a colorful **Keel-billed Toucan** feeding in a fruiting *Cecropia* tree, in addition to **Crested Oropendola**, **Buff-throated** and **Streaked Saltators**, the musical **Rufous-and-white Wren**, **Cocoa** and **Plain-brown Woodcreepers**, great looks at a **Long-billed Gnatwren**, **Yellow-bellied Elaenia**, and **Southern Beardless** and **Sooty-headed Tyrannulets**. After that, we found another side road where we located **Summer** and **Scarlet Tanagers**, **American Redstart**, **Striped-throated Hermit**, **Cinnamon Becard** and a cute **Scaled Piculet** that came in well to playback. After such a productive morning, we went back to the sunset location of the evening before, where racked up a fine list of birds, including **Gartered Trogon**, **White-lined**, **Bay-headed** and **Swallow Tanagers**, **Short-tailed Hawk**, **King Vulture** and also managed great looks of a **Purple Honeycreeper** sitting in an open canopy. Our final major species came when we drove down the road in pursuit of **Pale-breasted Spinetail** and added that too. We returned to our Minco hotel for lunch, and to pack for the return drive to Barranquilla, where we spent the final night of the tour.



Golden-winged Sparrow from the Minca area (Jose Illanes)

After lunch, and driving to reconnect with our driver with our bigger vehicle, we drove to Universidad Del Norte on the outskirts of *Barranquilla* to look for the endemic **Chestnut-winged Chachalaca**. This city park is good for them, and we were delighted to find around a dozen of them during our short visit. Aside from the target *chachalaca*, we also found some noisy **Bicolored and Stripe-backed Wrens, Boat-billed and Northern Scrub Flycatchers, Saffron Finch, and Yellow Oriole**. As we needed to go back to the hotel for Covid tests in order to return to the USA, we had no further time for birding, but as we already had our target species this was not a major problem! After our tests, and negative results for everyone, it was time to end our time with a farewell dinner of delicious Colombian cuisine accompanied with one more local beer!



White-vented Plumeleteer from our Minca hotel (Jose Illanes)

The main special, or memorable, bird species that people highlighted from the trip were **Rosy Thrush Tanager**, **Santa Marta and Sierra Nevada Antpittas**, **White-tailed Starfrontlet**, **Chestnut Piculet**, **Golden-winged Sparrow**, **White-tipped quetzal**, **Santa Marta Warbler**, **Sapphire-bellied Hummingbird**, **Santa Marta Screech-Owl**, **Lance-tailed Manakin**, **White-bellied Antbird**, **Vermilion Cardinal**, **Santa Marta Tapaculo**, **Blue-naped Chlorophonia**, **Stygian Owl**, **Crimson-crested Woodpecker**, **Chestnut-capped Warbler**, **Black-chested Jay**, **Pied Puffbird**, **Swallow**, **Bay-headed and Black-headed Tanagers**, **Rufous-tailed Jacamar** and **White-headed Marsh-tyrant**! Our total number of species for the trip was **325** of which 14 were only heard.



Santa Marta Antbird from the Minca Valley (Jose Illanes)

BIRD LIST

Bird taxonomy follows Clements, J. F., T. S. Schulenberg, M. J. Iliff, S. M. Billerman, T. A. Fredericks, J. A. Gerbracht, D. Lepage, B. L. Sullivan, and C. L. Wood. 2022. The eBird/Clements checklist of birds of the world: v2022. Downloaded from <http://www.birds.cornell.edu/clementschecklist/download/>)

(E) Indicates an Endemic Bird Species.

(H) indicates a species that was HEARD only.

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

TINAMOUS

Little Tinamou

DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS

Blue-winged Teal

CRACIDS

Chestnut-winged Chachalaca (E)

Rufous-vented Chachalaca

Band-tailed Guan

Sickle-winged Guan

NEW WORLD QUAIL

Crested Bobwhite

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

Striped Cuckoo

Squirrel Cuckoo

NIGHTJARS

Lesser Nighthawk

Common Pauraque

SWIFTS

White-collared Swift

Short-tailed Swift

HUMMINGBIRDS

White-necked Jacobin

Stripe-throated Hermit

Sooty-capped Hermit

Brown Violetear

Lesser (Green) Violetear

TINAMIDAE

Crypturellus soui

H

ANATIDAE

Spatula discors

CRACIDAE

Ortalis garrula

Ortalis ruficauda

Penelope argyrotis

Chamaepetes goudotii

ODONTOPHORIDAE

Colinus cristatus

Odontophorus atrifrons

H

COLUMBIDAE

Columba livia

Patagioenas cayennensis

Patagioenas speciosa

G

Patagioenas corensis

Patagioenas fasciata

Columbina passerina

Columbina talpacoti

Columbina squammata

Leptotila verreauxi

Zentrygon linearis

Zenaida auriculata

CUCULIDAE

Crotophaga ani

Crotophaga sulcirostris

G

Tapera naevia

H

Piaya cayana

CAPRIMULGIDAE

Chordeiles acutipennis

Nyctidromus albicollis

H

APODIDAE

Streptoprocne zonaris

Chaetura brachyura

TROCHILIDAE

Florisuga mellivora

Phaethornis striigularis

Phaethornis augusti

Colibri delphinae

Colibri cyanotus

Tyrian Metaltail
 White-tailed Starfrontlet (E)
 Mountain Velvetbreast
 Long-billed Starthroat
 Santa Marta Woodstar (E)
 Red-billed Emerald
 Coppery Emerald
 White-vented Plumeleteer
 Crowned (Violet-crowned)
 Woodnymph
 Buffy Hummingbird
 Steely-vented Hummingbird
 Rufous-tailed Hummingbird
 Sapphire-throated Hummingbird
 Sapphire-bellied Hummingbird (E)
 Shining-green Hummingbird

RAILS, GALLINULES, COOTS

Common Gallinule
 Purple Gallinule

LIMPKIN

Limpkin

THICK-KNEES

Double-striped Thick-knee

STILTS AND AVOCETS

Black-necked Stilt

PLOVERS AND LAPWINGS

Southern Lapwing
 Semipalmated Plover

JACANAS

Wattled Jacana

SANDPIPERS AND ALLIES

Whimbrel
 Sanderling
 Western Sandpiper
 Spotted Sandpiper
 Solitary Sandpiper
 Willet

Lesser Yellowlegs

GULLS, TERNS, AND SKIMMERS

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

STORKS

Wood Stork

FRIGATEBIRDS

Magnificent Frigatebird

CORMORANTS AND SHAGS

Neotropic Cormorant

Metallura tyrianthina
Coeligena phalerata
Lafresnaya lafresnayi
Heliomaster longirostris
Chaetocercus astreans
Chlorostilbon gibsoni
Chlorostilbon russatus
Chalybura buffonii

Thalurania colombica
Leucippus fallax
Amazilia saucerottei
Amazilia tzacatl
Lepidopyga coeruleogularis
Lepidopyga lilliae
Lepidopyga goudoti

RALLIDAE

Gallinula galeata
Porphyrio martinica

ARAMIDAE

Aramus guarauna

BURHINIDAE

Burhinus bistriatus

RECURVIROSTRIDAE

Himantopus mexicanus

CHARADRIIDAE

Vanellus chilensis
Charadrius semipalmatus

JACANIDAE

Jacana jacana

SCOLOPACIDAE

Numenius phaeopus
Calidris alba
Calidris mauri
Actitis macularius
Tringa solitaria
Tringa semipalmata
Tringa flavipes

LARIDAE

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

CICONIIDAE

Mycteria americana

FREGATIDAE

Fregata magnificens

PHALACROCORACIDAE

Phalacrocorax brasilianus

PELICANS

Brown Pelican

HERONS, EGRETS, BITTERNs

Bare-throated Tiger-Heron

Great Blue Heron

Cocoi Heron

Great Egret

Snowy Egret

Little Blue Heron

Tricolored Heron

Reddish Egret

Cattle Egret

Striated Heron

Black-crowned Night-Heron

Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

IBISES AND SPOONBILLS

White Ibis

Scarlet Ibis

Glossy Ibis

Bare-faced Ibis

Roseate Spoonbill

NEW WORLD VULTURES

King Vulture

Black Vulture

Turkey Vulture

Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture

OSPREY

Osprey

HAWKS, EAGLES, AND KITES

Pearl Kite

Swallow-tailed Kite

Snail Kite

Plumbeous Kite

Sharp-shinned (Plain-breasted) Hawk

Crane Hawk

Common Black Hawk

Savanna Hawk

Gray-lined Hawk

Broad-winged Hawk

Short-tailed Hawk

OWLS

Tropical Screech-Owl

Santa Marta Screech-Owl (E)

Spectacled Owl

Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl

Mottled Owl

Black-and-white Owl

Stygian Owl

TROGONS

White-tipped Quetzal

Gartered Trogon

PELECANIDAE*Pelecanus occidentalis***ARDEIDAE***Tigrisoma mexicanum**Ardea herodias**Ardea cocoi**Ardea alba**Egretta thula**Egretta caerulea**Egretta tricolor**Egretta rufescens**Bubulcus ibis**Butorides striata**Nycticorax nycticorax**Nyctanassa violacea***THRESKIORNITHIDAE***Eudocimus albus**Eudocimus ruber**Plegadis falcinellus**Phimosus infuscatus**Platalea ajaja***CATHARTIDAE***Sarcoramphus papa**Coragyps atratus**Cathartes aura**Cathartes burrovianus***PANDIONIDAE***Pandion haliaetus***ACCIPITRIDAE***Gampsonyx swainsonii**Elanoides forficatus**Rostrhamus sociabilis**Ictinia plumbea**Accipiter striatus ventralis**Geranospiza caerulescens**Buteogallus anthracinus**Buteogallus meridionalis**Buteo nitidus**Buteo platypterus**Buteo brachyurus***STRIGIDAE***Megascops choliba**Megascops gilesi**Pulsatrix perspicillata**Glaucidium brasilianum**Ciccaba virgata**Ciccaba nigrolineata**Asio stygius robustus***TROGONIDAE***Pharomachrus fulgidus**Trogon caligatus*

H

H

H

Masked Trogon

MOTMOTS

Whooping Motmot

Broad-billed Motmot

KINGFISHERS

Ringed Kingfisher

Amazon Kingfisher

American Pygmy Kingfisher

Green Kingfisher

PUFFBIRDS

White-necked Puffbird

Pied Puffbird

Russet-throated Puffbird

Moustached Puffbird

JACAMARS

Rufous-tailed Jacamar

TOUCANS

Southern Emerald (Santa Marta) Toucanet

Groove-billed (Yellow-billed) Toucanet

Collared Aracari

Keel-billed Toucan

WOODPECKERS

Scaled Piculet

Chestnut Piculet

Red-crowned Woodpecker

Smoky-brown Woodpecker

Red-rumped Woodpecker

Crimson-crested Woodpecker

Golden-olive Woodpecker

FALCONS AND CARACARAS

Crested Caracara

Yellow-headed Caracara

Merlin

Bat Falcon

PARROTS

Orange-chinned Parakeet

Red-billed Parrot

Blue-headed Parrot

Scaly-naped Parrot

Green-rumped Parrotlet

Brown-throated Parakeet

Military Macaw

Blue-crowned Parakeet

Scarlet-fronted Parakeet

TYPICAL ANTIBIRDS

Black-crested Antshrike

Barred Antshrike

Black-backed Antshrike

White-fringed Antwren

Santa Marta Antbird (E)

White-bellied Antbird

*Trogon personatus***MOMOTIDAE***Momotus subrufescens**Electron platyrhynchum*

H

ALCEDINIDAE*Megaceryle torquata**Chloroceryle amazona**Chloroceryle aenea**Chloroceryle americana***BUCCONIDAE***Notharchus hyperrhynchus**Notharchus tectus**Hypnelus ruficollis ruficollis**Malacoptila mystacalis***GALBULIDAE***Galbula ruficauda***RAMPHASTIDAE***Aulacorhynchus albivitta lautus* H*Aulacorhynchus sulcatus calorhynchus**Pteroglossus torquatus**Ramphastos sulfuratus***PICIDAE***Picumnus squamulatus**Picumnus cinnamomeus**Melanerpes rubricapillus**Dryobates fumigatus**Dryobates kirkii**Campephilus melanoleucos**Colaptes rubiginosus***FALCONIDAE***Caracara cheriway**Milvago chimachima**Falco columbarius**Falco ruficularis***PSITTACIDAE***Brotogeris jugularis**Pionus sordidus**Pionus menstruus**Amazona mercenarius**Forpus passerinus**Eupsittula pertinax**Ara militaris**Thectocercus acuticaudatus**Psittacara wagleri***THAMNOPHILIDAE***Sakesphorus canadensis**Thamnophilus doliatus**Thamnophilus melanonotus**Formicivora grisea**Drymophila hellmayri**Myrmeciza longipes*

ANTPITTAS

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

TAPACULOS

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

OVENBIRDS

Gray-throated Leaf-tosser
 Plain-brown Woodcreeper
 Strong-billed Woodcreeper
 Cocoa Woodcreeper
 Straight-billed Woodcreeper
 Streak-headed Woodcreeper
 Montane Woodcreeper
 Streaked Xenops
 Pale-legged Hornero
 Montane Foliage-gleaner
 Santa Marta Foliage-gleaner (E)
 Flammulated Treehunter
 Spotted Barbtail
 Streak-capped Spinetail
 Yellow-chinned Spinetail
 Pale-breasted Spinetail
 White-whiskered Spinetail
 Rusty-headed Spinetail (E)

MANAKINS

Lance-tailed Manakin
 White-bearded Manakin

COTINGAS

Golden-breasted Fruiteater

TITYRAS AND ALLIES

Masked Tityra
 Barred Becard
 Cinnamon Becard
 White-winged Becard

TYRANT FLYCATCHERS

Olive-striped Flycatcher
 Ochre-bellied Flycatcher
 Pale-eyed Pygmy-Tyrant
 Southern Bentbill
 Pearly-vented Tody-Tyrant
 Black-throated Tody-Tyrant
 Slate-headed Tody-Flycatcher
 Common Tody-Flycatcher
 Black-headed Tody-Flycatcher
 Yellow-breasted (Ochre-lored) Flycatcher
 Cinnamon Flycatcher
 Brown-capped Tyrannulet
 Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet

GRALLARIIDAE

Grallaria guatemalensis H
Grallaria bangsi
Grallaria spatiator
Grallaricula ferrugineipectus

RHINOCRYPTIDAE

Scytalopus sanctaemartae
Scytalopus latebricola H

FURNARIINAE

Sclerurus albigularis
Dendrocincla fuliginosa
Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchus
Xiphorhynchus susurrans
Dendroplex picus
Lepidocolaptes souleyetii
Lepidocolaptes lacrymiger
Xenops rutilans
Furnarius leucopus
Anabacerthia striaticollis
Clibanornis rufipectus
Thripadectes flammulatus
Premnoplex brunnescens
Cranioleuca hellmayri
Certhiaxis cinnamomeus
Synallaxis albescens
Synallaxis candei
Synallaxis fusciorufa

PIPRIDAE

Chiroxiphia lanceolata
Manacus manacus H

COTINGIDAE

Pipreola aureopectus

TITYRIDAE

Tityra semifasciata
Pachyramphus versicolor
Pachyramphus cinnamomeus
Pachyramphus polychopterus

TYRANNIDAE

Mionectes olivaceus
Mionectes oleagineus
Atalotriccus pilaris
Oncostoma olivaceum
Hemitriccus margaritaceiventer
Hemitriccus granadensis
Poecilotriccus sylvia H
Todirostrum cinereum
Todirostrum nigriceps
Tolmomyias flaviventris aurulentus
Pyrrhomyias cinnamomeus
Ornithion brunneicapillus
Camptostoma obsoletum

White-throated Tyrannulet	<i>Mecocerculus leucophrys</i>	
Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet	<i>Tyrannulus elatus</i>	
Forest Elaenia	<i>Myiopagis gaimardii</i>	
Yellow-bellied Elaenia	<i>Elaenia flavogaster</i>	
Mountain Elaenia	<i>Elaenia frantzii</i>	
Sooty-headed Tyrannulet	<i>Phyllomyias griseiceps</i>	
Spectacled (Paltry) Tyrannulet	<i>Zimmerius improbus tamae</i>	
Golden-faced (Coopmans's) Tyrannulet	<i>Zimmerius chrysops minimus</i>	
Slender-billed Tyrannulet	<i>Inezia tenuirostris</i>	
Pale-tipped Tyrannulet	<i>Inezia caudata</i>	
Western Wood-Pewee	<i>Contopus sordidulus</i>	
Acadian Flycatcher	<i>Empidonax virescens</i>	H
Northern Scrub-Flycatcher	<i>Sublegatus arenarum</i>	
Vermilion Flycatcher	<i>Pyrocephalus rubinus</i>	
Pied Water-Tyrant	<i>Fluvicola pica</i>	
White-headed Marsh Tyrant	<i>Arundinicola leucocephala</i>	
Yellow-bellied Chat-Tyrant	<i>Ochthoeca diadema</i>	
Bright-rumped Attila	<i>Attila spadiceus</i>	
Dusky-capped Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus tuberculifer</i>	
Panama Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus panamensis</i>	
Great Crested Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus crinitus</i>	
Brown-crested Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus tyrannulus</i>	
Cattle Tyrant	<i>Machetornis rixosa</i>	
Lesser Kiskadee	<i>Pitangus lictor</i>	
Great Kiskadee	<i>Pitangus sulphuratus</i>	
Boat-billed Flycatcher	<i>Megarynchus pitangua</i>	
Social Flycatcher	<i>Myiozetetes similis</i>	
Golden-crowned Flycatcher	<i>Myiodynastes chrysocephalus</i>	
Streaked Flycatcher	<i>Myiodynastes maculatus</i>	
Piratic Flycatcher	<i>Legatus leucophaius</i>	
Tropical Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus melancholicus</i>	
Gray Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus dominicensis</i>	
VIREOS AND ALLIES	VIREONIDAE	
Golden-fronted Greenlet	<i>Pachysylvia aurantiifrons</i>	
Brown-capped Vireo	<i>Vireo leucophrys</i>	H
Red-eyed Vireo	<i>Vireo olivaceus</i>	
Black-whiskered Vireo	<i>Vireo altiloquus</i>	
CROWS, JAYS, AND MAGPIES	CORVIDAE	
Black-chested Jay	<i>Cyanocorax affinis</i>	
SWALLOWS	HIRUNDINIDAE	
Blue-and-white Swallow	<i>Pygochelidon cyanoleuca</i>	G
Brown-bellied Swallow	<i>Orochelidon murina</i>	
Southern Rough-winged Swallow	<i>Stelgidopteryx ruficollis</i>	
Gray-breasted Martin	<i>Progne chalybea</i>	
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	
GNATCATCHERS	POLIOPTILIDAE	
Long-billed Gnatwren	<i>Ramphocaenus melanurus</i>	
Tropical Gnatcatcher	<i>Poliophtila plumbea</i>	
WRENS	TROGLODYTIDAE	
House Wren	<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>	
Stripe-backed Wren	<i>Campylorhynchus nuchalis</i>	

Bicolored Wren
 Rufous-breasted Wren
 Rufous-and-white Wren
 Buff-breasted Wren
 Gray-breasted Wood-Wren
 Hermit Wood-Wren (E)

MOCKINGBIRDS

Tropical Mockingbird

THRUSHES AND ALLIES

Slaty-backed Nightingale-Thrush
 Pale-breasted Thrush
 Yellow-legged Thrush
 Black-hooded Thrush
 Great Thrush

SISKINS, & ALLIES

Blue-naped Chlorophonia
 Trinidad Euphonia
 Thick-billed Euphonia
 Lesser Goldfinch

THRUSH-TANAGER

Rosy Thrush-Tanager

SPARROWS AND ALLIES

Tocuyo Sparrow
 Sierra Nevada (Stripe-headed) Brushfinch (E)
 Golden-winged Sparrow
 Rufous-collared Sparrow
 Santa Marta Brushfinch (E)

TROUPIALS AND ALLIES

Crested Oropendola
 Yellow-rumped Cacique
 Yellow-backed Oriole
 Orange-crowned Oriole
 Yellow Oriole
 Shiny Cowbird
 Bronzed Cowbird
 Great-tailed Grackle
 Carib Grackle
 Yellow-hooded Blackbird

NEW WORLD WARBLERS

Northern Waterthrush
 Black-and-white Warbler
 Prothonotary Warbler
 Tennessee Warbler
 American Redstart
 Blackburnian Warbler
 Yellow Warbler
 Chestnut-capped Warbler
 Golden-crowned Warbler
 Santa Marta Warbler (E)
 White-lored Warbler (E)
 Canada Warbler

Campylorhynchus griseus
Pheugopedius rutilus
Thryophilus rufalbus
Cantorchilus leucotis
Henicorhina leucophrys bangsi
Henicorhina anachoreta

MIMIDAE

Mimus gilvus

TURDIDAE

Catharus fuscater
Turdus leucomelas
Turdus flavipes
Turdus olivater
Turdus fuscater

FRINGILLIDAE

Chlorophonia cyanea
Euphonia trinitatis
Euphonia lanirostris
Spinus psaltria

RHODINOCICHLIDAE

Rhodinocichla rosea

EMBERIZIDAE

Arremonops tocuyensis
Arremon basilicus
Arremon schlegeli
Zonotrichia capensis
Atlapetes melanocephalus

ICTERIDAE

Psarocolius decumanus
Cacicus cela
Icterus chrysater
Icterus auricapillus
Icterus nigrogularis
Molothrus bonariensis
Molothrus aeneus armenti
Quiscalus mexicanus
Quiscalus lugubris
Chrysomus icterocephalus

PARULIDAE

Parkesia noveboracensis
Mniotilta varia
Protonotaria citrea
Leiothlypis peregrina
Setophaga ruticilla
Setophaga fusca
Setophaga petechia
Basileuterus delatrigii
Basileuterus culicivorus
Myiothlypis basilica
Myiothlypis conspicillata
Cardellina canadensis

Slate-throated Redstart
Yellow-crowned Redstart (E)

GROSBEAKS AND ALLIES

Summer Tanager
Vermilion Cardinal
Rose-breasted Grosbeak

TANAGERS AND ALLIES

White-lined Tanager
Crimson-backed Tanager
Black-cheeked Mountain-Tanager (E)
Blue-gray Tanager
Glaucous Tanager
Palm Tanager
Blue-capped Tanager
Black-headed Tanager
Black-capped Tanager
Bay-headed Tanager
Swallow Tanager
Blue Dacnis
Purple Honeycreeper
Bicolored Conebill
Black Flowerpiercer
White-sided Flowerpiercer
Rusty Flowerpiercer
Saffron Finch
Blue-black Grassquit
Thick-billed Seed-Finch
Gray Seedeater
Black-and-white Seedeater
Yellow-bellied Seedeater
Pileated Finch
Bananaquit
Black-faced Grassquit
Buff-throated Saltator
Orinocan Saltator
Olivaceous Saltator
Streaked Saltator

Myioborus miniatus
Myioborus flavivertex

CARDINALIDAE

Piranga rubra
Cardinalis phoeniceus
Pheucticus ludovicianus

THRAUPIDAE

Tachyphonus rufus
Ramphocelus dimidiatus
Anisognathus melanogenys
Thraupis episcopus
Thraupis glaucocolpa
Thraupis palmarum
Thraupis cyanocephala
Stilpnia cyanoptera
Stilpnia heinei
Tangara gyrola
Tersina viridis
Dacnis cayana
Cyanerpes caeruleus
Conirostrum bicolor
Diglossa humeralis
Diglossa albilatera
Diglossa sittoides
Sicalis flaveola
Volatinia jacarina
Sporophila funerea
Sporophila intermedia
Sporophila luctuosa
Sporophila nigricollis
Coryphospingus pileatus
Coereba flaveola
Melanospiza bicolor
Saltator maximus
Saltator orenocensis
Saltator olivascens plumbeus
Saltator striatipectus

G

Mammals:

Venezuelan Red Howler
Gray-handed Night Monkey
Kinkajou
Northern Tamandua
Red-tailed Squirrel

Alouatta seniculus
Aotus griseimembra
Potos flavus
Tamandua mexicana
Sciurus granatensis