

Brazil: The Atlantic Forest Introtour

28 July – 4 August 2012

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Blue-naped Chlorophonia at Guapiassu

By complete chance, this year's tour happened to start on the last day of Pope Francis's visit to Rio de Janeiro for World Youth Day celebrations. This had the potential for some inconveniences for those of us arriving a day early and staying in the Copacabana, but we left extra-early and luckily just managed to slip out of the city before all the streets were closed for the mass given to several million people on the beach Sunday morning! During most of the Pope's visit, Rio was wet and soggy, but on the day he left, the skies cleared, the rain stopped, and we had a week of the most spectacular weather I've seen in this part of Brazil for many years. Morning and evening were cool to chilly, and daytime highs were in the 70's to low 80'sF. After the first two days, there was not a cloud to be seen. Such warm, sunny weather is not always a blessing, as bird activity often dies down after the early morning, and we perhaps had more than our share of unresponsive birds. We still had a respectable list with plenty of great sightings; just a few of them include **Black-backed Tanager**, **Brassy-breasted**, and **Gilt-edged Tanagers**, **Crescent-chested Puffbird**, **Restinga Antwren**, **Scaled**, **Ochre-rumped**, and **Rufous-tailed Antbirds**, **Rufous-backed Antwren**, **Spot-backed** and **Large-tailed Antshrikes**, **Plovercrest**,

Three-toed Jacamar, Blue-winged Macaw, Red-legged Seriema, Bare-throated Bellbird, and Black-and-gold Cotinga. This tour stays only in two lodges Guapiassu Bird Lodge in the lowlands and Vale das Taquaras Lodge in the mountains. Both are unique lodges with great hospitality, and they make great bases to explore the surrounding areas. The feeders at Vale das Taquaras were the best I've seen on any previous tour, and we had a number of hummers there that are quite tough to find in winter, and Lila once again went out of her way to ensure a wonderful stay. Add to all of that another good-natured, patient, and friendly group, and it was a very enjoyable tour.



28 July: Thanks to our earlier than normal departure from Rio, we had more birding than usual on the first day. As we drove farther from the city, the roads became progressively narrower and quieter. We stopped in some farmland a few miles from the Guapiassu reserve, picking out a number of open-country species in rapid succession. **Southern Caracaras** were perched up in a dead tree on a hill, while **Southern Lapwings, Rufous Horneros,** and **Campo Flickers** patrolled the cow pastures. A flock of **Guira Cuckoos** landed on a fence nearby, and several plump **Picazuro Pigeons** were perched in nearby treetops. Our always friendly and helpful driver, Alcenir, was pleased to point out a couple drowsy **Burrowing Owls** on a distant hillside, which led us to spot a distant soaring raptor. With the help of the scope it proved to be a **Black-and-white Hawk-Eagle**, though we all wished it was closer. While I was watching it, a **Wing-banded Hornero** perched on the electrical wires over the road, along with a **Brown-chested Martin.** A **Chestnut-backed Antshrike** started singing nearby, and we tracked down a pair of this beautiful antbird, along with a **Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet**, before driving on. After quick stops for **Savanna Hawk** and **Yellow-headed Caracara,** we arrived at the lodge, where a big flock of **Maroon-bellied Parakeets** was feasting on the banana feeders. They were followed by some very cute (but invasive) **Common Marmosets.** After seeing the three regular hummers at the feeders, **Swallow-tailed Hummingbird, Violet-capped Woodnymph,** and **Glittering-throated Emerald,** we dumped our suitcases and set out again on foot for some easy birding near the lodge. Near the reserve HQ we had some nice activity highlighted by a very easy **Gray-hooded Attila (photo above),** a handsome **Rufous-tailed Jacamar,** along with **Gray-headed Tody-Flycatcher, Tropical Pewee, Masked Water-Tyrant, Cattle Tyrant, Red-rumped Cacique, Violaceous** and **Orange-bellied Euphonias,** and a flyover of a small flock of **Blue-winged Parrotlets.** A quick look at one corner of the wetlands got us our first **Brazilian Teal,** a pair of **Yellow-chinned Spinetails,** and a **Yellow-browed Tyrant,** before we headed into the young forest near the lodge. Even though the trees were only planted about six years ago, they already tower overhead, and many birds have moved in. We had one small flock with **Chestnut-vented Conebill, Hooded Tanager,** and **Yellow-breasted Flycatcher,** along with a couple of **Yellow Tyrannulets** that probably weren't part of the flock, before returning to the lodge for lunch, stopping to look at a blazing scarlet and black **Brazilian Tanager** perched in tree nearby. After lunch, we walked around the wetlands below the lodge, which are always full of birds any time of the day. Beautiful **Capped Herons** were all over the place, along with a flock of **White-faced Whistling-Ducks,** a few wild **Muscovy Ducks,** a **Least Grebe, Striated Heron,** and **Purple** and **Common Gallinules.** A flock of **Greater Anis** was very conspicuous, **White-headed Marsh Tyrants** darted back and forth on little islands, and several **Capybara** loafed nearby. Farther

along, we stopped to look at a pair of **Yellow-bellied Elaenias**, then called in the scarce **Green-backed Becard**. A **Rufous-breasted Hermit** fed in a flowering bush, and a male **White-bearded Manakin** devoured berries in a tree over the trail. On our way back to the lodge, a family of **Black-capped Donacobius** perched in the reeds, and a flock of swifts proved to be **Lesser Swallow-tailed**. We were fortunate to find a **Rufous-sided Crake** walking around in the open next to the dike, then finished off a great first day with a big flock of **Chestnut-capped Blackbirds** that were heading to their roosting site.

29 July: The rain had only stopped a couple days ago, so I decided to give another day for the steeper forest trails to dry out. Instead, we spent the morning on the Atlantic coast, targeting the specialties of the coastal scrub, or *restinga*, having great success with the endangered **Restinga Antwren** and scarce **Black-backed Tanager**. This neat spot was especially “birdy” today, and we also had nice views of **Plain-breasted Ground-Dove**, **White-barred Piculet**, **Hangnest Tody-Tyrant**, **Ruby-crowned Tanager**, **Red-legged Honeycreeper**, and **Purple-throated Euphonia**, while a few **Rusty-margined Guans** also occasionally popped up for a quick sighting. The ocean was rather calm today, but **Brown Boobies** regularly cruised by along with a few of the yellow-billed “Cayenne” race of **Sandwich Tern**. Walking back from the beach towards the coastal lagoons, we managed to call in a **Lemon-chested Greenlet**, then saw a **Wedge-tailed Grass-Finch** in an overgrown field while a few **White-rumped Swallows** and **Lesser Yellow-headed Vultures** flew over. We spent some time scoping the lagoons, spotting **White-cheeked Pintail**, **Cocoi Heron**, **Little Blue Heron**, **Black-necked Stilt**, and **Roseate Spoonbill** before driving back to the lodge for lunch.



A male Restinga Antwren in the coastal scrub

After lunch, we spent a few minutes scanning the wetlands, finding a **Limpkin** perched up, before birding another forest trail nearby. Activity was surprisingly good for the afternoon, and we soon found a pair of **White-flanked Antwrens**. The race here looks and sounds different from the birds elsewhere in this species' wide range, and is long overdue for a split. Nearby, we called in a **Moustached Wren**, followed by a very cooperative **Sooretama Slaty-Antshrike**. Just down the trail, we found the tour's first **Sepia-capped Flycatcher**, then spent some time watching a surprisingly tame **Grayish Mourner** at close range. A reliable stakeout of Crescent-chested Puffbird proved not so reliable this year, but we

were fortunate to have a nice scope view of the shy **Rufous-capped Motmot**. Continuing our loop around the far side of the wetlands, we called in **Long-billed Wren** for a close-up view, and nearby a **White-throated Spadebill** flitted around near the ground. A search for nightbirds at dusk turned up only a **Common Pauraque** before we headed back to the lodge to enjoy a pitcher of the complimentary *Caipirinhas*.



Long-billed Wren, a Brazilian endemic

30 July: The reserve's iconic blue Toyota 4X4 rumbled up right on time after breakfast, and we bounced our way up a very rough road into the forest. It was now dry enough that the powerful truck got up there with no difficulty, and we started birding in an overgrown clearing near an abandoned house. It had been years since it was dry enough for our tour to get up here, and I soon remembered why I liked it so much. A fruiting tree was full of **Golden-chevroned** and **Ruby-crowned Tanagers**, and **Bare-throated Bellbirds** were calling from the ridge above. After a few minutes of scanning, a shiny leaf proved to be one of these amazing birds sitting up on a lofty perch. **Channel-billed Toucans** were also calling nearby from a dead tree on the ridge. A pair of **Blue-naped Chlorophonias** flew into a bush right next to us and started feeding on berries, probably the best view I've ever had of this colorful little bird; it's the photo on the cover of this report. Flocks of **Scaly-headed Parrots** flew over in good light before we walked up to the remains of the old house. A group of superb **Yellow-fronted Woodpeckers** was in a tree over the roof, and a steady procession of **tanagers** came through, including **Flame-crested**, **Azure-shouldered**, **Green-headed**, and **Yellow-backed**, along with **Chestnut-bellied Euphonia**. We played hide-and-seek with a pair of Spot-billed Toucanets (the birds won) but did manage see a very close **Sharpbill** and a pair of **Plain Parakeets** while we were looking. We started walking slowly back down the road when a soaring snow-white **Mantled Hawk** gave us brief, tantalizing views through gaps in the forest canopy. We headed back to the clearing, hoping for a better view, but it was gone. Once again there were birds in the clearing, and we saw a pair of **Uniform Finches** and called in a **Rufous-winged Antwren** before continuing down the hill. There was a steady stream of birds like **Surucua Trogon**, **Yellow-eared Woodpecker**, **Olivaceous Woodcreeper**, **Spot-breasted Antvireo**, **Scaled Antbird**, **Streak-capped Antwren**, **Eared Pygmy-Tyrant**, **Eye-ringed Tody-Tyrant**, and **Black-goggled Tanager** before the Toyota arrived and took us back to the lodge for lunch.



A male Scaled Antbird

We had another couple hours behind the wetlands after lunch, finding a few new birds like **White-eyed Foliage-gleaner** and **Unicolored Antwren** as well as better views of some others such as **Planalto Tyrannulet**. At dusk, we drove out to a nearby farm to try for Giant Snipe. Sadly it was a no-show tonight, not even heard. We did see a couple of **Orange-winged Parrots** fly past, and scoped a perched **Laughing Falcon** before it grew dark.

31 July: The Green Trail, or “Waterfall Trail”, is the easiest of several forest trails that penetrate deep into the Guapiassu reserve. We spent most of the day slowly walking to waterfall and back. Bird activity was notably slower than the previous three days, and we had to work pretty hard to see things today. The first hour was quite slow, and we saw mostly tanagers that we had seen the previous days. A **Spot-billed Toucanet** finally started giving its weird grunting calls nearby, and this time we managed to have decent view of the very colorful female. Nearby were an **Ochre-bellied Flycatcher** and more tanagers. Just up the trail in a patch of exotic bamboo, we tried like crazy for **Crescent-chested Puffbird**, but it stubbornly would not come in. Fortunately, a male **Black-cheeked Gnateater** was much more obliging and gave terrific view. We worked our way slowly up the trail – there was not a lot to see, but when we did see a bird it was usually a very nice one. A small forest clearing had **Olive-green Tanager**, and farther along a **Black-capped Foliage-gleaner** was moving in a flock with some shy **Red-crowned An-Tanagers** and **Plain-brown** (soon to be split as Plain-winged) and **Olivaceous Woodcreepers**. A concerted effort to find **Spot-backed Antshrike** paid off in the end with a good sighting, and we had **Pin-tailed Manakin** at a regular spot. Lunch was delivered to us by a reserve ranger in late morning, and he was also happy to find us striking male **Swallow-tailed Manakin** while we were having our sandwiches. After admiring the waterfall, we started back, finding **Black-throated Trogon**, **Yellow-throated Woodpecker**, **Plain Xenops**, **Buff-fronted Foliage-gleaner**, **Rough-legged Tyrannulet**, **Yellow-legged Thrush**, and **Red-necked Tanager** on the way down. There was also a flock of **Brassy-breasted Tanagers** – quite surprising at this low elevation since it is mostly a montane species; evidently some move lower in winter. In mid-afternoon we reached the vehicle, and headed back to the lodge to relax a bit in the



afternoon after the long walk.

1 August: We left very early this morning for a long drive over the mountains to some drier woodland and farmland near the town of Sumidouro. The more open nature of this habitat makes the birds a lot easier to see than in the rainforest we'd been birding in over the last few days. As soon as we got out of the van and started whistling a pygmy-owl, the trees beside the van filled up with birds. New for the trip were **Crested Becard**, **Short-crested Flycatcher**, **Golden-crowned Woodpecker**, **Rufous-fronted Thornbird**, and **Green-barred Woodpecker**, though there were also plenty of "old friends". Walking along the dirt road, we soon came to a farm. Some loud yelping calls in the distance drew our attention up the slope, and soon found several **Red-legged Seriemas** singing from the top of a fence. Nearby in the field were two Whistling Herons walking around next to some termite mounds. Soon, a pair of **Blue-winged Macaws (below)** circled around overhead, squawking, and settled down on the top of a tree down the hill for fantastic eye-level views – it was certainly a highlight to see them so well!



Farther along we found two **Three-toed Jacamars** perched close to the side of the road. It is a threatened endemic and extremely localized, not occurring at all in most areas even in what would appear to be suitable habitat. This road is a great spot to see them and we found several more later on in the morning. Continuing down the road, our frequent pygmy-owl imitations finally caught the attention of a real **Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl**, and we watched it getting mobbed by several smaller birds including **Rufous-browed Peppershrike** and **Sooty Grassquit**. Nearby was my last stakeout for **Crescent-chested Puffbird**, and this time fortune was with us as a bird responded well giving close, eye-level views. A thrashing in the branches proved to be **Buffy-tufted Marmoset** – this is the native species of marmoset in the region, which has become quite rare due to competition, and in some cases interbreeding, with the invasive introduced Common Marmoset; I was very very happy to see it. Near the end of the road, we saw a few more species including **Sapphire-spangled Emerald**, **Burnished-buff Tanager**, **Sooty Grassquit**, **Double-collared Seedeater**, **Pileated Finch**, and **Brown-crested Flycatcher**. Driving on a bit, I tried one spot for Streamer-tailed Tyrant with no luck, but we did see **Firewood-gatherer**, **Rufous-thighed Kite**, and **American Kestrel**. About a mile farther along, there was **Streamer-tailed Tyrant** perched on a power line. Our driver jammed on the brakes, and we piled out to watch. It was joined by its mate and gave us a superb display from the top of a tree

near a perched **White-tailed Hawk**. Driving about 45 minutes farther, we went down a side road to a patch of forest bordered by a cow pasture. Here we had had a packed lunch, watching **Chopi Blackbirds** fly around the pasture and a **White-rumped Monjita** perch on a wire. A short walk in the forest was amazingly productive with **Orange-eyed Thornbird**, **Variable Antshrike**, **Gilt-edged Tanager**, **Cinnamon Tanager**, and **Bran-colored Flycatcher** all seen in what seemed like a matter of minutes. We spent the rest of the afternoon driving to our next lodge, Vale das Taquaras, located in the mountains. We stopped only a couple of times, once to switch vehicles, and another time at a bridge to look for Sharp-tailed Streamcreeper. He wasn't around, but we did get a great view of **Half-collared Sparrow (below)**, a neat-looking bird. We got to the lodge in time to spend some time at the feeders, which were superb. There were swarms of hummers including a bunch of new ones for us: **Black Jacobin**, **Scale-throated Hermit**, **Brazilian Ruby**, **Sombre Hummingbird**, **White-throated Hummingbird**, and **Versicolored Emerald**. It cools down fast here at night, and we enjoyed a hot, hearty soup with fresh bread and corn on the cob.



2 August: It was a chilly morning, and activity was a bit slow until the sun came up over the mountains. Other than the many thirsty hummers, our first bird was a **Cliff Flycatcher** perched on an antenna above the lodge. We walked down the valley to a soccer field that was starting to catch the first golden rays of sunlight. Suddenly the birds came alive and were calling everywhere. We started with a pretty **Rufous-capped Spinetail** hopping around in a fallen tree next to the clearing, and it was soon followed by **Pallid Spinetail**, **Gray-capped Tyrannulet** and **Scaled Woodcreeper**. A low, wet depression had a pair of **Spix's Spinetails**, then we went down a wide track through some low forest, finding a **Rufous-breasted Leafhopper**. After flying back and forth a few times, it settled down and the leaves started flying – it was great it to see the behavior for which it was named. Nearby we also saw the handsome **Blond-crested Woodpecker** and an **Ochre-rumped Antbird** before heading up a narrowed trail into older forest. There were loads of great birds calling along this trail, but they proved very shy and unresponsive today, and we had a hard time getting more than glimpses of most of them, such as **Lesser Woodcreeper**, **Giant Antshrike**, **Star-throated Antwren**, and **White-bibbed Antbird**. A Black-billed Scythebill sang incessantly from a hidden perch before vanishing without a trace. Despite



these frustrations, we did have good views of the handsome **Ferruginous Antbird** and **Rufous-headed Tanager** before returning to the lodge. The fruit feeders were bringing in a constant stream of birds including an unprecedented four species of **thrush**: **Pale-breasted**, **Rufous-bellied**, **Creamy-bellied**, and even **White-necked**, usually a shy forest interior species. There were also plenty of tanagers including **Azure-shouldered**, **Golden-chevroned (left)**, and **Burnished-buff**, along with a **Chestnut-bellied Euphonia**. We had a new hummer at the feeders, the bumblebee-like **Amethyst Woodstar**, and Joanne was very lucky to see a **Frilled Coquette** in a

flowering bush. After lunch, we did some roadside birding, seeing a male **Plovercrest** at a lek, followed by **Sharp-billed Treehunter**, **Mottle-cheeked Tyrannulet**, **Biscutate Swift**, **Dusky-tailed Antbird**, and **Dusky-legged Guan**. There was a **Tropical Screech-Owl** calling near my room when, and two of the group saw it with me, but it was gone when we went back later to try to see it again.

3 August: Another early start and a 1h15m drive got us to the start of the road up to the highest mountain in the region, the 7400 ft (2250 m) high Pico da Caledônia. The now-familiar blue Toyota truck was waiting for us, and we loaded up and started up the steep, cobbled road, starting our birding in the forest below treeline. It was another bright, clear day, and much warmer than it usually is this time of year. I think the birds up here may actually prefer cool and foggy weather, so it was pretty quiet. Despite that, we still managed to see most targets including **Diademed Tanager**, **Serra do Mar Tyrannulet**, **Shear-tailed Gray Tyrant**, **Rufous-tailed Antbird (photo below)**, **Large-tailed Antshrike**, and **Mouse-colored Tapaculo**.



Driving farther up the precarious road, we reached a grassy area with a superb view down over the city of Nova Friburgo. From here, we continued on foot, eventually reaching a staircase up to the telecommunications towers near the top of the mountain. We saw **White-crested Tyrannulet**, **Highland Elaenia**, and **Velvety Black-Tyrant** before reaching the stairs, but it was the endemic **Itatiaia Spinetail** that we were really hoping to find. Sometimes I have seen it almost at the base of the stairs, but today it remained elusive until reaching the summit of the mountain. While dozens of locals were enjoying the unseasonable weather and photographing each other in front of the panoramic view, we squinted down into the bushes, eventually seeing a little brown bird to pop out with great satisfaction! We headed back down to the grassy knoll, which had since become a parking lot, and had a huge picnic lunch. A Gray-winged Cotinga was calling every five minutes or so from a totally hidden perch, and unfortunately never came out, but we had better luck down the road with the more distinctive **Black-and-gold Cotinga** feeding on berries in a tree along with a huge flock of **Brassy-breasted Tanagers**. Later, we drove back to the lodge and relaxed by the feeders for a while before going out again at dusk. Owls were quiet, but we did see two **Long-trained Nightjars**.



A male Brazilian Ruby near the hummer feeders at Vale das Taquaras Lodge

4 August: We spent our final morning on a different road about 15 minutes from the lodge. Last year this road was completely washed away and undriveable, meaning a pretty tough hike to get up to the forest. This year was very different – the road had been beautifully repaired recently, and we got our van all the way up to the top, which was really nice. Birds were active pretty much the whole morning, a nice change. **Sharpbill** was one of our first birds, another great view of this often difficult species. It was soon followed by some **Streaked Xenops** that flew all around us in a dizzying chase that did not look friendly. Soon after, a **Tufted Antshrike** started calling, and we saw a big male in the roadside undergrowth, and had similar luck with **Rufous-backed Antwrevo**, a species we had missed the previous day. Others seen here include **Planalto Woodcreeper**, **Gray-bellied Spinetail**, **Plain Antwrevo**, **Bertoni's Antbird**, **White-shouldered Fire-eye**, **Gray-hooded Flycatcher**, **Drab-breasted Pygmy-Tyrant**, **Rufous-crowned Greenlet**, and **Green-winged Saltator**.



Bertoni's Antbird

Walking farther down the road, we flushed up a covey of **Spot-winged Wood-Quail** by the side of the road – not the best views, but it was the first time I had actually seen it on this particular tour. Not far away, a **Black-billed Scythebill** started calling, and this we actually had a really nice view, which felt very deserved after our exasperating experience with it two days before. We returned to the lodge to have time to shower and pack up before one last terrific lunch outside in the beautiful warm day. After lunch, we drove back to Rio and said our goodbyes in the international airport, ending another great trip.

BIRD LIST

This list includes all the bird species that were recorded by at least one of the group, including the leader. Taxonomy and nomenclature follow **Clements, James F. *The Clements Checklist of Birds of the World. Sixth Edition, 2007, Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press***, including all updates through September 2012.

Totals:

278 bird species seen
29 heard only

Abbreviations:

H=Heard only
GO=Guide only
(I)=Introduced species
(E)=Endemic to Brazil

TINAMOUS
H Brown Tinamou
DUCKS, GEESE, AND WATERFOWL
 White-faced Whistling-Duck
 Muscovy Duck
 Brazilian Teal
 White-cheeked Pintail
GUANS AND ALLIES
 Rusty-margined Guan
 Dusky-legged Guan
NEW WORLD QUAIL
 Spot-winged Wood-Quail
GREBES
 Least Grebe
FRIGATEBIRDS
 Magnificent Frigatebird
BOOBIES AND GANNETS
 Brown Booby
CORMORANTS AND SHAGS
 Neotropic Cormorant
HERONS, EGRETS, AND BITTERNS
H Rufescent Tiger-Heron
 Cooi Heron
 Great Egret
 Snowy Egret
 Little Blue Heron
 Cattle Egret
 Striated Heron
 Whistling Heron
 Capped Heron
 Black-crowned Night-Heron
IBISES AND SPOONBILLS
 Roseate Spoonbill
NEW WORLD VULTURES
 Black Vulture
 Turkey Vulture
 Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture
HAWKS, EAGLES, AND KITES
 Black-and-white Hawk-Eagle
 Rufous-thighed Kite
 Sharp-shinned (Rufous-thighed) Hawk
 Savanna Hawk
 Roadside Hawk
 White-tailed Hawk
 Mantled Hawk
RAILS, GALLINULES, AND COOTS
 Rufous-sided Crake
H Gray-necked Wood-Rail
H Slaty-breasted Wood-Rail
H Ash-throated Crake
H Blackish Rail
 Purple Gallinule
 Common Gallinule

TINAMIDAE
Crypturellus obsoletus
ANATIDAE
Dendrocygna viduata
Cairina moschata
Amazonetta brasiliensis
Anas bahamensis
CRACIDAE
Penelope superciliaris
Penelope obscura
ODONTOPHORIDAE
Odontophorus capueira
PODICIPEDIDAE
Tachybaptus dominicus
FREGATIDAE
Fregata magnificens
SULIDAE
Sula leucogaster
PHALACROCORACIDAE
Phalacrocorax brasilianus
ARDEIDAE
Tigrisoma lineatum
Ardea cocoi
Ardea alba
Egretta thula
Egretta caerulea
Bubulcus ibis
Butorides striata
Syrigma sibilatrix
Pilherodius pileatus
Nycticorax nycticorax
THRESKIORNITHIDAE
Platalea ajaja
CATHARTIDAE
Coragyps atratus
Cathartes aura
Cathartes burrovianus
ACCIPITRIDAE
Spizaetus melanoleucus
Harpagus diodon
Accipiter striatus erythronemius
Buteogallus meridionalis
Rupornis magnirostris
Geranoaetus albicaudatus
Pseudastur polionotus
RALLIDAE
Laterallus melanophaius
Aramides cajanea
Aramides saracura
Porzana albicollis
Pardirallus nigricans
Porphyrio martinica
Gallinula galeata

LIMPKIN

Limpkin

PLOVERS AND LAPWINGS

Southern Lapwing

STILTS AND AVOCETS

Black-necked (White-backed) Stilt

JACANAS

Wattled Jacana

SANDPIPERS AND ALLIES

Greater Yellowlegs

Lesser Yellowlegs

GULLS AND TERNS

Royal Tern

Sandwich (Cayenne) Tern

PIGEONS AND DOVES

Rock Pigeon (I)

Picazuro Pigeon

H Plumbeous Pigeon

Plain-breasted Ground-Dove

Ruddy Ground-Dove

White-tipped Dove

H Gray-fronted Dove**GO** Ruddy Quail-Dove**FALCONS AND CARACARAS****H** Collared Forest-Falcon

Southern Caracara

Yellow-headed Caracara

Laughing Falcon

American Kestrel

SERIEMAS

Red-legged Seriema

PARROTS

Maroon-bellied Parakeet

White-eyed Parakeet

Blue-winged Macaw

Blue-winged Parrotlet

Plain Parakeet (E)

Scaly-headed Parrot

Orange-winged Parrot

CUCKOOS

Squirrel Cuckoo

Guira Cuckoo

H Striped Cuckoo

Greater Ani

Smooth-billed Ani

OWLS

Tropical Screech-Owl

Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl

Burrowing Owl

NIGHTJARS AND ALLIES

Pauraque

Long-trained Nightjar

ARAMIDAE*Aramus guarauna***CHARADRIIDAE***Vanellus chilensis***RECURVIROSTRIDAE***Himantopus mexicanus melanurus***JACANIDAE***Jacana jacana***SCOLOPACIDAE***Tringa melanoleuca**Tringa flavipes***LARIDAE***Thalasseus maximus**Thalasseus sandvicensis eurygnathus***COLUMBIDAE***Columba livia**Patagioenas picazuro**Patagioenas plumbea plumbea**Columbina minuta**Columbina talpacoti**Leptotila verreauxi**Leptotila rufaxilla**Geotrygon montana***FALCONIDAE***Micrastur semitorquatus**Caracara plancus**Milvago chimachima**Herpetotheres cachinnans**Falco sparverius***CARIAMIDAE***Cariama cristata***PSITTACIDAE***Pyrrhura frontalis**Aratinga leucophthalma**Primolius maracana**Forpus xanthopterygius**Brotogeris tirica**Pionus maximiliani**Amazona amazonica***CUCULIDAE***Piaya cayana**Guira guira**Tapera naevia**Crotophaga major**Crotophaga ani***STRIGIDAE***Megascops choliba**Glaucidium brasilianum**Athene cunicularia***CAPRIMULGIDAE***Nyctidromus albicollis**Macropsalis forcipata***APODIDAE**

SWIFTS

White-collared Swift
 Biscutate Swift
 Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift

HUMMINGBIRDS

Black Jacobin
 Rufous-breasted Hermit
 Scale-throated Hermit
 Frilled Coquette
 Brazilian Ruby (E)
 Amethyst Woodstar
 Plovercrest
 Swallow-tailed Hummingbird
 Violet-capped Woodnymph
 Sombre Hummingbird (E)
 White-throated Hummingbird
 Versicolored Emerald
 Glittering-throated Emerald
 Sapphire-spangled Emerald

TROGONS

Surucua Trogon
 Black-throated Trogon

MOTMOTS

Rufous-capped Motmot

KINGFISHERS

Ringed Kingfisher
 Amazon Kingfisher

PUFFBIRDS

H White-eared Puffbird
 Crescent-chested Puffbird (E)

JACAMARS

Three-toed Jacamar (E)
 Rufous-tailed Jacamar

TOUCANS

Spot-billed Toucanet
 Channel-billed Toucan

WOODPECKERS

White-barred Piculet
 Yellow-fronted Woodpecker
 Yellow-eared Woodpecker (E)
 Yellow-throated Woodpecker
 White-browed (Yellow-browed)
 Woodpecker
 Green-barred Woodpecker
 Campo Flicker
 Blond-crested Woodpecker

OVENBIRDS & WOODCREEPERS

Rufous-breasted Leaf-tosser
 Olivaceous Woodcreeper
 Plain-brown (Thrush-like) Woodcreeper
 Planalto Woodcreeper
H White-throated Woodcreeper
 Lesser Woodcreeper

Streptoprocne zonaris
Streptoprocne biscutata
Panyptila cayennensis

TROCHILIDAE

Florisuga fusca
Glaucis hirsutus
Phaethornis eurynome
Lophornis magnificus
Clytolaema rubricauda
Calliphlox amethystina
Stephanoxis lalandi lalandi
Eupetomena macroura
Thalurania glaucopis
Aphantochroa cirrochloris
Leucochloris albicollis
Amazilia versicolor
Amazilia fimbriata
Amazilia lactea

TROGONIDAE

Trogon surrucura aurantius
Trogon rufus

MOMOTIDAE

Baryphthengus ruficapillus

ALCEDINIDAE

Megaceryle torquata
Chloroceryle amazona

BUCCONIDAE

Nystalus chacuru
Malacoptila striata

GALBULIDAE

Jacamaralcyon tridactyla
Galbula ruficauda

RAMPHASTIDAE

Selenidera maculirostris
Ramphastos vitellinus ariel

PICIDAE

Picumnus cirratus
Melanerpes flavifrons
Veniliornis maculifrons
Piculus flavigula erythropis

Piculus aurulentus
Colaptes melanochloros
Colaptes c. campestris
Celeus flavescens

FURNARIIDAE

Sclerurus scansor
Sittasomus griseicapillus sylvellus
Dendrocincla fuliginosa turdina
Dendrocolaptes platyrostris
Xiphocolaptes albicollis
Xiphorhynchus fuscus

	Black-billed Scythebill	<i>Campylorhamphus falcularius</i>
	Scaled Woodcreeper (E)	<i>Lepidocolaptes squamatus</i>
	Plain Xenops	<i>Xenops minutus</i>
	Streaked Xenops	<i>Xenops rutilans</i>
	Wing-banded (Tail-banded) Hornero (E)	<i>Furnarius figulus</i>
	Rufous Hornero	<i>Furnarius rufus</i>
H	Sharp-tailed Streamcreeper	<i>Lochmias nematura</i>
H	White-collared Foliage-gleaner (E)	<i>Anabazenops fuscus</i>
H	Pale-browed Treehunter (E)	<i>Cichlocolaptes leucophrus</i>
	Sharp-billed Treehunter	<i>Heliobletus contaminatus</i>
	Black-capped Foliage-gleaner	<i>Philydor atricapillus</i>
	Buff-fronted Foliage-gleaner	<i>Philydor rufum</i>
	Buff-browed Foliage-gleaner	<i>Syndactyla rufosuperciliata</i>
	White-eyed Foliage-gleaner	<i>Automolus leucophthalmus</i>
	Rufous-fronted (Common) Thornbird	<i>Phacellodomus rufifrons</i>
	Orange-eyed Thornbird (E)	<i>Phacellodomus erythrophthalmus</i>
	Firewood-gatherer	<i>Anumbius annumbi</i>
	Itaitia Spinetail (Thistletail) (E)	<i>Asthenes moreirae</i>
	Pallid Spinetail (E)	<i>Cranioleuca pallida</i>
	Yellow-chinned Spinetail	<i>Certhiaxis cinnamomeus</i>
	Rufous-capped Spinetail	<i>Synallaxis ruficapilla</i>
	Gray-bellied Spinetail	<i>Synallaxis cinerascens</i>
	Spix's Spinetail	<i>Synallaxis spixi</i>
	TYPICAL ANT BIRDS	THAMNOPHILIDAE
	Spot-backed Antshrike	<i>Hypoedaleus guttatus</i>
GO	Giant Antshrike	<i>Batara cinerea</i>
	Large-tailed Antshrike	<i>Mackenziaena leachii</i>
	Tufted Antshrike	<i>Mackenziaena severa</i>
H	Rufous-capped Antshrike	<i>Thamnophilus ruficapillus</i>
	Chestnut-backed Antshrike	<i>Thamnophilus palliatus</i>
	Sooretama Slaty-Antshrike (E)	<i>Thamnophilus ambiguus</i>
	Variable Antshrike	<i>Thamnophilus caerulescens</i>
	Spot-breasted Antwren (E)	<i>Dysithamnus stictothorax</i>
	Plain Antwren	<i>Dysithamnus mentalis</i>
	Rufous-backed Antwren (E)	<i>Dysithamnus xanthopterus</i>
	Star-throated Antwren (E)	<i>Myrmotherula gularis</i>
	White-flanked Antwren	<i>Myrmotherula axillaris luctuosa</i>
	Unicolored Antwren (E)	<i>Myrmotherula unicolor</i>
	Rufous-winged Antwren	<i>Herpsilochmus rufimarginatus</i>
	Restinga Antwren (E)	<i>Formicivora littoralis</i>
	Ferruginous Antbird (E)	<i>Drymophila ferruginea</i>
	Bertoni's Antbird	<i>Drymophila rubricollis</i>
	Rufous-tailed Antbird (E)	<i>Drymophila genei</i>
	Ochre-rumped Antbird (E)	<i>Drymophila ochropyga</i>
	Dusky-tailed Antbird	<i>Drymophila malura</i>
	Scaled Antbird (E)	<i>Drymophila squamata</i>
	Streak-capped Antwren	<i>Terenura maculata</i>
	White-shouldered Fire-eye	<i>Pyriglena leucoptera</i>
GO	White-bibbed Antbird (E)	<i>Myrmeciza loricata</i>
	ANTTHRUSHES	FORMICARIIDAE
H	Rufous-capped Antthrush	<i>Formicarius colma</i>
H	Such's (Cryptic) Antthrush (E)	<i>Chamaeza meruloides</i>
H	Rufous-tailed (Brazilian) Antthrush	<i>Chamaeza ruficauda</i>

GNATEATERS

- H Rufous Gnateater
Black-cheeked Gnateater (E)

TAPACULOS

- H Spotted Bamboo-wren
Mouse-colored Tapaculo

TYRANT FLYCATCHERS

- Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet
Yellow Tyrannulet
Yellow-bellied Elaenia
Highland Elaenia
White-crested Tyrannulet
Ochre-bellied Flycatcher
Gray-hooded Flycatcher
Sepia-capped Flycatcher
Mottle-cheeked Tyrannulet
Serra do Mar Tyrannulet (E)
Rough-legged Tyrannulet
Planalto Tyrannulet
Gray-capped Tyrannulet (E)
- H Southern Antpiper
Eared Pygmy-Tyrant
Drab-breasted Pygmy-Tyrant
Eye-ringed Tody-Tyrant (E)
Hangnest Tody-Tyrant (E)
- H Ochre-faced Tody-Flycatcher
Gray-headed (Yellow-lore) Tody-Flycatcher (E)
Common Tody-Flycatcher
Yellow-olive Flycatcher
Yellow-breasted (Ochre-lore)
Flycatcher
White-throated Spadebill
Cliff Flycatcher
Bran-colored Flycatcher
- H Euler's Flycatcher
Tropical Pewee
Velvety Black-Tyrant (E)
Yellow-browed Tyrant
White-rumped Monjita
Streamer-tailed Tyrant
Shear-tailed Gray Tyrant
Masked Water-Tyrant
White-headed Marsh Tyrant
Long-tailed Tyrant
Cattle Tyrant
Gray-hooded Attila (E)
Grayish Mourner
Short-crested Flycatcher
Brown-crested Flycatcher
Great Kiskadee
Boat-billed Flycatcher
Social Flycatcher
Tropical Kingbird

CONOPOPHAGIDAE

- Conopophaga lineata*
Conopophaga melanops

RHINOCRYPTIDAE

- Psilorhamphus guttatus*
Scytalopus speluncae

TYRANNIDAE

- Camptostoma obsoletum*
Capsiempis flaveola
Elaenia flavogaster
Elaenia obscura
Serpophaga subcristata
Mionectes oleagineus
Mionectes rufiventris
Leptopogon amaurocephalus
Phylloscartes ventralis
Phylloscartes difficilis
Phyllomyias burmeisteri
Phyllomyias fasciatus
Phyllomyias griseocapilla
Corythopsis delalandi
Myiornis auricularis
Hemitriccus diops
Hemitriccus orbitatus
Hemitriccus nidipendulus
Poecilotriccus plumbeiceps
Todirostrum poliocephalum
Todirostrum cinereum
Tolmomyias s. sulphurens
- Tolmomyias flaviventris flaviventris*
Platyrinchus mystaceus
Hirundinea ferruginea
Myiophobus fasciatus
Lathrotriccus euleri
Contopus cinereus
Knipolegus nigerrimus
Satrapa icterophrys
Xolmis velatus
Gubernetes yetapa
Muscipipra vetula
Fluvicola nengeta
Arundinicola leucocephala
Colonia colonus
Machetornis rixosa
Attila rufus
Rhytipterna simplex
Myiarchus ferox
Myiarchus tyrannulus
Pitangus sulphuratus
Megarynchus pitangua
Myiozetetes similis
Tyrannus melancholicus

SHARPBILL

Sharpbill

COTINGAS

- H Hooded Berryeater (E)
- Bare-throated Bellbird
- Black-and-gold Cotinga (E)
- H Gray-winged Cotinga (E)

MANAKINS

Pin-tailed Manakin (E)
 White-bearded Manakin
 Swallow-tailed (Blue) Manakin

TITYRAS AND ALLIES

Green-backed Becard
 Chestnut-crowned Becard
 Crested Becard

VIREOS

Red-eyed Vireo
 Rufous-crowned Greenlet
 Lemon-chested Greenlet
 Rufous-browed Peppershrike

SWALLOWS

Blue-and-white Swallow
 Southern Rough-winged Swallow
 Gray-breasted Martin
 Brown-chested Martin
 White-rumped Swallow

WRENS

Moustached Wren
 Long-billed Wren (E)
 House Wren

DONACOBIUS

Black-capped Donacobius

THRUSHES AND ALLIES

Yellow-legged Thrush
 Pale-breasted Thrush
 Rufous-bellied Thrush
 Creamy-bellied Thrush
 White-necked Thrush

MOCKINGBIRDS AND THRASHERS

Chalk-browed Mockingbird

WAGTAILS AND PIPITS

- H Yellowish Pipit

NEW WORLD WARBLERS

- H Tropical Parula
- Golden-crowned Warbler
- White-browed (White-rimmed) Warbler

TANAGERS AND ALLIES

Red-cowled Cardinal (I)
 Cinnamon Tanager (E)
 Hooded Tanager
 Olive-green Tanager (E)
 Black-goggled Tanager
 Flame-crested Tanager

OXYRUNCIDAE*Oxyruncus cristatus***COTINGIDAE**

Carpornis cucullata
Procnias nudicollis
Tijuca atra
Tijuca condita

PIPRIDAE

Ilicura militaris
Manacus manacus
Chiroxiphia caudata

TITYRIDAE

Pachyramphus viridis viridis
Pachyramphus castaneus
Pachyramphus validus

VIREONIDAE

Vireo olivaceus
Hylophilus poicilotis
Hylophilus t. thoracicus
Cyclarhis gujanensis

HIRUNDINIDAE

Pygochelidon cyanoleuca
Stelgidopteryx ruficollis
Progne chalybea
Progne tapera
Tachycineta leucorrhoa

TROGLODYTIDAE

Pheugopedius genibarbis
Cantorchilus longirostris
Troglodytes aedon

DONACOBIIDAE*Donacobius atricapilla***TURDIDAE**

Turdus flavipes
Turdus leucomelas
Turdus rufiventris
Turdus amaurochalinus
Turdus albicollis

MIMIDAE*Mimus saturninus***MOTACILLIDAE***Anthus lutescens***PARULIDAE**

Setophaga pitaiayumi
Basileuterus culicivorus
Myiothlypis leucoblephara

THRAUPIDAE

Paroaria dominicana
Schistochlamys ruficapillus
Nemosia pileata
Orthogonys chloricterus
Trichothraupis melanops
Tachyphonus cristatus

Ruby-crowned Tanager	<i>Tachyphonus coronatus</i>
Brazilian Tanager (E)	<i>Ramphocelus bresilius</i>
Sayaca Tanager	<i>Thraupis sayaca</i>
Azure-shouldered Tanager (E)	<i>Thraupis cyanoptera</i>
Golden-chevroned Tanager (E)	<i>Thraupis ornata</i>
Palm Tanager	<i>Thraupis palmarum</i>
Diademed Tanager	<i>Stephanophorus diadematus</i>
Fawn-breasted Tanager	<i>Pipraeidea melanonota</i>
Black-backed Tanager (E)	<i>Tangara peruviana</i>
Burnished-buff Tanager	<i>Tangara cayana</i>
Green-headed Tanager	<i>Tangara seledon</i>
Red-necked Tanager	<i>Tangara cyanocephala</i>
Brassy-breasted Tanager (E)	<i>Tangara desmaresti</i>
Gilt-edged Tanager (E)	<i>Tangara cyanoventris</i>
Blue Dacnis	<i>Dacnis cayana</i>
Red-legged Honeycreeper	<i>Cyanerpes cyaneus</i>
Rufous-headed Tanager (E)	<i>Hemithraupis ruficapilla</i>
Yellow-backed Tanager	<i>Hemithraupis flavicollis</i>
Chestnut-vented Conebill	<i>Conirostrum speciosum</i>
Uniform Finch	<i>Haplospiza unicolor</i>
Saffron Finch	<i>Sicalis flaveola</i>
Wedge-tailed Grass-Finch	<i>Emberizoides herbicola</i>
Blue-black Grassquit	<i>Volatinia jacarina</i>
H Buffy-fronted Seedeater	<i>Sporophila frontalis</i>
Double-collared Seedeater	<i>Sporophila caerulea</i>
(Gray) Pileated Finch	<i>Coryphospingus pileatus</i>
Bananaquit	<i>Coereba flaveola</i>
Sooty Grassquit	<i>Tiaris fuliginosus</i>
Green-winged Saltator	<i>Saltator similis</i>
Buff-throated Saltator	<i>Saltator maximus</i>
BUNTINGS & SPARROWS	EMBERIZIDAE
Half-collared Sparrow	<i>Arremon semitorquatus</i>
Rufous-collared Sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia capensis</i>
CARDINALS AND ALLIES	CARDINALIDAE
Red-crowned Ant-Tanager	<i>Habia rubica</i>
TROUPIALS AND ALLIES	ICTERIDAE
Chopi Blackbird	<i>Gnorimopsar chopi</i>
Chestnut-capped Blackbird	<i>Chrysomus ruficapillus</i>
Shiny Cowbird	<i>Molothrus bonariensis</i>
Giant Cowbird	<i>Molothrus oryzivorus</i>
Red-rumped Cacique	<i>Cacicus haemorrhous</i>
Crested Oropendola	<i>Psarocolius decumanus</i>
SISKINS, CROSSBILLS, AND ALLIES	FRINGILLIDAE
Purple-throated Euphonia	<i>Euphonia chlorotica</i>
Violaceous Euphonia	<i>Euphonia violacea</i>
Orange-bellied Euphonia	<i>Euphonia xanthogaster</i>
Chestnut-bellied Euphonia	<i>Euphonia pectoralis</i>
Blue-naped Chlorophonia	<i>Chlorophonia cyanea</i>
OLD WORLD SPARROWS	PASSERIDAE
House Sparrow (I)	<i>Passer domesticus</i>
WAXBILLS AND ALLIES	ESTRILDIDAE
Common Waxbill (I)	<i>Estrilda astrild</i>

OTHER WILDLIFE

Pallas's Long-tongued Bat
Common Marmoset
Buffy-tufted Marmoset
Capybara
Brazilian Squirrel
Broad-snouted Caiman

Glossophaga soricina
Callithrix jacchus
Callithrix aurita
Hydrochoerus hydrochaeris
Sciurus aestuans
Caiman latirostris