

ECUADOR – Nov 2007



Day 1 Sunday, 18th November

We arrived in Quito in the evening and were greeted by Juan Carlos Calvachi, and our driver, Edgar. We boarded the coach and made our way across Quito to check into El Jardin, Juan's lovely B&B where we retired to be ready for the beginning of our hummingbird and tanager tour.

Day 2 Monday 19th November

With the excitement of being in a new country you can be sure there will be few that sleep in, and sure enough the first hour of daylight saw the group working their way through the garden birds of Juan's lodge. Immaculate looking **Saffron Finches** were on the feeders while nearby a **Southern Yellow Grosbeak** and **Cinereous Conebill** put in an appearance. From the centre of the garden we enjoyed a pair of stunning **Vermillion Flycatchers**, plus our first hummingbirds which included the outrageous **Black-tailed Trainbearer** and several noisy **Sparkling Violetears**. A nice male



Hooded Siskin fed in a small bush while commoner birds included lots of **Eared Doves**, **Great Thrushes** an **American Kestrel** and **Blue-and-white Swallows**. Our last bird before breakfast was the tiny yet cute **Southern Beardless Tyrannulet** which showed very well to all. After a very nice breakfast we boarded our coach and set off to the nearby high altitude reserve of Antisana. As we approached Antisana, we drove past a large remnant lava flow that blocked the valley. A roadside stop produced a **Giant Hummingbird** perched out in the open on some hillside bushes. As we watched we were treated to scope and flight views of this, the largest hummingbird, which can often be difficult to locate. Above the hill, a **Black-chested Buzzard-**

Eagle appeared and flew across the valley while a **Stout-billed Cinclodes** perched on a fence post by the road and a **Black-tailed Trainbearer** flew in, its long tail feathers blowing in the breeze. Above the ridge two **Carunculated Caracaras** soared with another **Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle**, a **Black Flowerpiercer** worked the low brush along the fence and then suddenly two **Andean Condors** appeared just above the ridge.

As we watched them soar, one disappeared behind the hillside but the other gave a good show flying in front of the ridge where we could see all of its features. A **Cinereous Harrier** then flew behind them not nearly so grand but good views nonetheless. We continued on in the bus noting several flocks of **Black-winged Ground-Doves** flying in the open fields. Steve then spotted a **Variable Hawk** which flew in and landed on the ground so we stopped to scope it and were soon watching a pair on the ground of a nearby hillside. **Plumbeous Sierra-Finches** could also be seen in the grasses but the prize was a **Streak-backed Canastero** that sang from



the top of a bush giving us all reasonable views. Back on the bus, we spotted an **Aplomado Falcon** which gave excellent close flight views. Our next stop produced several **Stout-billed** and **Bar-winged Cinclodes** and more **Sierra-Finches**. Our first **Ecuadorian Hillstar** buzzed by and flew

back toward a lone building in the vast open fields. We scoped the building and some of us walked up to it to find an active nest of this lovely endemic. Steve and Juan further explored the building and found a roosting **Barn Owl** which then tucked itself further into the rafters and out of view for the rest of the group, so not getting onto our checklist. Nearby a couple of **Paramo Ground Tyrants** worked the open ground and an **Ash-throated Sierra-Finch** was spotted.

Continuing on to an open area we made a stop where several **Andean Gulls** were feeding along with numerous adult and immature **Carunculated Caracaras**. A little further on we stopped at a hacienda that allowed us superb close looks at **Ecuadorian Hillstars** near some feeders - one male showing particularly well roosting on the building above the feeders. Here we saw our first **Brazilian Rabbit** and a small pond nearby held a pair of **Andean Teal**. Driving to another spot we found a very close **Aplomado Falcon** on the ground once again a smart subject for the photographers in the group. As **Brown-bellied Swallows** and another **Andean Condor** flew over the hillside we enjoyed spectacular views of this unique landscape over a picnic lunch.

We continued on surveying some pools which held **Yellow-billed Pintails**, while nearby several **Paramo Pipits** worked the dry areas and up to ten **Andean Lapwings** as well as a flock of thirty



Baird's Sandpipers were spotted. Stopping beside a mountain lake we found a **Greater Yellowlegs** alongside several **Andean Coot** and just offshore some very attractive **Silvery Grebes**. Heading back we made a stop near some arable land where we found a **Streak-throated Bush-Tyrant**, plus **Brown-backed Chat-Tyrant**, **Sparkling Violetear** and an all too brief **Shining Sunbeam**. On a nearby hill, a **White-tailed Deer** was spotted and as we watched it move along the hillside, it flushed a **Curve-billed Tinamou** which allowed

us great flight views. Our last stop of the day was at a small lake where a group of 14 **Andean Ducks** were seen along with several **Yellow-billed Pintails** and two **Spotted Sandpipers**. Pleased with our first day, we headed back into Quito and our lodge.

Day 3 Tuesday 20th November

After an early breakfast, we set off for Yanacocha Reserve. As we approached the reserve a juvenile **Variable Hawk** was spotted in a tree halfway up a hill, the rufous breast illustrating the variability in colour tones and hence where this bird gets its name. On reaching the entrance to Yanacocha we were soon on the trail where it wasn't long before we picked up **Black-chested Mountain-Tanager** in some trees on the hillside and several **Rufous-naped Brush-Finches** working the scrub below. **Tyrian Metaltails** buzzed around and Juan noticed the high pitched call of a **Barred Fruiteater** so we searched the hillside for it. A medium sized green bird crossed the path in front of us and Steve spotted a gorgeous male perched under some large leaves. The female was also spotted a bit higher. Further on, a **Blackish Tapaculo** was heard calling but never showed itself. We scoped a **Scarlet-bellied Mountain-Tanager** and got good looks at **Glossy Flowerpiercers** down the hill. The feeders along the way were very quiet but we spotted some hummingbirds working the flowers on the hillside including **Buff-winged Starfrontlet** and **Sapphire-vented Puffleg**. **Spectacled Whitestarts** worked the treetops and Juan put us on a **Streaked Tuftedcheek**. We had a quick look at a **Superciliaried Hemispingus** and then across the trail, a **Rufous Wren** showed well

working some low vegetation along with some **Rufous-naped Brush-Finches**. A **White-browed Spinetail** worked the trunk of mossy tree while a **Crowned Chat-Tyrant** worked the low brush right along the trail. A mixed flock moved in including **Masked** and **Glossy Flowerpiercers**, **Blue-backed Conebills**, and a nice **Superciliaried Hemispingus** which showed very well. **White-Banded Tyrannulets** also made an appearance as did another **Scarlet-breasted Mountain-Tanager**, **Black-crested Warbler**, **Hooded Mountain-Tanager**, and a stunning **Grass-green Tanager**. Another **White-browed Spinetail** was spotted giving everyone very good views. While everyone was enjoying the spinetail, a **Golden-breasted Puffleg** came in and perched on a branch. At the feeders at the end of the trail were several stunning hummingbirds including **Great Sapphirewing**, **Shining Sunbeam**, **Buff-winged Starfrontlet**, and **Sapphire-vented Puffleg**. The photographers had a field day with these sparkling subjects while the rest of us marvelled at their



antics at the feeders. At one point, Gina exclaimed “**Sword-bill** here!” and we turned to see a female **Sword-billed Hummingbird** on a branch under some thick canopy near one of the feeders. The bird didn’t stay long but we all got fairly good looks at its ridiculous bill. After enjoying the show at the upper feeders, we moved down to the lower feeders which held several male and female **Buff-winged Starfrontlets** and **Tyrian Metaltails**. On the walk back out to the parking area, another nice male **Sword-billed Hummingbird** showed well for us. Other than that the trail was very quiet and a thick mist was rolling in. We took lunch at the entrance to Yanacocha our sparkling views from this morning now replaced by low clouds.

We left Yanacocha and drove down a shortcut to Nono-Mindo Road. Very soon a brief panic ensued when Juan spotted a **Curve-billed Tinamou** in a

ditch on the side of the road.

We piled out of the bus and chased the bird across a field to try and get better looks as the bird disappeared quickly in the fog. We continued down the road until Edgar spotted a **Masked Trogon** on a Cecropia tree near the road. We all got out and scoped the male and soon found the female in the branches above. In the same spot a **Slaty-backed Chat-Tyrant** was calling and we scanned the hill and spotted it perched in a bush.

The next stop was beside another large Cecropia Tree which held a young **Sickle-winged Guan**.

Further down the road, a panic erupted from the back of the bus as John spotted an **Andean Cock-of-the-rock** in a Cecropia. Edgar backed up the bus but the bird dropped out of sight. We got out to see it fly just below eye level down the valley. We walked down the road and heard “screaming pig” sounds from across the valley from what apparently was a **Cock-of-the-Rock** lek. We watched the hill across the valley for several minutes while at least ten of these brilliant birds showed sometimes several at a time in the trees. Despite the light rain, we were able to get good scope views of these brilliant birds. Further down the road, Juan spotted some more **Sickle-winged Guans** in a tall tree and a **Golden-headed Quetzal**. The rain got heavier as we turned on the road up to Bellavista Lodge. The windows of the



van were fogging up but Lionel spotted the **Broad-winged Hawk** close to the road that we were all able to get good looks at.

We arrived at Bellavista and immediately went to the feeders where we enjoyed multiple views of hummingbirds that included **Buff-tailed Coronets**, **Collard Inca**, **Speckled Hummingbird**, **Green** and **Sparkling Violetear**, **Fawn-breasted Brilliant**, **Purple-throated Woodstar**, and the tiny but charismatic **Booted Rackettail**. We were also treated to the unexpected appearance of a **Chestnut-crowned Antpitta** walking along the main path.

We checked into our rooms and met before dinner to review our list of birds for the day. After a lovely dinner, we went out to see amazingly close views of a **Common Potoo** perched on a stick along the main path.



Day 4 Wednesday 21st November

A morning check of our moth light set up yielded an amazing variety of creatures of all shapes, colours, and sizes. We inspected our catch as **Turquoise Jays** appeared in the trees above. Two **Russet-crowned Warblers** worked the lower vegetation around the lodge entrance and a **Chestnut-capped Brush-Finch** showed extremely well near the hummingbird feeders. While looking at the Brush-Finch, we heard and then saw an **Azara's Spinetail** in the shrub below. In the canopy we spotted a **Golden-crowned Flycatcher** and a **Yellow-bellied Chat-Tyrant** against the grey sky and a **Rufous-collared Sparrow** worked the ground on the edge of the car park. We walked the trail toward the composting area stopping to see a small flock of **Blue-winged Mountain-Tanagers** in a Cecropia. As we reached the compost area, we had more good looks at a **Chestnut-capped Brush-Finch**. We continued on a little further until we heard the call of an **Ocellated Tapaculo** behind us so we turned around and walked back toward the lodge.

We listened for several minutes and Juan was able to put a few people on it but most of us had to wait for another opportunity. Our reward for patience was a **Giant Antpitta** spotted not far off the trail and we all got good looks at it. Back by the lodge, we found two **Giant Antpittas** in the forest and enjoyed reasonable views difficult birds. We got distracted by the moths as we passed the moth light and spent a few moments photographing them before moving down toward the feeders where we spotted "Lionel" the **Chestnut-crowned Antpitta** running across the trail. A **Tricoloured Brush-Finch** showed well on a branch near the feeders while a **Gray-breasted Wood-Wren** called from the forest. A second **Chestnut-crowned Antpitta** was spotted in the area and promptly named "Darron". The hummingbird feeders were being put out for the day and birds quickly arrived. Ken enjoyed an encounter with a **Fawn-breasted Brilliant** so close that he dared not move.

The feeders were buzzing with **Purple-throated Woodstars**, **Booted Rackettails**, and **Buff-tailed Coronets**. Susie spotted a nice **Montane Woodcreeper** moving up a trunk just behind the feeders. In the canopy behind was a **White-winged Brush-Finch** and our first **Golden Tanager**, and a **Black-capped Tanager**. Two **Toucan Barbets** showed well in the trees behind the feeders and remained around for viewing and photos until we went into breakfast. The trees above held several **Southern Yellow Grosbeaks**, **Brown-capped Vireo**, **Golden-rumped Euphonia**, a **Blackburnian Warbler**, and a **White-tailed Tyrannulet**. A female **Capped Conebill** sat preening in a tree and a **Red-tailed Squirrel** crossed the main path via the trees. A few **Blue-and-White Swallows** flew over and down the valley. As we headed for breakfast, two **White-winged Brush-Finches** were spotted near the trail and served as targets for a few of the photographers in the group. A **Sierran Elaenia** caught our attention as we tried to get into the dining room.

After a great breakfast, we headed up to the trails above the lodge. A good look at a **Black-crested Warbler** proved quite elusive as it circled around where we were standing on the path never stopping for a second. But our consolation was a lovely **Gorgeted Sunangel** which flew in and perched on an open stick just above eye level. We continued along the trail as **Spillman's Tapaculo** called from deep in the forest. Way up on the hillside in the treetops, a **Plate-billed Mountain-Toucan** was spotted but the distance and the mist made it very difficult to see. Our scan for the **Mountain-Toucan** yielded scope views of a **Streaked Tuftedcheek**. A **Yellow-bellied Chat-Tyrant** worked some branches while a **Speckled Hummingbird** hawked insects just below the treetops. Further on, we heard the **Oscellated Tapaculo** calling down a hillside so we took a side trail to try and see it. There were at least two or three calling and though they did not seem to be far away, they did not come into view. After several minutes, we moved back up to the main trail and continued on to find an **Andean Pygmy Owl** perched in a tree near the trail. We got good scope views of this bird and even some photos and were thrilled to encounter this rare species. **Grey-breasted Wood-Wrens** were mobbing it so we caught some good views of these as well.

We headed back down the trail and a few of us saw a **Flavescent Flycatcher**. As the rest of us tried to get on it, a **Glossy-black Thrush** appeared. A **Barred Hawk** called in the distance and then flew over. The forest was very quiet as we walked back but an encounter with two close **Plate-billed Mountain-Toucans** got our adrenaline going. A **Crimson-mantled Woodpecker** flew across the trail and several **Dusky Bush-Tanagers** worked some low shrubs along the trail. Juan spotted a **Plushcap** moving under the canopy and as we were getting on that a **Grass-green Tanager** appeared. Further down on the corner of the trail there was an explosion of excitement as a mixed flock moved through. Birds were being called in every direction including **White-sided Flowerpiercer**, **Blue-and-Black Tanager**, **Black-and-White Becard**, **White-tailed Tyrannulet**, and **Striped Treehunter**. On the other side of the trail, another **Gorgeted Sunangel** was found perched on a horizontal branch. As we watched, it flew up above us, hawked some insects and flew off. Back on the bus, we moved further along the road. The bus stopped suddenly for a pair of **Strong-billed Woodcreeper** which were seen silhouetted against the forest in the thick mist which was quickly turning into steady rain. A **Streak-necked Flycatcher** also appeared but was difficult to see in the poor light. The rain was getting heavier but more birds were coming in including a couple of **Red-crested Cotingas**, **Blue-winged Mountain-Tanager**, and **White-tailed Tyrannulet**. Once the flock activity subsided, we began to head back to the lodge. On the way, Susie spotted a **Masked Trogon** in a tree along side the road. After lunch, we went to a private house with a lovely garden and several hummingbird feeders. We were in awe as several new species of sparkling gems buzzed around including **Purple-bibbed Whitetip**, **Andean Emerald**, **Rufous-tailed Hummingbird**, **Purple-throated Woodstar**, **Western Emerald**, **Brown Inca**, **Violet-tailed Sylph**, and **Empress Brilliant**. A **White-sided Flowerpiercer** was in attendance while a female then a male **Little Woodstar** fed on some orange flowers moving around like bumblebees. A **Crimson-rumped Toucanet** flew fast across the sky but disappeared before we could get on it. We moved up to the veranda where tea and coffee were being served and noted just as much hummingbird activity on the other side of the garden. This was truly a birder's heaven and we were most appreciative of our host's hospitality. After a lovely afternoon, we moved down into the valley at dusk to look for nightjars. A **Rufous-bellied Nighthawk** flying down the valley and a



little later two more birds flew up the road over our heads. Some bats were confusing things as darkness fell but we did manage to get views of a **Lyre-tailed Nightjar** flying along the hillside. We headed back up to our lodge for another wonderful dinner and night at Bellavista.

Day 5 Thursday 22nd November

After some horrible morning coffee we went out for a pre-breakfast walk. A **Glossy Black Thrush** showed well as we were leaving the dining room and the compost heap held a **White-tipped Dove** for us this morning. Several birds were glimpsed further up the trail including **Cinnamon Flycatcher**, **Pearl Treerunner** and **Slaty-backed Nightingale-Thrush** but all disappeared frustratingly quickly. After breakfast, we went back up to the trails above the lodge. Our first sighting was a **Green-and-Black Fruiteater** followed by a **Striped Treehunter**. Four **Band-tailed Pigeons** flew over and we found a **Tawny-bellied Hermit** on the corner of the trail in some low shrubs. We heard a **Rufous-headed Pygmy-Tyrant** which did not show but we did get views of **Speckled Hummingbird**, **Collared Inca**, **Rufous Spinetail**, and **Russet-crowned Warbler**. We heard a **Spillman's Tapaculo** close by so we searched the edge of the trail and got quick glimpses as the bird moved in the shadows like a small black mouse.



John spotted the first of many **White-collared Swifts** flying overhead before we stopped to check the activity of some large moss covered trees ahead of us where **Flavescent Flycatcher**, **Beryl-spangled Tanager**, **Blackburnian Warbler**, **Sierran Elaenia**, **Toucan Barbets**, **Cinnamon Flycatcher**, and **Red-eyed Vireo** were all spotted. **Dusky Bush-Tanagers** noisily worked the lower foliage and our attention was turned back up to the tree tops for a flurry of activity which yielded a female **Capped Conebill**, lovely **Blue-capped Tanagers**, and the now common **Slate-throated Whitestart**. We walked down a steep trail back to the lodge enjoying a pair of **Green-and-Black Fruiteaters** along the way. A **Chestnut-capped Brush-Finch** was spotted on the compost pile and once again we were distracted by the fascinating moths that had come to our light overnight. After lunch, we packed up and had one last visit at the feeders before we headed toward Mindo. On the way down the hill, we noted several **Tropical Kingbirds** on the power lines. From the back seat of the bus, Darron spotted a raptor on a post which turned out to be a **Broad-winged Hawk**. This stop also produced a **Golden-crowned Flycatcher**. Darron's next sighting was a cracking **Great Thrush** on a tree in a cow field



We made several roadside stops which yielded a number of species including **Western Hemispingus**, **Orange-bellied Euphonia**, **Russet-crowned Warbler**, and **Montane Woodcreeper**. Another stop on a hillside allowed great looks at **Blue-winged Mountain-Tanager** and two **Beryl-spangled Tanagers** making a nest high on a mossy branch. Our first **Golden Tanagers** were spotted here as some **Red-billed Parrots** noisily flew off. A **Smoke-coloured Pewee** required us to strain our necks but **Toucan Barbet**, **Mountain Wren**, and **Violet-tailed Sylph** were lower in the trees allowing some relief. Further down the road, we found our first **Violet-purple Coronet**. Gina spotted two **Black-chinned Mountain-Tanagers** in the tree tops while a **Brown-capped Vireo** gave close looks. Continuing on we had our first stunning **Blue-**

necked Tanagers. We stopped at one of the Jocotoco Foundation reserves where the feeders held **Green-crowned Woodnymphs** and **Banaquits** and our first **Green Thorntails** on the flowers. **White-whiskered Hermit** and **Green-crowned Brilliant** also showed here and we were able to get better looks at a dazzling **Blue-necked Tanager.** **Golden Tanagers** visited the fruit feeders and two **Yellow-collared Chlorophonias** worked the trees above. Further away on top of a tree was a female **Purple Honeycreeper** which looked good through the scope. A **Squirrel Cuckoo** flew over the building drawing our attention back to the feeders which hosted **Lemon-rumped Tanagers,** **Andean Emerald,** and **Rufous-tailed Hummingbirds.**

After lunch, **Rufous-throated Tanager** was spotted on the feeding table. We tore ourselves away to walk the trails through a gorgeous rainforest which was incredibly quiet. The only noise was from three **Bronze-winged Parrots** that flew over so we headed back up to the main building



where we added **Buff-fronted Foliage-Gleaner,** **Tropical Parula,** **Thick-billed** and **Orange-bellied Euphonia,** and **Red-eyed Vireo** to our day list.

We moved on from this spot searching the trees for more colourful birds. A **Summer Tanager** shimmered red in a large tree where a **Black-winged Saltator.** More **Bronze-winged Parrots** noisily passed. Further on, **Variable** and **Yellow-bellied Seedeaters** were seen along the road. **Western Wood-Pewee** kept us guessing for a few minutes. One stop produced a nice **Bay-headed Tanager** feeding on some fruits, **Dusky-capped Flycatcher,** and **Rufous-throated Tanager.** A **Swainson's Thrush** was spotted in some low brush. Nearby was a lovely **Ornate Flycatcher** and in the

thick vegetation we were able to spot a **Red-faced Spinetail.** As we walked the road, we found **Smoky-brown Woodpecker,** **One-coloured Becard,** **Spotted Woodcreeper** and **Streaked Flycatcher.** An elegant **Swallow-tailed Kite** soared slowly by allowing good views.

The highlight of the afternoon for Juan was surely the **Moss-backed Tanager** showed on top of a moss covered tree. As we waited for satisfying views of the bird, a **Golden-faced Tyrannulet** flew back and forth across the road and a **Southern House Wren** commanded our attention. The area was quite active with species including **Marble-faced Bristle-Tyrant,** **Palm Tanager,** and **Buff-fronted Foliage-Gleaner.** A **Bay Wren** was heard but not seen but we were rewarded by views of a nice male **Purple Honeycreeper** on some treetops. A **Choco Warbler** shot through just under the canopy and our first **Gray-and-gold Tanager** showed quickly as well. We made our way to an open area where we could see down a hill where a **Bran-coloured Flycatcher** worked around a large fallen tree. Some lovely **Fawn-breasted Tanagers** were seen here as well as a few **Social Flycatchers** but the show stopper was a family of **Swallow-Tanagers** feeding young on top of some trees.

On the way back to the bus, a few people caught a glimpse of a **Pale-mandibled Aracari.** We boarded the bus and headed to our lodge finishing the day with 107 species.

Day 6 Friday 23rd November

After an early breakfast we set off for Pedro Vicente Maldonado (PVM) Road for today's birding bonanza. A "soft" rain was falling at our first roadside stop for a **Yellow-bellied Siskin** at the top of a palm. Small flocks of **Cattle Egrets** flew from their overnight roosts. We had distant views of a **Golden-hooded Tanager** on top of a palm while a nice **Golden-olive Woodpecker** showed in the open. Walking down the red road, we saw a **Buff-throated Saltator** in a thin tree with some **Palm Tanagers.** A **White-bearded Manakin** (female) was moving in some trees by the road which also held **Green Honeycreeper,** **Yellow-tufted Dacnis,** and **Silver-throated Tanager.** An

Orange-billed Sparrow was also spotted briefly. We enjoyed another look at **Blue-necked Tanager** as a **Little Cuckoo** flew across the road. A **Common Tody-Flycatcher** proved elusive for many of us but we made up for it with good looks at **Acadian Flycatcher**, **Pacific Antwren**, and **Olive-crowned Yellowthroat**. As we looked skyward, we could see hundreds of **White-collared Swifts** going over with a few **Grey-rumped Swifts** mixed in. We came to an open area where three fantastic **Guayaquil Woodpeckers** were working on a dead palm trunk. The **Smooth-billed Anis** nearby paled by comparison but were duly noted for our list. Steve pointed out some **Chestnut-collared Swifts** in the sky and some of us honed our id skills. We moved to another open area that allowed us good looks at **Bay-headed** and **Grey-and-Gold Tanagers** in some nearby trees. Two **Ruddy Pigeons** sat on top of a palm frond as a **Red-headed Barbet** played hard to see in the trees right above us. Some **White-thighed Swallows** were noted on a power line as some flew around **Southern Rough-winged Swallows** showing their pale rump. A cracking **Variable Seedeater** was spotted by Ken as a **Yellow Tyrannulet** was seen in a bamboo stalk. We got back in the bus and moved along until Steve spotted an interesting raptor perched in a tree. At first it gave the impression of a **Laughing Falcon** but after careful observation and some discussion it was identified as a juvenile **Grey Hawk**. Another roadside stop near a farm growing palm trees provided us with a number of species including **Barn Swallow**, **Masked Water Tyrant**, **Giant Cowbird**, and **Shiny Cowbird**. A **Pacific Hornero** walked the grounds around the farm house and a **Pacific Parrotlet** was perched in the garden.

We moved on stopping near a stream that was flowing over the road. The trees along the stream held **Western Woodhunter**, **Red-eyed Vireo**, **Tropical Gnatcatcher**, two **Olivaceous Piculets**, and a **Black-cheeked Woodpecker**. Further on, we stopped to view an adult **Laughing Falcon** perched on a tree. Digiscoping was soon interrupted by a **Choco Toucan** on top of a distant palm. The open skies allowed views of **Maroon-tailed Parakeets**, **Bronze-winged Parrots**, and a **Blue-crowned Pigeon** perched against the horizon. Along the road, Juan pointed out **Snowy-throated Flycatcher** – our first and only for the trip. Our next roadside stop was for a group of **Pale-mandibled Aracaris** perched on trees up a steep hill. We reached Silanche Reserve and climbed up the observation tower giving us looks at the canopy. Three **Pale-mandibled Aracaris** were perched in a nearby Cecropia while two **Plumbeous Kites** were spotted a bit further away. As we scanned the treetops we found a gorgeous **Rose-faced Parrot** perched right on top of some trees and we all enjoyed prolonged views of this rarity.

A **Masked Tityra** landed in a tree right next to the tower as three **Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift** flew over head. A **Boat-billed Flycatcher** called from a distant tree as **Grey-rumped Swifts** were also noted overhead. We watched some activity in a fruiting tree which started with some **Blue-necked Tanagers** joined by some **Emerald Tanagers**. Suddenly two stunning **Blue-whiskered Tanagers** appeared greatly exciting our leaders as Steve entertained us with his “lifer” dance! It was fantastic seeing these birds at their level! The fruits of this tree must have been quite desirable as more birds joined the fray including **Golden-faced Tyrannulet**, **Thick-billed** and **Orange-billed Euphonia** but it was the tanagers that wowed us here. On the closer treetops some **Rusty-margined Flycatchers** showed very well and a **Smoke-coloured Pewee** was noted. Below us in the under story we spotted a male and female **Tawny-crested Tanager** and from the other side of the tower a female **White-bearded Manakin** was seen. We had brief looks at a female **Western Slaty-Antshrike** while a pair of **White-ringed Flycatchers** showed well. On top of a Cecropia, a pair of **Scarlet-browed Tanagers** fed along side a **Yellow-tufted Dacnis**. Closer two noisy **Bright-rumped Atilas** were spotted as well as **Cinnamon** and **One-coloured Becards**.



We tore ourselves away from the canopy show and took a walk into the forest. A **Broad-billed Motmot** was spotted under the canopy while further down near some heliconias, a **Band-tailed Barbthroat** was found feeding. High in the trees above, a male **Collared Trogon** was seen while we searched for a **White-tailed Trogon** that was calling. A **Black-striped Woodcreeper** showed well as did some **Band-backed Wrens** on a dead snag. A low flying **Swallow-tailed Kite** graced us with its presence while a pair of **Plain Xenops** were much more elusive. We chased a **Brown-capped Tyrannulet** to an open area where a quick moving flock made our heads spin. Here we saw **Red-rumped Woodpecker**, **Red-eyed Vireos**, **Guira Tanager**, **Cinnamon Becard**, **Olivaceous Piculet**, **Squirrel Cuckoo**, **Lesser Greenlet**, **Black-and-white Becard**, **Scale-crested Pygmy-Tyrant** and **One-coloured Becard**. Our last birds of the morning were **White-bearded Manakins** on a lek. While hunger pangs beckoned some of us back to the bus, others stayed behind to enjoy watching the males perform their dancing rituals. We enjoyed a picnic lunch by the bus noting a nice **Pallid Dove** on a trail. After lunch, we walked up the road where there was quite a bit of activity. The **Guira Tanager** was difficult but we finally got good views. **Slaty Antwren** also showed as did **Black-and-White Becard**, two **Stripe-headed Woodcreepers**, and a **Red-rumped Woodpecker**. A **Black Hawk-Eagle** was spotted circling around with a couple of **Black Vultures** and another **Swallow-tailed Kite** flew over. Juan heard the call of a **Rufous-tailed Jacamar** and put us all on this little gem. Further on, a **Golden-olive Woodpecker** was seen working an opening in the under story. This same area produced **Dot-winged Antwren**, **Little Cuckoo**, and a female **White-shouldered Tanager**. Steve found a curious **Wedge-billed Woodcreeper** that followed his light up a trunk. We finally nailed the elusive **Lesser Greenlet** but the highlight of this excursion was a **Common Potoo** sitting on a dead stump right near the road. The bird sat motionless while we enjoyed good views and took photographs.

Back to the bus, we continued on making a short stop on the Silanche River Bridge for two **Black Phoebes** and two **Green Kingfishers** at the base of a fallen log. Our next roadside stop yielded a large group of **Bronze-winged Parrots** in a tree. They noisily took off which flushed a **Zone-tailed Hawk** that had been perched nearby. Here some of us caught up with **Common Tody-Flycatcher** which had been eluding us up to know.

We headed back to our lovely lodge to spend some time at the hummingbird feeders which held **Rufous-tailed Hummingbird**, **Brown Inca**, **White-necked Jacobin**, **Andean Emerald**, **Booted Rackettail**, **Purple-throated Woodstar**, and **Purple-bibbed Whitetip**. We all met up again for a delicious dinner and review of another fantastic day of birding.

Day 7 Saturday 24th November

This morning we arose very early for some birding at dawn. We boarded the bus and headed up toward the main road. Just before the turn onto the road, Edgar spotted a **Black-and-white Owl** on a power line allowing great views. We arrived at our destination and made our way into the forest as daylight fell. As we descended the hillside trail we could hear the squealing pig sounds of **Andean Cock-of-the-Rocks**. We entered a forest hide where we could see at least four **Cock-of-the-Rocks** displaying on a lek. We watched the show for several minutes as the brilliant red birds clicked, jumped and squealed. When the activity waned, we walked the trails with Angel Paz, now famous for his work with **Antpittas** in this area of Ecuador. We entered an open area where there was a **Crimson-rumped Toucanet** sat out on a branch. A **Barred Becard** made an appearance as did a **Golden-crowned Flycatcher** which flew into a nearby



Cecropia. We got our first look at a female **Violet-tailed Sylph** which was flushed off by a pair of **Black-capped Tanagers**. A **Toucan Barbet** landed on a moss covered branch and we continued into the forest. There the treetops were alive with the sounds of **Tricoloured Brush-Finches**. A **Red-faced Spinetail** was spotted as were **Flame-faced, Beryl-spangled, and Golden Tanagers**. We came to a trail junction where we had fantastic views of the now famous **Giant Antpitta** named Maria and a group of five **Dark-backed Wood-Quail**. With patience, we were able to get good looks at a very shy **Moustached Antpitta**. Down by the stream at the bottom of the hill and with more patience we got views of Willy the **Yellow-bellied Antpitta**. On our walk back up the

trail we found several **Puma** tracks fresh from the night before. Some of us were lucky enough to get views of an **Ochre-breasted Antpitta** below the trail as well. We enjoyed a home cooked breakfast by Angel's family and went back out to the open trails where a tree full of tanagers held **Metallic-green, Blue-winged Mountain, and Golden-naped Tanagers**.

A **Wedge-billed Hummingbird** sat out in the open behind the hummingbird feeders giving us good views of this hard to see species. We boarded the bus and waved goodbye to Angel and headed out of this wonderful reserve. Not far down the road, we passed by a **Black-and-Chestnut Eagle** that had just killed a chicken and was sat on top of it right next to the road. From the bus, we had amazingly close views of this magnificent bird complete with a field mouse that was walking by the eagle as it sat on its prey. This was by far the best look that any of us will ever have of this majestic bird!

We continued on to a café with more hummingbird feeders. Here we got up close and personal with **Velvet-purple Coronet, Violet-tailed Sylph, Fawn-breasted Brilliant, Empress Brilliant, Brown Inca, and Buff-tailed Coronet**. From a raised veranda, we could see several species from above and marvelled at their incredible iridescent colours. In the trees above the feeders we spotted **Barred Becard, Black-chinned Mountain-Tanager, Golden-naped Tanager, Blackburnian Warbler, and Wedge-billed Woodcreeper**. Having heard the song on a daily basis, it was nice to



finally get good looks at a **Grey-breasted Wood-Wren** below the feeders. We drove back at our lovely lodge for lunch and then headed back out for the afternoon. From the bus, Edgar spotted a **Golden-headed Quetzal** which we scoped but couldn't get much detail as it was silhouetted against the sky. We relaxed at another hummingbird café which held **Rufous-tailed Hummingbird, Green Thorntails, and White-whiskered Hermit**. tanagers included **White-lined, Silver-throated, Blue-grey, Golden, Rufous-throated, Palm, Blue-necked Tanagers and Green Honeycreeper**. An **Ecuadorian Thrush** also visited the feeders as did male and female **Thick-billed Euphonies**. An **Orange-billed Sparrow** showed well under one of the feeders and a **Rufous Spinetail**

was spotted in the trees near the feeders. Outside, the mist lifted just long enough to see the river below and 100 or so **Cattle Egrets** and several **White-collared Swifts**. We enjoyed coffee, tea,

and beers while watching the feeder show. Later on, we headed back to our “7th Heaven” lodge for a lovely dinner.

Day 8 Sunday 25th November

After breakfast we loaded the bus and walked out the track to the main road in a soft rain. Large



flocks of **Cattle Egrets** moved from their overnight roosts as we walked up the track. In the forest along the edge, Juan heard and then showed us **Spotted Woodcreeper**, **Three-striped Warbler**, and **Lineated Foliage Gleaner**. As we rounded the corner, three **Pale-mandibled Aracaris** were feeding on some fruits in the low branches of a tree. A **Streak capped Treehunter** was spotted working the mossy trunk of a tree and a female **Golden-headed Quetzal** showed as well as could be expected on an open branch. A **Scaly-throated Foliage-Gleaner** was also seen and we chased a **Crimson-rumped Toucanet** until it was visible in an open branch under the canopy. A **Rufous Motmot** called and we did our best to locate it but it did not show. At the end of the track, Edgar picked us up with the bus and we drove up to the junction of the main road. Several birds were here feeding on moths that had collected under a street light. These included **Golden-crowned Flycatcher**, **Dusky-bush Tanager**,

Summer Tanager, **Golden-olive Woodpecker**, a very confiding Streak-capped Treehunter, and a nice Chestnut-capped Brush-Finch. A Marino Tapaculo called from the hillside below but remained elusive.

We travelled for an hour or so for an unscheduled, but very special excursion. As we drove, a **Lineated Woodpecker** flew across and landed on an open tree offering good views from the bus. We arrived at a farm and checked the gardens around the farm house where **Lemon-rumped** and **White-shouldered Tanagers** were seen as well as **Pacific Hornero**, **Yellow-bellied Elaenia**, **Black-Striped Sparrow**, and **Sooty-headed Tyrannulet**. Some of the farm hands joined us on the bus as we drove along one of the farm roads noting **Yellow-faced Grassquit** and an **American Kestrel**. We were led down a trail and got excellent views of a **Cinnamon Woodpecker** on a dead tree. **Bronze-winged Parrots** were seen and we sorted a **Dot-winged Antwren** on some bamboo and a **Scale-crested Pygmy-Tyrant** nearby. We got to an area where there were some ladders that led down into a cavern cut by a stream. In a few moments we were looking at a colony of **Oilbirds** fairly



well lit by the light coming through the cavern. There were 30+ **Oilbirds** in all with young and we were thrilled with our exceptional views of these rare and unusual birds. The colony had only been discovered in the past year and we were the first non-Ecuadorian group to go in and see these birds! We thanked the farmer and his family for a wonderful morning and were back on our way with many photos and fond memories.

Back on our regular schedule, we went to a hillside near Calacali where we took lunch and then looked for some specialties of the area. The area was quiet but we did manage a nice **Green-tailed Trainbearer** and a **Tufted Tit-Tyrant**. We continued on toward Papallacta noting a **Carunculated Caracara**, two **Andean Teal**, and some **Yellow-billed Pintail** along the way. We arrived at our lovely resort and enjoyed a soak in the thermal hot pools before dinner – a very happy group of birders!

Day 9 Monday 26th November

An early morning walk up the hill above our resort yielded **Pale-naped Brush-Finch**, **Buff-breasted Mountain-Tanager**, **Shining Sunbeam**, **Buff-winged Starfrontlet**, **Black-backed Bush-Tanager**, **Agile Tit-Tyrant**, and **Black-chested Mountain Tanager** – not bad before breakfast! A **Tawny Antpitta** called but did not show. As we returned for breakfast, a **Black-crested Warbler** was spotted just outside the entrance to our resort. After breakfast, we checked out and headed east toward San Isidro. Our first roadside stop was for two **Lacrimose Mountain-Tanagers** on a fruit tree in a farm field. **Cinereous Conebill** was noted as well.



We stopped at Guango Lodge where the hummingbird feeders were very active and

offered many photo opportunities. There were several **Sword-billed Hummingbirds**, **Chestnut-breasted Coronets**, **Tourmaline Sunangels**, **Mountain Velvetbreasts**, **Collared Incas**, male and female **White-bellied Woodstars**, **Long-tailed Sylphs**, **Buff-winged Starfrontlets**, a few **Glowing Pufflegs**, **Tyrian Metaltail**, and **Speckled Hummingbird** all constantly changing places at the feeders. A large number of frenetic **Masked Flowerpiercers** were also present adding a lovely bright blue to the flurry of iridescent



gems whizzing around the feeders.



Up near the car park, a tiny but stunning **Gorgeted Woodstar** showed well and we watched it for several minutes before going back down to the lodge for coffee. A walk on trails around Guango allowed us **Slaty Brush-Finch** and **Blackburnian Warbler** and a flock of six **White-crowned** or **Speckle-faced Parrots** flew over. We scoped a distant

Rufous-breasted Chat-Tyrant and a **Pearled Treerunner** but the **Turquoise Jays** were much closer and much more vocal. The most surprising sighting was a very close **Dusky Piha** not expected in this area. Some **Black-crested Warblers** worked some low brush nearby and just beyond there were at least four **Cinnamon Flycatchers** hawking insects from some small bare trees. Back on the bus, we moved further down the hill stopping for four **Mountain Caciques** in a tree by the road. Another stop along side the Papallacta River saw us a family of **Torrent Ducks** – male and female and 2 young not very distant at all. A **Spotted Sandpiper** was also noted here and John spotted a **Torrent Tyrannulet** on the opposite shore. As we scoped this little beauty, a second bird was discovered nearby. From here we went to the town of Baeza where we enjoyed a lovely trout lunch at Gina's Restaurant.



After lunch, we continued toward San Isidro but noting the rain in the vicinity of our destination, we decided to explore an area around a river. The mix of sun and clouds made for a beautiful afternoon and fabulous views of the mountains. As we drove up the track off the main road, a **Torrent Tyrannulet** was seen around

some rain puddles in the road ahead of us. **Black Phoebes** were in evidence around the river. The road was a bit primitive but Edgar skilfully navigated around several cows, over some dicey bridges, and through stream that flowed over the road. We stopped for a raptor on a dead palm stump which turned out to be a **Broad-winged Hawk**. In the same area, we found **Pale-edged Flycatcher** and another **Summer Tanager**. A stop for **Subtropical Cacique** also yielded a fairly elusive **Rufous-capped Tody-Tyrant** which most of us eventually got on. Susie spotted a **Highland Motmot** perched on a log over the river in a very nice pose allowing good views. As we walked back down the hill, an **Andean Toucanet** was spotted in some trees above the river. Some **Mountain Caciques** worked the tree tops and a **Golden-faced Tyrannulet** was seen under the **Caciques**. A **Subtropical Cacique** was also spotted on top of a large moss covered tree feeding. In the grasses below, we heard then found a **Plain-tailed Wren** and a **Long-tailed Antbird**. Across the road, we scoped at least three **Saffron-crowned Tanagers** on top of a distant tree. **Chestnut-bellied Chlorophonias** also worked the tree tops and a lovely rainbow appeared in the sky.

We continued on to San Isidro lodge arriving just after sunset. We settled into our rooms and met for a wonderful gourmet dinner. After dinner as we walked toward the cabañas we found two **San Isidro Owls** in the trees along the path. Both an adult and a juvenile showed well and we were pleased to get excellent views of this yet to be described species. We reviewed our bird list for the day and walked back to our rooms under a lovely star lit sky.



Day 10 Tuesday 27th November

This morning we had a very early start so that we could spend some time in the Sumaco area. After an hour or so, we stopped for breakfast along the road. A **Rufous-breasted Wood-Quail** was



heard as the day brightened and our first **Paradise Tanager** and a **Masked Tityra** were spotted on top of a tree. We scanned from an overlook as a **Blackish Nightjar** flew right below us and landed on a horizontal branch. It sat for several minutes allowing us excellent views and photo opportunities of this unexpected species. As we enjoyed this bird, a **Swainson's Thrush** flew in and perched above it. Our first hummingbird of the day was a **Wire-crested Thorntail** female, then a male feeding on some flowers, tanagers began to appear including a female **Scarlet Tanager**, three more dazzling **Paradise Tanagers**, and **Silver-beaked Tanager**. Juan spotted a nice **Cerulean Warbler** in the canopy and a **Lined Antshrike** worked some under story bushes. **Russet-backed Oropendolas** arrived and we got flight as well as perch looks. The sky above was literally filled with **White-collared Swifts** and a few **Grey-rumped** were noted in the mix. Other birds here included **Golden-faced Tyrannulet**, a few **Bronze-green Euphonias**, and a **Golden-eyed Flowerpiercer**.



We walked a little further along to the corner of the road which we later dubbed the "Corner of Dreams" for the number and variety of dazzling birds here. In the closest canopy at eye level as we were on a hillside, we could see great views of **Red-headed Barbet**, **Gray-and-yellow Tanager**, **Yellow-bellied Tanager**, **Yellow-throated Bush-Tanager**, and **Buff-throated Saltator** coming in to feed on some fruits. A few **Blue-and-white Swallows** perched on a cable that stretched across the valley. A **Yellow-breasted Antwren** showed well close by and back at the eye-level canopy we had

Spotted Tanager, a female **Chestnut-bellied Seedeater**, **Black-faced Dacnis**, a **Blue-naped Chlorophonia**, and a brilliant **Scarlet-breasted Fruiteater**. This was by far the best two hours of

birding we could ever hope for and as the activity waned we tore ourselves away to continue on. A quick stop a little further on yielded two **Cliff Flycatchers** which were particularly striking in flight. We passed a road cut where a **Yellow-browed Sparrow** was easily spotted and continued



on arriving at the soon to open Sumaco Lodge and reserve. Our first bird here was a **Great Potoo** perched on a dead tree not far from where we parked the bus. On the road, two **Copper-chested Jacamars** were found possibly with a nest in the vicinity. A large, very friendly butterfly befriended us and landed on several people as we walked along. In some low brush, we had fairly good views of a **Fork-tailed Woodnymph** and a **Dot-winged Antwren** showed as well. We checked the entrance to a small trail where we could hear the “chik-burr” call of a **Scarlet Tanager** in the canopy. We walked another trail where an **Olivaceous Siskin** was seen at the top of a small Cecropia and we got good views of a **Long-tailed Tyrant**. We spent some time at the hummingbird feeders adding several new species to our list

including **Golden-tailed Sapphire**, **Many-spotted Hummingbird**, **Grey-chinned Hermit**, **Napo Sabrewing**, a female orange **Booted Rackettail**, **Green Hermit**, and **Black-throated Brilliant**. We took lunch here noting many very friendly butterflies. A **Magpie Tanager** was spotted in the foliage above the feeders and a **Dusky Spinetail** showed in some thick vines around the trunk of a tree. At the feeders, an **Ecuadorian Piedtail** made a quick appearance but never showed again.

In the canopy, we got silhouetted views of **Chestnut-tipped Toucanet**. An **Olive-backed Woodcreeper** was spotted working a distant trunk and a **Yellow-tufted Woodpecker** was seen extracting nuts from their husks in the trees above. Behind the feeders a **Blackish Antbird** showed briefly as we were getting ready to make our way into the forest. Not far from the feeders, we found a very handsome **White-crowned Manakin** which posed for all of us to get great views. On the trail back to the bus, we got good close looks at a **Dusky Spinetail** now tickable for all of us. We boarded the bus and



continued up toward the new lodge which was still being built in a lovely spot overlooking a forested valley. We spent a few minutes surveying the new buildings and surrounding landscape which looks very promising as a birders accommodation. We boarded the bus again and headed back down the road stopping almost immediately for a nice **Many-banded Aracari**. A little further

on we had quick views of a **Golden-collared Toucanet** in a Cecropia and as we got off the bus we saw several others flying back toward the lodge. We followed them to an area just behind the new buildings where we saw no less than eight **Many-banded Aracaris** feeding in a fruit tree. We found **Chestnut-tipped** and **Golden-collared Toucanets** feeding here as well and got excellent views of all. Back down on the road, Juan called us for a **Rose-breasted Grosbeak** feeding in a tree. An **American Redstart** was also seen nearby.

We began our journey back to our lodge with a few more roadside stops the first of which yielded **Thrushlike Wren**, **Squirrel Cuckoo**, more **Aracaris**, and a **Masked Tityra**. We encountered three caterpillar trains travelling the road and marvelled at this very unlikely sight! Another roadside stop for **Crested Oropendolas** flying by yielded a **Violaceous Jay** in a Cecropia. A **Black-capped Donacobius** flew across in front of the bus and landed close to the road so we all had good looks



A stop for cold drinks saw a nice **White-tailed Hillstar** at a feeder and a gorgeous waterfall. We noted some interesting butterflies here as well with the numbers 98 and 89 on their underwings.

Our next stop found us a **Yellow-throated Bush-Tanager** not to be confused with the **Yellow-throated Tanagers** nearby. A few **Cliff Flycatchers** were in residence and some **Bronze-green Euphonias** worked some trees on the hillside above. Also noted here were **Silver-beaked Tanager**, **Golden-eyed Flowerpiercer**, and **Summer Tanager** but the real excitement was another **Blue-naped Chlorophonia**. We moved on a little further and found another **Highland Motmot** perched on an open branch on the side of the road. After dark, we stopped at a spot for nightjars but none showed. Now completely dark, we marvelled at the starlit sky so full of glittering stars that we could barely recognize any constellations. We continued on in the dark reflecting on our wonderful day when a nightjar flew up from the side of the road and landed on a fence post at the edge of the road. We got amazingly close views of this bird which as later identified as **Ladder-tailed Nightjar**. We arrived back at the lodge for another delicious dinner and check of our growing species list.



Day 11 Wednesday 28th November

A pre-breakfast walk around the lodge yielded **Montane Woodcreeper**, **Pale-edged Flycatchers**, **Inca Jays**, and **Russet-backed Oropendolas**. A **Black-billed Peppershrike** was seen as well as some elegant **Canada Warblers**, and a **Crimson-mantled Woodpecker**. Some

very cooperative male and female **Masked Trogons** posed for photos and we picked up **Bronzy**



Inca feeding on some flowers. **Bluish Flowerpiercers** showed as well as **Brown-capped Vireo**, a **White-crested Elaenia**, **Blackburnian Warbler**, and **Streak-necked Flycatcher**. Near the dining room we picked up a nice **Andean Solitaire** working the trees just above the roof and were pleased with the close views we had of this bird that we had been hearing so much in the forest. A **Fawn-breasted Tanager** was here as well and we enjoyed more great views of **Canada Warbler**. We walked a short distance from the dining room on a forest trail we were

treated to the spectacle of two **White-bellied Antpittas** at very close range – all this before breakfast!

After breakfast, we packed our things and left San Isidro. We stopped on the Casanga River bridge to view a **Torrent Duck** down river and a **Torrent Tyrannulet** up river. Our destination this morning was Guacamayos Ridge to check some birding areas we had passed yesterday. A **Cinnamon Flycatcher** showed well at our first stop but it was noticeably quiet as we drove slowly in search of tanager flocks. We got to one area that had a **Bronzy Inca**, **Masked Trogon**, and many **Canada Warblers**. Soon a **Saffron-crowned Tanager** was spotted along with **Blackburnian Warbler**, **Streak-necked Flycatcher**, **Tyrannine Woodcreeper**, **Rufous-breasted Flycatcher**, **Olive-backed Woodcreeper**, **Yellow-vented Woodpecker**, **Blue-grey Tanager**, **Common Bush-Tanager**, and **Montane Foliage-Gleaner**. The highlight here was a **Brown-billed Scythebill** which gave only quick glimpses but was still an excellent find for the area. We took lunch by a rickety bridge over a river where Ken spotted four more **Torrent Ducks**. It was raining again so we made our way back toward our lovely thermal pool lodge. On the main road to the lodge, a **Plain-coloured Seedeater** was noted near the farm fields.



We checked in to our rooms and decided to make another run up behind the resort to the Cayambe-Coca Reserve. As we gathered in the parking lot, some of us got good views of a **Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle**. At our first stop near a bridge over the Papallacta River the Antisana volcano was in full view against the clear blue sky. Two **Red-crested Cotingas** were spotted on the top of a tree

with Antisana in the background. Spectacular! We also had a nice close look at a **Shining Sunbeam** perched on a low tree. We continued through the entrance gate to the reserve and listened along the road until we reached an area that had a flock of tanagers highlights of which included **Black-chested Mountain-Tanager**, **Masked Mountain-Tanager**, and **Black-backed Bush-Tanager**. A **White-chinned Thistletail** flew through allowing good looks as it worked a low bush. Pleased with our finds, we headed back down to our lovely resort where some of us enjoyed a soak in the hot pools before dinner.



Day 12 Thursday 29th November

A pre-breakfast walk behind the resort got us **Sparkling Violetear**, **Black Flowerpiercer**, **Cinereous Conebill**, **Green-tailed Trainbearer**, **Tyrian Metaltail**, and **White-banded Tyrannulet**.



We were treated to awesome looks at a **Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle** flying across the valley and then back again. A **Purple-backed Thornbill** flew past but a **Superciliaried Hemispingus** was much more cooperative. Back on the grounds of the lodge, a **Sword-billed Hummingbird** was spotted feeding on a datura flower. After breakfast, we packed up and headed toward Papallacta Pass to look for a few more high elevation species. On the way up, we had a group of three **Variable Hawks** circling together over the hillside.

At the top, we hiked a trail in search of **Rufous-bellied Seedsnipe**. The clear weather allowed brilliant views of a spectacular landscape as we scanned for our target. Our search yielded **Andean Lapwing**, **Plumbeous Sierra-Finches**, and some nice **Paramo Ground-Tyrants**. Juan wandered further on the trail and soon motioned for us to join him as he had spotted a female **Rufous-bellied Seedsnipe** and four fuzzy chicks. We



reached the area and enjoyed



ed excellent views and photographs of these gorgeous birds for several minutes. From here we travelled back down the mountain road making a quick stop for **Tawny Antpitta**. We got even better views further down with one on top of a bush along side the road. The same stop produced a **Many-striped Canastero** also showing on top of a bush. Further on, we were treated to **Andean Tit-Spinetail** going back and forth to a nest. A **Grass Wren** sang and finally showed in the hole of a thick shrub. We stopped at one point where we searched a wet area for **Noble Snipe**. Our search was successful and yielded nice flight views of the bird. After lunch, we continued down toward Quito stopping in a residential area to check for more tanagers. The area held **Southern Yellow-Grosbeak**, male and female

Vermillion Flycatchers, and several **Sparkling Violetears** in a field of orange flowers. A **Black-tailed Trainbearer** was spotted here as well as a **Giant Hummingbird**. Around the corner we spotted a flock of **Band-tailed Seedeaters** and were finally able to get on some **Blue-and-Yellow Tanagers** in some trees near the road. From here we made our way back to El Jardin for our final dinner and review of our wonderful tour.

Day 13 Friday 1st December

We arose very early this morning for our flight home.

BIRDLIST FOR ECUADOR - November 2007

	SPECIES	Scientific Name
1	Curve-billed Tinamou	<i>Nothoprocta curvirostris</i>
2	Silvery Grebe	<i>Podiceps occipitalis</i>
3	Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>
4	Torrent Duck	<i>Merganetta armata</i>
5	Andean Teal	<i>Anas flavirostris andium</i>
6	Yellow-billed Pintail	<i>Anas georgica</i>
7	Andean Duck	<i>Oxyura ferruginea</i>
8	Black Vulture	<i>Coragyps atratus</i>
9	Turkey Vulture	<i>Cathartes aura</i>
10	Andean Condor	<i>Vultur gryphus</i>
11	Cinereous Harrier	<i>Circus cinereus</i>
12	Swallow-tailed Kite	<i>Elanoides forficatus</i>
13	Plumbeous Kite	<i>Ictinia plumbea</i>
14	Barred Hawk	<i>Leucopternis princeps</i>
15	Black-chested Buzzard-eagle	<i>Geranoaetus melanoleucus</i>
16	Gray Hawk	<i>Buteo nitidus</i>
17	Roadside Hawk	<i>Buteo magnirostris</i>
18	Broad-winged Hawk	<i>Buteo platypterus</i>
19	Variable Hawk	<i>Buteo poecilochrous</i>
20	Zone-tailed Hawk	<i>Buteo albonotatus</i>
21	Black Hawk-Eagle	<i>Spizaetus tyrannus</i>
22	Black-and-Chestnut Eagle	<i>Oroaetus isidori</i>
23	Carunculated Caracara	<i>Phalcoboenus m. carunculatus</i>
24	Laughing Falcon	<i>Herpetotheres cachinnans</i>
25	Barred Forest-Falcon (heard)	<i>Micrastur ruficollis</i>
26	American Kestrel	<i>Falco sparverius</i>
27	Aplomado Falcon	<i>Falco femoralis</i>
28	Speckled Chachalaca (heard)	<i>Ortalis guttata</i>
29	Sickle-winged Guan	<i>Chamaepetes goudotii</i>
30	Andean Coot	<i>Fulica ardesiaca</i>
31	Dark-backed Wood-Quail	<i>Odontophorus melanonotus</i>
32	Rufous-breasted Wood-Quail	<i>Odontophorus speciosus</i>
33	Andean Lapwing	<i>Vanellus resplendens</i>

34	Rufous-bellied Seedsnipe	<i>Attagis gayi</i>
35	Greater Yellowlegs	<i>Tringa melanoleuca</i>
36	Noble Snipe	<i>Gallinago nobilis</i>
37	Spotted Sandpiper	<i>Actitis macularia</i>
38	Andean Gull	<i>Larus serranus</i>
39	Band-tailed Pigeon	<i>Columba fasciata albilinea</i>
40	Feral Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>
41	Ruddy Pigeon	<i>Columba subvinacea</i>
42	Eared Dove	<i>Zenaida auriculata</i>
43	Black-winged Ground-Dove	<i>Metriopelia melanoptera</i>
44	White-tipped Dove	<i>Leptotila verreauxi</i>
45	Pallid Dove	<i>Leptotila pallida</i>
46	Maroon-tailed Parakeet	<i>Pyrrhura melanura</i>
47	Pacific Parrotlet	<i>Forpus coelestis</i>
48	Blue-headed Parrot	<i>Pionus menstruus</i>
49	Rose-faced Parrot	<i>Gypopsitta pulchra</i>
50	White-capped Parrot	<i>Pionus tumultuosus seniloides</i>
51	Bronze-winged Parrot	<i>Pionus chalcopterus</i>
52	Scaly-naped Parrot (heard)	<i>Amazona mercenaria</i>
53	Squirrel Cuckoo	<i>Piaya cayana</i>
54	Little Cuckoo	<i>Piaya minuta</i>
55	Smooth-billed Ani	<i>Crotophaga ani</i>
56	Mottled Owl	<i>Ciccaba virgata</i>
57	(San Isidro Owl)	<i>Ciccaba ?</i>
58	Black-and-white Owl	<i>Ciccaba huhula nigrolineata</i>
59	Andean Pygmy-Owl	<i>Glaucidium jardiini</i>
60	Oilbird	<i>Steatornis caripensis</i>
61	Common Potoo	<i>Nyctibius griseus</i>
62	Great Potoo	<i>Nyctibius grandis</i>
63	Rufous-bellied Nighthawk	<i>Lurocalis semitorquatus rufiventris</i>
64	Lyre-tailed Nightjar	<i>Uropsalis lyra</i>
65	Blackish Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus nigrescens</i>
66	Ladder-tailed Nightjar	<i>Hydropsalis climacocerca</i>
67	Chestnut-collared Swift	<i>Streptoprocne rutila</i>
68	White-collared Swift	<i>Streptoprocne zonaris</i>
69	Grey-rumped Swift	<i>Chaetura cinereiventris</i>
70	Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift	<i>Panyptila cayennensis</i>
71	Band-tailed Barbthroat	<i>Threnetes ruckeri</i>
72	White-whiskered Hermit	<i>Phaethornis yaruqui</i>
73	Green Hermit	<i>Phaethornis guy</i>
74	Tawny-bellied Hermit	<i>Phaethornis syrmatophorus</i>
75	Gray-chinned Hermit	<i>Phaethornis griseogularis</i>
76	Napo Sabrewing	<i>Campylopterus villaviscensio</i>
77	White-necked Jacobin	<i>Florisuga mellivora</i>
78	Green Violet-ear	<i>Colibri thalassinus</i>
79	Sparkling Violet-ear	<i>Colibri coruscans</i>
80	Wire-crested Thorntail	<i>Popelairia popelairii</i>
81	Green Thorntail	<i>Discosura conversii</i>
82	Western Emerald	<i>Chlorostilbon melanorhynchus</i>
83	Green-crowned Woodnymph	<i>Thalurania colombica fannyi</i>
84	Fork-tailed Woodnymph	<i>Thalurania furcata</i>

85	Golden-tailed Sapphire	<i>Chrysuronia oenone</i>
86	Many-spotted Hummingbird	<i>Taphrospilus hypostictus</i>
87	Rufous-tailed Hummingbird	<i>Amazilia tzacatl</i>
88	Andean Emerald	<i>Agyrtria francae</i>
89	Ecuadorian Piedtail	<i>Phlogophilus hemileucurus</i>
90	Speckled Hummingbird	<i>Adelomyia melanogenys</i>
91	Fawn-breasted Brilliant	<i>Heliodoxa rubinoides</i>
92	Black-throated Brilliant	<i>Heliodoxa schreibersii</i>
93	Empress Brilliant	<i>Heliodoxa imperatrix</i>
94	Green-crowned Brilliant	<i>Heliodoxa jacula</i>
95	White-tailed Hillstar	<i>Urochroa bougueri</i>
96	Chestnut-breasted Coronet	<i>Boissonneaua matthewsii</i>
97	Buff-tailed Coronet	<i>Boissonneaua flavescens</i>
98	Velvet-purple Coronet	<i>Boissonneaua jardini</i>
99	Shining Sunbeam	<i>Aglaeactis cupripennis</i>
100	Ecuadorian Hillstar E	<i>Oreotrochilus estella chimborazo</i>
101	Mountain Velvetbreast	<i>Lafresnaya lafresnayi</i>
102	Bronzy Inca	<i>Coeligena coeligena</i>
103	Brown Inca	<i>Coeligena wilsoni</i>
104	Collared Inca	<i>Coeligena torquata</i>
105	Buff-winged Starfrontlet	<i>Coeligena lutetiae</i>
106	Sword-billed Hummingbird	<i>Ensifera ensifera</i>
107	Great Sapphirewing	<i>Pterophanes cyanopterus</i>
108	Giant Hummingbird	<i>Patagona gigas</i>
109	Gorgeted Sunangel	<i>Heliangelus strophianus</i>
110	Tourmaline Sunangel	<i>Heliangelus exortis</i>
111	Glowing Puffleg	<i>Eriocnemis vestita</i>
112	Sapphire-vented Puffleg	<i>Eriocnemis luciani</i>
113	Golden-breasted Puffleg	<i>Eriocnemis mosquera</i>
114	Purple-bibbed Whitetip	<i>Urosticte benjamini</i>
115	Booted Racket-tail	<i>Ocreatus underwoodii</i>
116	Black-tailed Trainbearer	<i>Lesbia victoriae</i>
117	Green-tailed Trainbearer	<i>Lesbia nuna</i>
118	Purple-backed Thornbill	<i>Ramphomicron microrhynchum</i>
119	Tyrian Metaltail	<i>Metallura tyrianthina</i>
120	Long-tailed Sylph	<i>Agelaiocercus kingi</i>
121	Violet-tailed Sylph	<i>Agelaiocercus coelestis</i>
122	Wedge-billed Hummingbird	<i>Augastes geoffroyi</i>
123	Purple-throated Woodstar	<i>Calliphlox mitchellii</i>
124	White-bellied Woodstar	<i>Chaetocercus mulsant</i>
125	Little Woodstar	<i>Chaetocercus bombus</i>
126	Gorgeted Woodstar	<i>Chaetocercus heliodor</i>
127	White-tailed Trogon (heard)	<i>Trogon viridis</i>
128	Collared Trogon	<i>Trogon collaris</i>
129	Masked Trogon	<i>Trogon personatus</i>
130	Golden-headed Quetzal	<i>Pharomachrus pavoninus auriceps</i>
131	Green Kingfisher	<i>Chloroceryle americana</i>
132	Highland Motmot	<i>Momotus momota aequatorialis</i>
133	Rufous Motmot	<i>Baryphthengus ruficapillus martii</i>
134	Broad-billed Motmot	<i>Electron platyrhynchum</i>
135	Coppery-chested Jacamar	<i>Galbula pastazae</i>

136	Rufous-tailed Jacamar	<i>Galbula ruficauda</i>
137	Red-headed Barbet	<i>Eubucco bourcierii</i>
138	Toucan Barbet	<i>Semnornis ramphastinus</i>
139	Andean Toucanet	<i>Aulacorhynchus albivitta</i>
140	Crimson-rumped Toucanet	<i>Aulacorhynchus haematopygus</i>
141	Chestnut-tipped Toucanet	<i>Aulacorhynchus derbianus</i>
142	Pale-mandibled Aracari E	<i>Pteroglossus erythropygius</i>
143	Many-banded Aracari	<i>Pteroglossus pluricinctus</i>
144	Plate-billed Mountain-Toucan	<i>Andigena laminirostris</i>
145	Golden-collared Toucanet	<i>Selenidera reinwardtii</i>
146	Choco Toucan	<i>Ramphastos sulfuratus brevis</i>
147	Olivaceous Piculet	<i>Picumnus olivaceus</i>
148	Black-cheeked Woodpecker	<i>Melanerpes pucherani</i>
149	Yellow-tufted Woodpecker	<i>Melanerpes cruentatus</i>
150	Yellow-vented Woodpecker	<i>Veniliornis dignus</i>
151	Bar-bellied Woodpecker	<i>Veniliornis nigriceps</i>
152	Smoky-brown Woodpecker	<i>Veniliornis fumigatus</i>
153	Red-rumped Woodpecker	<i>Veniliornis kirkii</i>
154	Golden-olive Woodpecker	<i>Piculus rubiginosus</i>
155	Crimson-mantled Woodpecker	<i>Piculus rivolii</i>
156	Cinnamon Woodpecker	<i>Celeus loricatus</i>
157	Lineated Woodpecker	<i>Dryocopus lineatus</i>
158	Guayaquil Woodpecker	<i>Campephilus m.gayaquilensis</i>
159	Bar-winged Cinclodes	<i>Cinclodes fuscus</i>
160	Stout-billed Cinclodes	<i>Cinclodes excelsior</i>
161	Pacific Hornero	<i>Furnarius cinnamomeus</i>
162	Andean Tit-spinetail	<i>Leptasthenura andicola</i>
163	Rufous Spinetail	<i>Synallaxis unirufa</i>
164	Azara's Spinetail	<i>Synallaxis azarae</i>
165	Slaty Spinetail (heard)	<i>Synallaxis brachyura</i>
166	Dusky Spinetail	<i>Synallaxis moesta</i>
167	White-browed Spinetail	<i>Hellmayrea gularis</i>
168	Red-faced Spinetail	<i>Cranioleuca erythroptus</i>
169	White-chinned Thistletail	<i>Schizoeaca fuliginosa</i>
170	Many-striped Canastero	<i>Asthenes flammulata</i>
171	Streak-backed Canastero	<i>Asthenes wyatti</i>
172	Pearled Treerunner	<i>Margarornis squamiger</i>
173	Plain Xenops	<i>Xenops minutus</i>
174	Montane Foliage-gleaner	<i>Anabacerthia striaticollis</i>
175	Scaly-throated Foliage-gleaner	<i>Anabacerthia striaticollis</i>
176	Streaked Tuftedcheek	<i>Pseudocolaptes boissonneautii</i>
177	Striped Treehunter	<i>Thripadectes holostictus</i>
178	Black-billed Treehunter	<i>Thripadectes melanorhynchus</i>
179	Streak-capped Treehunter	<i>Thripadectes virgaticeps</i>
180	Western Woodhaunter	<i>Hyloctistes virgatus</i>
181	Lineated Foliage-Gleaner	<i>Syndactyla subalaris</i>
182	Tyrannine Woodcreeper	<i>Dendrocincla tyrannina</i>
183	Wedge-billed Woodcreeper	<i>Glyphorhynchus spirurus</i>
184	Strong-billed Woodcreeper	<i>Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchus</i>
185	Spotted Woodcreeper	<i>Xiphorhynchus erythropygius</i>
186	Olive-backed Woodcreeper	<i>Xiphorhynchus triangularis</i>

187	Streak-headed Woodcreeper	<i>Lepidocolaptes souleyetii</i>
188	Black-striped Woodcreeper	<i>Xiphorhynchus lachrymosus</i>
189	Montane Woodcreeper	<i>Lepidocolaptes affinis lacrymiger</i>
190	Brown-billed Scythebill	<i>Campylorhamphus pusillus</i>
191	Red-billed Scythebill	<i>Campylorhamphus trochilrostris</i>
192	Lined Antshrike	<i>Thamnophilus tenuipunctatus</i>
193	Western Slaty Antshrike	<i>Thamnophilus. atrinucha</i>
194	Great Antshrike	<i>Taraba major</i>
195	Dot-winged Antwren	<i>Microrhopias quixensis</i>
196	Yellow-breasted Antwren	<i>Herpsilochmus axillaris</i>
197	Pacific Antwren	<i>Myrmotherula s. pacifica</i>
198	Slaty Antwren	<i>Herpsilochmus axillaris</i>
199	Long-tailed Antbird	<i>Drymophila caudata</i>
200	Dusky Antbird	<i>Cercomacra tyrannina</i>
201	Blackish Antbird	<i>Cercomacra nigrescens</i>
202	Chestnut-backed Antbird (heard)	<i>Myrmeciza exsul</i>
203	Rufous-breasted Antthrush (heard)	<i>Formicarius rufipectus</i>
204	Giant Antpitta	<i>Grallaria gigantea</i>
205	Moustached Antpitta	<i>Grallaria alleni</i>
206	Chestnut-crowned Antpitta	<i>Grallaria ruficapilla</i>
207	Yellow-breasted Antpitta	<i>Grallaria flavotincta</i>
208	White-bellied Antpitta	<i>Grallaria hypoleuca</i>
209	Ochre-breasted Antpitta	<i>Grallaricula flavirostris</i>
210	Tawny Antpitta	<i>Grallaria quitensis</i>
211	Spillman's Tapaculo	<i>Scytalopus spillmani</i>
212	Blackish Tapaculo (heard)	<i>Scytalopus unicolor latrans</i>
213	Narino Tapaculo (heard)	<i>Scytalopus panamensis vicinior</i>
214	Ocellated Tapaculo	<i>Acropternis orthonyx</i>
215	Red-crested Cotinga	<i>Ampelion rubrocristata</i>
216	Green-and-black Fruiteater	<i>Pipreola riefferii</i>
217	Barred Fruiteater	<i>Pipreola arcuata</i>
218	Scarlet-breasted Fruiteater	<i>Pipreola frontalis</i>
219	Dusky Piha	<i>Lipaugus fuscocinereus</i>
220	Andean Cock-of-the-rock	<i>Rupicola peruviana</i>
221	White-bearded Manakin	<i>Manacus manacus</i>
222	White-crowned Manakin	<i>Dixiphia pipra</i>
223	Brown-capped Tyrannulet	<i>Ornithion brunneicapillum</i>
224	Southern Beardless Tyrannulet	<i>Camptostoma imberbe obsoletum</i>
225	Yellow Tyrannulet	<i>Capsiempis flaveola</i>
226	Yellow-bellied Elaenia	<i>Elaenia flavogaster</i>
227	White-crested Elaenia	<i>Elaenia albiceps</i>
228	Sierran Elaenia	<i>Elaenia pallatangae</i>
229	Torrent Tyrannulet	<i>Serpophaga cinerea</i>
230	Streak-necked Flycatcher	<i>Mionectes striaticollis</i>
231	Rufous-breasted Flycatcher	<i>Leptopogon rufipectus</i>
232	Slaty-capped Flycatcher	<i>Leptopogon superciliaris</i>
233	Rufous-headed Pygmy-Tyrant	<i>Pseudotriccus ruficeps</i>
234	Marble-faced Bristle-Tyrant	<i>Pogonotriccus ophthalmicus</i>
235	Sooty-headed Tyrannulet	<i>Phyllomyias griseiceps</i>
236	Golden-faced Tyrannulet	<i>Zimmerius viridiflavus chrysops</i>
237	White-tailed Tyrannulet	<i>Mecocerculus poecilocercus</i>

238	White-throated Tyrannulet	<i>Mecocerculus leucophrys</i>
239	White-banded Tyrannulet	<i>Mecocerculus stictopterus</i>
240	Agile Tit-Tyrant	<i>Uromyias agilis</i>
241	Tufted Tit-Tyrant	<i>Anairetes parulus</i>
242	Scale-crested Pygmy-Tyrant	<i>Lophotriccus pilearus</i>
243	Rufous-crowned Tody-Tyrant	<i>Poecilotriccus ruficeps</i>
244	Black-headed Tody-Tyrant	<i>Todirostrum nigriceps</i>
245	Common Tody-Flycatcher	<i>Todirostrum cinereum</i>
246	Ornate Flycatcher	<i>Myiotriccus ornatus</i>
247	Flavescent Flycatcher	<i>Myiophobus flavicans</i>
248	Bran-colored Flycatcher	<i>Myiophobus fasciatus</i>
249	Cinnamon Flycatcher	<i>Pyrrhomyias cinnamomea</i>
250	Cliff Flycatcher	<i>Hirundinea ferruginea</i>
251	Olive-sided Flycatcher	<i>Contopus borealis</i>
252	Smoke-coloured Pewee	<i>Contopus fumigatus</i>
253	Western Wood Pewee	<i>Contopus virens sordidulus</i>
254	Acadian Flycatcher	<i>Empidonax virescens</i>
255	Black Phoebe	<i>Sayornis nigricans</i>
256	Vermilion Flycatcher	<i>Pyrocephalus rubinus</i>
257	Yellow-bellied Chat-Tyrant	<i>Silvicultrix diadema</i>
258	Crowned Chat-Tyrant	<i>Ochthoeca frontalis</i>
259	Slaty-backed Chat-Tyrant	<i>Ochthoeca cinnamomeiventris</i>
260	Rufous-breasted Chat-Tyrant	<i>Ochthoeca rufipectoralis</i>
261	Brown-backed Chat-Tyrant	<i>Ochthoeca fumicolor</i>
262	Streak-throated Bush-Tyrant	<i>Myiotheretes striaticollis</i>
263	Paramo Ground-Tyrant	<i>Muscisaxicola alpinus</i>
264	Masked Water-Tyrant	<i>Fluvicola nengeta</i>
265	Long-tailed Tyrant	<i>Colonia colonus</i>
266	Bright-rumped Attila	<i>Attila spadiceus</i>
267	Dusky-capped Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus tuberculifer</i>
268	Pale-edged Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus cephalotes</i>
269	Boat-billed Flycatcher	<i>Megarynchus pitangua</i>
270	Rusty-margined Flycatcher	<i>Myiozetetes cayanensis</i>
271	Social Flycatcher	<i>Myiozetetes similis</i>
272	White-ringed Flycatcher	<i>Conopias albovittata</i>
273	Golden-crowned Flycatcher	<i>Myiodynastes chrysocephalus</i>
274	Streaked Flycatcher	<i>Myiodynastes maculatus</i>
275	Snowy-throated Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus niveigularis</i>
276	Tropical Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus melancholicus</i>
277	Barred Becard	<i>Pachyramphus versicolor</i>
278	Cinnamon Becard	<i>Pachyramphus castaneus</i>
279	Black-and-white Becard	<i>Pachyramphus albogriseus</i>
280	One-coloured Becard	<i>Pachyramphus homochrous</i>
281	Masked Tityra	<i>Tityra semifasciata</i>
282	Blue-and-white Swallow	<i>Pygochelidon cyanoleuca</i>
283	Brown-bellied Swallow	<i>Notiochelidon murina</i>
284	White-thighed Swallow	<i>Neochelidon tibialis</i>
285	Southern Rough-winged Swallow	<i>Stelgidopteryx ruficollis</i>
286	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
287	Paramo Pipit	<i>Anthus bogotensis</i>
288	Band-backed Wren	<i>Campylorhynchus zonatus</i>

289	Thrush-like Wren	<i>Campylorhynchus turdinus</i>
290	Rufous Wren	<i>Cinnycerthia unirufa</i>
291	Plain-tailed Wren	<i>Thryothorus euophrys</i>
292	Bay Wren (heard)	<i>Thryothorus nigricapillus</i>
293	Southern House-Wren	<i>Troglodytes aedon musculus</i>
294	Mountain Wren	<i>Troglodytes solstitialis</i>
295	Grass Wren	<i>Cistothorus platensis</i>
296	Grey-breasted Wood-Wren	<i>Henicorhina leucophrys</i>
297	Southern Nightingale-Wren (h)	<i>Microcerculus marginatus</i>
298	Black-capped Donacobius	<i>Donacobius atricapillus</i>
299	Andean Solitaire	<i>Myadestes ralloides</i>
300	Slaty-backed Nightingale-Thrush	<i>Catharus fuscater</i>
301	Swainson's Thrush	<i>Catharus ustulatus</i>
302	Great Thrush	<i>Turdus fuscater</i>
303	Glossy-black Thrush	<i>Turdus serranus</i>
304	Chestnut-bellied Thrush	<i>Turdus fulviventris</i>
305	Black-billed Thrush	<i>Turdus ignobilis</i>
306	Ecuadorian Thrush	<i>Turdus nudigenis maculirostris</i>
307	Tropical Gnatcatcher	<i>Polioptila plumbea</i>
308	Inca Jay	<i>Cyanocorax yncas</i>
309	Violaceous Jay	<i>Cyanocorax violaceus</i>
310	Turquoise Jay	<i>Cyanolyca turcosa</i>
311	Brown-capped Vireo	<i>Vireo leucophrys</i>
312	Red-eyed Vireo	<i>Vireo olivaceus</i>
313	Lesser Greenlet	<i>Hylophilus decurtatus</i>
314	Black-billed Peppershrike	<i>Cyclarhis nigrirostris</i>
315	Hooded Siskin	<i>Carduelis magellanica</i>
316	Yellow-bellied Siskin	<i>Carduelis xanthogastra</i>
317	Olivaceous Siskin	<i>Carduelis magellanica olivacea</i>
318	Tropical Parula	<i>Parula pitaiyumi</i>
319	Blackburnian Warbler	<i>Dendroica fusca</i>
320	Cerulean Warbler	<i>Dendroica cerulea</i>
321	Olive-crowned Yellowthroat	<i>Geothlypis semiflava</i>
322	Canada Warbler	<i>Wilsonia canadensis</i>
323	Slate-throated Redstart	<i>Myioborus miniatus</i>
324	Spectacled Whitestart	<i>Myioborus melanocephalus</i>
325	Choco Warbler	<i>Basileuterus chlorophrys</i>
326	Black-crested Warbler	<i>Basileuterus nigrocristatus</i>
327	Russet-crowned Warbler	<i>Basileuterus coronatus</i>
328	Three-striped Warbler	<i>Basileuterus tristriatus</i>
329	Bananaquit	<i>Coereba flaveola</i>
330	Cinereous Conebill	<i>Conirostrum cinereum</i>
331	Blue-backed Conebill	<i>Conirostrum sitticolor</i>
332	Capped Conebill	<i>Conirostrum albifrons</i>
333	Magpie Tanager	<i>Cissopis leveriana</i>
334	Grass-green Tanager	<i>Chlorornis riefferii</i>
335	Dusky Bush-Tanager	<i>Chlorospingus semifuscus</i>
336	Common Bush-Tanager	<i>Chlorospingus ophthalmicus</i>
337	Yellow-throated Bush-Tanager	<i>Chlorospingus flavigularis</i>
338	Western Hemispingus	<i>Hemispingus ochraceus</i>
339	Superciliaried Hemispingus	<i>Hemispingus superciliaris</i>

340	Black-eared Hemispingus	<i>Hemispingus melanotis</i>
341	Guira Tanager	<i>Hemithraupis guira</i>
342	Scarlet-browed Tanager	<i>Heterospingus xanthopygius</i>
343	Tawny-crested Tanager	<i>Tachyphonus delatrii</i>
344	White-shouldered Tanager	<i>Tachyphonus luctuosus</i>
345	White-lined Tanager	<i>Tachyphonus rufus</i>
346	Scarlet Tanager	<i>Piranga olivacea</i>
347	Summer Tanager	<i>Piranga rubra</i>
348	Silver-beaked Tanager	<i>Ramphocelus carbo</i>
349	Lemon-rumped Tanager	<i>Ramphocelus flammigerus</i>
350	Blue-grey Tanager (west)	<i>Thraupis episcopus quaesita</i>
	Blue-grey Tanager (east)	<i>Thraupis episcopus coelestis</i>
351	Blue-capped Tanager	<i>Thraupis cyanocephala</i>
352	Blue-and-yellow Tanager	<i>Thraupis bonariensis</i>
353	Palm Tanager	<i>Thraupis palmarum</i>
354	Moss-backed Tanager	<i>Bangsia edwardsi</i>
355	Masked Mountain-Tanager	<i>Buthraupis wetmorei</i>
356	Hooded Mountain-Tanager	<i>Buthraupis montana</i>
357	Black-chested Mountain-Tanager	<i>Buthraupis eximia</i>
358	Lacrimose Mountain-Tanager	<i>Anisognathus lacrymosus</i>
359	Scarlet-bellied Mountain-Tanager	<i>Anisognathus igniventris</i>
360	Blue-winged Mountain-Tanager	<i>Anisognathus somptuosus</i>
361	Black-chinned Mountain-Tanager	<i>Anisognathus notabilis</i>
362	Golden-crowned Tanager	<i>Iridosornis rufivertex</i>
363	Buff-breasted Mountain-Tanager	<i>Dubusia taeniata</i>
364	Yellow-throated Tanager	<i>Iridosornis analis</i>
365	Fawn-breasted Tanager	<i>Pipraeidea melanonota</i>
366	Thick-billed Euphonia	<i>Euphonia laniirostris</i>
367	Golden-rumped Euphonia	<i>Euphonia musica cyanocephala</i>
368	Orange-bellied Euphonia	<i>Euphonia xanthogaster</i>
369	Bronze-green Euphonia	<i>Euphonia mesochrysa</i>
370	Blue-naped Chlorophonia	<i>Chlorophonia cyanea</i>
371	Yellow-collared Chlorophonia	<i>Chlorophonia flavirostris</i>
372	Chestnut-breasted Chlorophonia	<i>Chlorophonia pyrrhophrys</i>
373	Grey-and-gold Tanager	<i>Tangara palmeri</i>
374	Paradise Tanager	<i>Tangara chilensis</i>
375	Blue-whiskered Tanager	<i>Tangara johannae</i>
376	Green-and-gold Tanager	<i>Tangara schrankii</i>
377	Emerald Tanager	<i>Tangara florida</i>
378	Golden Tanager	<i>Tangara arthus</i>
379	Silver-throated Tanager	<i>Tangara icterocephala</i>
380	Saffron-crowned Tanager	<i>Tangara xanthocephala</i>
381	Flame-faced Tanager	<i>Tangara parzudakii</i>
382	Spotted Tanager	<i>Tangara punctata</i>
383	Rufous-throated Tanager	<i>Tangara rufigula</i>
384	Bay-headed Tanager	<i>Tangara gyrola</i>
385	Golden-naped Tanager	<i>Tangara ruficervix</i>
386	Metallic-green Tanager	<i>Tangara labradorides</i>
387	Blue-necked Tanager	<i>Tangara cyanicollis</i>
388	Golden-hooded Tanager	<i>Tangara larvata</i>
389	Beryl-spangled Tanager	<i>Tangara nigroviridis</i>

390	Blue-and-black Tanager	<i>Tangara vassorii</i>
391	Black-capped Tanager	<i>Tangara heinei</i>
392	Yellow-tufted Dacnis	<i>Dacnis egregia</i>
393	Black-faced Dacnis	<i>Dacnis lineata</i>
394	Blue Dacnis	<i>Dacnis cayana</i>
395	Green Honeycreeper	<i>Chlorophanes spiza</i>
396	Purple Honeycreeper	<i>Cyanerpes caeruleus</i>
397	Swallow Tanager	<i>Tersina viridis</i>
398	Black-backed Bush-Tanager	<i>Urothraupis stolzmanni</i>
399	Plushcap	<i>Catamblyrhynchus diadema</i>
400	Plumbeous Sierra-finch	<i>Phrygilus unicolor</i>
401	Ash-breasted Sierra-finch	<i>Phrygilus plebejus</i>
402	Blue-black Grassquit	<i>Volatinia jacarina</i>
403	Variable Seedeater	<i>Sporophila corevina</i>
404	Yellow-bellied Seedeater	<i>Sporophila nigricollis</i>
405	Chestnut-bellied Seedeater	<i>Sporophila castaneiventris</i>
406	Band-tailed Seedeater	<i>Catamenia analis</i>
407	Plain-coloured Seedeater	<i>Catamenia inornata</i>
408	Dull-colored Seedeater	<i>Tiaris obscura</i>
409	Yellow-faced Grassquit	<i>Tiaris olivacea</i>
410	White-sided Flowerpiercer	<i>Diglossa albilatera</i>
411	Glossy Flowerpiercer	<i>Diglossa lafresnayii</i>
412	Black Flowerpiercer	<i>Diglossa humeralis</i>
413	Golden-eyed Flowerpiercer	<i>Diglossa glauca</i>
414	Bluish Flowerpiercer	<i>Diglossopsis caerulescens</i>
415	Masked Flowerpiercer	<i>Diglossopsis cyanea</i>
416	Saffron Finch	<i>Sicalis flaveola</i>
417	Pale-naped Brush-finch	<i>Atlapetes pallidinucha</i>
418	Rufous-naped Brush-finch	<i>Atlapetes rufinucha</i>
419	Tricoloured Brush-finch	<i>Atlapetes tricolor</i>
420	Slaty Brush-finch	<i>Atlapetes schistaceus</i>
421	White-winged Brush-finch	<i>Buarremon leucopterus</i>
422	Chestnut-capped Brush-finch	<i>Buarremon brunneinucha</i>
423	Orange-billed Sparrow	<i>Arremon aurantirostris</i>
424	Black-striped Sparrow	<i>Arremonops conirostris</i>
425	Yellow-browed Sparrow	<i>Ammodramus aurifrons</i>
426	Rufous-collared Sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia capensis</i>
427	Buff-throated Saltator	<i>Saltator maximus</i>
428	Black-winged Saltator	<i>Saltator atripennis</i>
429	Southern Yellow-Grosbeak	<i>Pheucticus chrysogaster</i>
430	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	<i>Pheucticus ludovicianus</i>
431	Shiny Cowbird	<i>Molothrus bonariensis</i>
432	Giant Cowbird	<i>Molothrus oryzivorus</i>
433	Yellow-rumped Cacique	<i>Cacicus cela</i>
434	Subtropical Cacique	<i>Cacicus uropygialis</i>
435	Mountain Cacique	<i>Cacicus chrysonotus leucoramphus</i>
436	Crested Oropendola	<i>Psarocolius decumanus</i>
437	Russet-backed Oropendola	<i>Psarocolius angustifrons alfredi</i>