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Day 1 Sunday 23rd August

Following a very smooth LAN flight from Madrid, we touched down in Lima shortly after 5am and, after a slight hold up while Brian convinced the police that he wasn't the person of the same name apparently wanted by Interpol, met up with our guides and good friends Ramiro and Virgilio Yabar. As ever, the first morning in a new country is always exciting and driving through the sleepy suburbs of Lima gave us our first birds of the tour in the shape of **West Peruvian** and **Eared Doves**. Yet it's always frustrating birding from a moving vehicle so when the coach pulls up beside a nice little park we exit the bus in record breaking time and enjoying fine scope views of a pair of **Saffron Finches** perched in the top of a tall tree. A cracking pair of **Amazilia Hummingbirds** is feeding on some bright red flowers behind us and one of them perches obligingly in a leafless tree just a few metres away from us. **Croaking Ground-dove, Southern Beardless-tyrannulet, Long-tailed Mockingbird** and **Scrub Blackbird** are also scrutinised before we set off on the drive south and into the clutches of the barren but spectacular edges of the Atacama Desert.

Pressures of development on the edge of Lima mean that Ramiro has to move further and further south now to find good birding spots. Today our route follows the shores of the Pacific Ocean for a short



while where **Neotropic Cormorants** and **Peruvian Pelicans** fly over the huge breakers crashing on the beach. A flock of around 25+ **Peruvian Thick-knees** are roosting on some waste ground beside the road and the only other bird of note whilst still within the city's confines is **Blue-and-White Swallow**. After driving past the thick-knee flock as it's a busy main road we eventually find a pair we can stop beside and set the scopes up and soon after the first pools of Puerto Viejo marshes came in to view. Although a little distant we rack up a few good species including a flock of **White-cheeked Pintails**,

Cinnamon Teal, **Andean Coot**, and both **Little Blue** and **Green Herons**. A nearby trail across the sandy hills gives a decent view over some reed-fringed pools and in no time at all Christian finds the first of several **Coastal Miners** to be seen here. In fact we get excellent views of this endemic and in particular a bird that flew in below us on our return to the bus and proceeds to scratch around the sandy hillside for food. A particular favourite was the stunning Many-coloured Rush-tyrant, several of which grace the reedbeds with their beauty and even the more demure **Wren-like Rushbird** is also admired. The pools are also home to **Great** and **White-tufted Grebes**, **Andean Duck**, closer **Andean Coots** and a brief **Plumbeous Rail**. A **Grey-hooded Gull** is perched on the roof of a nearby shelter, several **Groove-billed Ani** skulk nearby and a group of **Grassland Yellow-finches** frustratingly just fly over calling.

Driving further along a sandy track we find ourselves at the beach where we spend a couple of hours patrolling the shoreline in search of **Humboldt Penguin**. Our quest produced scant reward in a brief sighting of a feeding bird, but despite this it is a fantastic experience to get very close to big flocks of **Grey Gulls** seemingly oblivious to our presence. Amongst them are numerous **Band-tailed** (**Belcher's**) and a few **Kelp Gulls**, plus both **American** and **Blackish Oystercatchers**, **Hudsonian Whimbrel**, **Snowy Plover** and **Sanderling**. With islands covered in **Peruvian Pelicans** and **Peruvian**

Boobies, and huge waves crashing against the shore it certainly is an atmospheric place to spend the morning. And by the time we reach the bus our rumbling stomachs remind us that it's time for a hot boxed lunch prepared at dawn by the driver's wife.

Fully refuelled a short while later, we drive to an area of weedy fields where **Drab** and **Chestnutthroated Seedeaters**, **Blue-black Grassquit**, **Collared Warbling-finch**, **Hooded Siskin** and **Cinereous Conebill** are added to our lists. But best of all is a superb **Pied-crested Tit-tyrant** which Ramiro finds feeding in a close bush and this delightful little sprite is suitably admired by an appreciative bunch of birders.

All that remains is the small matter of a late afternoon boat ride from the delightful small fishing village of Pucusana. It's certainly a picturesque spot with quaint blue and white houses used as roosting



spots for seabirds with the associated splashes of guano! There is a heavy swell outside the harbour which limits how far round the coast we can go and some of us don life jackets which are no real comfort for Gordon and Mimi who would vote for terra firma anytime. It's a real delight to sail close to numerous **Inca Terns**, as well as more pelicans and boobies, the latter also including the scarcer **Blue-footed Booby**. Luck is definitely on our side here as a couple of **Humboldt Penguins** are seen between the waves, although we certainly deserve the great views of 2 **Surf Cinclodes**

at the edge of the harbour. So another endemic makes its way onto our lists and we sail back to the quay getting our best views of **Red-legged** and **Guanay Cormorants**, and still admiring the amazing **Inca Terns** as well.

So a fantastic experience to end the day on and we leave in high spirits on the drive north to our base for the next 2 nights at Chosica.

Day 2 Monday 24th August

Today has the opportunity to be one of the most memorable of the entire tour or a complete flop, as we begin our search for some incredible high altitude birds. We leave at 5.15am in darkness and weave our



way out of the town to Marcapomacocha, just a couple of hours drive away. The road takes us ever upwards through some amazing scenery with impressive mountain peaks all around. Roadside puddles and streams are frozen and everyone we see is wrapped in colourful blankets agains the early morning cold. Few birds are noted in the cool early morning air, apart from White-capped Dipper, Chiguanco Thrush and Whitewinged Cinclodes, but a fine male Peruvian Sierra-finch is probably the best bird seen when it flies down beside the road at a police checkpoint. With the sun quickly warming things up nicely we leave the highway and drive along a dirt track, but not for too long as birds are streaming across the hillside on both sides of us. No sooner are the scopes set up than a **Plain-breasted Earthcreeper** poses nicely above us and then more and more birds are called out; **Streak-backed Canastero**, **Bright-rumped Yellow-finch**, **Cinereous Ground-tyrant**, **Andean Flicker** and **Plumbeous Sierra-finch**.

The track continues up beyond the 4500m mark and we pass **Mountain Caracara** along the way before reaching our breakfast site and also the Holy Grail of a high Andean peat bog! With excitement



and apprehension reaching new heights we take our first steps out into the bog, which is actually quite dry and easy to walk across. A small stream and marshy area is found on the far side and all of a sudden the cry we all hoped to hear rings out: "Diademed Sandpiper-plover"! With frantic directions being given and numb fingers wrestling with tripods and scopes, the wait is finally over and everyone need not dream any more as this mythical creature sears our eyeballs with its beauty! A mere 20 metres away from us, a pair of these incredibly beautiful birds feeds along the stream, seemingly oblivious to our presence and

we settle down to grill every feather detail. There's ample opportunity to take photos and record this moment for posterity as we indulge ourselves with outstanding views of this tiny ball of feathers. The vast remote landscape and background of stunning snowcovered peaks are a fitting setting.

When the pair head away across the bog we turn our attentions to an **Olivaceous Thornbill** that comes to within touching distance as it feeds on the tiny red flowers decorating the bog and after some time we get to see the radiance of colours below its throat when it perches and turns towards us. There's also several **Andean Lapwings** and **White-winged Diuca-finches** feeding close by, but by now it really is breakfast time so we walk back to the bus although Rob leads the stragglers back to the spot where he found a **Puna Snipe** a few minutes ago. Beside the bus we grill the surrounding area as many birds are obviously taking advantage of the warming day and we see **White-fronted**, **Puna** and **Taczanowski's**

Ground-tyrants, **Slender-billed** and the endemic **Dark-winged Miner**, plus a flock of **Andean Geese** flying over.

Tearing ourselves away, the lure of another 'mega' takes us up even higher and we leave the bus only to be confronted by an **Ochrenaped Ground-tyrant**. And then we decide to walk down to another bog in search of the rare and much-wanted **White-bellied Cinclodes**, although the prospect of too much physical exertion at such a high altitude leads a few people to remain with the bus and bird from the



road. Within 15 minutes the cinclodes appears out of nowhere and flies beneath us before alighting on a large boulder at the base of the slope. In this rarified atmosphere the feeling of pure elation is intensified somewhat and we're all 'giddy' with excitement but take the time to study this rare endemic and when another one flies in they begin a courtship dance involving much wing-shaking and tail raising. A party of **Grey-bellied Seedsnipe** fly past and do their best to distract us but a **Rufous-webbed Bush-tyrant** is more appealing to some.

The walk proceeds at a leisurely pace as we nail **Common Miner**, find a closer perched seedsnipe, and see another **Plain-breasted Earthcreeper**, plus getting seconds of the **White-bellied Cinclodes** which



refuses to move when we walk past and get the most incredible close-up as it feeds just 6 metres away. But with the altitude taking its toll on some of us we board the bus and drive to our lunch stop. Along the way, Ramiro spots a flock of **Crested Ducks** below the road before pulling up to a place where we can view a small lake. **Giant Coot** is new for this tour and shows off its red legs to good effect in the scope, but we're more interested in the endemic **Black-breasted Hillstar** that plays hideand-seek on the scrub covered hillside below us. After a few false attempts we eventually get good scope views of a male

and also find **Black Siskin**, **Plain-coloured Seedeater**, **Streak-throated Canastero** and a **White-browed Ground-tyrant** completes that particular species' set for us today.

So by mid-afternoon we call it a day and head out on the tedious drive back to the hotel, although 3 **Black-chested Buzzard-eagles** are a nice distraction from the numerous trucks and slow pace of the journey caused by numerous police road checks. But what a day and undoubtedly one of the best of the entire tour and there's even some beer to celebrate with tonight!.

Day 3 Tuesday 25th August

The Santa Eulalia Valley has a reputation for producing some extremely exciting endemics and we



find ourselves in a barren landscape of arid mountainous slopes, surrounded by imposing mountains. Our first stop after a 2 hour drive along bumpy tracks is notable for our first views of **Great Inca-finch**, several of which are feeding amongst the rocks above us. There's also **Bare-faced Ground-dove**, **Collared Warbling-finch**, and plenty of **Band-tailed** and **Plain-coloured Seedeaters**. So breakfast is taken at this point and gives us more time to enjoy better views of these birds, and then we set off in the bus but haven't driven far before a flock of **Mountain Parakeets** fly into a bush ahead of us. The landscape is dry and dusty after the months of the dry season so the colours and the irridiscence of the birds are doubly impressive. It takes a while to get a good position to scope them but we eventually succeed and also find the first of many **Purple-collared Woodstars** to be seen today. A flock of **Andean Swifts** then appear above us before another short drive further uphill precipitates another quick exit from the vehicle when Ramiro sees a pair of **Thick-billed Miners** feeding on the track in front of us. They fly up onto the rocks above and once we are done with them Gordon finds a **Rusty-crowned Tit-spinetail** feeding in a tall thin tree and there is also **Mourning Sierra-finch**, **Yellow-billed Tit-tyrant**, **Greenish Yellow-finch** and **Spot-billed Ground-tyrant** all competing for our attention.

With 3 endemics already seen we headed up to just under the 3000m mark and stumble upon a good selection of birds. **Black-necked Woodpecker** and **Rusty-bellied Brush-finch** bring our endemic tally to 5 for the day and we enjoy repeated views of them as well. The habitat here is much better with tall trees and lots of dense bushes, ideal feeding grounds for **Golden-bellied Grosbeak**, **Blue-and-Yellow Tanager**, more woodstars, **Peruvian Sheartail** and **White-browed Chat-tyrant**. Ramiro calls in a **Peruvian Pygmy-owl** which perches on top of a dead tree and is promptly mobbed by an **Oasis Hummingbird**.

Further up we do battle with several **Canyon Canasteros** and everyone manages to fit together a whole bird from many brief views and pieces of bird as it skulks in the bushes. We also eventually get good views of our final endemic of the day, **Bronze-tailed Comet** as it perches in the shady section of bush



below us. We then spend several hours looking for **Rufous-breasted Warblingfinch** and all we get to show for it is a dodgy view of a probable female, although **Black-winged Ground-dove**, **Sparkling Violetear**, **Giant Hummingbird** and best of all, 2 **Andean Condors** soar majestically across the hillside above us. There are a number of small settlements and farms here and Carole's Spanish involves us in coversations with some of the locals. On the road back to the coach we meet a girl with a small herd of calves each with a coloured wool tag in their ears and she is keeping them in line by hitting

them with an empty plastic water bottle. After lunch we decide to drive back down and it's a long and bumpy journey, enlivened by the briefest of views of **Yellow-rumped Siskin**.

Thankfully there are no roadblocks today and we reach Chosica with enough daylight for us to collect our luggage from the hotel and head into the town park where **Scarlet-fronted** and **Red-masked Parakeets** are scoped before setting off to Lima and the comfortable confines of the Manhattan Inn.

Day 4 Wednesday 26th August

03.15 is never a good time to start the day, but it's necessary as we have an early flight connection to make on the short hop to Cusco. Some catch up with lost sleep but for those who stay awake it is a spectacular flight over impressive snow-covered mountains peeking out through the cloud below us. In an hour we are safely on the runway of the 3,400m gateway to some of the best birding on the planetnd are greeted in the arrivals hall by a pan pipe band. It is also a surprise just how luxurious our coach is

and it's actually a pleasure to watch the world go by as we drive across numerous arid, inter-Andean valleys.

Amidst one such scenically splendid valley we pull over at a viewpoint overlooking the Sacred Valley although our focus is more on the patch of wild flowers growing just below our vantage point. In no time at all we are watching a pair of **Bearded Mountaineer** feeding just a few metres away and suitably impressive comments are made about these impressive endemic birds. Our first **Black-throated Flowerpiercer** elicits a lesser response but is indeed a smart bird, as is a **Green-tailed Trainbearer** that hovers before us.

Our next stop is made overlooking an area of walled terraced fields where we eventually find a superb **Chestnut-breasted Mountain-finch** after an hour of scanning, during which time we also see **Andean**



Flicker, Golden-billed Saltator, Mourning and Peruvian Sierra-finches, and flocks of Hooded Siskins. The normally shy endemic, Rusty-fronted Canastero somehow proves how unpredictable birding can be by giving a grandstand performance and perching out in the open for all to see at leisure. So we move on and settle down for the 3 hour drive to our proposed lunch stop although on arrival in Paucartambo find the road is closed but only for a short while. Our picnic lunch is consumed on the coach, but there's also time to see **Puna** Ibis, Brown-bellied Swallow and Torrent Tyrannulet from the bridge, plus a lightning

sprint around the town's little square for the culture vultures among us as well before getting the green light to continue our journey.

The road now begins to climb steeply and we can see by the looming low clouds at the top of the distant hills that it isn't far to Acjanaco Pass and the start of the fabled Manu Road. At least 3 endemic **Creamy-crested Spinetails** are called in to the tape and are immediately elevated to one of the best birds of the tour to date, but the **White-winged Black-tyrant** isn't so favoured. And eventually we reach the pass which is shrouded in mist but this doesn't stop us having a good look at a **Brown-backed Chat-tyrant** perched beside the coach. Walking along the Tres Cruces Road only gives us **Sedge Wren**, **Shining Sunbeam** and a calling **Puna Tapaculo**, so we call it quits and set off on our quest to find some all important feeding flocks.

The road descends through cloud forest where the trees are covered in moss and epiphytes and the mist hangs across the road hampering viewing. Ramiro calls a halt when he sees a **Moustached Flowerpiercer** cross in front of us and we find a couple of these handsome birds easily before continuing on. We hit the jackpot a few minutes later when we get out and scan an open patch of forest from a viewpoint where we can see the other side of a narrow valley. A **Crimson-mantled Woodpecker** calls from above us and is a fine sight in the scope. A **Sierran Elaenia** is next up, followed by a heard only **Mountain Cacique** but when a couple of **Masked Flowerpiercers** come into view it's apparent there is a flock somewhere below us which sets our pulses racing. In fact there are so many birds moving below us and working their way across to the other side of the valley that it's hard to keep up with the action. A pair of **Ochraceous-breasted Flycatchers** stick to the canopy below and look stunning in the clearing weather, as do a fine trio of **Scarlet-bellied**, **Hooded** and **Chestnut-bellied Mountain-tanagers**. White-throated and White-banded Tyrannulets cause some confusion, but they are put to the side when **Pearled Treerunner**, **Rufous-breasted Chat-tyrant**, **Grass-green Tanager**, **Amethyst-throated Sunangel** and **Tyrian Metaltail** appear. We work on getting better views and trying to catch up with the species some of us have missed but new birds keep appearing and we add **Drab Hemispingus**, **Blue-capped Tanager** and **Capped Conebill** before the massive flock disappears into the forest.

Our next stop gives us **Blue-black**, **Gold-naped** and **Grass-green Tanagers**, a flock of **Black-backed Grosbeaks**, and best of all at least 4 confiding **Grey-breasted Mountain-toucans**. Overhead a group of **Scaly-naped Parrots** fly over, uttering their raucous calls to lend a certain something to proceedings! We also do battle with a calling **Red-and-White Antpitta** without success before driving down further. A **Golden-crowned Flycatcher**, **Andean Guan**, brief **Golden-headed Quetzal** and **Streak-throated Bush-tyrant** are all seen before we park up and walk to a special location just before



dusk. Luck is definitely on our side as we hear a Lyre-tailed Nightjar calling whilst the light is still good and as we round a corner a group of Dutch birders have the bird pinned down to a branch a mere 30 metres above the road. Our best views ever of this spectacular bird follow in the scope as we can see every feather detail and the grand finale is when the male takes off over our heads and hovers against the clear blue sky sending its extraordinarily long tail streamers into a convulsion as he twists and turns right over our heads. As dusk falls and we wring the last minutes out of a varied and spectacular day, a

Rufescent Screech-owl is also called in and we scope it before heading to Cock-of-the-Rock Lodge. The challenge of showering by candlelight is outweighed by a longing for a few well deserved cold beers in the candlelit dining room.

Day 5 Thursday 27th August

Standing on the veranda of Cock-of-the-Rock Lodge trying to identify hummers in the half-light of predawn is not the most successful experience but perseverance and the rising sun certainly help. By the time we are summoned away from our vigil to walk the few paces to the breakfast table we have already nailed **Violet-fronted Brilliant**, **Many-spotted** and **Speckled Hummingbirds**, **Booted Racket-tail**, as well as a vociferous **Two-banded Warbler**.

Walking up the stony path from the lodge, the extraordinary sounds of a **Dusky-green Oropendola** can be heard and sure enough it's displaying in a tall tree beside the coach. We are driven back up the Manu Road with the bus boy leaping out at the bends to check that the coach can negotiate the tight bends and precarious roadsides. Before long we see **Highland Motmot**, female **Andean Cock-of-the-Rock**, **Grey-breasted Wood-wren**, **Chestnut-collared Swift**, **Orange-eared Tanager**, **Andean Solitaire**, **Smoke-coloured Pewee** and **Slate-throated Whitestart**. But its slow going as the day is quite hot and the sky is totally clear of cloud and we don't find our first flock until nearly midday. But in the meantime we work different elevations and new birds come at a steady pace, continuing with **Bolivian Tyrannulet**, **Crested** and **Golden-headed Quetzals**, a roosting female **Lyre-tailed Nightjar**,

Yellow-throated Tanager, a heard only Black-billed Treehunter and some distant Rust-and-Yellow Tanagers. So by mid-morning we begin to descend slowly seeing Blue-banded Toucanet, a perched White-throated Hawk, Green Violetear, Buff-thighed Puffleg, Masked Trogon, and hearing a Black-streaked Puffbird.

Eventually as we are rounding a corner some birds cross in front of us and it is apparent there is a feeding flock, so we rush down and sure enough can hear all the commotion above us. A few **Orange-eared Tanagers** glow in the green canopy, a **Deep-blue Flowerpiercer** is equally stunning, and **Saffron-crowned Tanager**, **Three-striped Warbler**, **Common Bush-tanager** and a brief **Russet-crowned Warbler** all vie for our attention. But all too soon the flock departs as quickly as it had appeared and we are left staring at empty trees so decide to return to the lodge for lunch.

Standing once again on the veranda we see all the same hummers as before, but this time a superb Wire-crested Thorntail comes in and feeds on the flowers. Blue-necked and Spotted Tanagers are new for us as they are drawn to the flowering trees at the back of the garden and are joined later by Beryl-spangled, Golden and several stunning Paradise Tanagers. The gardens keep producing the



goods and we linger after a fine meal for a couple of hours as bird activity seems to be getting higher. **Tayra** and **Agouti** provide non-avian interest as does the prospect of hot showers for some. But the birding continues apace with really close views of the thorntail, plus **Orangebellied Euphonia**, **Bananaquit**, a perched **Wedge-billed Hummingbird**, **Golden-olive Woodpecker**, **Black-faced Brushfinch**, **Stripe-chested Antwren**, **Streaked Flycatcher** and a calling **Red-billed Scythebill**.

At 3pm we walk up towards the coach but a calling **Yungas Manakin** is too tempting to walk past and we find it perched in the canopy of some trees in the garden. A pair of amazing **Versicoloured Barbets** and a **Dusky-capped Flycatcher** detains us even further, but it's time for one of nature's true spectacles. A short walk takes us to an **Andean Cock-of-the-Rock** lek where 4 males literally glow in the gloom of the forest. They are literally just a few metres away and show incredibly well in the shady forest, seemingly oblivious to our attentions.

We continue to bird higher up the Manu Road and find Yellow-throated Bush-tanager, Montane Foliage-gleaner, Orange-eared and Blue-necked Tanagers and a Marble-faced Bristle-tyrant in a flock. And we finish the day off with a Green (Inca) Jay before one of the few rain showers of the tour hampers viewing and we retreat to the lodge for coffee and an early shower.

Day 6 Friday 28th August

Standing on the Manu Road we start the day listening to a dawn chorus comprising **Brown Tinamou**, **Rufous-breasted Wood-quail**, **Wattled Guan**, **White-backed Fire-eye**, **Cabanis's Spinetail** and **Tropical Parula**. The day is warming up quickly but there are birds all around us singing and our hopes are high and we see **Crimson-crested Woodpecker**, **Masked Tityra**, **Squirrel Cuckoo**, **Bluish-** fronted Jacamar, Yellow-browed Sparrow, Violaceous Jay and Russet-backed Oropendola all in quick succession. This section of road is bounded on either side by bamboo and huge palms and ferns and is a playground for various ant-type birds which give us the run around for the next couple of hours. Chestnut-backed Antshrikes are calling from everywhere yet remain unseen, and a Stripechested Antwren shows well but is not new for us! However, Foothill, Warbling and Yellowbreasted Antwrens are all new and give various members of our group somewhere between decent views and mere glimpses but we vow to return tomorrow and try again. The sunshine and the open vegetation has also brought out medlays of brightly coloured butterflies, some almost as big as some of the birds we are looking at.



We continue walking along the road picking up new birds all the time and along another good stretch **Streak-necked Flycatcher**, **Golden-tailed Sapphire**, **Crested Oropendola** and a skulking **Chestnutbreasted Wren** are all seen. With activity already decreasing Ramiro pulls an ace out of the pack when he tapes in a **Rusty-fronted Tody-flycatcher** that appears on a prominent perch in the bamboo. Shortly after, the **Wattled Guan** we have been hearing all morning decides to fly down to a roadside tree to take a good long look at us and from its perch proceeds to utter its distinctive call. For 20 minutes he is at our photographic mercy

and we take full advantage! With the tide turning in our favour we push our luck a little more and walk down to the river where within minutes of arriving we are scoping a female **Amazonian Umbrellabird** perched on a mossy vine overhanging the fast flowing river. As the day warms up raptors take to the blue sky and **Swallow-tailed Kite**, **Roadside Hawk** and **Black-and-Chestnut Eagle** soar overhead. So we return to the lodge by late morning and proceed to check out the narrow trail that starts below the dining room. Despite it being a quiet time of day we still pull a few goodies out with the star of the show being a female **Cerulean-capped Manakin**. A small fruiting tree has a pair of **Versicoloured Barbets**, **Montane Woodcreeper**, **Spotted Tanager** and a **Black-eared Hemispingus**, whilst **Bronzegreen Euphonia** and **Bay-headed Tanager** stick to the canopy. **Yungas Manakin** is very numerous here and a **Scale-crested Pygmy-tyrant** completes our wak before returning for lunch.

All the usual hummers are present during lunch and we don't stay long although a **Wedgebilled Hummingbird** is particularly obliging. We drive up to the 2000m section in search of cooler climes and a gentle mist which will bring the birds out and begin walking, searching for the elusive flocks which never materialise. So we spend quite some time getting views of **White-crowned Tapacula**, 3 of which are called in allowing everyone a chance to see it well. There's also a showy **Andean Guan**, plus a surprise find in a flock of 4 **Speckle-faced Parrots** feeding beside the road.



Towards the end of our walk a mystery bird flies over our heads and promptly disappears amongst the foliage of a nearby tree. After a while it moves, revealing yellow belly with some spotting and our pulces begin to race. When it raises its gorgeous head and flies down to a bare tree from where it commences a display flight we are in absolute rapture as it's a **Chestnut–crested Cotinga** and is a bird that's rarely seen. Everyone is excited about this find and rightly so, so we keep watching it and soak



up the stunning views of this awesome bird. With the cloud getting lower and the threat of rain in the air we walk back to the coach seeing Saffron-crowned Tanager, Goldencrowned Flycatcher and Longtailed Sylph before the heavens open. Ramiro points out where storm damage has washed away an entire section of the road which has recently only been rebuilt. This happens periodically so there are plans to build a proper bridge over that stream. This shows just how vulnerable these mountain roads are, but upgrading to tarmac is resisted as

this will certainly bring in development which will be a threat to this precious natural environment. When the rain stops it is almost dark and we walk back up the road a short distance where Virgilio calls in a pair of **Andean Potoos**, both of which perch on some dead trees above us. After this amazing spectacle we drive down the road thinking the day is over, but no! After a couple false starts Virgilio again puts the spotlight on another class bird, this time a **Rufous-banded Owl** to finish the day off in fine style.

Day 7 Saturday 29th August

After a pre-dawn breakfast we are soon birding at the entrance to the lodge and after yesterday's efforts we find a flock almost immediately. Pick of the bunch goes to a delightful **Blue-naped Chlorophonia**, but there's also **Yellow-throated Bush-tanager**, **Streak-necked Flycatcher**, **Paradise**, **Blue-necked** and **Spotted Tanagers**, **Dark-faced Brush-finch** and a **Montane Foliage-gleaner** amongst a good selection of commoner species.

As soon as the luggage is placed on the coach we're off down the Manu Road and begin walking from the same spot as yesterday and almost immediately Virgilio hears the distant call of a **Military Macaw** which prompts us into a frenzied search of the skyline. Sure enough the distinctive shape of a group of macaws is soon found and 6 of these crackers are flying straight towards us uttering their raucous call providing one of the most endearing encounters of the tour. There's also a **Dusky-capped Flycatcher**, an **Ornate Antwren** and a huge surprise in the shape of a **Jaguarundi** walking down the road in front of us. Many of the same birds are seen as on our previous visit and it isn't long before a large flock is seen crossing the hillside and heading straight towards us. It really is a huge flock and keeping up with all the action is certainly a challenge although we pick out **Hazel-fronted Pygmy-tyrant**, **Bay-headed Tanager**, **Olive-backed Woodcreeper**, **Red-eyed Vireo**, **Golden-bellied** (**Cusco**) **Warbler** and **Tropical Parula** which are all new for us.

We continue our journey ever downwards, stopping at certain sites which Ramiro favours or when we see something interesting and in doing so find **Plumbeous Kite**, **Crested Oropendola**, **Black-faced**

Dachis and both **Slender-footed** and **Cinnamon-faced Tyrannulets**. A short while later Virgilio finds us the avian equivalent of the Holy Grail in the form of a **Lanceolated Monklet** which after hearing above the noise of the river, calls in to a roadside tree for absolutely jaw-dropping views. For half an hour it's also at our photographic mercy as this little stunner is commemorated on our cameras for all time – and what a bird! We're obviously elated with this find and once again find ourselves unable to believe our good luck (well, skill on Virgilio's part), so the Monklet Club finds its numbers swelling again on a Birdseekers tour to Peru and we board the coach in high spirits.



By the time we reach the small settlement of Patria the road has levelled out and we pass through a grassland habitat which gives us Chestnut-bellied Seed-finch, Mottle-backed Elaenia, Black-faced Tanager, Bran-coloured Flycatcher and Magpie Tanager. The nearby bridge at Pilcopata is home to a pair of **Bat Falcons** and soon after we enjoy yet another mega packed lunch. A short drive to Atalaya sees us bid farewell to Cesar our excellent driver and board a small boat for the short journey across the Alto Madre de Dios where Black Caracara and White-winged Swallow show obligingly well. Once ashore it is only a short walk through the

forest to Amazonia Lodge but birds delay us and once the scope is put on a **Yellow-rumped Cacique** perched next to a **Black-fronted Nunbird** we find other things. An **Emerald Toucanet** is spotted, but best of all a **Red-billed Scythebill** is sunning itself lower down the same tree.

A few minutes later the welcoming sight of our home for the next 3 nights comes in to view and before our bags have been brought up from the river we are in hummer paradise and struggling to keep up with all the activity. From the vantage point of the veranda we overlook some flowering bushes and several feeders where Blue-tailed and Sapphire-spangled Emeralds, Grey-breasted Sabrewing, White-necked Jacobin, Gould's Jewelfront, Fork-tailed Woodnymph, Violet-headed Hummingbird, White-bearded, Long-tailed and the endemic Koepcke's Hermit complete the show for now. Apart from the beautiful Rufous-crested Coquette, the jewel in the crown which shows at point-blank range a short while later! On the bird table we see Black-billed and Creamy-bellied Thrushes and Red-capped Cardinal, whilst in the garden there's also Social Flycatcher, Black-and-White Seedeater, a pair of Rufous-bellied Euphonias and a flyover Greater Yellow-headed **Vulture**. So we take a few minutes to unpack before having a short walk along the Jeep track where the smallest passerine in the world, Short-tailed Pygmy-tyrant is seen. A side trail leads to the oxbow lake and the outrageous looking Hoatzins perform admirably in the drizzle that has just started to fall. A White Caiman swims menacingly past us, and Cinnamon-throated Woodcreeper and Greenbacked Becard are nice additions to our list, as is Blue-headed Parrot and American Purple Gallinule before returning for a nice hot shower and some well deserved cold beers. But not before Long-billed Starthroat is added to our day's impressive hummer list, and Speckled Chachalaca, Chestnut-eared Aracari and Golden-bellied Euphonia appear just before dusk.

A **Common Potoo** is the final new bird of the day as it calls from a tall tree right in front of the veranda and its mournful call is something we shall neve forget. By the time we retire for the night the

sound of **Common Pauraque** and **Tawny-bellied Screech-owl** are a familiar sound from the forest that surrounds us on all sides.

Day 8 Sunday 30th August

With **Chestnut-fronted Macaws** peering at us from their lofty vantage point beside the dining hall, **Speckled** and **Plain-crowned Spinetails** skulking in the flowerbed, and a pair of **Pale-legged Horneros** striding beneath the shrubbery we're off to a flying start this morning. After a heavy shower we begin the morning session by splitting into 2 groups, with Virgilio's band of merry men heading for the bamboo and Ramiro taking his group along the Jeep Track. A **Slender-billed Xenops** delicately picks its way around a small tree in the front garden before we begin our walk and with the weather slow to clear there's not much activity to begin with. As we reach the start of the Antbird Trail little did we realise how aptly named it actually is because over the next couple of hours we rack up a respectable 9 species in this huge family. A **Warbling Antbird** is first to show at the beginning of the trail and Ramiro then calls in a fine looking **Spot-backed Antbird** before a **Ringed Antpipit** calls from the gloomy understorey. After a few minutes this strange bird is walking rather wagtail-like along the forest floor a mere 5 metres away from us. No sooner have we finished watching this than a **Rusty-belted Tapaculo** calls from a bare area on the ground and we take the opportunity to soak up these wonderful views of what is normally a real skulker.

The trail passes through quite open forest and secondary growth interspersed with some huge trees and the top of one such leviathan is home to both **Olive** and **Casqued Oropendolas** and after scoping them a **White-throated Toucan** begins calling nearby. There is an opening at the edge of the forest that affords a view to a different section of forest and we scan the tree tops without any sign, but find a couple of **Chestnut-eared Aracaris**. Continuing along the trail, **Red-throated Caracara**, **Black Antbird** and **Plain-winged Antshrike** are all found before one of the star birds of the morning; **Johannes's Tody-tyrant** performs admirably for us. More new birds follow, with **Pygmy Antwren**, **Goeldi's**, **White-lined** and **Chestnut-tailed Antbirds** and a **Chestnut-capped Puffbird** that Brian somehow manages to spot. We also hear **Cinereous Tinamou**, **Black-throated Antbird**, **Blackspotted Bare-eye** and **Ochre-bellied Flycatcher** from the surrounding area as well.

The walk back along the Jeep Track is enlivened by a showy **Blue-crowned Trogon**, brief **Band-tailed Manakin**, **Yellow-browed Tody-flycatcher**, **Black-tailed Trogon**, **Great Black Hawk**, **Long-tailed Woodcreeper** and **Grey-capped Flycatcher**.



During lunch time some of the group explore the forest and take the opportunity to photograph the noisy **Hoatzins** at the oxbow, whilst others relax on the veranda watching the fine selection of hummers that are present here, including the endemic **Koepcke's Hermit** once again. And there's also an appearance from a **Blue-fronted Lancebill** and **Small-billed Elaenia** to keep us amused, proving you can never truly switch off here!

In the afternoon we head to the bamboo, encountering a group of **White-lipped Peccaries** on the track but a very heavy thunderstorm halts proceedings and all we have to show for our efforts are a perched **Cobalt-winged Parakeet**, **Thick-billed Euphonia**, **Buff-throated Saltator**, **Capped Heron**, **Little Woodpecker** and **Yellow-bellied Dacnis**.

Meanwhile Virgilio's group has had a good day as well: **Black-throated** and **White-browed Antbirds**, **Bluish-slate Antshrike**, **Ringed Antpipit**, **Sunbittern**, **Fine-barred** and **Rufous-breasted Piculets**, **Razor-billed Curasow**, **Dusky-cheeked Foliage-gleaner**, **Lemon-throated Barbet** and **Fiery-capped Manakin**. Christian also got really lucky with views of a **Bartlett's Tinamou**!

Day 9 Monday 31st August

First light sees us picking up where we left last night with 3 **Spix's Guans** looking down on us as we were eating our breakfast, plus a conspicuous **Plain Softail** and a **Slender-billed Xenops** in the garden of this fabulous place. Ramiro and Virgilio switched groups this morning but both parties head up the hill to the observation tower and within a few minutes of walking the first birds began to appear. Several **Carmiol's Tanagers** play hard to get, as did **Tawny-crowned Greenlet** but we were to see both species much better later on. A **Bluish-slate Antshrike** was new for our group and the male showed well on the slope above us but after walking a few minutes more we came across a large flock that really got our pulses racing if they weren't already! The mixed flock was full of new birds for us and in no time at all we had racked up a bountiful supply of goodies that included **Strong-billed Woodcreeper**, several **White-winged Shrike-tanagers**, **Rufous-tailed Foliage-gleaner**, **Green** and **Purple Honeycreepers**, a fine **Bar-breasted Piculet**, **Black-eared Fairy**, **Half-collared Gnatwren**, **Yellow-crested Tanager** and **Dusky-capped Greenlet**.

The sweat on our brows told us that the day was going to be a scorcher and certainly proved attractive to a veritable who's who of annoying fly-like creatures that dogged us on top of the 80 foot high tower. We were joined by the rest of our merry bunch who were doing pretty well this morning with tales of **Sooty Antbird**, **Rufous-tailed Antwren** and **Striped Woodhaunter** amongst others. So without the aid of seasick pills we all stood on the disconcertingly moving tower scanning the forest from our tree-top vantage point. Now you try scoping a **White Hawk** perched in a tree with a bunch of fidgety birders! A **Yellow-browed Tody-flycatcher** flew up to join us, and we also see **Blue Dacnis**, **Plum-throated Cotinga**, **Opal-crowned** and **Opal-rumped Tanagers**, and a flyby **Scarlet-shouldered Parrotlet**. Mimi had already decided that wobbly towers were not for her and enjoys views of spectacular butterflies at ground level.

Below us is a lek of **Round-tailed Manakins** and we spend some time to watch these little stunners



bounce around like little rubber balls in the dark understorey, where their brilliant scarlet heads literally glowed. The smaller loop trail was easy going after our exertions in getting here and the male **Black-faced Antbird** that sat just a few metres way from us singing his heart out was ample reward in itself. However we were lucky enough to find another large feeding flock and this time had **Buff-throated Foliage-gleaner**, more shrike-tanagers, **Plain Xenops**, **Grey Antwren** and **Plain Antvireo** plus a whole bunch of previous seen species. A **Grey Tinamou** was flushed beside the trail on our way down, but as we rounded a corner a piece of paper had been left by Ramiro's group with the words "Hairy-crested Antbird" and an arrow pointing uphill! Virgilio had already heard the bird calling but just then a Sooty Antbird called and we saw it in the undergrowth of the slope above. Brian then described a bird perched on a vine which turned out to be a Black-spotted Bare-eye and it looked fine indeed through the scope. However, our chief target was unresponsive so we scrambled 100m up the slope, from where one of the finest members of this genus, Hairy-crested Antbird showed very well indeed. A Black-faced Antthrush walking past was practically ignored as we were in awe of this stunning mega, although a Black-banded Woodcreeper was more appreciated and both male and female Sooty Antbirds were very nice in their own right. Continuing downhill a Sepia-capped Flycatcher was the last bird seen before reaching the lodge just in time for lunch. Ramiro's group had obviously seen THE antbird but as well as that, they had a great time with Pectoral Sparrow, Chestnut-tailed and White-browed Antbirds, Razor-billed Curassow and some Night Monkeys being seen.



A couple of hours rest was much appreciated after lunch and birding from the veranda sipping coffee was a nice way to pass a few hours. With all the hummers to watch and photograph including new additions in the shape of **Rufous-breasted Hermit** and **Longbilled Starthroat** as well as the stunning **Rufous-crested Coquette** constantly on view, time passed quickly. A male **Plumthroated Cotinga**, **Little Woodpecker**, **Greyish Saltator**, **Masked Crimson Tanager** and **Red-capped Cardinal** were also seen and some of the group even explored the trails.

In the afternoon Ramiro's group had **Bamboo Antshrike**, **Crowned Slaty Flycatcher** and **Thrushlike Wren**. We added **Yellow-tufted Woodpecker**, **Ringed Kingfisher**, **Swallow-wing**, **Blackthroated Antbird**, **Short-crested Flycatcher**, **Dusky-headed Parakeet** and **Double-toothed Kite** to the day's tally.

After another excellent dinner a Common Pauraque was spotlighted along one of the trails.

Day 10 Tuesday 1st September

Sailing past our first **Fasciated Tiger-heron** along the Alto Madre de Dios this morning was a decent way to start the day. Our journey to the Manu produced all the usual culprits such as **Banded** and **White-winged Swallows**, **Swallow-wing**, **Drab Water-tyrant**, **Cocoi Heron**, both **Yellow-billed** and **Large-billed Terns**, **Giant Cowbird** and **Bat Falcon** but within 20 minutes sailing we are landing on the river bank and watching a pair of the much-wanted **Blue-headed Macaws** flyby in perfect light. The salt lick here alos entices **White-eyed Parakeets** and **Blue-headed Parrots** down as well, and our first **Swallow Tanager** and **Chestnut-bellied Seedeater** are also seen.

The river is quite wide all the way down but very shallow in places after the dry season and we move at a fair pace with our captain knowing the route very well and steering us between the numerous sandbanks and sunken trees that provide an interesting navigational challenge on occasion. **Sand-coloured Nighthawks** are numerous and conspicuous as they roost on the dead trees along the

shoreline, Black Caracara, Black Skimmer, Pied Lapwing and Collared Plover are all seen well. Some good raptors put in an appearance, namely Black Hawk-eagle and Black-and-White Hawkeagle, with many Plumbeous Kites, Roadside Hawk, Greater Yellow-headed, Black and Turkey Vultures and an Osprey being seen.

At Boca Manu we stretch our legs whilst the boat is refuelled before commencing the final stage of our journey and it is certainly an entertaining last leg with **Blue-and-Yellow Macaws** flying over, and **Channel-billed** and **White-throated Toucans** adding a touch of the exotic to proceedings. Other interesting sightings are a brief **Capped Heron**, **Horned Screamer** and a flyby **Bare-necked Fruitcrow**.

We arrive at Amazon Manu Lodge where we are welcomed by Walter and his Japanese wife. This is a lovely spot on the edge of the forest with a view over the river from some of the cabins. The lodge is relatively new and has a lot of potential. With a couple of hours of daylight remaining we immediately set up scopes on our only **Yellow-billed Nunbird** of the tour, before setting off along the Colpa Trail which passes through excellent forest. A **Black-tailed Leaftosser** skulks beside the trail, a tiny **Dwarf Tyrant-manakin** and a pair of stunning **White-bellied Parrots** are also scoped, and there's also **Golden-bellied Euphonia** and a showy **Striated Antbird**, but **Cinereous Mourner**, **White-throated Antbird** and **Wing-barred Manakin** are only heard. So a good introduction to the area and we return to our bungalows for a much needed hot shower.

During the evening a **Crested Owl** begins calling from across the river, so with everyone assembled in the darkness it is enticed closer and eventually flies in to a tree behind our cabins and on to our trip list. It is an incredible looking bird and a fine way to end an exciting day in the Manu.

Day 11 Wednesday 2nd September

Sailing along the Madre de Dios through a thick mist without running aground was an amazing performance from our boatman, as dead snags loomed up from the water at every turn. And over an



hour's sailing later we were mooring at the appropriate spot and hot-footing it along a trail to the famous Blanquillo Macaw Lick where one or the world's most amazing avian spectacles await us. With adrenalin rising we fumble our boots off before entering the rather lavish and spacious hide and immediately we are watching clouds of Blue-headed Parrots landing on the tree tops. The clay cliffs are a mere 30 metres away and we can hear the whirr of their wings as they take off and circle before landing just above the cliffs before dropping down and taking their fill of the clay to aid digestion. Their

larger cousins, **Yellow-crowned** and **Mealy Parrots** literally dwarf them and time passes quickly as we take delight in all the noise and commotion. Possibly the best of the bunch, **Orange-cheeked Parrots** sneek in almost unnoticed and feed off to our left and certainly win the prize for most colourful. Large trees dominate the scene above the cliffs and in the canopy **Cobalt-winged** and the diminuitive **Tui Parakeet** arrive in small groups and eventually swoop down for their share of the spoils. A **Dusky-billed Parrotlet** causes us an extra adrenalin surge as scopes are frantically pointed in the direction of the instructions being hastily given. But it is the macaws that make this place so well known and sure enough the raucous calls of **Red-and-Green Macaws** ring out over the, now clear, forest and we have maybe 40 lighting the scene up in front of us like so many light bulbs amongst the dense green foliage. Some are obviously in pairs and are seen 'kissing' and preening one another, whilst others descend to get their clay-fix and others wheel around revealing dazzling crimson wings. Chris spots a lone **Scarlet Macaw** showing off its yellow wing flash and provides a great comparison



with the othe macaws. During all this action we consume a breakfast consisting hot coffee and pancakes but daren't take our eyes off this amazing show for too long!

Other birds are seen and some are high on our want lists like **Sunbittern**, **Green Ibis, Fork-tailed Palm-swift** and **Black-billed Seed-finch**. Others less so like **Drab Water-tyrant** and **Little Ground-tyrant**! Once the action is over we take our time returning to the boat and see **Goeldi's Antbird**, **Great Antshrike**, **Spot-breasted** and **Little Woodpeckers**, **Ferruginous Pygmy-**

owl, Spotted Tody-flycatcher and several King Vultures.

As we sail back to the lodge in the late morning sunshine we see a pair of **Horned Screamers** beside the river, as well as **Yellow-billed Tern**, **White-banded Swallow** and a **Crane Hawk**.

Over lunch a **White-chinned Sapphire** visits the flowers in the garden in front of our cabins, a pair of **Lettered Aracaris** come into a fruiting tree in the garden, **Thrush-like Wren** puts in an appearance and a couple of **Pale-winged Trumpeters** provide us with some notable sightings.

Again the plan is to walk the trails and split into two groups this afternoon but we stay together until the trail forks and see **Chestnut-winged Hookbill**, **Striated Antbird**, **Bluish-slate Antshrike** and a flock of **Purple-throated Fruitcrows**. A **Flammulated Pygmy-tyrant** got the ball rolling for Virgilio's group and so begins a fine series of sightings. A superb **Pavonine Quetzal** is called in and perches nearby, followed by a lengthy but successful search for a **Great Jacamar**. In fact we saw it briefly before venturing most of the way up the nearly completed tower where it comes in very close. As we watch this a **Paradise Jacamar** is also seen perched prominently in the canopy of a tall tree now at eye-level but we don't dally and descend rapidly to allow the guys to complete the job! Returning along the Colpa Trail gives us **Broad-billed Motmot**, **White-fronted Nunbird**, **Rufescent Tiger-heron**, **Black-tailed Leaftosser**, and finally a **Buff –throated Foliage-gleaner**.

Ramiro's group did equally well with **Rufous-tailed Flatbill**, **Blue-backed** and **Blue-crowned Manakins**, **White-crested Spadebill**, **Screaming Piha** and another **Great Jacamar** as well.

Day 12 Thursday 3rd September

After the obligatory pre-dawn breakfast we bid our farewells to the excellent staff of Amazon Manu Lodge and sail along the river towards our destination of Cocha Camungo. **Capped Heron**, **Blue**-

throated Piping-guan and a group of Muscovy Ducks enliven the hour long journey. Upon arrival a short walk through the forest brings us to a small quay jutting out into the narrow oxbow and as the pontoon is sorted out we begin to scan the surrounding area. Having notched up Green-and-Gold Tanager and Buff-throated Woodcreeper already we get Greater Ani, Pale-rumped Swift, Chestnut-bellied Macaw and Purus Jacamar all in a few minutes. We continue with Ruddy Pigeon



and **Black-capped Donacobius** before setting off on the most relaxing mode of transport we have yet encountered. A few **Brown-chested Martins** fly over, followed by a neat little **White-lored Tyrannulet** in a lakeside Cecropia tree bordering the lake. Ramiro calls in a **Dark-breasted Spinetail** and a **Little Cuckoo** flies in to join the fun, and we follow this with **Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet** and the increasingly common **Short-crested Flycatcher**.

A Black-billed Seed-finch and an immature Rufescent Tigerheron are good catch up birds for some of the group, but

Limpkin, Troupial, Lesser Kiskadee and Grey-headed Kite are all new for the trip.

Once back at the quay we walk along the trail to towards the canopy tower getting **Golden-green Woodpecker** and **Dusky-cheeked Foliage-gleaner**. This canopy hide is the most amazing structure built around a huge tree and access is from 40 metres of spiral staircase. From our treetop vantage point at the top of the tower we have a fine view across the forest and oxbow and immediately nail **Crowned Slaty-flycatcher** and **Epaulet Oriole**. If truth be told it's a little quiet but we also find **Yellow-bellied** and **Black-faced Dacnis**, **Golden-bellied Euphonia** and **Olivaceous Woodcreeper**. So we walk back

down the spiral staircase and after a few minutes get decent views of a **Wing-barred Manakin** and **Dull-capped Attila**.

So by late morning we decide to head upriver to the Manu Wildlife Centre where we are to stay for the next couple of nights and on arrival are given an introductory talk by the manageress in the rather fine dining hall and a refreshing and more importantly ice cold, welcome drink. After lunch we hit the trails and I go with Virgilio and have a cracking time with Lemonthroated Barbet, an amazingly confiding **Rufous-capped Antthrush**, Broad-billed Motmot, Little Tinamou, Barred Forestfalcon, Collared Trogon, Dusky-throated Antshrike and Starred Wood-quail. Ramiro's



group had an amazing discovery in the shape of the rarely seen **Bar-bellied Woodcreeper**, as well as **Plumbeous Antbird**, **White-tailed Trogon**, **Channel-billed Toucan**, **White-fronted Nunbird**, **Casqued Oropendola**, **Gilded Barbet**, **Elegant Woodcreeper**, **Pavonine Quetzal**, **Red-crowned Ant-tanager**, **Band-tailed Manakin** and **Rusty-belted Tapaculo**.

Day 13 Friday 4th September

We find ourselves 40 metres above the ground at the Manu Wildlife Centres' canopy platform, just a short walk from the lodge itself. There is a 2-tier timber platform housed in the crown of another forest giant similar to yesterdays and with ample room to accommodate everyone easily. There is an **Olive Oropendola** seen almost immediately, followed by the first of 2 stunning **Spangled Cotingas** to be seen, and a fne trio of **Turquoise**, **Opal-crowned** and **Opal-rumped Tanagers**. As the day warms up new birds seem drawn to the tree tops and **Ivory-billed** and **Curl-crested Aracaris** are appreciated by all, as are **Bare-necked Fruitcrow**, **Gilded** and **Lemon-throated Barbets**, **Lineated Woodpecker**, **Rufous-winged Foliage-gleaner**, **Cinnamon-throated Woodcreeper** and **Striolated Puffbird**.

After a couple of hours the excitement ends and we descend the steel spiral staircase and set off to explore the network of trails. Virgilio's group do very well with **Elegant**, **Long-tailed**, **Wedge-billed** and **Buff-throated Woodcreepers**, **Chestnut Woodpecker**, **Black-and-White Becard**, **Sclater's** and **White-flanked Antwrens** and **Plain-winged Antshrike**.

Meanwhile Ramiro's group find a small flock almost immediately with **Yellow-margined Flycatcher**, **Pygmy Antwren** and the puffbird once again, but it is neck-breaking work as the flock is directly



overhead and high up in the canopy. So we leave and soon reconnect with vesterdays Rufous-capped Antthrush which performs amazingly once again, but this time to a whole new audience! A Collared Trogon merits a brief look, and we also find Rednecked Woodpecker, Dusky-throated Antshrike and White-flanked Antwren. Quite some time is spent searching for **Cinereous Mourner and Screaming Piha** and our hunt proves successful. The same area is also home to a White-bellied Todytyrant which proves to be rather uncooperative at first, but when Ramiro hears a **Pavonine Cuckoo** calling we immediately turn our attention to this unanticipated crippler. Within seconds of playback it flies

past us and lands just a few metres away where it remains for several minutes. The silent audience is suitably stunned and we grill the bird thoroughly whilst photos are taken and we congratulate each other! When the bird has flown we return to the tody-tyrant and get repeated views of this scarce bird, as well as a **Paradise Jacamar**, much to Christian's delight. The rest of the walk back to the lodge is uneventful and we return with just a few minutes to spare before lunch at midday.

A fine lunch, short siesta and **Rufous Hermit** later and we set off downriver for our afternoon boat ride across the calm Cocha Blanco aboard another pontoon-style boat. Rob does us proud on the way down when he spots a **Burrowing Owl** perched on a dead tree. It's amazingly relaxing and from the comfort of our chairs we see **Least Grebe**, **Anhinga**, **Black-collared Hawk**, **Silvered Antbird**, **Moustached**

Wren, and a Rufous-sided Crake. However, a family of Giant Otters are the main prize here and we are treated to repeated views as they stay in close proximity to our pontoon for much of the afternoon. There's also a fine supporting cast including Wattled Jacana, Horned Screamer, Muscovy Duck, Green Kingfisher, Crimson-crested Woodpecker, and both Lesser and Great Kiskadee all making welcome reappearances, but it is the presence of a Common Moorhen that gets Ramiro and Virgilio excited as it's possibly the first record for the Manu! On disembarking from the boat we spot a collection of Long-eared Bats roosting in the thatch of the boat house.

Day 14 Saturday 5th September

With a huge downturn in tourists visiting the Manu flights to Cusco are drastically reduced so we find ourselves embarking on the return journey up the Alto Madre de Dios. It is not an unpleasant way to spend a day and there is always something to see. The river is much busier than before with many local boats providing transport and a few taking tourists to the lodges. We are now effectively going back up hill and against the strong current taking an hour longer than the outward journey. It is hard work for the crew, with the young lad either testing the depth of the water or baling out at the back. After the first couple of hours when we sail through a dense mist that makes the temperature drop drastically, the day warms up and we see all the usual suspects along the river. It is always a pleasure to see species such as **Pied Lapwing**, **Capped Heron**, **Great-billed** and **Yellow-billed Terns**, as well as various parrots, parakeets and an assortment of raptors flying over.

We eat our packed lunch on the move and apart from a few toilet breaks make only one real birding stop before reaching Amazonia Lodge. Our boatman safely navigates us to shore and we follow a trail



to a secluded oxbow where after a few minutes a beautiful Scarlet-hooded Barbet is found in a bare tree. We'd though this one had slipped through the net so are delighted to be able to watch it at leisure, despite the bombardment it received from a pair of Boat-billed Flycatchers who clearly did not like it in 'their' tree. A Purple Gallinule, Lesser Kiskadee. Emerald Toucanet. Doublecollared Seedeater and Magpie **Tanager** are also present before we return to the boat and travel another 20 minutes upriver. Some of the lodge staff are waiting to greet us and load our luggage onto the wheelbarrows before

we set off through the forest towards Amazonia Lodge. A **Thrush-like Antpitta** calls close by and after a bit of a scramble we position ourselves well away from the trail and a couple of us get a view of this shy bird. Meanwhile, **Chestnut-vented Conebill** is being scoped from the trail, Bob gets a decent look at a **Grey Tinamou**, some **Paradise Tanagers** visit the feeders and a few other already recorded species are seen.

It's a great relief to be back in this wonderful environment and after hot showers we are treated to another excellent meal with **Black-banded Owl**, **Tawny-bellied Screech-owl**, **Common Potoo** and **Common Pauraque** giving us a musical backdrop to our evening.

Day 15 Sunday 6th September

It seems a shame to be leaving Amazonia Lodge this morning, but needs must as we have to make our way back up the Manu Road and who knows what surprises might be waiting for us?. Our trusy boatmen Sabino and Jacob are waiting for us and the short boat ride to Atalaya is interesting to say the least with the river being higher and running faster than usual, which of course means the only person to get wet is Rob! Both **Capped** and **Cocoi Herons** and a **Fasciated Tiger-heron** later and we say our farewells to the boat crew and are reunited with Cesar and Eddy our driver and co-pilot.

We leave the small settlement of Atalaya and it isn't long before we have to jump out so Cesar can negotiate the coach over a poor bit of road, but we get the trips first **Buff-rumped Warbler** in the process, as well as a **Short-tailed Hawk** perched on the hillside above doing its best to loo like something far more interesting! Various other birds are seen en-route but we strike it lucky amidst a dense stand of Bamboo when Virgilio calls in a pair of **Manu Antbirds** and we also get a **Moustached Wren** thrown in for good measure as well – to the delight of Gordon!

We try for a few species along the way without any reply, and as we pass a fast flowing stream a **White-capped Dipper** brings a smile to Bob's face. But as the day heats up, bird activity drops and we head to the cloud forest on the upper section of the Manu Road. We pass Cock-of-the- Rock Lodge where our Amazonia adventure started and the house where the nighjar is still roosting, and gradually climb up into the cloud forest. Our first flock has **Pearled Treerunner**, **White-throated Tyrannulet**, **Capped** and **Blue-backed Conebills**, and the biggest surprise is when we startle a **Black Tinamou** from the side of the road and watch it fly down the slope below us. Further up, Gordon finds a **Green-fronted Lancebill**, a **Blue-banded Toucanet** flies across the road, **White-banded Tyrannulet**, **Barred Becard**, the pair of **Chestnut-crested Cotingas**, **Brown-capped Vireo**, and a nice pair of **Grass-green Tanagers** are all seen.

Once over Acjanaco Pass it's downhill all the way and we drive straight to Urubamba, passing Andean Gull, Mountain Caracara and a few fly by Spot-winged Pigeons along the way. Awaiting us in Urubamba is a wonderful hotel which after hot showers serves us cold Cusquena's and is a perfect place to relax after a long journey.

Day 16 Monday 7th September

Dawn breaks across a landscape of rugged snow capped peaks on our way to Abra Malaga this morning and we cross the 4,230 m pass a short while later. Our descent takes quite a while and the lower we go the more the vegetation increases and we find ourselves in a world of lichen-covered elfin forest. A profusion of birds waits for us to get our collective birding brains in gear in the chilly but fortunately clear mountain air, and what better way to kick-start the day than with in-your-face views of the endemic **Marcapata Spinetail**. Initially skulking in roadside bushes it flies across the road and joins up with a sizeable flock that materialises out of nowhere and really has us struggling to know where to look first. We now ignore the spinetail which is feeding out in the open for the next half an hour right in front of us and concentrate on getting tickable views of **Black-capped** and **Superciliared Hemispingus**, **Fawn-breasted Tanager**, **Mountain** & endemic **Inca Wren**, **Amethyst-throated Sunangel**, **Citrine Warbler**, the endemic **Cusco Brush-finch**, **Streak-necked Flycatcher**, **Sierran Elaenia** and **Barred Fruiteater**, all of which are new for the tour.

Tearing ourselves away from here, we drive higher up and eventually compile quite a decent list and most of the target species for this area. Ramiro begins by calling in a **Rufous Antpitta** which skulks in the shadows but only shows to a few people. But there's better luck with **Violet-throated Starfrontlet**, **Coppery-naped Puffleg** (endemic split from **Sapphire-vented Puffleg**), **Rufous-breasted Chat-**

tyrant, Pale-footed Swallow, Red-crested Cotinga, an amazingly co-operative Trilling Tapaculo, a pair of endemic Unstreaked Tit-tyrants, White-browed Conebill and Rusty Flowerpiercer. Just before we have our picnic lunch a Sword-billed Hummingbird visits some roadside flowers and a pair of Tit-like Dacnis skulks nearby. Our lunch is punctuated by fantastic views of 3 Andean Condors flying repeatedly back and forth across the hillside above and a Puna Thistletail shows to a lucky few.

After lunch we drive back to the pass and Virgilio leads some of the group on our thin-aired assault to the Polylepsis forest and from the top of the ridge we wave farewell to the coach below us and stare



breathlessly at the formidable scenery in front of us. From our 4,500m vantage point we have stunning views of the mountains, the long valley we will have to traverse later and remnant patches of Polylepsis clinging to the side of steep slope either side of us. We make our way gingerly along a narrow track that zigzags around the side of the hill and through the dwarf forest and find some real gems in the form of the endemic **White-browed Titspinetail**, as well as**Tawny Tit-spinetail**, **Streak-throated Canastero**, **D'Orbigny's Chat-tyrant** and **Blue-mantled Thornbill**. But despite extensive searching we cannot find the **Royal Cinclodes**.

Ramiro takes the rest of the group birding along the road and had excellent views of **Stripe-headed Antpitta**, as well as **Tufted Tit-tyrant**, **Line-fronted Canastero**, and more leisurely views of a whole bunch of previously seen birds. They have a great time and achieve a lot without overly exerting themselves!

Once we all meet up several miles down the valley, we drive a few kilometres before Ramiro shows us a roosting **White-tufted Sunbeam**, our last endemic of the day.

Day 17 Tuesday 8th September Today was to be our 'touristy day'

Today was to be our 'touristy day' but nevertheless we were never parted from our binoculars and were rewarded with some good sightings. As the train trundles along the line towards Aguas Calientes we count over 20 **Torrent Ducks** along the Urubamba River that runs parallel with us for most of the journey, along with a few **White-capped Dippers**. By the time we reach the town, situated at 1700m we make a rapid beeline towards a series of coaches and jump aboard the front one. It takes around 20 minutes to zigzag our way up the mountain to



Machu Picchu, and on arrival find that there are relatively few tourists present. It becomes quickly apparent that a flock is making its way towards us and loiters in a large tree opposite the entrance gates.



Initially we see just a few Bluecapped Tanagers and a Golden**billed Saltator**, but then several Rust-and-Yellow Tanagers join them and provide much better views than we had on the Manu Road a lifetime ago! Suddenly a pair of Tricoloured Brush-finches appears but are dismissed almost immediately as an Ocellated **Piculet** flies up to a bare tree behind us and tays prone for several minutes. As more and more coaches arrive the flock moves away and we have some time to admire the surrounding scenery with precipitously steep sided mountains all around.

The site is truly awesome, the ruined city in a cradle of mighty peaks The comprehensive guided walk around the most famous ruins in the world takes nearly 3 hours, during which time a **White-tipped Swift** flies over. Clambering up and down through the ruins is no mean feat at such an altitude and we were ready for a sit down and a beer by the end.

Back in the town several hours later we walk to the Hotel Pueblo where lunch is taken in the garden.

We are surrounded by feeders in the shade of the large trees and both Chestnut-breasted Coronet and Gould's Inca are new for us, but a Long-tailed Sylph is also a welcome sighting. A pair of Silverbacked Tanagers are eventually seen very well coming down to feed on the bananas, whilst Ashy-headed, Sclater's and **Mottle-cheeked Tyrannulets** provide us with rather more of a challenge to identify. Overhead, noisy flocks of Mitred Parakeets fly through the valley.

Some of the group walk back



down the valley and find some good birds including **Pale-eyed Thrush**, **Chestnut-capped Brush-finch**, and both **Pale-legged** and **Russet-crowned Warblers**. Others decide to explore the market and the rest of the town. So all that remains is to catch the train back to Ollantaytambo, during the course of

which we are treated to a meal and fashion show put on by the train staff to promote products made from Alpaca wool!

On arrival we drive to Cusco and a hotel in the centre of town. We spend the remainder of the evening in the restaurant, enjoying an excellent meal washed down with copious amounts of beer and wine (of course!)

Day 18 Wednesday 9th September

Keen to wring every opportunity for exploration from the last hours of the holiday, Mimi and Brian have got up before dawn and have explored the main square and watched Cusco waking up. With just a few species to be added for the tour, the nearby Huacarpay Lake is an ideal place to spend the morning, especially under a beautiful blue sky. A few **Puna Teal** get the ball rolling, followed shortly by a flock of **Yellow-winged Blackbirds** and several confiding **Andean Negritos**. **Wren-like Rushbird**, **Many**-



coloured Rush-tyrant and Plumbeous Rail all make a welcome reappearance before a Cinereous Harrier comes in to view over the tall grasses. As we walk back to the coach a few Andean Swallows fly over before we head around to the far side of the lake. A Streak-fronted Thornbird skulks in some bushes on the arid hillside, but the endemic Rusty-fronted Canastero once again gives itself up easily. A Band-tailed Sierra-finch is a new bird for the tour and there are also plenty of other commoner species such as Andean Flicker, numerous seedeaters and sierra-finches on hand to distract us. At a viewpoint overlooking the area a White-

crested Elaenia shows itself briefly, but we are more interested in several **Rufous-naped Ground-tyrants**, our 9th species in this family. A short drive from here brings us to a small marsh where our final new bird of the tour, **Speckled Teal** sees us reach a whopping 665 species.

So after possibly the best meal of the whole trip in a beautiful hotel we head to the airport where we say our goodbyes to Ramiro and Virgilio who have provided us with a veritable feast of avian exotica during the previous few weeks. They both worked tirelessly to find as many birds for us as possible and I am totally in their debt for making this tour such a success.

Our plane leaves a little later than planned but we arrive in Lima in plenty of time to catch our international flight back to Madrid and on to London, where we arrive the following afternoon.

On behalf of Ramiro & Virgilio I would like to thank everyone in this group for making it such a pleasure to lead. We had sampled a wide variety of habitat zones from 4500m Puna grassland & elfin Andean forests to the Amazonian lowlands and coastal marshes, amassing a total of 665 species seen. Of these, 30 were endemic to Peru and 67 were new species for this trip, proving what a high quality all-round tour this has been.

Nick Bray.

BIRDLIST FOR PERU 2009

* De	SPECIES enotes a new bird for the tour	SCIENTIFIC NAME	Notes MWC = Manu Wildlife Centre CORL= Cock-of-the-Rock Lodge
1.	Grey Tinamou *	Tinamus tao	One flushed from the hill above Amazonia Lodge & seen on our return there a few days later.
Н	Great Tinamou	Tinamus major	Heard at Amazon Manu Lodge.
Н	White-throated Tinamou	Tinamus guttatus	Heard a few times in the Manu.
2.	Cinereous Tinamou	Crypturellus cinereus	Heard at Amazonia Lodge & seen along one of the trails at Manu Wildlife Centre.
3.	Little Tinamou	Crypturellus soui	Leader only sighting at Amazonia Lodge, followed by a brief sighting at MWC.
Н	Brown Tinamou	Crypturellus obsoletus	Heard along the Lower Manu Road
4.	Undulated Tinamou	Crypturellus undulatus	Seen at Amazonia Lodge.
Η	Bartlett's Tinamou	Crypturellus bartletti	Heard near Patria and seen by Christian at Amazonia Lodge.
5.	Black Tinamou *	Tinamus osgoodi	One flushed above CORL.
6.	Wood Stork	Mycteria americana	2 seen in the Manu lowlands.
7.	Andean Goose		At Marcapomacocha we counted 14 in the marshes and pools.
8.	Muscovy Duck	Cairina moschata	Common in the Manu.
9.	Yellow-billed Pintail	Anas georgica	Several at Huacarpay Lake.
10.	White-cheeked Pintail	Anas bahamensis rubrirostris	8+ at Puerto Viejo Marshes.
11.	Puna Teal	Anas versicolor puna	Common at Huacarpay Lake.
12.	Cinnamon Teal	Anas cyanoptera cyanoptera	Several seen along coastal pools and at Huacarpay Lake.
13.	Andean Duck	Oxyura ferruginea	First seen at Puerto Viejo and then at Huacarpay Lake.
14.	Torrent Duck	Merganetta armata turneri	20+ counted from the train en-route to Aguas Calientes.
15.	Speckled Teal	Anas flavirostris oxyptera	6+ at Huacarpay Lake.
16.	Crested Duck	Anas specularoides	Several small flocks were present at Marcapomacocha. A new bird for this tour.
17.	Speckled Chachalaca	Ortalis motmot guttata	Relatively common from Amazonia Lodge to the Manu.
Н	Rufous-breasted Wood-quail	Odontophorus speciosus	Heard along the Lower Manu Road.
18.	Starred Wood-quail	Odontophorus stellatus	ML & NB had views near MWC.
19.	Andean Guan	Penelope montagnii plumose	Several seen on the Upper Manu Road.
20.	Spix's Guan	Penelope jacquacu	Present at Amazonia Lodge & in the Manu.
21.	Blue-throated Piping-guan	Pipile pipile cumanensis	Seen at Amazonia Lodge & in the Manu.
22.	Wattled Guan	Aburria aburri	Great views on the Lower Manu Road.
23.	Razor-billed Curassow	Mitu tuberose	Single at Amazonia Lodge.
24.	Least Grebe	Tachybaptus dominicus speciosus	10+ at Cocha Blanco.
25.	Pied-billed Grebe	Podilymbus podiceps	Pair at Puerto Viejo marshes.
26.	White-tufted Grebe	Rollandia rolland morrisoni	Seen at Puerto Viejo & Huacapay Lake.
27.	Great Grebe	Podiceps major	Single at Puerto Viejo and flock of 12+ present out to sea near Pucusana.
28.	Peruvian Pelican	Pelecanus occidentalis thagus	Common along the coast.
29.	Humboldt Penguin	Spheniscus humboldti	Seen out to see at Pucusana.
30.	Blue-footed Booby	Sula nebouxii	At least 3 roosting in Pucusana harbour.

31.	Peruvian Booby	Sula variegata	Common along the coast.
32.	Neotropic Cormorant	Phalacrocorax brasilianus	Seen on west and east slopes of Andes.
33.	·	Phalacrocorax bougainvillii	At least 3 at Pucusana.
34.	Red-legged Cormorant	Phalacrocorax gaimardi	Good views along coast, especially at Pucusana.
35.	Anhinga	Anhinga anhinga	A few present at Cocha Blanco.
36.	Capped Heron	Pilherodius pileatus	Seen at Amazonia Lodge and en-route to Manu.
37.	Cocoi Heron	Ardea cocoi	Seen on the boat ride to the Manu.
38.		Ardea alba	Seen along the coast and in the Manu.
39.	Little Blue Heron	Egretta caerulea	At least 4 around Puerto Viejo Marshes & also present in the Manu.
40.	Snowy Egret	Egretta thula	Common at most wetlands & rivers.
41.	Cattle Egret	Bubulcus ibis	A few seen along the coast.
42.	Striated Heron	Butorides striatus	Seen at Puerto Viejo & in the Manu.
43.	Limpkin	Aramus guarauna guarauna	Seen at Cocha Camungo & Cocha Blanco.
44.	Black-crowned Night Heron	Nycticorax nycticorax	5+ at Puerto Viejo & Huacarpay lake.
45.	Fasciated Tiger-heron	Tigrisoma fasciatum	Several seen on the Alto Madre de Dios on the way to the Manu.
46.	Rufescent Tiger-heron	Tigrisoma lineatum	Single observed along the Colpa trail at Amazon Manu Lodge & Cocha Camungo.
47.	Horned Screamer	Anhima cornuta	Gordon spotted our first along the river near Amazon Manu Lodge. Then seen several times around the Manu.
48.	Green Ibis *	Mesembrinibis cayennensis	Single at the Blanquillo clay lick.
49.	Puna Ibis	Plegadis ridgwayi	Seen on both slopes of Andes.
50.	Black Vulture	Coragyps atratus	Common along the coast & Manu.
51.	Turkey Vulture	Cathartes aura	Common along the coast & Manu.
52.	Greater Yellow-headed Vulture	Cathartes melambrotus	Seen regularly from Amazonia Lodge to the Manu.
53.	Andean Condor	Vultur gryphus	2 seen in Santa Eulalia Valley. Very good views of 3 adults at Abra Malaga.
54.	King Vulture	Sarcoramphus papa	A few seen in the Manu.
55.	Swallow-tailed Kite	Elanoides forficatus	Seen along the Lower Manu Road & in the Manu lowlands.
56.	Grey-headed Kite	Leptodon cayanensis	Single at Cocha Camungo.
57.	Black-and-white Hawk-eagle	Sizastur melanoleucus	Seen along the river on the way to the Manu
58.	Crane Hawk	Geranospiza caerulescens	Single in the Manu.
59.	Plumbeous Kite	Ictinia plumbea	Common from the Lower Manu Road to the Manu.
60.	Double-toothed Kite	Harpagus bidentatus	A couple perched at Amazonia Lodge and a few more in the Manu.
61.	Barred Forest-falcon	Micrastur ruficollis	Seen on the trails from MWC.
62.	White Hawk	Leucopternis albicollis albicollis	Single observed from canopy tower at Amazonia Lodge.
63.	Black-and-Chestnut Eagle	Oroaetus isidori	Single along the Lower Manu Road showed very well.
64.	Black Hawk-eagle *	Spizaetus tyrannus	Soaring over the Alto Madre de Dios on the way to the Manu.
	Slate-coloured Hawk	Leucopternis schistacea	Seen by Rob at Amazon Manu Lodge
65.	Great Black Hawk	Buteogallus urubitinga	A few at Amazonia Lodge & in the Manu.
66.	Black-collared Hawk	Busarellus nigricollis	Rob found one at Cocha Camungo and everyone saw one at Cocha Blanco.
67.	Short-tailed Hawk	Buteo brachyurus	A light-phase bird perched above Atalaya on our return journey along the Manu Road

			caused some debate.
68.	White-throated Hawk	Buteo albigula	Immature perched beside the road above CORL & soaring adult the next day.
69.	Roadside Hawk	Buteo magnirostris occidus	Seen from Lower Manu Road to the Manu.
70.	Variable Hawk	Buteo poecilochrous	A couple at Marcapomacocha.
71.	Black-chested Buzzard-eagle	Geranoaetus melanoleucus	3 seen on the way back to Chosica & at least 5 in the Santa Eulalia Valley.
72.	Osprey	Pandion haliaetus	A couple seen in the Manu.
73.	Black Caracara	Daptrius ater	First seen between Atalaya and Amazonia Lodge and a few more along the Madre de Dios River in the Manu.
74.	Red-throated Caracara	Ibycter americanus	Seen by some of the group at Amazonia Lodge.
75.	Mountain Caracara	Phalcoboenus megalopterus	Present at all high altitude sites visited.
76.	Cinereous Harrier	Circus cinereus	Good views at Huacarpay Lake.
77.	American Kestrel	Falco sparverius peruvianus	Seen on both slopes.
78.	Bat Falcon	Falco rufigularis rufigularis	Several seen in the Manu.
79.	Sunbittern	Eurypyga helias	Seen at Amazonia Lodge & Blanquillo clay lick.
80.	Pale-winged Trumpeter	Psophia leucoptera	Group of 3 confiding birds present at Amazon Manu Lodge. Let yur conscience decide!
81.	Grey-necked Wood-rail	Aramides cajanea	Our best views were along the jeep Track at Amazonia Lodge, but heard elsewhere.
Н	Uniform Crake	Amaurolimnas concolor	Heard at Amazonia Lodge,
82.	Plumbeous Rail	Pardirallus s simonsi	Puerto Viejo briefly & Huacarpay Lake.
83.	Rufous-sided Crake	Laterallus melanophaius	One flushed at Cocha Blanco.
84.	Purple Gallinule *	Porphyrula martinica	Singles at Amazonia Lodge & Machu Wasi.
85.	Common Moorhen	Gallinula chloropus garmani	A few seen on both slopes.
86.	Andean Coot	Fulica ardesiaca	Puerto Viejo, Marcapomacocha & Huacarpay Lake.
87.	Giant Coot *	Fulica gigantea	Single at Marcapomacocha.
88.	Blackish Oystercatcher	Haematopus ater	More common this year along the coast.
89.	American Oystercatcher	Haematopus p. palliatus	Common along the coast.
90.	Wattled Jacana	Jacana spinosa jacana	Cocha Camungo & Cocha Blanco.
91.	Pied Lapwing	Vanellus cayanus	Seen along the Madre de Dios in the Manu
92.	Andean Lapwing	Vanellus resplendens	Marcapomacocha, Cusco, Abra Malaga & Huacarpay Lake.
93.	Black-necked Stilt	Himantopus mexicanus	Only seen at Puerto Viejo Marshes.
94.	Peruvian Thick-knee	Burhinus superciliaris	At least 35 seen on our first day along the coast.
95.	Grey-breasted Seedsnipe	Thinocorus orbignyianus	Several seen at Marcapomacocha.
96.	Collared Plover	Charadrius collaris	Seen en-route to the Manu.
97.	Snowy Plover	Charadrius a. occidentalis	Small flock seen near Pucusana.
<u>98.</u>	Semipalmated Plover	Charadrius semipalmatus	A few seen along the coast.
99.	Puna Snipe *	Gallinago andina	Single observed by RW & NB at Marcapomacocha.
100	Diademed Sandpiper-plover *	Phegornis mitchellii	Stunning views of this amazing bird at Marcapomacocha.
101	Hudsonian Whimbrel	Numenius phaeopus	Common along the coast.
101	Greater Yellowlegs	Tringa melanoleuca	Just a couple was seen along the Alto Madre de Dios this year.
103	Spotted Sandpiper	Actitis macularia	Seen on west and east slopes.
	Sanderling	Calidris alba	20+ seen along the coast near Pucusana.
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106	Kelp Gull	Larus dominicanus	Common along the coast.
	Grey Gull	Larus modestus	Common along the coast.
	Band-tailed Gull	Larus belcheri	Common along the coast.
109	Grey-headed Gull	Larus c. cirrocephalus	Common along the coast.
	Andean Gull	Larus serranus	Seen many times during the last few days of the tour.
111	Inca Tern	Larosterna inca	Great views at Pucusana.
112	Yellow-billed Tern	Sterna superciliaris	Common in the Manu.
113	Large-billed Tern	Phaetusa simplex	Easily seen in the Manu.
114	Black Skimmer	Rynchops niger	A few seen in the Manu.
115	Plumbeous Pigeon	Columba plumbea delicate	A few seen from CORL to Amazonia Lodge
116	Ruddy Pigeon	Columba subvinacea bogotensis	Seen a few times in the Manu.
117	Band-tailed Pigeon	Columba fasciata	Comon above CORL & Abra Malaga
	Pale-vented Pigeon	Columba cayennensis sylvestris	Seen en-route to the Manu.
119	Spot-winged Pigeon	Columba maculosa	A few seen on the drive to Urubamba.
	Feral Pigeon	Columbia livia	Common.
	Eared Dove	Zenaida auriculata	Common along the coast
122	Pacific Dove	Zenaida asiatica meloda	Common along the coast
123	Croaking Ground-dove	Columbina cruziana	Common along coast and near Chosica.
124		Metriopelia ceciliae	Small flock present in Santa Eulalia Valley.
	Black-winged Ground-dove	Metriopelia m. melanoptera	Seen in the Santa Eulalia Valley.
	Grey-fronted Dove	Leptotila rufaxilla	A few seen at Amazonia Lodge.
127	Blue-and-yellow Macaw	Ara ararauna	Several groups of this spectacular species were seen in the Manu.
128	Red-bellied Macaw	Orthopsittaca manilata	A few people saw this species on the way to the clay lick, but seen well by everyone at both of the cochas in the Manu.
129	Scarlet Macaw	Ara macao	Single at the Blanquillo clay lick and small parties seen in flight elsewhere in the Manu.
130	Military Macaw	Ara militaris	A small group flew over us along the Lower Manu Road early one morning.
131		Ara severa	Increasingly common from Amazonia Lodge to the Manu.
132		Ara chloroptera	A spectacular assembly at the Blanquillo clay lick & seen elsewhere in the Manu.
133		Propyrrhura couloni	Seen at a clay lick half an hour downriver from Amazonia Lodge.
	Mitred Parakeet	Aratinga mitrata	Easily seen at Machu Picchu.
135	White-eyed Parakeet	Aratinga leucophthalmus	Amazonia Lodge & Manu.
136		Aratinga wagleri	A few birds seen in company with the following species at Chosica.
137	Red-masked Parakeet *	Aratinga erythrogenys	Large feral flocks present in the town park of Chosica.
	Dusky-headed Parakeet	Aratinga weddellii	Many sightings from Amazonia Lodge to the Manu.
	Mountain Parakeet	Psilopsiagon aurifrons	Small flock in Santa Eulalia valley.
140	Cobalt-winged Parakeet	Brotogeris cyanoptera	Seen at Amazonia Lodge & in the Manu.
141	Tui Parakeet	Brotogeris sanctithome	A small flock were present at the Blanquillo clay lick in the Manu & along the river when we got the keys to the Cocha Camungo tower.
142	Scarlet-shouldered Parrotlet *	Touit huetii	One whizzed by from the tower at Amazonia Lodge.
143	Dusky-billed Parrotlet *	Forpus sclateri	Single observed at the Blanquillo clay lick.
·	White-bellied Parrot	Pionites leucogaster	Good views in the scope at Amazon Manu

			Lodge & also at Cocha Camungo.
145	Orange-cheeked Parrot	Pionopsitta barrabandi	A spectacular species seen at the Blanquillo clay lick.
146	Blue-headed Parrot	Pionus menstruus	Common from Amazonia Lodge to the Manu.
147	Speckle-faced Parrot	Pionus tumultuosus	Group of 4 on Upper Manu Road and a few present at Aguas Calientes. A new species for this tour.
148	Yellow-crowned Parrot	Amazona ochrocephala watterei	Several present at the Blanquillo clay lick & seen at a few other sites in the Manu.
149	Scaly-naped Parrot	Amazona mercenaria	Seen above CORL.
150	Mealy Parrot	Amazona farinosa	Seen well at the clay lick in the Manu.
151	Squirrel Cuckoo	Piaya cayana	Singles at various sites from CORL to the Manu.
	Little Cuckoo	Piaya minuta minuta	Single at Cocha Camungo.
153	Greater Ani *	Crotophaga major	Several present at Cocha Camungo.
154	Smooth-billed Ani	Crotophaga ani	Relatively common on the east slope.
155	Groove-billed Ani	Crotophaga sulcirostris	Conspicuous along the coast.
156	Hoatzin	Opisthocomus hoazin	Great views at Amazonia Lodge & in the Manu.
157	Pavonine Cuckoo	Dromococcyx pavoninus	Observed very well along the MWC trails in the Manu.
158	Burrowing Owl	Athene cunicularia nanodes	Single found by Rob in the Manu.
159	Tawny-bellied Screech-owl	Otus watsonii	Great views at Amazonia Lodge.
160	Rufescent Screech-owl	Otus ingens	Fine views of a rufous morph above CORL
161	Crested Owl *	Lophostrix cristatus	Spotlighted at Amazon Manu Lodge.
162	Black-banded Owl *	Ciccaba huhula	Single at Amazonia Lodge.
163	Rufous-banded Owl *	Ciccaba albitarsis	After a lot of searching we had excellent close views on the Upper Manu Road.
Н	Mottled Owl	Ciccaba virgata	Heard in the Manu.
Н	Amazonian Pygmy-owl	Glaucidium hardyi	Heard in the Manu.
164	Peruvian Pygmy-owl	Glaucidium peruanum	Good views in the Santa Eulalia Valley.
165	Ferruginous Pygmy-owl	Glaucidium brasilianum	Seen in the Manu.
166		Nyctibius griseus griseus	Good views from the veranda at Amazonia Lodge and one of the sounds of the tour.
167	Andean Potoo *	Nyctibius maculosus	Superb views of a pair along the Upper Manu Road.
168	Great Potoo	Nyctibius grandis	Seen well at Amazonia Lodge.
169		Chordeiles rupestris	Common along the Alto Madre de Dios and in the Manu.
170	Lyre-tailed Nightjar	Uropsalis lyra peruana	Our best views ever of a male perched 30m above the road several kilometres from CORL. Also a female at a day roost beside Manu Cloud Forest Lodge.
171	Common Pauraque	Nyctidromus albicollis	Amazonia Lodge & Amazon Manu Lodge.
	Band-winged Nightjar	Caprimulgus longirostris	A nightjar thought to be this species was spotlighted at some distance sat in the middle of a small cliff beside the Upper Manu Road.
172	White-collared Swift	Streptoprocne zonaris subtropicalis	Widespread and common.
173	Andean Swift	Aeronautes andecolus	Present in the Santa Eulalia Valley
	Amazonian Swift *	Chaetura viridipennis	The small, all dark swifts at Amazonia Lodge one morning were thought to be this species.
175	White-tipped Swift	Aeronautes montivagus	One flew over the group during their guided tour at Machu Picchu

176	Chestnut-collared Swift	Streptoprocne rutila	Common on the east slope.
	Grey-rumped Swift	Chaetura cinereiventris sclateri	A few at Amazonia Lodge.
	Pale-rumped Swift *	Chaetura egregia	A small group were present at Cocha Camungo.
179	Short-tailed Swift	Chaetura brachyura	Seen a few times at Amazonia Lodge & in the Manu.
180	Fork-tailed Palm-swift	Tachornis squamata	Seen in the Manu lowlands.
	Sword-billed Hummingbird	Ensifera ensifera	Seen at Abra Malaga.
182	0	Patagona gigas	Several in the Santa Eulalia Valley & above Paucartambo.
183	Rufous-breasted Hermit	Glaucis hirsuta	Single at Amazonia Lodge.
	Reddish Hermit	Phaethornis ruber	Single in the MWC gardens.
	White-bearded Hermit	Phaethornis hispidus	Visiting the feeders at Amazonia Lodge.
	Long-tailed Hermit	Phaethornis bolivianus	Visiting the feeders at Amazonia Lodge.
187		Phaethornis koepckeae	Endemic. Feeders at Amazonia Lodge.
188		Campylopterus largipennis	Visiting the feeders at Amazonia Lodge.
189	· ·	Florisuga mellivora	Visiting the feeders at Amazonia Lodge & also seen in the Manu.
190	Blue-tailed Emerald	Chlorostilbon mellisugus peruanus	Visiting the feeders at Amazonia Lodge.
	Fork-tailed Woodnymph	Thalurania furcata	Visiting the feeders at Amazonia Lodge & also seen in the Manu.
192	Gould's Jewelfront	Heliodoxa aurescens	Visiting the feeders at Amazonia Lodge.
	Green Violet-ear	Colibri thalassinus	Seen above CORL & Aguas Calientes.
193		Colibri coruscans	Santa Eulalia Valley, CORL, Amazonia Lodge tower & Aguas calientes.
105	Wire-crested Thorntail	Discosura popelairii	Superb male in the gardens of CORL.
	Violet-headed Hummingbird	Klais guimeti	Visiting the feeders at Amazonia Lodge.
	Rufous-crested Coquette	Lophornis delattrei	Visiting the feeders at Amazonia Lodge.
	Sapphire-spangled Emerald	Polyerata lactea	Visiting the feeders at Amazonia Lodge.
199	White-chinned Sapphire	Hylocharis cyanus	Seen at Amazon Manu Lodge & MWC.
	Golden-tailed Sapphire	Chrysuronia oenone	Visiting the feeders at Amazonia Lodge.
	White-bellied Hummingbird	Leucippus chionogaster	Seen at Machu Picchu.
202		Leucippus viridicauda	Endemic. Seen at Machu Picchu & visiting the feeders at Hotel Pueblo in Aguas Calientes.
203	Blue-fronted Lancebill	Doryfera johannae	Seen in the garden of Amazonia Lodge.
	Green-fronted Lancebill *	Doryfera ludovicae	Gordon found this on the Upper Manu Road
	Wedge-billed Hummingbird	Augastes geoffroyi	Seen well in the gardens of CORL.
	Peruvian Piedtail	Phlogophilus harterti	Seen by Gordon below the tower at Amazonia Lodge.
206	Speckled Hummingbird	Adelomyia melanogenys	Seen above CORL.
	Many-spotted Hummingbird	Leucippus hypostictus	Visiting the feeders at CORL.
	Violet-fronted Brilliant	Heliodoxa leadbeateri	Visiting the feeders at CORL.
209	Shining Sunbeam	Aglaeactis cupripennis	Seen at Acjanaco Pass.
210		Aglaeactis castelnaudii	Endemic. Showed well at Abra Malaga feeding on roadside flowers
211	Black-breasted Hillstar *	Oreotrochilus melanogaster	Endemic. Pair showed well at Marcapomacocha visiting flowers during our lunch stop.
212	Chestnut-breasted Coronet	Boissonneaua matthewsii	Machu Picchu & visiting the feeders at Hotel Pueblo in Aguas Calientes.
213	Gould's Inca	Coeligena torquata inca	Great views in the gardens of Hotel Pueblo in Aguas Calientes.
214	Violet-throated Starfrontlet	Coeligena violifer	Seen well at Abra Malaga.
215	Long-tailed Sylph	Aglaiocercus kingi	Leader only sighting above CORL and seen

			by group at Machu Picchu.
216	Amethyst-throated Sunangel	Heliangelus amethysticollis	Present in a big flock a few kilometres
			below Acjanaco Pass on the Upper Manu
			Road. Also present at Abra Malaga.
217	Coppery-naped Puffleg	Eriocnemis sapphiropygia	Endemic. A recent split from Sapphire-
210		Haplophaedia assimilis	vented Puffleg. Seen well at Abra Malaga.
	Greenish (Buff-thighed) Puffleg		Seen on the Upper Manu Road.
	Booted Racket-tail	Ocreatus underwoodii annae	Visiting feeders at CORL.
220	Green-tailed Trainbearer	Lesbia nuna	Seen from a viewpoint overlooking the Sacred Valley en-route to Manu.
221	Bearded Mountaineer	Oreonympha nobilis	Endemic. Fine views of a pair en-route to Manu & at Huacarpay Lake.
222	Bronze-tailed Comet	Polyonymus caroli	Endemic. Seen well in Santa Eulalia Valley
223	Tyrian Metaltail	Metallura t. smaraedinicollis	Present in the large flock on the Upper
	<u>y</u>		Manu Road & also at Abra Malaga.
224	Blue-mantled Thornbill	Chalcostigma stanleyi vulcani	Seen in the Polylepsis forest at Abra Malaga.
225	Olivaceous Thornbill	Chalcostigma olivaceum	2 individuals observed extremely well at
			Marcapomacocha. The fact this delicate
			looking bird lives at 4500m is simply
			amazing.
226	Black-eared Fairy	Heliothryx aurita	On the hill above Amazonia Lodge.
227	Long-billed Starthroat	Heliomaster longirostris	Visiting the feeders at Amazonia Lodge.
228	White-bellied Woodstar	Chaetocercus mulsant	Did we, didn't we? Brief views at CORL.
229	Oasis Hummingbird	Rhodopis vesper	Brief views for some of the group mobbing
	-		a Peruvian Pygmy-owl in Santa Eulalia
			Valley.
	Amazilia Humingbird	Amazilia amazilia	Pair in Lima seen well.
	Purple-collared Woodstar	Myrtis fanny	Seen in the Santa Eulalia Valley.
	Peruvian Sheartail	Thaumastura cora	Showed well in the Santa Eulalia Valley.
	Collared Trogon	Trogon collaris	A couple seen at MWC.
	Masked Trogon	Trogon personatus personatus	Seen above CORL.
235	Black-tailed Trogon	Trogon melanurus	Seen well at Amazonia Lodge.
236	White-tailed Trogon	Trogon viridis	Good views at MWC.
237	Blue-crowned Trogon	Trogon curucui	Seen well at Amazonia Lodge.
238	Blue-crowned Motmot	Momotus momota	A few seen in the Manu lowlands.
239	Highland Motmot	Momotus a. chlorolaemus	Seen above CORL & Machu Picchu.
240	Broad-billed Motmot	Electron p. pyrrholaemum	A few seen in the Manu lowlands.
241	Crested Quetzal	Pharomachrus antisianus	Great views above CORL.
	Golden-headed Quetzal	Pharomachrus auriceps	Good views above CORL.
	Pavonine Quetzal	Pharomachrus pavoninus	A superb male was seen in the Manu.
	Ringed Kingfisher	Ceryle torquata torquata	Seen at several sites in the Manu.
	Amazon Kingfisher	Chloroceryle amazona amazona	A few seen in the Manu.
	Green Kingfisher	Chloroceryle Americana mathewsii	Seen in the Manu lowlands.
247	Paradise Jacamar	Galbula dea	Single observed from the observation
2.,			platform at Amazon Manu Lodge.
248	Great Jacamar	Jacamerops aurea	Great views at Amazon Manu Lodge.
249	Purus Jacamar	Galbalcyrhynchus purusianus	At least 8 present at Cocha Camungo.
250	Bluish-fronted Jacamar	Galbula cyanescens	Several sightings along the Lower Manu
			Road, Amazonia Lodge & Manu.
251	Chestnut-capped Puffbird	Bucco macrodactylus	Brian found the first of 3 to be seen at Amazonia Lodge.
252	Striolated Puffbird	Nystalus striolatus	Scope views at MWC & also from the canopy tower.
Н	Black-streaked Puffbird	Malacoptila fulvogularis	Heard on Upper Manu Road but was never

			tape responsive.
253	Lanceolated Monklet	Micromonacha lanceolata	One of the stars of the tour and seen well
			along the Lower Manu Road.
254	Swallow-wing	Chelidoptera tenebrosa	Very common at Amazonia Lodge & in the Manu.
255	Black-fronted Nunbird	Monasa nigrifrons	Several seen at Amazonia Lodge & Manu.
256	Yellow-billed Nunbird	Monasa flavirostris	Great scope views on arrival at Amazon
			Manu Lodge.
257	White-fronted Nunbird	Monasa morphoeus	A few seen in the Manu lowlands.
258	Gilded Barbet	Capito auratus	Seen a few times in the Manu lowlands.
259	Versicoloured Barbet	Eubucco versicolor	A few present at CORL.
260	Scarlet-hooded Barbet	Eubucco bourcierii tucinkae	Seen well just below Amazonia Lodge.
261	Lemon-throated Barbet	Eubucco richardsoni	Seen well at Amazonia Lodge & MWC.
262	Lettered Aracari	Pteroglossus inscriptus	Pair visiting a fruiting tree at Amazon Manu Lodge.
263	Ivory-billed Aracari	Pteroglossus azara mariae	Seen from the canopy tower at MWC.
264	Curl-crested Aracari	Pteroglossus beauharnaesii	A flock observed from the canopy tower at MWC.
265	Chestnut-eared Aracari	Pteroglossus castanotis	Common at Amazonia Lodge & Manu.
	Emerald Toucanet	Aulacorhynchus p. atrogularis	Seen a few times at Amazonia Lodge.
267		Aulacorhynchus coeruleicinctis	Present on Upper Manu Road.
268		Andigena hypoglauca	Our best views ever of this handsome bird
200			along the Upper Manu Road.
269	White-throated Toucan	Ramphastos tucanus	Good views in the Manu.
270	Channel-billed Toucan	Ramphastos vitellinus	Seen well in the Manu.
271	Bar-breasted Piculet	Picumnus aurifrons	On the hill above Amazonia Lodge.
272	Fine-barred Piculet	Picumnus subtilis	Endemic. Seen at Amazonia Lodge.
273	Ocellated Piculet	Picumnus dorbygnianus	Showed very well at the entrance to Machu Picchu.
	Rufous-breasted Piculet	Picumnus dorbygnianus	Chris had a good view at Amazonia Lodge
274	Yellow-tufted Woodpecker	Melanerpes cruentatus	Amazonia Lodge & Manu.
	Little Woodpecker	Veniliornis passerinus	A few seen at Amazonia Lodge & Manu.
	Crimson-mantled Woodpecker	Piculus rivolii	Seen well on the Upper Manu Road.
277	Black-necked Woodpecker	Colaptes atricollis	Endemic. Showed well in the Santa Eulalia Valley.
278	Spot-breasted Woodpecker	Colaptes punctigula	A few seen in the Manu lowlands.
279	4	Piculus rubiginosus chrysogaster	Good views at CORL.
280	Golden-green Woodpecker	Piculus chrysochloros	Showed briefly beside Cocha Camungo.
281	Andean Flicker	Colaptes rupicola	Easily seen at Marcapomacocha, east of
			Cusco, Abra Malaga & Huacarpay Lake.
282	Chestnut Woodpecker *	Celeus elegans	Seen by one of our groups at MWC.
283	Rufous-headed Woodpecker	Celeus spectabilis	Seen by one of our groups in the bamboo at Amazonia Lodge.
284	Red-necked Woodpecker	Campephilus rubricollis	Close views at MWC.
285	Lineated Woodpecker	Dryocopus lineatus	Seen at MWC & Cocha Blanca.
286	Crimson-crested Woodpecker	Campephilus melanoleucos	Lower Manu Road & Amazonia Lodge
287	Long-tailed Woodcreeper *	Deconychura longicauda	Seen well at Amazonia Lodge.
288	Wedge-billed Woodcreeper	Glyphorynchus spirurus	Seen at Amazonia Lodge & MWC.
289	4	Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchuss	On the hill above Amazonia Lodge.
	Buff-throated Woodcreeper	Xiphorhynchus guttatus	Amazonia Lodge & in the Manu.
291	4	Dendrocolaptes picumnus	Attending an ant swarm on the hill above Amazonia Lodge.
292	Straight-billed Woodcreeper *	Xiphorhynchus picus	Decent views at Amazonia Lodge.
	Elegant (Spix's) Woodcreeper	Xiphorhynchus spixii elegans	Showed a few times in the Manu.

294	Olive-backed Woodcreeper	Xiphorhynchus triangularis	Leader only above CORL, seen by all at
			Amazonia Lodge.
	Olivaceous Woodcreeper	Sittasomus griseicapillus	Seen a couple of times in the Manu.
	Montane Woodcreeper *	Lepidocolaptes affinis	Present just above CORL.
297	Cinnamon-throated Woodcreeper	Dendrexetastes rufigula	Seen twice at Amazonia Lodge & in the Manu.
298	Bar-bellied Woodcreeper *	Hylexetastes stresemanni	One of the finds of the tour along the trails from MWC.
299	Red-billed Scythebill	Campylorhamphus trochilirostris	Heard at CORL& another seen sunning itself in a large tree as we arrived at Amazonia Lodge.
300	Coastal Miner	Geositta peruviana	Endemic. At least 4 present on our first day at Puerto Viejo.
301	Dark-winged Miner *	Geositta saxicolina	Endemic. Pair at Marcapomacocha.
	Common Miner	Geositta cunicularia	A few present at Marcapomacocha.
	Thick-billed Miner	Geositta crassirostris	Endemic. Pair in Santa Eulalia Valley
	Slender-billed Miner	Geositta tenuirostris	Several at Marcapomacocha
	Plain-breasted Earthcreeper *	Upucerthia jelskii	2 birds seen well at Marcapomacocha.
	Surf Cinclodes	Cinclodes taczanowskii	Endemic. Couple seen at Pucusana.
	Wren-like Rushbird	Phleocryptes melanops	Seen at Puerto Viejo & Huacarpay Lake.
	Bar-winged Cinclodes	Cinclodes fuscus rivularis	Marcapomacocha, Santa Eulalia Valley & Abra Malaga.
309	White-bellied Cinclodes *	Cinclodes palliatus	Endemic. Pair observed for over an hour at close range at Marcapomacocha.
310	White-winged Cinclodes	Cinclodes atacamensis	Only seen at Marcapomacocha.
	White-browed Tit-spinetail	Leptasthenura xenothorax	Endemic. Polylepsis specialist observed at Abra Malaga.
312	Tawny Tit-spinetail	Leptasthenura yanacensis	Seen in the Polylepsis forest at Abra Malaga
313	Rusty-crowned Tit-spinetail	Leptasthenura pileata	Endemic. Great views in the Santa Eulalia Valley.
314	Puna Thistletail	Schizoeaca helleri	Showed to a few of the group at Abra Malaga during our lunch stop.
315	Azara's Spinetail	Synallaxis azarae urubambae	A few seen on the east slope.
316	Plain-crowned Spinetail	Synallaxis gujanensis canipileus	Showed well in the gardens of Amazonia Lodge.
317	Dark-breasted Spinetail	Synallaxis albigularis	Pair present at Cocha Camungo.
318		Phacellodomus fusciceps	A few seen at Amazonia Lodge & Amazon
			Manu Lodge.
	Ash-browed Spinetail	Cranioleuca curtata	Only seen along the Lower Manu Road.
	Speckled Spinetail	Cranioleuca gutturata	Showed well at Amazonia Lodge.
321		Cranioleuca marcapatae	Endemic. Great close views at Abra Malaga
322	Creamy-crested Spinetail	Cranioleuca albicapilla	Endemic. Fine views a few kilometres below Acjanaco Pass.
323		Asthenes humilis	Pair at Marcapomacocha & Abra Malaga
324	Rusty-fronted Canastero	Asthenes ottonis	Endemic. A pair showed well en-route to the Manu.
325	Canyon Canastero *	Asthenes pudibunda	Eventually seen well in the Santa Eulalia Valley.
326	Line-fronted Canastero	Asthenes urubambensis	Abra Malaga.
327	Streak-backed Canastero	Asthenes wyatti	Marcapomacocha.
Н	Junin Canastero	Asthenes virgata	Endemic. Only heard at Marcapomacocha
			despite extensive searching.
	Streak-fronted Thornbird	Phacellodomus striaticeps	Brief views at Huacarpay Lake.
329	Pearled Treerunner	Margarornis squamiger peruvianus	Seen in mixed flocks on the Upper Manu Road several times.

330	Montane Foliage-gleaner	Anabacerthia striaticollis	Present in mixed flocks above CORL.
	Chestnut-winged Foliage-gleaner	Philydor erythropterus	Seen along the trails from MWC.
	Chestnut-winged Hookbill *	Ancistrops strigilatus	Seen along the Colpa Trail at Amazon Manu Lodge.
333	Rufous-rumped Foliage-gleaner*	Philydor erythrocercus	Seen well at MWC.
	Rufous-tailed Foliage-gleaner	Philydor ruficaudatus	Seen well on the hill above Amazonia Lodge
335	Striped Woodhaunter *	Hyloctistes subulatus	Hill above Amazonia Lodge
336		Automolus rufipileatus	Seen at Amazon Manu Lodge.
337	Buff-throated Foliage-gleaner	Automolus ochrolaemus	Hill above Amazonia Lodge & Amazon Manu Lodge.
338	Dusky-cheeked Foliage-gleaner	Anabazenops dorsalis	Seen well at Amazonia Lodge
339	Olive-backed Foliage-gleaner *	Automolus infuscatus	Seen on a couple of occasions in the Manu.
Н	Black-billed Treehunter	Thripadectes melanorhynchus	Heard on Upper Manu Road.
340	Black-tailed Leaftosser *	Sclerurus caudacutus	Colpa Trail at Amazon Manu Lodge.
341	Slender-billed Xenops	Xenops tenuirostris	Amazonia Lodge.
342	Plain Xenops	Xenops minutus	Hill above Amazonia Lodge.
343	Streaked Xenops	Xenops rutilans	Present along the Lower Manu Road.
344	Pale-legged Hornero	Furnarius leucopus tricolour	A regular sight in the gardens of Amazonia Lodge.
345	Great Antshrike	Taraba major	Seen in the Manu.
346	Bamboo Antshrike	Cymbilaimus sanctaemariae	Showed to some of the group at Amazonia Lodge.
347	Barred Antshrike	Thamnophilus doliatus subradiatus	Seen en-route to the Manu.
348	White-lined Antbird	Percnostola lophotes	Good looks at Amazonia Lodge.
Η	Chestnut-backed Antshrike	Thamnophilus palliatus	A common sound along the Lower Manu Road but always non-responsive.
349	Plain-winged Antshrike	Thamnophilus schistaceus	Amazonia Lodge & MWC.
350	Plain Antvireo	Dysithamnus mentalis	Hill above Amazonia Lodge.
	Variable Antshrike	Thamnophilus caerulescens	Only seen near Aguas Calientes.
352	Bluish-slate Antshrike	Thamnomanes schistogynus	Several views at Amazonia Lodge & in the Manu.
353	Dusky-throated Antshrike	Thamnomanes ardesiacus	A few seen in the Manu.
Н	White-backed Fire-eye	Pyriglena leuconota	Heard near CORL.
354	Rufous-tailed Antwren	Myrmotherula erythrura	Hill above Amazonia Lodge.
355		Myrmotherula ornata	Showed briefly along the Lower Manu Road to some of the group.
	Foothill Antwren *	Myrmotherula spodionota	Seen on the Lower Manu Road.
357		Myrmotherula brachyura	Seen on a couple of occasions at Amazonia Lodge & in the Manu.
	Stripe-chested Antwren	Myrmotherula longicauda	Good views in the garden of CORL.
	Sclater's Antwren	Myyrmotherula sclateri	Seen by Virgilio's group at MWC.
	Grey Antwren	Myrmotherula menetriesii	Single seen at Amazonia Lodge.
	Long-winged Antwren	Myrmotherula longipennis	Showed at the MWC.
	White-flanked Antwren	Myrmotherula axillaris	MWC.
Н	Yellow-rumped Antwren	Terenura sharpie	Heard above CORL.
	Yellow-breasted Antwren	Herpsilochmus axillaries	Seen twice along the Lower Manu Road.
	Warbling Antbird	Hypocnemis cantator	Lower Manu Road & Amazonia Lodge.
365	Striated Antbird	Drymophila devillei	Very showy individual seen a few times at Amazon Manu Lodge.
	Dot-winged Antwren	Microrhopias quixensis	Only seen at Amazonia Lodge.
367	Manu Antbird	Cercomacra manu	Pair seen well in Bamboo on the Lower Manu Road.
368	Black Antbird	Cercomacra serva	Amazonia Lodge.

369	Black-faced Antbird	Myrmoborus myotherinus	Hill above Amazonia Lodge.
	White-browed Antbird	Myrmoborus leucophrys	Chris was the first to see this, but then
			showed well to all at Amazonia Lodge.
371	Chestnut-tailed Antbird	Myrmeciza hemimelaena	Seen a few times at Amazonia Lodge.
372	Black-throated Antbird	Myrmeciza atrothorax	Showed well at Amazonia Lodge.
373	Sooty Antbird	Myrmeciza fortis	Attending an ant swarm on the hill above Amazonia Lodge.
374	Plumbeous Antbird	Myrmeciza hyperythra	Seen by Gordon & Chris at MWC.
375	Goeldi's Antbird	Myrmeciza goeldii	Great views at Amazonia Lodge and near the Blanquillo clay lick.
376	Black-spotted Bare-eye	Phlegopsis nigromaculata	Pair at an ant swarm on the hill above Amazonia Lodge in company with Hairy- crested and Sooty Antbird.
377	Hairy-crested Antbird	Rhegmatorhina melanosticta	Present at an antswarm on the hill above Amazonia Lodge. Seen from the trail by Ramiro's group but required a scramble uphill for virgilio's group – but definitely worth it. One of the stars of the tour.
Н	White-throated Antbird	Gymnopithys salvini	Heard several times in the Manu.
378	Silvered Antbird	Sclateria naevia	Good views beside Cocha Blanco.
379	Spot-backed Antbird	Hylophylax naevia	Showed briefly at Amazonia Lodge.
Н	Rufous-breasted Antthrush	Formicarius rufipectus	Heard above CORL.
380	Rufous-capped Antthrush *	Formicarius colma	Outstanding views at MWC on consecutive days.
381	Black-faced Antthrush	Formicarius analis	Seen several times in the Manu.
382	Rufous Antpitta	Grallaria rufula	Showed to some at Abra Malaga.
383	Stripe-headed Antpitta	Grallaria andicola	Good views for some at Abra Malaga.
Н	Red-and-white Antpitta	Grallaria erythroleuca	Endemic. Heard on the Upper Manu Road.
Н	White-throated Antpitta	Grallaria albigula	Heard on the Manu Road.
384	Thrush-like Antpitta	Myrmothera campanisona	Required some hard work but showed to a few at Amazonia Lodge.
Н	Amazonian Antpitta	Hylopezus berlepschi	Heard at Amazonia Lodge.
385	Rusty-belted Tapaculo	Liosceles thoracicus	Great views for all at Amazonia Lodge & MWC.
386	Trilling Tapaculo	Scytalopus parvirostris	Surprisingly good views at Abra Malaga. The first time it has been seen on this tour.
Н	Diademed Tapaculo	Scytalopus schulenbergi	Heard at Abra Malaga.
387	White-crowned Tapaculo	Scytalopus bolivianus	We saw at least 3 on the Upper Manu Road
388	Puna Tapaculo *	Scytalopus simonsi	Heard at Acjanaco Pass and seen at Abra Malaga by those not doing the killer hike!
389	Sclater's Tyrannulet	Phyllomyias sclateri	Showed in the gardens of the hotel in Aguas Calientes.
390	Ashy-headed Tyrannulet	Phyllomyias cinereiceps	Close views in the hotel garden at Aguas Calientes.
391	Marble-faced Bristle-tyrant	Phylloscartes ophthalmicus ottonis	Above CORL.
392	Ľ	Leptopogon superciliaris	A couple seen above CORL.
393		Leptopogon amaurocephalus	A few sightings from Amazonia Lodge to the Manu lowlands.
394	Mottle-cheeked Tyrannulet	Phylloscartes ventralis	Machu Picchu.
	Cinnamon-faced Tyrannulet	Phylloscartes parkeri	Scope views along the Lower Manu Road.
	Bolivian Tyrannulet	Zimmerius bolivianus	Showed several times above CORL.
397	Slender-footed Tyrannulet *	Zimmerius gracilipes	Single along the Lower Manu Road.
	Mottle-backed Elaenia	Elaenia gigas	Scoped in the open area near Patria.
	Sierran Elaenia	Elaenia pallatangae intense	Upper Manu Road.
400		Elaenia albiceps urubambae	Brief sighting at Huacarpay Lake.

401	Small-billed Elaenia *	Elaenia parvirostris	Appeared a few times in the garden of Amazonia Lodge.
402	Torrent Tyrannulet	Serpophaga cinerea	A few seen at Paucartambo & near Aguas Calientes.
403	Southern Beardless Tyrannulet	Camptostoma obsoletum	Single in Lima on first day.
	White-lored Tyrannulet	Ornithion inerme	Seen well at Cocha Camungo.
	Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet	Tyrannulus elatus	Seen well at Cocha Camungo.
	White-banded Tyrannulet	Mecocerculus s. taeniopterus	Present in mixed flocks on the Upper Manu Road and Abra Malaga.
407	White-throated Tyrannulet	Mecocerculus l. brunneomarginatus	Also in mixed flocks on the Upper Manu Road & Abra Malaga.
	Many-coloured Rush-tyrant	Tachuris rubrigastra	Puerto Viejo & Huacarpay Lake.
409	Yellow-billed Tit-tyrant	Anairetes flavirostris	Santa Eulalia Valley & Huacarpay Lake.
410	Tufted Tit-tyrant	Anairetes parulus	Only seen at Abra Malaga.
411	Pied-crested Tit-tyrant *	Anairetes reguloides	A big hit when seen near Pucusana and in the Santa Eulalia Valley.
	Unstreaked Tit-tyrant	Uromyias agraphia	Endemic. Great views at Abra Malaga of at least 3 birds.
413	Hazel-fronted Pygmy-tyrant *	Pseudotriccus simplex	Present with a big mixed flock on the Lower Manu Road.
414	Streak-necked Flycatcher	Mionectes striaticollis striaticollis	CORL, Abra Malaga, Machu Picchu.
415	Ochre-bellied Flycatcher	Mionectes oleaginous maynanus	Only seen at MWC.
416	Cinnamon Flycatcher	Pyrrhomyias c. cinnamomeus	Common along the Upper Manu Road.
417	Short-tailed Pygmy-tyrant	Myiornis ecaudatus	Seen well at Amazonia Lodge.
418	Scale-crested Pygmy-tyrant	Lophotriccus pileatus	Seen along the Lower Manu Road.
419	White-bellied Tody-tyrant *	Hemitriccus griseipectus	Good views along the trails from MWC.
420	Flammulated Pygmy-tyrant	Hemitriccus flammulatus	Confiding individual along the Colpa Trail at Amazon Manu Lodge.
421	Johannes's Tody-tyrant	Hemitriccus iohannis	Superb views at Amazonia Lodge.
422	Rusty-fronted Tody-flycatcher	Todirostrum latirostre	Ramiro had a stake-out for this species along the Lower Manu Road.
423	Yellow-browed Tody-flycatcher	Todirostrum chrysocrotaphum	Seen very well at Amazonia Lodge.
424	Spotted Tody-flycatcher	Todirostrum maculatum	Good views as we returned to the boat from the clay lick in the Manu.
425	Rufous-tailed Flatbill	Ramphotrigon ruficauda	Ramiro's group had close views at Amazon Manu Lodge.
426	Yellow-margined Flycatcher	Tolmomyias assimilis	Seen well at the MWC.
427	Grey-crowned Flycatcher	Tolmomyias poliocephalus	A few seen on the Lower Manu Road and at Amazonia Lodge.
428	Ringed Antpipit	Corythopis torquata	Superb views at Amazonia Lodge.
429	White-crested Spadebill *	Platyrinchus platyrhynchos	Seen along the trails from Amazon Manu Lodge.
430	Bran-coloured Flycatcher	Myiophobus fasciatus	Near Patria & Cocha Camungo.
431	Ochraceous-breasted Flycatcher *	Myiophobus ochraceiventris	2 present in our first big flock along the Upper Manu Road.
Н	Euler's Flycatcher	Lathrotriccus euleri	Only heard at Amazonia Lodge.
432	Smoke-coloured Pewee	Contopus fumigatus fumigatus	Seen above CORL.
433	Black Phoebe	Sayornis nigricans	Several sightings along rivers on the east slope.
434	Vermillion Flycatcher	Pyrocephalus rubinus major	Seen on 9 dates on both slopes.
	White-winged Black-tyrant	Knipolegus aterrimus	Seen a few kms below Acjanaco Pass.
	Little Ground-tyrant	Muscisaxicola fluviatilis	Present along the shores of the Alto Madre de Dios & at the Blanquillo clay lick,
437	Drab Water-tyrant	Ochthornis littoralis	Seen along the Alto Madre de Dios.
	Spot-billed Ground-tyrant	Muscisaxicola maculirostris	Santa Eulalia Valley & Cusco.

439	Andean Negrito	Lessonia rufa oreas	Several at Huacarpay Lake.
	Rufous-naped Ground-tyrant	Muscisaxicola rufivertex	A few seen well at Huacarpay Lake.
441	· · · · ·	Muscisaxicola cinerea	Common at Marcapomacocha.
442	-	Muscisaxicola griseus	Seveal at Marcapomacocha.
443	Puna Ground-tyrant	Muscisaxicola juninensis	A few seen at Marcapomacocha & Abra Malaga.
444	White-browed Ground-tyrant *	Muscisaxicola albilora	Seen at Marcapomacocha.
	Ochre-naped ground-tyrant	Muscisaxicola flavinucha	Marcapomacocha & Abra Malaga.
	White-fronted Ground-tyrant *	Muscisaxicola albifrons	Marcapomacocha
447	Streak-throated Bush-tyrant	Myiotheretes striaticollis	Santa Eulalia Valley & Upper Manu Road.
	Cliff Flycatcher	Hirundinea ferruginea	Leader only sighting on the Manu Road.
448	Rufous-webbed Bush-tyrant	Polioxolmis rufipennis	Only seen near Marcapomacocha.
449	D'Orbignys Chat-tyrant	Ochthoeca oenanthoides	Seen below the Polylepis forest at Abra Malaga.
450	Brown-backed Chat-tyrant	Ochthoeca fumicolor	Showy bird at Acjanaco Pass.
	Rufous-breasted Chat-tyrant	Ochthoeca rufipectoralis	Pairs at Upper Manu Road & Abra Malaga.
	White-browed Chat-tyrant	Ochthoeca leucophrys	Santa Eulalia Valley and Huacarpay Lake.
	Piratic Flycatcher	Legatus leucophaius	A few seen at Amazonia Lodge & Manu.
	Streaked Flycatcher	Myiodynastes maculatus	CORL
	Golden-crowned Flycatcher	Myiodynastes c. chrysocephalus	Seveal seen along the Upper Manu Road.
	Grey-capped Flycatcher	Myiozetetes granadensis	A few sightings at Amazonia Lodge.
457	Lemon-browed Flycatcher	Conopias cinchoneti	Seen along the Lower Manu Road.
	Boat-billed Flycatcher	Megarynchus pitangua	Relatively common in the Manu.
459		Myiozetetes similis	Common on the east slope.
	Lesser Kiskadee	Philohydor lictor	Common around the lakes in the Manu.
461	Great Kiskadee	Pitangus s. sulphuratus	Common in the Manu lowlands.
	Long-tailed Tyrant	Colonia colonus	Seen frequently on the east slope.
463		Griseotyrannus aurantioatrocristatus	Surprise find at Amazonia Lodge & also at Cocha Camungo tower.
464	Sirystes	Sirystes sibilator	Single from the Cocha Camungo tower.
465	Tropical Kingbird	Tyrannus melancholicus	Seen on 12 dates.
	Brown-crested Flycatcher *	Myiarchus tyrannulus	Near Cocha Camungo.
467	Swainson's Flycatcher	Myiarchus swainsoni	One confirmed sighting at Cocha Camungo.
468	Short-crested Flycatcher	Myiarchus ferox	Amazonia Lodge & Manu.
-	Dusky-capped Flycatcher	Myiarchus tuberculifer	Lower Manu Road.
470	Black-and-White Becard *	Pachyramphus albogriseus	Seen in mixed flock at MWC.
471	White-winged Becard	Pachyramphus polychopterus	Lower Manu Road, Amazonia Lodge
472	Barred Becard	Pachyramphus v. meridonalis	Upper Manu Road.
473	Green-backed Becard *	Pachyramphus viridis	Single beside the oxbow at Amazonia Lodge.
474	Dull-capped Attila	Attila bolivianus	Great views of a singing bird beside Cocha Camungo in the Manu lowlands.
475	Black-tailed Tityra	Tityra cayana	MWC.
	Masked Tityra	Tityra semifasciata fortis	Lower Manu Road.
477	Screaming Piha	Lipaugus vociferans	Seen along the trails at Amazon Manu Lodge & MWC.
478	Cinereous Mourner	Laniocera hypopyrra	MWC.
479		Querula purpurata	Small flock seen at Amazon Manu Lodge.
	Red-crested Cotinga	Ampelion rubrocristata	Several seen at Abra Malaga.
481	Chestnut-crested Cotinga *	Ampelion rufaxilla	Fantastic pair present on Upper Manu Road – one of the top birds of the tour.
482	Barred Fruiteater	Pipreola arcuata viridicanda	Gordon found this at Abra Malaga.
483	Amazonian Umbrellabird	Cephalopterus ornatus	Good views of a female perched over a

			stream on the Lower Manu Road.
484	Bare-necked Fruitcrow	Gymnoderus foetidus	Seen several times in the Manu lowlands
			and came close at the tower at MWC.
485	Spangled Cotinga	Cotinga cayana	Good views at MWC.
486	Plum-throated Cotinga	Cotinga cotinga maynana	A few seen at Amazonia Lodge.
487	Andean Cock-of-the-rock	Rupicola peruviana saturatus	Great close views at the famous CORL lek
100			& also at Abra Malaga.
488	Wing-barred Manakin	Piprites chloris	After only hearing one at Amazon Manu Lodge we had good views beside Cocha Camungo.
	Fiery-capped Manakin	Machaeropterus pyrocephalus	Some of the group saw this at Amazonia Lodge.
	Dwarf Tyrant-manakin	Tyranneutes stolzmanni	Close views at Amazon Manu Lodge and a regular sound of the forests in the Manu.
491	Yungas Manakin	Chiroxiphia boliviana	A common sound around CORL and we eventually all saw at least one!
492	Blue-backed Manakin	Chiroxiphia pareola	Seen at Amazon Manu Lodge.
493		Pipra coeuleocapilla	Endemic. Seen by some of the group on the trail below CORL.
494	Blue-crowned Manakin	Pipra coronata	Present at Amazon Manu Lodge.
495	Band-tailed Manakin	Pipra fasciicauda	Seen a few times at Amazonia Lodge & in the Manu.
496	Round-tailed Manakin	Pipra chloromeros	Several males at a lek on the hill above Amazonia Lodge.
497	Brown-capped Vireo	Vireo leucophrys laetissimus	Upper Manu Road and Machu Picchu.
498	Red-eyed (Chivi) Vireo	Vireo olivaceus chivi	Several sightings on the east slope.
499	Tawny-crowned Greenlet	Hylophilus ochraceiceps	A few present on the hill above Amazonia Lodge.
500	Dusky-capped Greenlet	Hylophilus hypoxanthus	Present in a large mixed flock on the hill above Amazonia Lodge.
501	Purplish Jay	Cyanocorax cyanomelas	Present from Amazonia Lodge and into the Manu.
502	Violaceous Jay	Cyanocorax violaceus	Regularly seen from the Lower Manu Road, through to the Manu.
503	Inca Jay	Cyanocorax yncas	A pair present above CORL.
	White-collared Jay	Cyanolyca viridicyanus	Poor views on Upper Manu Road.
504	Brown-chested Martin	Progne tapera	First seen at Cocha Camungo and a sprinkling of sightings over the next few days.
505	Andean Swallow *	Stelgidopteryx andecola	A few at Huacarpay Lake.
506	Blue-and-white Swallow	Pygochelidon cyanoleuca peruviana	Common on both slopes.
507	Pale-footed Swallow	Notiochelidon flavipes	After much debate we finally had repeated close views at Abra Malaga.
508	White-thighed Swallow	Neochelidon tibialis	Only seen at Amazonia Lodge.
509	Brown-bellied Swallow	Notiochelidon murina murina	Seen at Paucartambo, Abra Malaga & Huacarpay Lake.
510	White-banded Swallow	Atticora fasciata	Common along the Alto Madre de Dios.
511	Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	A couple of migrants seen in the Manu.
512	Southern Rough-winged Swallow	Stelgidopteryx ruficollis	A common sight on the east slope.
513	8	Tachycineta albiventer	Common along the Alto Madre de Dios.
514	Thrush-like Wren	Campylorhynchus turdinus	Just a few sightings at Amazonia Lodge & Manu lowlands.
515	Grey-breasted Wood-wren	Henicorhina leucophrys	Good views above CORL.
516		Cyphorhinus thoracicus	Heard several times before showing briefly to some of us. It then flew across the Lower Manu Road showing off its rich underparts.

Н	Scaly-breasted Wren	Microcerculus marginatus	Heard above Atalaya.
517	Moustached Wren	Thryothorus genibarbis	Seen at Cocha Blanco by some, but a confiding bird in the Bamboo near Pilcopata gave excellent views.
518	Inca Wren	Thryothorus eisenmanni	Endemic. Repeated views at Abra Malaga.
519	Sedge Wren	Cistothorus platensis	Seen at Acjanaco Pass.
	Mountain Wren	Troglodytes solstitialis macrourus	Good views at Abra Malaga.
521	Southern House-Wren	Troglodytes aedon audax	A sprinkling of sightings on both slopes.
	Long-tailed Mockingbird	Mimus longicaudatus	Common on west slope and coastal areas.
	Black-capped Donacobius	Donacobius atricapillus	Several seen in the Manu lowlands.
	Half-collared Gnatwren	Microbates cinereiventris	Present on the hill above Amazonia Lodge. Also called Tawny-faced Gnatwren.
525	Andean Solitaire	Myadestes ralloides	Great views above CORL.
Н	White-eared Solitaire	Entomodestes leucotis	Heard along Upper Manu Road & Machu Picchu.
526	Chiguanco Thrush	Turdus chiguanco chiguanco	Seen on west slope and Upper Manu Road.
527	Great Thrush	Turdus fuscater ockendeni	Few seen near Acjanaco Pass, then Abra Malaga and Machu Picchu.
	Glossy-black Thrush	Turdus serranus serranus	Poor views on Upper Manu Road.
528	Pale-eyed Thrush *	Platycichla leucops	Seen at Machu Picchu.
	Creamy-bellied Thrush	Turdus amaurochalinus	Visiting the feeder at Amazonia Lodge.
	Black-billed Thrush	Turdus ignobilis debilis	Common in Manu lowlands.
531	White-capped Dipper	Cinclus I. leucocephalus	Seen on way to Marcapomacocha, along the Manu Road & train ride to Aguas Calientes.
532	Silver-beaked Tanager	Ramphocelus carbo connectens	Very common from CORL to Manu.
	Masked Crimson Tanager	Ramphocelus nigrogularis	Reasonably common from Amazonia Lodge to the Manu.
534	Black-faced Tanager *	Schistochlamys melanopis	A good find in grassland near Patria.
	Magpie Tanager	Cissopis leveriana	Several sightings in the Manu lowlands.
536		Creurgops dentata	Brief sightings on Upper Manu Road & also at Machu Picchu.
537	Drab Hemispingus	Hemispingus xanthophthalmus	Present in our first large mixes flock on the Upper Manu Road.
538	Black-eared Hemispingus	Hemispingus melanotis berlepschi	Seen on the trail below CORL.
539	Black-capped Hemispingus	Hemispingus atropileus auricularis	Seen in a large flock at Abra Malaga.
540	Superciliaried Hemispingus	Hemispingus s. urubambae	In flocks at Abra Malaga.
541	Rust-and-yellow Tanager	Thlypopsis ruficeps	Distant views above CORL & then close views at Machu Picchu.
542	Yellow-crested Tanager	Tachyphonus rufiventer	A few in a large flock on the hill above Amazonia Lodge.
543	White-shouldered Tanager	Tachyphonus luctuosus	Only seen at Amazonia Lodge.
544	White-winged Shrike-tanager	Lanio versicolor	Several present in flocks on the hill above Amazonia Lodge & also in Manu lowlands.
545	Fawn-breasted Tanager	Pipraeidea melanonota	Seen at Abra Malaga.
546	Carmiol's (Olive) Tanager	Chlorothraupis carmioli	Hill above Amazonia Lodge.
547	Blue-capped Tanager	Thraupis cyanocephala	Upper Manu Road, Abra Malaga & Machu Picchu.
548	Blue-and-yellow Tanager	Thraupis bonariensis	Santa Eulalia Valley, en-route to Paucartambo & Huacarpay Lake.
549	Palm Tanager	Thraupis palmarum	Common from Amazonia Lodge to Manu.
	Blue-grey Tanager	Thraupis episcopus urubambae	Common on both slopes.
551	Short-billed Bush-tanager	Chlorospingus parvirostris	Formerly called Yellow-throated Bush- tanager.Several small groups present near CORL showed very well.
		Chlorospingus flavigularis	Present in flocks near CORL.

553	Common Bush-tanager	Chlorospingus o. hiaticolus	Just a few seen above CORL.
554	Red-crowned Ant-tanager	Habia rubica	A few seen at MWC.
	Hooded Mountain-tanager	Buthraupis montana saturate	Good views on the Upper Manu Road & Abra Malaga.
556	Chestnut-bellied Mountain- tanager	Delothraupis castaneoventris	Good views in our first mixed species flock on the Upper Manu Road.
557	Scarlet-bellied Mountain-tanager	Anisognathus igniventris igniventris	Great views of this spectacular bird on the Upper Manu Road & Abra Malaga.
558	Grass-green Tanager	Chlorornis riefferii celatus	Close views on the Upper Manu Road.
	Yellow-throated Tanager	Iridosornis analis	This stunner showed wll several times above CORL.
560	Silver-backed Tanager	Tangara viridicollis	A pair showed well at the feeders of the Hotel Pueblo in Aguas Calientes.
561	Golden Tanager	Tangara arthus sophiae	Just a few present at CORL.
562	Blue-and-black Tanager	Tangara vassorii atrocoerulea	A couple seen on the Upper Manu Road.
563	Beryl-spangled Tanager	Tangara nigroviridis berlepschi	Seveal sightings at CORL & Machu Picchu.
	Golden-naped Tanager	Tangara ruficervix inca	A pair seen well on Upper Manu Road.
565		Tangara xanthocephala lamprotis	A few seen at CORL & Machu Picchu.
	Blue-necked Tanager	Tangara cyanicollis cyanicollis	A common bird from CORL to Manu.
567		Tangara punctata annectens	A frequent sighting at CORL.
	Bay-headed Tanager	Tangara gyrola catharinae	A few seen near CORL.
	Green-and-gold Tanager	Tangara schrankii	A couple small groups present in the Manu.
	Turquoise Tanager	Tangara mexicana	A few seen from the towers in the Manu.
	Paradise Tanager	Tangara chilensis chlorocorys	Seen from CORL to the Manu lowlands.
572		Tangara velia	From canopy towers at Amazonia Lodge & MWC.
573	Opal-crowned Tanager	Tangara callophrys	From canopy tower at Amazonia Lodge & MWC.
574	Swallow Tanager	Tersina viridis	Several seen on the boat ride into the Manu
	Orange-eared Tanager	Chlorochrysa c. calliparaea	Quite common above CORL.
	Cinereous Conebill	Conirostrum cinereum littorale	Along coast & Santa Eulalia Valley
	Cinereous Conebill	Conirostrum cinereum	Seen on east slope.
577	Chestnut-vented Conebill	Conirostrum speciosum	A few people saw this at Amazonia Lodge
	White-browed Conebill *	Conirostrum ferrugineiventre	Great views at Abra Malaga.
	Blue-backed Conebill	Conirostrum sitticolor	A few seen along the Upper Manu Road.
	Capped Conebill	Conirostrum albifrons sordidum	Seen on the Upper Manu Road & at Abra Malaga.
581	Green Honeycreeper	Chlorophanes spiza	A few seen in the Manu lowlands.
	Purple Honeycreeper	Cyanerpes caeruleus	Only seen at Amazonia Lodge.
	Yellow-bellied Dacnis	Dacnis flaviventer	Amazonia Lodge & MWC.
584	Black-faced Dacnis	Dacnis lineata	Lower Manu Road & MWC.
	Blue Dacnis	Dacnis cayana	Several seen in Manu lowlands.
	Hepatic Tanager	Piranga flava	Leader only sighting on the Manu Road
586	Masked Flowerpiercer	Diglossopis cyanea melanopis	A regular sight on the Upper Manu Road & Abra Malaga.
587	Deep-blue Flowerpiercer	Diglossopis glauca glauca	A few seen above CORL.
	Tit-like Dacnis *	Xenodacnis parina	Pair seen briefly at Abra Malaga.
	Rusty Flowerpiercer	Diglossa sittoides	Seen at Abra Malaga.
	Moustached Flowerpiercer	Diglossa mystacalis	Several on the Upper Manu Road.
	Black-throated Flowerpiercer	Diglossa brunneiventris	Several at Acjanaco Pass & Abra Malaga.
	Yellow-browed Sparrow	Ammodramus aurifrons	Regular sightings from the Lower Manu Road to Manu lowlands.
593	Great Inca-finch	Incaspiza pulchra	Endemic. Great views in the Santa Eulalia Valley.

594	Peruvian Sierra-finch	Phrygilus atriceps punensis	Good views at Marcapomacocha & east of Cusco.
595	Mourning Sierra-finch	Phrygilus fruticeti	Common in Santa Eulalia Valley & east of Cusco.
596	Ash-breasted Sierra-finch	Phrygilus plebejus plebejus	Seen at Huacarpay Lake on our last day.
597	Plumbeous Sierra-finch	Phrygilus unicolor inca	Many seen at Marcapomacocha & Abra Malaga.
598	White-winged Diuca-finch	Diuca speculifera	Common at Marcapomacocha & Abra Malaga.
599	Plain-coloured Seedeater	Catamenia inornata inornata	Marcapomacocha, Santa Eulalia Valley & Abra Malaga.
600	Band-tailed Seedeater *	Catamenia analis analoides	Common at Santa Eulalia Valley, Cusco & around Huacarpay Lake.
601	Band-tailed Sierra-finch	Phrygilus hispaniolensis	A few at Huacarpay Lake. New for this tour
602	Collared Warbling-finch	Poospiza hispaniolensis	Along coast and Santa Eulalia Valley.
603	Chestnut-breasted Mountain- finch	Poospiza caesar	Endemic. Seen well en-route to Puacartambo.
	Rufous-breasted Warbling- finch *	Poospiza rubecula	Endemic. Seen poorply in the Santa Eulalia Valley. Let your conscience decide!
604	Saffron Finch *	Sicalis flaveola	Feral population in Lima.
605	Greenish Yellow-finch	Sicalis olivascens	A few in the Santa Eulalia Valley & at Huacarpay Lake.
606	Grassland Yellow-finch	Sicalis luteola	Only seen at Puerto Viejo marshes.
607	Bright-rumped Yellow-finch	Sicalis uropygialis	A few at Marcapomacocha.
608	Chestnut-throated Seedeater	Sporophila telasco	A few seen near Pucusana
609	Blue-black Grassquit	Volatinia jacarina peruviensis	Seen on both slopes.
610	Drab Seedeater	Sporophila simplex	Scope views in weedy fields near Pucusana
611	Dull-coloured Grassquit	Tiaris obscura	Seen at Machu Picchu.
612	Double-collared Seedeater	Sporophila caerulescens	Seen along the river just a few kilometres below Amazonia Lodge.
	Black-and-White Seedeater	Sporophila luctuosa	A few in the garden at Amazonia Lodge.
614	Chestnut-bellied Seedeater	Sporophila castaneiventris	Seen en-route to the Manu.
615	Chestnut-bellied Seed-Finch	Oryzoborus angolensis	Scoped near Patria.
616	Black-billed Seedfinch	Oryzoborus atrirostris	Blanquillo clay lick & Cocha Camungo.
	Red-capped Cardinal	Paroaria gularis gularis	Amazonia Lodge & Manu lowlands.
618	Pectoral Sparrow	Arremon taciturnus	Seen by Ramiro's group on the hill above Amazonia Lodge.
	Chestnut-capped Brush-finch	Buarremon brunneinucha	Present at Machu Picchu.
620	Black-faced Brush-finch *	Atlapetes melanolaemus	Endemic. Showed well in the garden of CORL. A recent split from Rufous-naped Brush-finch <i>Atlapetes rufinucha</i> .
621	Cusco Brush-finch	Atlapetes canigenis	Endemic. Plentiful at Abra Malaga. Split from Slaty Brush-finch <i>atlapetes schistaceus</i> .
622	Tricoloured Brush-finch *	Atlapetes tricolor	A couple present in the flock by the entrance to Machu Picchu.
623	Rusty-bellied Brush-finch	Altapetes nationi	Endemic. Common in Santa Eulalia Valley
624	Golden-bellied Grosbeak	Pheucticus chryogaster	Several in the Santa Eulalia Valley.
625	Black-backed Grosbeak	Pheucticus aureoventris terminalis	Flock along the Upper Manu Road & at Machu Picchu.
626	Rufous-collared Sparrow	Zonotrichia capensis peruviensis	Seen on both slopes.
627	Greyish Saltator	Saltator coerulescens azarae	A few seen at Amazonia Lodge & Manu.
628	Buff-throated Saltator	Saltator maximus maximus	Seen in the garden of Amazonia Lodge.
629	Golden-billed Saltator	Saltator aurantiirostris	Seen en-route to Paucartambo, Abra Malaga and Machu Picchu.
Н	Slate-coloured Grosbeak	Saltator grossus	Heard at Amazonia Lodge

630	Tropical Parula	Parula pitiayumi natterei	Just a few seen along the Lower Manu Road & good views at Aguas Calientes.
631	Slate-throated Redstart	Myioborus miniatus verticalis	A frequent sighting above CORL & Machu Picchu.
632	Spectacled Redstart	Myioborus m. bolivianus	Seen in higher areas than previous species at Upper Manu Road, Abra Malaga & Machu Picchu.
633	Bananaquit	Coereba flaveola chloropyga	A few seen around CORL.
634	Pale-legged Warbler	Basileuterus signatus	Showed well at Machu Picchu.
	Citrine Warbler	Basileuterus luteoviridis	Seen in a mixed flock at Abra Malaga.
636	Two-banded Warbler	Basileuterus bivittatus	Seen in the garden of CORL.
637	Golden-bellied Warbler	Basileuterus chrysogaster	Endemic.Known as "Cusco Warbler". Seen a few times along the Manu Road.
638	Three-striped Warbler	Basileuterus tristriatus inconspicuus	Seen above CORL.
639	Russet-crowned Warbler	Basileuterus coronatus coronatus	Took a while but we eventually nailed this one at Machu Picchu.
640	Buff-rumped Warbler	Basileuterus fulvicauda	Finally seen as we left Atalaya on the drive back up the Manu Road.
641	Dusky-green Oropendola	Psarocolius atrovirens	A frequent sighting around CORL & also seen at Machu Picchu.
642	Russet-backed Oropendola	Psarocolius alfredi alfredi	Common from Lower Manu Road to the Manu.
643	Casqued Oropendola	Psarocolius oseryi	Seen at Amazonia Lodge & in the Manu.
644	Crested Oropendola	Psarocolius decumanus	Seen from Lower Manu Road to Manu.
645	Olive (Amazonian) Oropendola	Gymnostinops bifasciatus	A few seen at Amazonia Lodge & MWC.
646	Yellow-rumped Cacique	Cacicus cela	One of the commoner birds from Amazonia Lodge through the Manu lowlands.
Н	Mountain Cacique	Cacicus chrysonotus	Heard on the Upper Manu Road.
647	Giant Cowbird	Molothrus oryzivorus	Common along the Madre de Dios river.
648	Scrub Blackbird	Dives warszewiczi kalinowskii	Common on the west slope.
649	Solitary Black Cacique	Cacicus solitarius	A few sightings in the Manu.
650	Epaulet Oriole	Icterus cayanensis	Single observed from the Cocha Camungo Tower.
651	Orange-backed Troupial	Icterus croconotus	Single perched in a Cecropia beside Cocha Camungo.
652	Pale-eyed Blackbird	Agelaius xanthopthalmus	Easily seen this year at Cocha Camungo.
653	Yellow-winged Blackbird	Agelaius thilius alticola	A few flocks present at Huacarpay Lake.
654	Peruvian Meadowlark	Sturnella militaris albipes	Good views at Puerto Viejo marshes.
655	Hooded Siskin	Carduelis magellanica	Seen on both slopes.
656	Olivaceous Siskin	Carduelis olivacea	Seen at CORL & Amazonia Lodge.
657	Black Siskin *	Carduelis atrata	Seen at Marcapomacocha.
658	Yellow-rumped Siskin *	Carduelis uropygialis	Brief views in the Santa Eulalia Valley.
659	Blue-naped Chlorophonia *	Chlorophonia cyanea	Seen in a mixed flock beside CORL.
660	Rufous-bellied Euphonia	Euphonia rufiventris	A few seen in the Manu.
661	Thick-billed Euphonia	Euphonia laniirostris zopholega	Seen at Amazonia Lodge & Machu Picchu.
662	Orange-bellied Euphonia	Euphonia xanthogaster	Sen at CORL & Amazonia Lodge.
663	Golden-bellied Euphonia	Euphonia chrysopasta	A few at Amazonia Lodge & in the Manu. Also called White-lored Euphonia.
664	Bronze-green Euphonia	Euphonia mesochrysa	Seen near CORL.
665		Passer domesticus	Seen in Lima.

665 species seen, 31 heard only or single observer sightings, 696 species recorded in total.

	Mammals & Other	Scientific Name
	Animals	
1	South American Sealion	Otaria flavescens
2	Brown Tufted Capuchin	Cebus apella
3	White-fronted Capuchin	Cebus albifrons
4	Common Woolly Monkey	Lagothrix Cana
5	Owl (Night) Monkey	Aotus trivirgatus
6	Bolivian Squirrel Monkey	Saimiri bolivensis
7	Peruvian Spider Monkey	Ateles chamek
8	Brown Titi Monkey	Callicebus brunneus
9	Saddle-backed Tamarin	Saguinus fuscicollis
10	Emperor Tamarin	Saguinus imperator
11	Red Howler Monkey	Alouatta sara
12	Тауга	Eira barbara
13	Brown Agouti	Dasyprocta variegatta
14	Jaguarundi	Puma yagouaroundi
15	Giant Otter	Pteronura brasiliensis
16	Red-brocket Deer	Mazama gouazoubria
17	Bolivian Red Squirrel	Sciurus ignites
18	White-lipped peccary	Tayassu pecari
19	White Caiman	Caiman crocodilus
20	Bottle-nosed Dolphin	Tursiops truncatus
21	Yellow-spotted Side-necked Turtle	Podocnemis unifilis
22	Long-nosed (Proboscis) Bat	Rhynchonycteris naso
23	Amazon Racerunner	Ameiva ameiva
24	Fer-de-Lance	Bothrops atrox