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Galápagos Islands & Ecuador

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SPECIES LIST

ECUADOR BIRDS	SCIENTIFIC NAME	Sighting details
Andean Condor	<i>Vultur gryphus</i>	One bird spotted by Angel and confirmed by Wilson on the first stop on Papallacta Road
Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle	<i>Geranoaetus melanoleucus</i>	One bird chased and likely caught a Brazilian Rabbit on the hill across from Termas spa. A second bird joined it giving great scope views
Puna (Variable Hawk)	<i>Buteo poecilochrous</i>	Three birds seen soaring over high ridge at first stop on Papallacta Road
Carunculated Caracara	<i>Phalco boenus carunculatus</i>	Twenty or so birds seen flying over a high ridge at the first stop on Papallacta Road
American Kestrel	<i>Falco sparverius</i>	Three birds seen one flying close to bus as we entered Quito at the end of our day in the Andes
Andean Gull	<i>Larus serranus</i>	Six birds seen flying high over hills at first stop on Papallacta Road
Eared Dove	<i>Zenaida auriculata</i>	Common around El Jardin and in the Andes
Sparkling Violet-ear	<i>Colibri coruscans</i>	Common, vocal, and active in the gardens at El Jardin
Speckled Hummingbird	<i>Adelomyia melanogenys</i>	Feeders at Guango Lodge
Mountain Velvetbreast	<i>Lafresnaya lafresnayi</i>	Feeders at Guango Lodge
Collared Inca	<i>Coeligena torquata</i>	Feeders at Guango Lodge
Buff-winged Starfrontlet	<i>Coeligena lutetiae</i>	Feeders at Guango Lodge
Tourmaline Sunangel	<i>Helianthus exortis</i>	Common at feeders at Guango Lodge
Black-tailed Trainbearer	<i>Lesbia victoriae</i>	Seen on Bottlebrush tree in El Jardin garden and around Termas spa
Viridian Metaltail	<i>Metallura williami</i>	On bird seen in tall shrubs outside Termas spa
Tyrian Metaltail	<i>Metallura tyrianthina</i>	Common at feeders at Guango Lodge
Mountain Avocetbill	<i>Opisthoprora eurptera</i>	One bird feeding at front feeder at Guango Lodge. Great views by all!
Chestnut-breasted	<i>Boissonneana matthewsii</i>	Feeders at Guango Lodge

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Western Emerald	<i>Chlorostilbon melanorynchus</i>	A few seen in gardens at El Jardin
Shining Sunbeam	<i>Aglaeactis cupripennis</i>	One nice close bird on power lines and in shrubs outside Termas spa
Giant Hummingbird	<i>Patagona gigas</i>	Male and female seen feeding on flowers and flying around road at first stop on Papallacta Road
Sword-billed Hummingbird	<i>Ensifera ensifera</i>	One seen by Penny feeding on flowers near Termas parking lot. More seen at feeders at Guango Lodge
Long-tailed Sylph	<i>Agelaiocercus kingi</i>	Feeders at Guango Lodge
Glowing Puffleg	<i>Erionemis vestitus</i>	Feeders at Guango Lodge
White-bellied Woodstar	<i>Acestrura mulsant</i>	Feeders at Guango Lodge
Tawny Antpitta	<i>Grallaria quitensis</i>	Heard only at first stop on Papallacta Road
White-banded Tyrannulet	<i>Mecocerculus stictopterus</i>	Two birds seen well in low trees around parking lot at Termas spa
Tufted Tit-Tyrant	<i>Anairetes parulus</i>	Three birds seen at first stop on Papallacta Road. Good views of one perching on tops of shrubs
Agile Tit-Tyrant	<i>Uromyias agilis</i>	A quick view of one bird moving with a feeding flock in the forest above Termas spa
Vermillion Flycatcher	<i>Pyrocephalus rubinus</i>	Male, female, and juvenile seen on grounds at El Jardin
Red-crested Cotinga	<i>Ampelion rubrocristata</i>	One bird seen perched on top of bush on hill at first stop on Papallacta Road
Turquoise Jay	<i>Cyanolyca turcosa</i>	One stunning bird seen outside window during lunch at Guango Lodge
Great Thrush	<i>Turdus fuscater</i>	Seen on grounds of El Jardin and many locations during our day in the Andes
Brown-bellied Swallow	<i>Notiochelidon murina</i>	Several flying over Termas spa
Blue-and-white Swallow	<i>Notiochelidon cyanoleuca</i>	Seen flying over gardens at El Jardin
Spectacled Whitestart	<i>Myioborus melanocephalus</i>	Great looks at one bird in trees in the parking lot of Termas spa
Blue-backed Conebill	<i>Conirostrum sitticolor</i>	One or two bird in feeding flock in forest above Termas spa
Capped Conebill	<i>Conirostrum albifrons</i>	One bird moving with flock above feeders at Guango Lodge
Cinereous Conebill	<i>Conirostrum cinereum</i>	One bird in feeding flock in forest above Termas spa. Also seen on grounds at El Jardin
Glossy Flowerpiercer	<i>Diglossopsis lafresnayii</i>	Seen in shrubs outside spa at Termas
Masked Flowerpiercer	<i>Diglossopsis cyanea</i>	Several seen at feeders at Guango Lodge

Black Flowerpiercer	<i>Diglossa humeralis</i>	Seen in shrubs outside spa at Termas
Blue-and-Yellow Tanager	<i>Thraupis bonariensis</i>	A female seen perched in trees at corner during stop on Papallacta Road
Superciliaried Hemispingus	<i>Hemispingus superciliarus</i>	One seen with feeding flock in forest above Termas
Gray-hooded Bush-Tanager	<i>Cnemoscopus rubrirostris</i>	Seen in mixed flock above feeders at Guango
Pale-naped Brush-Finch	<i>Atlapetes pallidnucha</i>	Seen in mixed flock above feeders at Guango
Montane Woodcreeper	<i>Lepidocolaptes lacrymiger</i>	Seen in mixed flock above feeders at Guango
Rufous-collared Sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia capensis</i>	Common on grounds at El Jardin
Hooded Siskin	<i>Carduelis magellanica</i>	Seen feeding in trees and shrubs on grounds of El Jardin
Saffron Finch	<i>Sicalis flaveola</i>	Seen at feeder and feeding on ground at El Jardin
Brazilian Rabbit		One feeding in grass near parking lot at Termas spa

GALÁPAGOS BIRDS

Status notes for Galápagos species:

E = Endemic species e = endemic subspecies	B = Breeding BE = Breeding Endemic species M = Migrant	V = Vagrant I = Introduced
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GALÁPAGOS BIRDS	SCIENTIFIC NAME	Status	
Pied-billed Grebe	<i>Podilymbus podiceps</i>	M	One bird seen briefly in oasis at Punta Moreno
Galápagos Penguin	<i>Spheniscus mendiculus</i>	BE	Three birds around Pinnacle Rock, 25 birds near dinghies off Punta Moreno, many other sightings around Isabela and Fernandina
Waved Albatross	<i>Phoebastria irrorata</i>	BE	200 of so birds at Punta Suarez many doing courtship displays – dancing, bill clacking, etc.
Blue-footed Booby	<i>Sula nebouxii</i>	B e	Common everywhere. A highlight was a huge feeding flock in Puerto Villamil bay.
Nazca Booby	<i>Sula granti</i>	B	Seen on several days. Many pairs at Punta Suarez on Espanola.
Flightless Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax harrisi</i>	BE	A large colony on Fernandina with many young being fed. Others on the west coast of Isabela.
Great Frigatebird	<i>Fregata minor</i>	B	First female spotted by Penny over a pond at Floreana. Many other males,

			females, and chicks seen on nests at North Seymour
Magnificent Frigatebird	<i>Fregata magnificens</i>	B e	Common throughout the trip with the most seen at the nesting colony on North Seymour
Dark-rumped Petrel	<i>Pterodroma phaeopygia</i>	BE	Four birds total seen offshore during crossings
Galápagos Shearwater	<i>Puffinus subalaris</i>	BE	Common in several areas
Elliot's Storm-petrel	<i>Oceanites gracilis galapagoensis</i>	B e	Common and often seen near the boat when anchored. One bird found on the ship at night and released from the upper deck.
Madieran Storm-Petrel	<i>Oceanodroma castro</i>	B	A few birds seen from the ship in the waters off Isabela
Wedge-rumped Storm-petrel	<i>Oceanodroma tethys</i>	B e	Seen almost daily while making crossings
Red-billed Tropicbird	<i>Phaethon aethereus</i>	B	First seen at Daphne Major, many seen at Punta Suarez
Brown Pelican	<i>Pelecanus occidentalis urinator</i>	B e	Common throughout the trip
Cattle Egret	<i>Bulbulcus ibis</i>	B	Common inland in open fields around cattle and tortoises
Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	B	Two seen at Guayaquil airport while in transit and one in Puerto Villamil bay
Great Blue Heron	<i>Ardea herodias cognate</i>	B e	Seen on several days the most at the fish market in Puerto Ayora
Galápagos Heron (Lava)	<i>Butorides sundevalli</i>	BE	Four birds seen on lava near Pinnacle Rock
Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striatus</i>	B	Three birds seen during excursion on Fernandina
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	<i>Nycticorax violacea</i>	B e	One bird at Fur Seal grottos at Puerto Egas and one at Punta Suarez
Greater Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopterus ruber</i>	B e	Seen on four days of the trip. First at Las Bachas. Also at Punta Moreno. At least two dozen in lagoon at Punta Cormoran.
Galápagos Pintail	<i>Anas bahamensis galapagensis</i>	B e	20 birds seen in the flooded gravel pit outside Puerto Villamil and 10 more seen in the lagoon at Punta Cormoran
Galápagos Hawk	<i>Buteo galapagoensis</i>	BE	Several birds perched on trees at Puerto Egas, one vocal bird at Punta Espinosa and a pair nesting at Punta Suarez
Galápagos Rail	<i>Laterallus spilonotus</i>	BE	Two birds at Media Luna very close to

			the trail calling and preening. Great looks!
Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	B	Several birds seen at oasis at Punta Moreno
American Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus palliatus galapagensis</i>	B e	Seen in flight at Daphne Major and on the shore at Puerto Egas.
Black-bellied Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>	M	One bird seen on the way to Las Tintoreras in Puerto Villamil Bay
Semipalmated Plover	<i>Charadrius semipalmatus</i>	M	Seen on several days usually lone birds at the shoreline
Hudsonian Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus hudsonicus</i>	M	One bird seen at Las Bachas, two more at Puerto Egas.
Wandering Tattler	<i>Heteroscelus incanum</i>	M	One bird seen during dinghy ride off Punta Moreno
Willet	<i>Catoptrophorus semipalmatus</i>	M	One bird seen on shoreline as we departed Punta Moreno
Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	M	Six birds seen at lagoon at Las Bachas and six more seen at white sand beach at Punta Cormoran
Black-necked Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>		One bird seen at Puerto Egas lagoon and three birds at flooded gravel pit outside Puerto Villamil
Lava Gull	<i>Larus fuliginosus</i>	BE	Seen on five days of the trip, the highlight being a pair that rode with us on the San Jose from Urbina Bay to Punta Moreno. At least ten seen at Puerto Ayora harbor.
Swallow-tailed Gull	<i>Creagrus furcatus</i>	BE	Seen on five days of the trip the most at nesting areas on Punta Suarez and North Seymour
Royal Tern	<i>Sterna maxima</i>	M	One bird seen flying over harbor at Puerto Villamil
Common (Brown) Noddy	<i>Anous stolidus galapagensis</i>	B e	Common in near shore waters throughout the trip
Galápagos Dove	<i>Zenaida galapagoensis</i>	BE	First seen at Puerto Egas then several seen at Punta Suarez
Dark-billed Cuckoo	<i>Coccyzus melacoryphus</i>	B	Seen on 4 days of the trip the highlight being one perched and well seen on trails at Urbina Bay
Smooth-billed Ani	<i>Crotophaga ani</i>	I	Commonly seen throughout the trip
Galapagos Barn Owl	<i>Tyto alba punctatissima</i>	B e	One bird seen perched in lava tube at Santa Cruz
Short-eared Owl	<i>Asio flammeus galapagoensis</i>	B e	Three birds seen on trail coming down from Media Luna – two juveniles and one adult on or close to trail.

			Spectacular views!
Vermillion Flycatcher	<i>Pyrocephalus rubinus nanus</i>	B e	Several seen on the way up and down from Sierra Negra volcano
Galápagos Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus magnirostris</i>	BE	Good views of this species on several days of the trip
Galapagos Martin	<i>Progne modesta</i>	BE	Three birds seen flying against a strong breeze at Punta Moreno
Galápagos Mockingbird	<i>Nesomimus parvulus parvulus</i>	B e	The most commonly seen Mockingbird seen on several days of the trip
Galápagos Mockingbird	<i>Nesomimus parvulus personatus</i>	B e	At least 10 birds seen along trails at Puerto Egas
Floreana Mockingbird	<i>Nesomimus trifasciatus</i>	BE	Five birds seen well and scoped while circumnavigating Isla Champion near Floreana
Española Mockingbird	<i>Nesomimus macdonaldi</i>	BE	At least 20 very curious birds seen along trails at Espanola. Most notably three that chased Billy after he picked up a bottle cap they were investigating.
San Cristobal Mockingbird	<i>Nesomimus melanotis</i>	BE	At least 20 seen on our inland excursion to the tortoise facility on San Cristobal. Great views!
Mangrove Warbler	<i>Dendroica petechia aureola</i>	B Ne	Common throughout the trip including some bright individuals on the street outside the hotel at Puerto Ayora
Large Ground-finch	<i>Geospiza magnirostris</i>	BE	Six birds seen well and photographed at the Charles Darwin Research Station on Santa Cruz
Medium Ground-finch	<i>Geospiza fortis</i>	BE	Common and seen daily throughout the cruise
Small Ground-finch	<i>Geospiza fuliginosa</i>	BE	Common and seen daily throughout the cruise
Cactus-finch	<i>Geospiza scandens intermedia</i>	B e	First seen on trails at Urbina Bay, then on Floreana. Best views at the Darwin Research Station on Santa Cruz
Large Cactus-finch	<i>Geospiza conirostris</i>	B e	Seen well feeding on the ground on trails at Punta Suarez
Vegetarian Finch	<i>Camarhynchus crassirostris</i>	BE	Great views as we entered the Tortoise facility on San Cristobal
Mangrove Finch	<i>Camarhynchus heliobates</i>	BE	Heard only in the mangroves at the black beach on Isabela
Large Tree-finch	<i>Camarhynchus psittacula psittacula</i>	B e	Two birds seen along road in Floreana
Medium Tree-finch	<i>Camarhynchus pauper</i>	BE	Two birds seen well from road into highlands at Floreana

Small Tree-finch	<i>Camarhynchus parvulus parvulus</i>	B e	Seen on five days of the trip the most on Floreana while exploring the highlands
Small Tree-finch	<i>Camarhynchus parvulus salvini</i>	B e	Two birds seen at the Darwin Station on Santa Cruz
Warbler Finch	<i>Certhidea olivacea cinerascens</i>	B e	Six birds seen in scrub along trail at Punta Suarez
Warbler Finch	<i>Certhidea olivacea luteola</i>	B e	Two birds seen on trail at San Cristobal
Warbler Finch	<i>Certhidea olivacea olivacea</i>	B e	One bird seen well on the hike up to Sierra Negra volcano
Woodpecker Finch	<i>Camarhynchus pallidus productus</i>	B e	One bird seen while looking at caldera at Sierra Negra volcano
Woodpecker Finch	<i>Camarhynchus pallidus striatipectus</i>	B e	Great looks at two birds working trees close to the trail at the tortoise facility in San Cristobal
OTHER SIGHTINGS	SCIENTIFIC NAME		
Galápagos Tortoise	<i>Geochelone elephantopus</i>	BE	At least 100 seen in the highlands of Santa Cruz including a pair copulating
Black (Pacific Green) Turtle	<i>Chelonia mydas</i>	R	Commonly seen in the water throughout the cruise
Marine Iguana (Fernandina)	<i>Amblyrhynchus cristatus cristatus</i>	B e	Many seen feeding and sunning at Punta Espinosa
Marine Iguana (San Cristobal)	<i>Amblyrhynchus cristatus mertensi</i>	B e	A few seen at the dock at San Cristobal
Marine Iguana (Santa Cruz)	<i>Amblyrhynchus cristatus hassi</i>	B e	Seen on the rocks in the harbor and under the mangroves walking out of the Darwin Research station on Santa Cruz
Marine Iguana (Isabela)	<i>Amblyrhynchus cristatus albemarlensis</i>	B e	Seen on all three days at various stops on Isabela
Marine Iguana (Espanola)	<i>Amblyrhynchus cristatus venustissimus</i>	B e	Many seen with characteristic red and black coloration at Punta Suarez
Land Iguana	<i>Conolophus subcristatus</i>	BE	Seen on trails at Urbina Bay, several near their burrows
Lava Lizard	<i>Microlophus albemarlensis</i>	BE	Commonly seen on all of the islands visited
San Cristobal Lava Lizard	<i>Microlophus bivittatus</i>	BE	Seen during inland excursion at San Cristobal
Floreana Lava Lizard	<i>Microlophus grayi</i>	BE	Seen outside of Hotel Wittmer and a few other locations on Floreana
Espanola Lava Lizard	<i>Microlophus delanonis</i>	BE	Seen along trails at Punta Suarez
Galápagos Fur Sea Lion	<i>Arctocephalus</i>	BE	A group of 9 seen at grottos at Puerto

	<i>galapagoensis</i>		Egas
Galápagos Sea Lion	<i>Zalophus californianus</i>	B e	Commonly seen throughout the cruise
Bryde's Whale	<i>Balaenoptera edeni</i>		Seen well in the Bolivar Channel
Short-finned Pilot Whale	<i>Globicephala macroynchorhala</i>		Seen well while traversing the Bolivar Channel
Bottle-nosed Dolphin	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>		Two pods seen in Bolivar Channel, one pod riding the bow wave of the San Jose
White-tipped Reef Shark	<i>Triaenodon obesus</i>		Seen twice on the trip, once at the grotto on Punta Moreno and then at least 20 at Las Tintoreras
Galápagos Shark	<i>Carcharhinus galapagoensis</i>		Seen on the first night of the cruise feeding around the ship while anchored off Santa Cruz
Diamond Sting Ray	<i>Dasyoctis dipterura</i>		Several seen in shallow waters at white sand beach on Punta Cormoran
White Spotted Eagle Ray	<i>Aetobatus narinari</i>		Seen on five days of the trip, some in shallow lagoons, others flipping out of the water during open water crossings.
Manta Ray	<i>Manta birostris</i>		A few seen early in the trip while making open water crossings
Smooth-tailed Mobula	<i>Mobula munkiana</i>		Seen during dinghy ride along shore of Fernandina
Sally Lightfoot Crab	<i>Grapsus grapsus</i>	BE	Commonly seen along the shoreline throughout the cruise
Ghost Crab	<i>Ocypode gaudichaudii</i>		Seen at Punta Espinosa
Large Painted Locust	<i>Schistocerca melanocera</i>	E	Seen on board the San Jose and near the mangroves at the black beach at Isabela
Galápagos Bee	<i>Xylocopa darwini</i>	E	Seen on most islands
Monarch Butterfly	<i>Danaus plexippus</i>		One flew by the middle deck of the ship while anchored off Punta Moreno
Galápagos Sulphur Butterfly	<i>Phoebis sennae marcellina</i>	E	Seen on several days usually near vegetation on the islands
Spot-winged Glider	<i>Pantala hymenaea</i>		Seen on several days usually near water
Yellow Paper Wasp			Seen on seven days and a nest seen at the private ranch in Santa Cruz
Flying Fish			Seen during crossing from Bartolome to Santiago
Galápagos Scorpion			Found by Juan under a rock at Puerto Egas on Santiago

Fish and other sea life seen while snorkeling at various locations:

Blue-chinned Parrotfish	White-tailed Damselfish
Bicolor Parrotfish	Three-finned Blenny
Cortez Rainbow Wrasse	White-spotted Puffer
Grey Grunt	Concentric Puffer
Pacific Beakfish	Halfbeak
Yellowtail Surgeonfish	Octopus
Gold-rimmed Surgeonfish	Sea Cucumber
Panama Sergeant Major	Blue Sea Star
King Angelfish	Chocolate Chip Sea Star
Yellowfin Tuna	Green Sea Urchin
Galapagos Porcupinefish	White Sea Urchin
Blue-striped Triggerfish	Pencil-spined Sea Urchin
Blue-and-gold Snapper	Panama Cushion Star
Hieroglyphic Hawkfish	Pyramid Sea Star
	White-bottomed Madrid