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TRIP REPORT



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ECUADOR 2018 TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

Either for rarity value, excellent views or simply a group favorite.

- Rufous-crowned Antpitta
- Tanager Finch
- White-capped Dipper
- Choco Toucan
- Moss-backed Tanager
- Orange-fronted Barbet
- Scarlet-breasted Dacnis
- Rose-faced Parrot
- Choco Trogon
- Red-capped Manakin
- Tawny Antpitta
- Red-crested Cotinga
- Great Sapphirewing
- Andean Condor
- Carunculated Caracara
- Andean Gull
- Cinnamon Woodpecker
- Tayra
- Toucan Barbet
- Scaled Fruiteater
- Masked Trogon
- Ochre-breasted Antpitta
- Swallow-tailed Kite
- Guayaquil Woodpecker
- Barred Puffbird
- Yellow-tufted Dacnis
- White-bearded Manakin
- King Vulture
- Mottled Owl
- Shining Sunbeam
- Golden-crowned Tanager
- Turquoise Jay
- Glistening-green Tanager
- Giant Hummingbird
- Booted Racket-tail
- Olinguito
- Long-wattled Umbrellabird
- Plate-billed Mountain Toucan
- Sword-billed Hummingbird
- Rufous-gaped Hillstar
- Golden-headed Quetzal
- Andean Cock-of-the Rock
- Cloud Forest Pygmy-Owl
- Dark-backed Wood-Quail
- Crimson-rumped Toucanet
- Orange-breasted Fruiteater
- Peruvian Pygmy-Owl
- Yellow-collared Chlorophonia
- Purple-throated Fruitcrow
- Purple-chested Hummingbird
- Scarlet-bellied Mountain Tanager
- Black-chinned Mountain Tanager
- Velvet-purple Coronet
- Ecuadorian Mantled Howler

SUMMARY:

Ecuador is famed for its multitude of hummingbirds and colorful tanagers and our fabulous tour to the northwest did not disappoint. From the outrageous Sword-billed Hummingbird to the tiny Booted Racket-tail and glistening Shining Sunbeam to tanagers at point blank range including Glistening-green, Flame-faced, Moss-backed, and a variety of Mountain Tanagers. We enjoyed super rare birds such as the **Rufous-crowned Antpitta** (Photo: Gina Nichol) and Long-wattled Umbrellabird plus displaying Andean Cock-of-the Rock and several stunning Fruiteaters. With many lodges and reserves having both hummingbird feeders and fruit feeders, we delighted in close up views of many birds. The rain in the afternoons could often be avoided by visiting some of these marvellous places with feeders. Our adventure to the remote Canandé Reserve will be well remembered and our final day watching Giant Hummingbirds and the king of vultures, the Andean Condor, made the perfect finale to our birding in Ecuador.



Quito - Bellavista Cloud Forest Lodge - 25th March

Everyone had arrived the day before and most of us were in the same lodge in Puembo near Quito airport. A look around the gardens on our way to breakfast found us the ever

present **Eared Doves** plus lots of noisy **Sparkling Violetears** and singing **Rufous-collared Sparrows**. Several **Black-tailed Trainbearers** flitted around the low flowering shrubs while **Blue-and-white Swallows** put in an appearance as did a few **Great Thrushes**. Then a pair of **Crimson-mantled Woodpeckers** was spotted and we had views of a male Golden-rumped Euphonia. We had a fantastic breakfast and then met with our local guide and driver plus the two ladies that had already been in Quito for a day. We loaded our luggage and set off towards Bellavista Cloud Forest Reserve. We made a stop along the way at a look out with views over an old crater. Another **Black-tailed Trainbearer** was seen and also a **Green-tailed Trainbearer**, as well as **Sierran Elaenia**.



We then continued on finally driving up the Tandayapa Valley where we made a roadside stop as several birds were spotted. Here we got to see **White-winged Brushfinches**



alongside **Blue-capped** and **Beryl-spangled Tanagers**, a **Montane Woodcreeper** showed well but a **Red-faced Spinetail** proved more elusive. **Tropical Parula** and a nice male **Blackburnian Warbler** came second to a very showy male **Barred Becard** and with so much action going on. Not always knowing which way to look, we also added **Thick-billed Euphonia**, **Golden-crowned Flycatcher**, a brief **Red-headed Barbet** and some **Glistening-green Tanagers**.

We then drove further up into the hills and arrived at Bellavista Cloud Forest Reserve. We settled into our rooms and then walked to the hummingbird feeders where we went into hummingbird identification overload. The most common species was the **Buff-tailed Coronet** always opening its wings when it landed. We also enjoyed **Fawn-breasted Brilliants**, tiny **Booted Racket-tails**, minute **Purple-**

throated Woodstar (Photo: Gina Nichol), **Speckled Hummingbird**, stunning **Violet-tailed Sylph**, an **Andean Emerald**, a **Purple-bibbed Whitetip** and **Gorgeted Sunangel**. Several **Blue-winged Mountain Tanagers** joined in the fun as did **Masked Flowerpiercers**. Nearby a showy **Cinnamon Flycatcher** appeared which was much more colorful than the **Smoke-colored Pewee** in the tree behind.



Photos:
Above, Purple-bibbed Whitetip (Steve Bird); Left, Cinnamon Flycatcher (Gina Nichol); Below, Watching Bellavista Feeders (Gina Nichol).



With heads dizzy from the hummingbirds we took a short walk into the forest and soon found **Flavescent Flycatcher**, **Streak-throated Flycatcher** and near the compost

station, **Slaty-backed Nightingale-Thrush**. A **White-throated Quail-Dove** showed briefly but later we found three perched in a tree giving great views. A **Spillman's Tapaculo** showed to some of us and then a **Sickle-winged Guan** was spotted. Several small mixed species flocks kept us busy with **Russet-crowned Warblers**, **Slate-throated Whitestart** and then later **Grass-green Tanagers**, **Streaked Tuftedcheek**, **Flammulated Treehunter**, **Dusky Bush Tanager** and **Golden Tanager**. Making our way to the lodge we were finally treated to fabulous looks at a **Plate-billed Mountain Toucan** ending our first introductory day to the marvels of birding in Ecuador.



Bellavista - 26th March

Today we took early coffee and then enjoyed almost tame views of a pair of **Masked Trogons**, as well as **Flammulated Treehunter**. After watching the assortment of hummingbirds attending the feeders, we set off on a short drive and proceeded to bird the roadside. It took only a few minutes to find our target bird the often elusive and difficult to see **Tanager Finch** (Photo: Steve Bird). A pair of these stunning birds gave super views in the undergrowth.

Nearby we also saw **Black-crested Warbler** but with our early morning mission a success we returned to

the lodge for breakfast. In a fruiting tree in the car park were **Plate-billed Mountain Toucans** but the highlight had to be the **Golden-headed Quetzal** (Photo: Gina Nichol) that gave wonderful views. Just as we were about to go for breakfast a **Tayra** appeared and stole a banana before running off.

After breakfast and more hummingbirds we set off and birded another nearby road. Our first stop produced a tanager flock and some **Plushcaps** that disappeared before most of us could get on them. A **Slaty Finch** was a good spot by Dave and then through the mist we arrived at a small house with hummingbird feeders. This was a simply amazing place and hummingbirds were everywhere.



We had fabulous looks at lots of **Purple-bibbed Whitetips**, **Violet-tailed Sylphs**, and added **Brown Inca** and **Brown Violetear**, as well as several stunning **Velvet-purple Coronets**. There were countless **Booted Racket-tails** (Photo: Gina Nichol) as well as **Buff-tailed Coronets**, **Andean Emeralds**, **Fawn-breasted Brilliants**, a **Lesser Violetear**, a brief **Empress Brilliant** and one showy **White-necked Jacobin**. In the gardens were **White-winged Brushfinches** but then we found A **Smoky-brown Woodpecker**, shortly

followed by a superb male **Scaled Fruiteater** which posed perfectly although the air was still a little misty. Next up were some **Toucan Barbets**, and both **Orange-bellied Euphonias** and some nice **Flame-faced Tanagers**. Wow, what a morning!

After lunch we drove downhill to Tony Nunnery's house and enjoyed a few hours watching his hummingbird feeders and birds coming into the garden. It was interesting to see a National Geographic team set up in the garden with water sprayers and expensive equipment in their quest to make a film on hummingbirds. We saw many of the species we had already seen but also added good views of **Empress Brilliant** and a potential new species split from **White-tailed Hillstar** and called **Rufous-gaped Hillstar**.



We were also enthralled to see a pair of **Booted Racket-tails** in full slow motion display. Quite amazing! Some **Red-billed Parrots** perched in a cecropia tree and we had good looks at tanagers including **Golden**, **Black-capped**, **Golden-naped**, **Glistening-green** and a **Flame-faced**. Both **Tropical Parula** and **Blackburnian Warblers** added to the color while Tony's many stories made for great entertainment. We then left and tried an area for **Beautiful Jay** but all was quiet so we returned to the lodge ending what was undoubtedly a wonderful day.

Bellavista - 27th March

This morning at first light we checked the lamps in the car park as they had attracted many moths during the night and now several birds were taking advantage of the feast.

Strong-billed Woodcreepers performed well as did a couple of **Turquoise Jays** (Photo by Gina Nichol). Three **Toucan Barbets** came and fed right in front of us and then **Gray-breasted Wood Wren** and **Azara's Spinetail** were seen. After breakfast, we headed down hill stopping first for a skulking **Plain-tailed Wren**. It was pretty quiet but we did find **Rufous-crowned Tody Flycatcher** and several tanagers including **Metallic Green**. An **Ornate Flycatcher** was difficult in the misty drizzle and it was pretty quiet with no mixed flocks encountered.



We returned for lunch and then afterwards we set off again further down the mountain.

In an area with an open view of the forested valley we got our scopes on a distant perched

Andean Cock-of-the Rock but better views were desired. We then had a hard time trying to get views of a pair of **Zeledon's Antbirds**. Moving down we checked a stream and nearby we got to see a **Golden-headed Quetzal**, followed by two female **Cock-of-Rocks**. Then a group of **Russet-backed Oropendolas** flew in front of the hillside. We found a mixed species flock that included **Red-faced Spinetails**, **Streak-necked Flycatcher**, **White-winged Tanagers**, lots of **Blackburnian Warblers** a female **Red-headed Barbet** and a very brief **Choco Brushfinch**. A **Swallow-tailed Kite** flew overhead and the after great looks at another **Golden-headed Quetzal** we headed back.

Angel Paz's - 28th March

This morning we left early and headed to the famous Refugio Paz, Angel Paz's Reserve. While it was still fairly dark we walked down to view an **Andean Cock-of-the Rock** (Photo: Gina Nichol) lek (display area). We were not to be disappointed! As many as 10 males performed and flew back and forth about 50 meters in front of us. It was not just the sight of these beautiful birds but also their strange calls that made for an unforgettable experience.

When the displaying birds quieted down, we moved off stopping to scope a distant **Rufous-bellied Nighthawk** roosting on a mossy branch. Just as we were almost back to the vehicles, a **Cloud Forest Pygmy Owl** started calling and after a bit of searching it flew a few feet and allowed us all good views of this excellent species. Nearby a **Scaled Fruiteater** got little attention. We then moved on and our next stop produced good looks at a **Spotted Barbtail** and brief views of a **Golden-winged Manakin**. At a banana feeder, we watched a family group of **Dark-backed Wood Quails**.





We tried another spot and this time we had little luck with any birds coming in to some more banana feeders. As we walked back we got fantastic looks at the cute little **Ochre-breasted Antpitta** (Photo: Steve Bird), this one called "Shakira". We tried another spot and after a bit of a struggle we had super views of a **Chestnut-crowned Antpitta**. A **Giant Antpitta** had just been spotted nearby so we hastily made our way to the spot but unfortunately it had gone into cover. After a lot of hard work we only managed to get one person to see it before it disappeared again.

Back at Angel's house we enjoyed a lovely brunch and fabulous views of a **Crimson-rumped Toucanet** (Photo: Gina Nichol), followed by **Toucan Barbets**, **Red-billed Parrots**, **Golden** and **Golden-naped Tanagers**. After noting the regular assortment of hummingbirds, **White-tailed Tyrannulet** and a **Mountain Wren**, we set off back towards the Tandayapa Valley and another excellent hummingbird garden. This beautiful place was alive with hummingbirds and we added new species including **White-whiskered Hermit**, **Green-crowned Brilliant**, **Western Emerald** and a brief **Violet-bellied Hummingbird**. On the fruit feeders we watched **White-lined**, **Lemon-rumped**, and **Silver-throated Tanagers**, **Thick-billed Euphonias** were plentiful and a pair of **Choco Brushfinches** came in. A large flock of **Band-tailed Pigeons** flew over the hillside and down by the river we had great views of a **White-capped Dipper**. It then began to rain so after our final fix of hummingbirds we set off back to Bellavista Lodge.



Milpe - 29th March

Today we left Bellavista and headed to Milpe. We stopped at a hummingbird garden and enjoyed many species we had seen before but this time we added several tiny **Green Thorntails**. A **Rufous Motmot** was spotted in the rain while we enjoyed a cup of locally grown coffee. With the rain not stopping, we headed to Rio Blanco Mirador which was a restaurant where we would have dinner. A stop along the way produced a couple of **Choco Toucans** and two **Pale-mandibled Aracaris**. At Rio Blanco we kept out of the rain and saw a few species including **Lemon-rumped Tanagers**.

The rain finally stopped so we returned to Milpe and along the road we saw a few **Buff-fronted Foliage Gleaners**, a male **Red-headed Barbet**, **Spotted Woodcreepers**, **Yellow-throated Bush Tanagers** and **Blue-necked Tanager**. A **Scale-crested Pygmy-Tyrant** played hard to get and further on we found **Scrub Blackbird**, plus a **Thick-billed Seed-Finch**, and several **Variable Seedeaters**. A **Purple Honeycreeper** was spotted and we had great views of **Fawn-breasted Tanager**.

We then returned to the Mirador for lunch. At the feeders while we ate were **Blue-gray, Palm** and **Golden Tanagers**, a **Red-faced Spinetail**, **Wedge-billed Woodcreeper** several showy **Black-cheeked Woodpeckers**, **Ecuadorian Thrush** and **Thick-billed Euphonias**. After lunch we returned to Milpe and soon found a big mixed species flock. Here we added **Rufous-throated Tanagers** and **Green Honeycreeper**, plus great looks at **Blue-necked Tanagers** and **Bay-headed Tanagers**. A pair of **Yellow-collared Chlorophonias** was spotted alongside **Ruddy Pigeon**, **Red-eyed Vireo** and **White-shouldered Tanager**. Further on we got superb views of a **Guayaquil Woodpecker** and then brief looks for some of **Gray-and-gold Tanagers**. A **Rufous Motmot** was our last bird of the day before we headed to our hotel for the night.

Mashpi - 30th March

This morning we headed out early to get to Mashpi and Alejandro's Mashpi Artisanal Chocolate Farm (<http://chocomashpi.com/>). We arrived and after a quick boxed breakfast we set off on the winding trails up into the forest. A **Black-throated Trogon** was seen along the way and then our local guide Danilo heard our target bird, the mythical and much sought after **Rufous-crowned Antpitta** (Photo: Gina Nichol). After a 40 minute patient wait, we were summoned forward to a small area where this fabulous bird was stood waiting for some grasshopper handouts. Unbelievable views of this mythical bird were enjoyed while the bird came out into the relative open for a few more insect meals. As we headed back down the trail, a few hummingbirds were seen including **White-whiskered Hermit** and a **Purple-crowned Fairy**.



Back down the hill, we were treated to a fascinating talk by Alejandro about how the chocolate farm worked with eco-friendly techniques and involvement with the local community. Just before our lunch arrived, we saw a couple of **Pacific Antwrens** and a **Cinnamon Becard** and a **Western Dwarf Squirrel** was seen.

After lunch, we then drove to Mashpi Reserve and stopped for a mixed flock that included **Masked Tityra**, **Rusty-margined Flycatcher**, **Olive-sided Flycatcher**, **Emerald Tanager** and **Lesser Goldfinch**. Further on it started raining and in the misty drizzle we had **Orange-breasted Fruiteaters**, **Sulphur-rumped Flycatcher**, **Golden-winged Manakin**, and **Moss-backed Tanager**. At the hummingbird feeders, we enjoyed lots of **Velvet-purple Coronets** (Photo: Gina Nichol), and **Empress Brilliants** plus **Purple-bibbed Whitetip**, **Violet-tailed Sylph**, and **White-whiskered Hermit**. As we returned to our accommodation we passed a palm tree that had 9 **Swallow-tailed Kites** roosting in it.



Silanche - Canandé - 31st March

This morning we set off the short distance to Silanche Reserve. Once here and with the rain soon stopping we had our breakfast and headed up the canopy tower where we could view the surrounding tree tops. **Yellow-throated Toucans** and **Pale-mandible Aracaris** were seen soon followed by **Gray-and-gold Tanagers**, **Golden-hooded Tanagers** and some fine looking **Scarlet-browed Tanagers**. Both **Masked** and **Black-crowned Tityras** were seen as well as **Guayaquil** and **Golden-olive Woodpeckers**. A stunning pair of **Scarlet-breasted Dacnis** showed well followed by three **Orange-fronted Barbets** (Photo: Gina Nichol) and a showy



Barred Puffbird. Next up was a family of **Slate-throated Gnatcatchers** and both **White-tailed** and **Choco Trogons**. A pair of **Purple-throated Fruitcrows** (Photo: Gina Nichol) put on a fabulous performance as did a pair of **Cinnamon Woodpeckers**. **Lesser Swallow-tailed Swifts** and a couple of **White-thighed Swallows** flew overhead and **Guira Tanager** and **Yellow-tufted Dacnis** were seen.

After a fabulous few hours on top of the tower, we headed back to our waiting bus where **Blue-chested Hummingbird** and **Bay Wrens** were seen. We left and passed by **Blue-black Grassquits** and a very showy **Striped Cuckoo** (Photo: Gina Nichol).

And another stop found us **Red-billed Scythebill** and then later we got **Masked Water Tyrant**. We then headed towards our next destination of Canandé. Our picnic lunch was enlivened by a **Tarantula** and then we endured several hours of bumpy roads and getting stuck in the mud before reaching our river ferry and the last bumpy 12 kilometers to reach our Jocotoco foundation lodge.

Here we settled into our rooms sent a man to get us some beers and enjoyed looking at **Purple-chested Hummingbirds**, **Stripe-throated Hermit** and a showy **Long-tailed Tyrant**. A **White-rumped Hawk** was seen perched and a group of **Rose-faced Parrots** put on a great show before the sun set.



Canandé - 01st April

This morning we had an early breakfast and then checked around the lodge. **Purple-chested Hummingbirds** were numerous alongside **Green Thorntails**, while **Common Tody Flycatcher** was spotted and **Long-tailed Tyrant** and **Mealy Amazon** were seen before we made a short walk downhill. In the forest we found a **Sulphur-rumped Myiobius** and after a bit of work we all got good looks at a **White-bearded Manakin** male and female. A tiny **Black-capped Pygmy Tyrant** was difficult to see but **Wedge-billed Woodcreeper** and **Plain Xenops** were easier. On the road we saw **Barred Puffbird** followed by **Squirrel Cuckoo**.

Back at the lodge we found **Fulvous-vented Euphonia** and, near the old wooden tower, we had singing **Slate-colored Grosbeak** and **Rufous-tailed Jacamar**. Some great birds from the balcony included **King Vultures**, **Swallow Tanager** and a **Short-tailed Hawk** that flew over. After lunch and some rest we had more birds from the balcony including a nesting **Pacific Antwren** and some very nice **Orange-fronted Barbets**. We did a short walk into the forest and along the way we found **Black-crowned Antshrike**, **Rufous-winged Tanagers** and a **White-whiskered Puffbird**. In the forest it was rather quiet but we did see **White-flanked Antwren** and a nice male **Red-capped Manakin**. It then began thundering and the rain started as we hurriedly made our way back.



Canandé - 02nd April

Both **Choco Screech-Owl** and **Crested Owl** were heard in the early morning but neither was close enough to find. After breakfast we spotted a **Red-rumped Woodpecker** in the garden before we all set off in a truck to bird along the road. Our first stop found **Dot-winged Antwren**, **Rufous-winged Tanagers**, and three **Red-rumped Woodpeckers** together. A **Purple-crowned Fairy** fed on some flowers while further on we had **Crane Hawk**, **Great Black Hawk**, **Chestnut-headed Oropendolas**, and a **Laughing Falcon** on the way back.

From the veranda before lunch we got several **Hook-billed Kites**. Our afternoon walk into the forest was rather quiet but we did find a **Long-billed Gnatwren** and a **Bicolored Antbird**. A **Little Tinamou** was almost seen and back out on the road we heard some close **Ecuadorian Howler Monkeys** but could not find a vantage point to see them.



Canandé - Mindo - 03rd April

This morning we had our breakfast and then packed ready to leave this remote and wild area. Along the way to the river ferry we saw **Yellow-throated Toucans** and by the river some **Choco Toucans**, **Ringed Kingfisher**, a pair of **Purple-throated Fruitcrows** and **Neotropic Cormorant**. On the other side of the river we saw a **Purple-crowned Fairy** feeding on some flowers and several **Masked Water Tyrants**.



We then had a long bumpy road journey ahead of us where more stories were told than birds seen however we did get to see a nice **Pearl Kite** perched on a wire. In the late afternoon, we eventually arrived at the very nice Mindo Garden Lodge where we relaxed and watched a few hummingbirds coming to the feeders including **Purple-bibbed Whitetips**, **Crowned Woodnymphs**, **Green-crowned Brilliant**, **Andean Emerald**, **Brown Violetear** and **Booted Racket-tail**. On the river we saw **Black Phoebe** and **White-capped Dipper**. In the evening after dinner Juan Carlos called everyone to see a **Mottled Owl** he had found calling in the garden.

23 de Junio Reserve - 04th April



Today we left early in order to get to the 23 de Junio reserve shortly after dawn. We met with the local guide and walked to an area where **Long-wattled Umbrellabirds** display. Our hearts sank a little as no birds were around. We watched an **Ornate Flycatcher** and a few hummingbirds including plenty of **Velvet-purple Coronets**. A pair of **Esmeralda's Antbirds** played hard to get but eventually the male sat out for all to see. Gina scanned the landscape and spotted some **Ecuadorian Mantled Howlers** and we watched them moving through the trees. Steve mentioned that the Umbrellabirds were often seen with monkeys. Dave then spotted a black bird far away in a tree top and sure enough it was our target bird a superb male

Long-wattled Umbrellabird (Photo: Steve Bird). Although quite distant, we enjoyed great views through the scope watching it extend its huge wattle in some kind of display. We then spotted the female a little closer and later got very close views of this female. We waited awhile to see if the male appeared closer but eventually we had to leave. Driving back towards our lodge we passed good numbers of **Swallow-tailed Kites**.

Mashpi - 05th April

This morning we set off early to re-visit Mashpi where we were rained out previously. On arrival we had our picnic breakfast and at the feeders we watched hummingbirds but best of all were the birds coming to the bananas. We had **Black-chinned Mountain Tanagers**, and a male **Golden-collared Honeycreeper**, followed by a **Glistening-green Tanager** and plenty of **Golden, Golden-naped and Lemon-rumped Tanagers** plus a few very nice **Flame-faced Tanagers** (Photo: Gina Nichol).



Later we walked the road toward another feeder and we found a male **Orange-breasted Fruiteater** plus **Rufous-rumped Antwren** and **Barred Becards**. At the feeders we enjoyed stunning **Moss-backed Tanagers**, **Orange-bellied Euphonias** and a pair of **Rufous-throated Tanagers**. We then headed out of the drizzling rain back to our lodge. After lunch we set off to Bellavista stopping in the forest where a **Green-and-black Fruiteater** called but only gave tantalizing glimpses.

Yanacocha - 06th April



This morning we set off early from Bellavista and headed to the highlands of Yanacocha Reserve. Our first roadside stop before reaching the entrance produced a showy **Tawny Antpitta** plus **Plain-breasted Seedeater**, **Black Flowerpiercer** and the common **Great Thrush**. Our next stop was for a **Short-eared Owl** roosting on a low fence post.

We arrived at the reserve entrance and after a brief sighting of a **Red-crested Cotinga** we were soon totally distracted by the multitude of hummingbirds visiting the feeders. **Buff-winged Starfrontlets** were most numerous followed by **Shining Sunbeams** and **Great Sapphirewings**. A

few **Tyrannid Metal-tails** put in an appearance and then the “mega” **Sword-billed Hummingbird** (Photo: Gina Nichol) which drew expletives especially from Dave! There were also **Sapphire-vented Pufflegs** and many **Masked** and **Glossy Flowerpiercers**.

An **Undulated Antpitta** called from a nearby thicket but would not reveal itself. We were then summoned to a wonderful breakfast supplied and cooked by the local ladies.



Afterwards we returned to the feeders where bananas were attracting several **Black-chested Mountain Tanagers** and then some **Scarlet-bellied Mountain Tanagers**. **Yellow-breasted Brushfinch** and **Cinereous Conebills** were seen. We then set out on a walk where we came across a **Blackish Tapaculo** singing and after some effort we all got to see this avian mouse. Further on we found a **Crowned Chat-Tyrant** and then a perched **Golden-breasted Puffleg**.

We then returned for a cooked lunch. Afterwards we enjoyed the feeder birds again including great views of the **Sword-billed Hummingbird** perched. A couple of **Andean Guans** (Photo: Gina Nichol) came to the bananas and we enjoyed watching them feed each other.

Another short walk into the grasslands produced views of a couple of **Grass Wrens**. We then drove a short distance when our driver Nestor spotted a **Red-crested Cotinga** on a tree top. We got distant scope views and then walked along the road until we had fantastic close views. Continuing our journey back towards Quito we made another stop for a pair of **Andean Lapwings** sat in a grassy field. A **Carunculated Caracara** flew past and we then set off to our hotel in Quito. It was a fantastic day of birding!

Antisana - 07th April

This morning was our last day and we headed out early to the highlands of Antisana just outside Quito. Passing by ancient lava fields, we arrived at our pleasant breakfast stop. From the balcony we watched **Giant Hummingbird** (Photo: Gina Nichol), **Black-tailed Trainbearer**, **Sparkling Violetear** and some **Shining Sunbeams** and then the scopes



were set up to look at the distant cliffs where several magnificent **Andean Condors** were perched. Several **Andean Gulls** flew past and in the bushes were **Plain-breasted Seedeater** and a **Band-tailed Seedeater** while all the time **Tawny Antpitta** was heard calling.

After breakfast we headed further up into the Antisana reserve. A quick stop was made along the roadside for a pair of perched **Carunculated Caracaras** (Photo: Gina Nichol) and then we stopped beside a small bridge. Here a couple of **Chestnut-winged Cinclodes** were seen plus fly over **Variable Hawk** a **Tufted Tit-Tyrant** and a nice find by Dave of a perched **Band-winged Nightjar**. Moving on up, we saw a **Culpeo (Andean Fox)** also made a stop to see **White-tailed Hillstar**,



Plumbeous Sierra Finch, Stout-billed Cinclodes and another **Tawny Antpitta**. Heading towards the last section of this highland road we enjoyed fabulous views of the snow-covered Antisana Volcano. Our first **Andean Ibis** were seen alongside numerous **Carunculated Caracaras** and **Andean Gulls**. Down by the lake we found **Andean Coots, Andean Teal, Yellow-billed Pintail, Andean Duck** and eventually a couple of **Silvery Grebes**. In the bushes were **Brown-backed Chat-Tyrant** and, after a bit of work, a **Many-striped Canastero**. Later on, we headed back to our lunch stop where we enjoyed our final look at the hummingbirds. With the afternoon rain setting in we returned to Quito where our fantastic birding tour of Ecuador ended.



We thank everyone on this tour for making it such a pleasure to lead. And we thank Juan Carlos for being such a delight to work with.

Gina & Steve



BIRDLIST FOR ECUADOR 2018

A = Number of species recorded on tour B = Number of days out of 14 recorded

C = Highest daily count H = Heard Only N/C = No Count

This list is in line with IOC WORLD BIRD LIST v (8.1) and as such names may be different than some of the field guides and other taxonomies. * indicates additional species information in the appendix.

A	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME	B	C
1	Great Tinamou	<i>Tinamus major</i>	1	H
2	Little Tinamou	<i>Crypturellus soui</i>	4	H
3	Yellow-billed Pintail	<i>Anas georgica</i>	1	20
4	Andean Teal	<i>Anas andium</i>	1	6
5	Andean Duck	<i>Oxyura ferruginea</i>	1	2
6	Andean Guan	<i>Penelope montagnii</i>	1	2
7	Crested Guan	<i>Penelope purpurascens</i>	3	2
8	Sickle-winged Guan	<i>Chamaepetes goudotii</i>	2	1
9	Rufous-fronted Wood-Quail	<i>Odontophorus erythropus</i>	1	H
10	Dark-backed Wood-Quail	<i>Odontophorus melanonotus</i>	3	4
11	Neotropic Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax brasilianus</i>	2	2
12	Andean Ibis *	<i>Theristicus branickii</i>	1	30
13	Silvery Grebe	<i>Podiceps occipitalis</i>	1	2
14	Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	4	1
15	Snowy Egret	<i>Egretta thula</i>	1	1
16	Western Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	4	50
17	Striated Heron	<i>Butoroides striata</i>	1	3
18	Turkey Vulture	<i>Cathartes aura</i>	11	N/C
19	Black Vulture	<i>Coragyps atratus</i>	12	N/C
20	King Vulture	<i>Sarcoramphus papa</i>	2	3
21	Andean Condor	<i>Vultur gryphus</i>	1	6
22	Western Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	1	1
23	Pearl Kite	<i>Gampsonyx swainsonii</i>	1	1
24	Hook-billed Kite	<i>Chondrohierax uncinatus</i>	5	8
25	Swallow-tailed Kite	<i>Elanoides forficatus</i>	10	12
26	Plumbeous Kite	<i>Ictinia plumbea</i>	1	4
27	Crane Hawk	<i>Geranoospiza caerulescens</i>	1	1
28	Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle	<i>Geranoaetus melanoleucus</i>	1	1
29	Great Black Hawk	<i>Buteogallus urubitinga</i>	1	1
30	Roadside Hawk	<i>Rupornis magnirostris</i>	7	3
31	Variable Hawk	<i>Geranoaetus polyosoma</i>	1	4
32	Broad-winged Hawk	<i>Buteo platypterus</i>	1	1
33	Short-tailed Hawk	<i>Buteo brachyurus</i>	1	1
34	Laughing Falcon	<i>Herpetotheres cachinnans</i>	2	1
35	American Kestrel	<i>Falco sparverius</i>	3	2
36	White-throated Crake	<i>Laterallus albigularis</i>	2	H
37	Purple Gallinule	<i>Porphyrio martinica</i>	1	3
38	Andean Coot	<i>Fulica ardesiaca</i>	1	50
39	Andean Lapwing	<i>Vanellus resplendens</i>	2	2
40	Spotted Sandpiper	<i>Actitis macularius</i>	2	1
41	Andean Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus serranus</i>	1	80

42	Rock Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>	8	N/C
43	Band-tailed Pigeon	<i>Patagioenas fasciata</i>	1	50
44	Plumbeous Pigeon	<i>Patagioenas plumbea</i>	1	1
45	Ruddy Pigeon	<i>Patagioenas subvinacea</i>	5	2
46	Eared Dove	<i>Zenaida auriculata</i>	4	N/C
47	Common Ground-Dove	<i>Columbina passerina</i>	1	1
48	White-tipped Dove	<i>Leptotila verreauxi</i>	5	2
49	White-throated Quail-Dove	<i>Geotrygon frenata</i>	2	3
50	Squirrel Cuckoo	<i>Piaya cayana</i>	7	2
51	Striped Cuckoo	<i>Tapera naevia</i>	2	2
52	Smooth-billed Ani	<i>Crotophaga ani</i>	4	N/C
53	Choco Screech Owl	<i>Megascops centralis</i>	2	H
54	Cloud-forest Pygmy Owl	<i>Glaucidium nubicola</i>	2	1
55	Central American Pygmy Owl	<i>Glaucidium griseiceps</i>	1	H
56	Pacific Pygmy Owl	<i>Glaucidium peruanum</i>	2	1
57	Mottled Owl	<i>Strix virgata</i>	1	1
58	Short-eared Owl	<i>Asio flammeus</i>	1	1
59	Crested Owl	<i>Lophotrix cristata</i>	2	H
60	Short-tailed Nighthawk	<i>Lurocalis semitorquatus</i>	1	1
61	Rufous-bellied Nighthawk	<i>Lurocalis rufiventris</i>	1	1
62	Band-winged Nightjar	<i>Systellura longirostris</i>	1	1
63	Lyre-tailed Nightjar	<i>Uropsalis lyra</i>	1	2
64	Choco Poorwill	<i>Nyctiphrynus rosenbergi</i>	1	H
65	White-collared Swift	<i>Streptoprocne zonaris</i>	7	N/C
66	Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift	<i>Panyptila cayennensis</i>	1	8
67	White-necked Jacobin	<i>Florisuga mellivora</i>	10	4
68	White-whiskered Hermit	<i>Phaethornis yaruqui</i>	9	3
69	Tawny-bellied Hermit	<i>Phaethornis syrmatorophorus</i>	3	1
70	Stripe-throated Hermit	<i>Phaethornis striigularis</i>	3	1
71	Brown Violetear	<i>Colibri delphinae</i>	4	2
72	Lesser Violetear *	<i>Colibri cyanotus</i>	5	4
73	Sparkling Violetear	<i>Colibri coruscans</i>	4	5
74	Purple-crowned Fairy	<i>Heliophryx barroti</i>	6	1
75	Gorgeted Sunangel	<i>Heliangelus strophianus</i>	3	1
76	Green Thorntail	<i>Discosura conversii</i>	8	15
77	Speckled Hummingbird	<i>Adelomyia melanogenys</i>	5	4
78	Violet-tailed Sylph	<i>Agelaiocercus coelestis</i>	7	12
79	Black-tailed Trainbearer	<i>Lesbia victoriae</i>	2	2
80	Green-tailed Trainbearer	<i>Lesbia nuna</i>	1	1
81	Tyrian Metaltail	<i>Metallura tyrianthina</i>	2	3
82	Sapphire-vented Puffleg	<i>Eriocnemis luciani</i>	1	2
83	Golden-breasted Puffleg	<i>Eriocnemis mosquera</i>	1	2
84	Brown Inca	<i>Coeligena wilsoni</i>	4	2
85	Collared Inca	<i>Coeligena torquata</i>	3	2
86	Buff-winged Starfrontlet	<i>Coeligena lutetiae</i>	1	50
87	Sword-billed Hummingbird	<i>Ensifera ensifera</i>	2	3
88	Great Sapphirewing	<i>Pterophanes cyanopterus</i>	2	6
89	Buff-tailed Coronet	<i>Boissonneaua flavescens</i>	5	50
90	Velvet-purple Coronet	<i>Boissonneaua jardini</i>	5	6

91	Shining Sunbeam	<i>Aglaeactis cupripennis</i>	2	20
92	Booted Racket-tail	<i>Ocreatus underwoodii</i>	7	8
93	Rufous-gaped Hillstar *	<i>Urochroa bougueri</i>	1	1
94	Purple-bibbed Whitetip	<i>Urosticte benjamini</i>	9	12
95	Fawn-breasted Brilliant	<i>Heliodoxa rubinoides</i>	6	8
96	Green-crowned Brilliant	<i>Heliodoxa jacula</i>	6	5
97	Empress Brilliant	<i>Heliodoxa imperatrix</i>	4	6
98	Purple-throated Woodstar	<i>Calliphlox mitchellii</i>	7	8
99	Western Emerald	<i>Chlorostilbon melanorhynchus</i>	1	1
100	Crowned Woodnymph	<i>Thalurania colombica</i>	7	4
101	Andean Emerald	<i>Amazilia franciae</i>	10	4
102	Blue-chested Hummingbird	<i>Amazilia amabilis</i>	1	1
103	Purple-chested Hummingbird	<i>Amazilia rosenbergi</i>	4	10
104	Rufous-tailed Hummingbird	<i>Amazilia tzacatl</i>	13	3
105	Golden-headed Quetzal	<i>Pharomachrus auriceps</i>	2	2
106	Chocó Trogon	<i>Trogon comptus</i>	1	1
107	White-tailed Trogon	<i>Trogon chionurus</i>	2	2
108	Black-throated Trogon	<i>Trogon rufus</i>	1	1
109	Collared Trogon	<i>Trogon collaris</i>	1	1
110	Masked Trogon	<i>Trogon personatus</i>	2	4
111	Rufous Motmot	<i>Baryphthengus martii</i>	3	2
112	Broad-billed Motmot	<i>Electron platyrhynchum</i>	1	1
113	Ringed Kingfisher	<i>Megaceryle torquata</i>	3	1
114	Barred Puffbird	<i>Nystalus radiatus</i>	4	2
115	White-whiskered Puffbird	<i>Malacoptila panamensis</i>	1	1
116	Rufous-tailed Jacamar	<i>Galbula ruficauda</i>	1	1
117	Orange-fronted Barbet	<i>Capito squamatus</i>	2	3
118	Red-headed Barbet	<i>Eubucco bourcierii</i>	4	2
119	Toucan Barbet	<i>Semnornis ramphastinus</i>	5	4
120	Crimson-rumped Toucanet	<i>Aulacorhynchus haematopygus</i>	2	2
121	Plate-billed Mountain-Toucan	<i>Andigena laminirostris</i>	4	6
122	Pale-mandibled Aracari	<i>Pteroglossus erythropygius</i>	5	3
123	Yellow-throated Toucan	<i>Ramphastos ambiguus</i>	6	14
124	Choco Toucan	<i>Ramphastos brevis</i>	4	2
125	Carunculated Caracara	<i>Phalacrocorax carunculatus</i>	2	60
126	Black-cheeked Woodpecker	<i>Melanerpes pucherani</i>	6	5
127	Smoky-brown Woodpecker	<i>Picoides fumigatus</i>	3	3
128	Red-rumped Woodpecker	<i>Veniliornis kirkii</i>	1	4
129	Choco Woodpecker	<i>Veniliornis chocoensis</i>	1	H
130	Golden-olive Woodpecker	<i>Colaptes rubiginosus</i>	2	2
131	Crimson-mantled Woodpecker	<i>Colaptes rivolii</i>	1	3
132	Cinnamon Woodpecker	<i>Celeus loricatus</i>	1	2
133	Guayaquil Woodpecker	<i>Campephilus guayaquilensis</i>	2	3
134	Maroon-tailed Parakeet	<i>Pyrrhura melanura pacifica</i>	4	12
135	Pacific Parrotlet	<i>Forpus coelestis</i>	2	4
136	Rose-faced Parrot	<i>Pyrilia pulchra</i>	3	10
137	Red-billed Parrot	<i>Pionus sordidus</i>	4	50
138	Blue-headed Parrot	<i>Pionus menstruus</i>	1	2
139	Bronze-winged Parrot	<i>Pionus chalcopterus</i>	6	12

140	Mealy Amazon	<i>Amazona farinosa</i>	3	6
141	Scaly-naped Amazon	<i>Amazona mercenarius</i>	1	40
142	Rufous-rumped Antwren	<i>Euchrepomis callinota</i>	1	1
143	Black-crowned Antshrike	<i>Thamnophilus atrinucha</i>	2	2
144	Pacific Antwren	<i>Myrmotherula pacifica</i>	5	2
145	White-flanked Antwren	<i>Myrmotherula axillaris</i>	1	2
146	Dot-winged Antwren	<i>Microrhopias quixensis</i>	1	4
147	Chestnut-backed Antbird	<i>Myrmeciza exsul</i>	2	2
148	Esmeraldas Antbird	<i>Myrmeciza nigricauda</i>	1	2
149	Zeledon's Antbird	<i>Myrmeciza zeledoni</i>	1	2
150	Bicolored Antbird	<i>Gymnopithys leucaspis</i>	1	1
151	Undulated Antpitta	<i>Grallaria squamigera</i>	2	H
152	Giant Antpitta	<i>Grallaria gigantea</i>	1	1
153	Chestnut-crowned Antpitta	<i>Grallaria ruficapilla</i>	3	2
154	Tawny Antpitta	<i>Grallaria quitensis</i>	2	2
155	Ochre-breasted Antpitta	<i>Grallaricula flavirostris</i>	1	2
156	Rufous-crowned Antpitta *	<i>Pittasoma rufopileatum</i>	1	1
157	Ocellated Tapaculo	<i>Acropternis orthonyx</i>	1	H
158	Blackish Tapaculo	<i>Scytalopus latrans latrans</i>	1	1
159	Nariño Tapaculo	<i>Scytalopus vicinior</i>	1	H
160	Spillmann's Tapaculo	<i>Scytalopus spillmanni</i>	4	1
161	Rufous-breasted Antthrush	<i>Formicarius rufipectus</i>	1	H
162	Plain-brown Woodcreeper	<i>Dendrocincla fuliginosa</i>	1	2
163	Wedge-billed Woodcreeper	<i>Glyphorhynchus spirurus</i>	4	1
164	Strong-billed Woodcreeper	<i>Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchus</i>	2	4
165	Black-striped Woodcreeper	<i>Xiphorhynchus lachrymosus</i>	2	1
166	Spotted Woodcreeper	<i>Xiphorhynchus erythropygius</i>	1	3
167	Red-billed Scythebill	<i>Campylorhamphus trochilirostris</i>	1	1
168	Montane Woodcreeper	<i>Lepidocolaptes lacrymiger</i>	4	2
169	Plain Xenops	<i>Xenops minutus</i>	2	1
170	Streaked Xenops	<i>Xenops rutilans</i>	1	1
171	Streaked Tuftedcheek	<i>Pseudocolaptes boissonneautii</i>	1	2
172	Chestnut-winged Cinclodes *	<i>Cinclodes albidiventris</i>	1	10
173	Stout-billed Cinclodes	<i>Cinclodes excelsior</i>	1	2
174	Pacific Hornero *	<i>Furnarius cinnamomeus</i>	4	2
175	Buff-fronted Foliage-gleaner	<i>Philydor rufum</i>	2	4
176	Lineated Foliage-gleaner	<i>Syndactyla subalaris</i>	1	1
177	Flammulated Treehunter	<i>Thripadectes flammulatus</i>	2	1
178	Spotted Barbtail	<i>Premnoplex brunnescens</i>	1	1
179	White-browed Spinetail	<i>Hellmayrea gularis</i>	1	1
180	Red-faced Spinetail	<i>Cranioleuca erythroptis</i>	7	2
181	Azara's Spinetail	<i>Synallaxis azarae</i>	4	1
182	Rufous Spinetail	<i>Synallaxis unirufa</i>	1	H
183	Slaty Spinetail	<i>Synallaxis brachyura</i>	5	1
184	Brown-capped Tyrannulet	<i>Ornithion brunneicapillus</i>	2	1
185	Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet	<i>Camptostoma obsoletum</i>	1	1
186	White-tailed Tyrannulet	<i>Mecocerculus poecilocercus</i>	3	1
187	White-throated Tyrannulet	<i>Mecocerculus leucophrys</i>	1	1
188	Tufted Tit-Tyrant	<i>Anairetes parulus</i>	1	2

189	Yellow-bellied Elaenia	<i>Elaenia flavogaster</i>	1	1
190	Sierran Elaenia	<i>Elaenia pallatangae</i>	1	1
191	Streak-necked Flycatcher	<i>Mionectes striaticollis</i>	4	2
192	Olive-striped Flycatcher	<i>Mionectes olivaceus</i>	1	1
193	Choco Tyrannulet *	<i>Zimmerius albigularis</i>	7	2
194	Ornate Flycatcher	<i>Myiotriccus ornatus</i>	4	3
195	Black-capped Pygmy-Tyrant	<i>Myiornis atricapillus</i>	1	1
196	Scale-crested Pygmy-Tyrant	<i>Lophotriccus pileatus</i>	3	1
197	Common Tody-Flycatcher	<i>Todirostrum cinereum</i>	5	2
198	Rufous-crowned Tody-Flycatcher	<i>Poecilotriccus ruficeps</i>	1	1
199	Cinnamon Flycatcher	<i>Pyrrhomyias cinnamomeus</i>	3	2
200	Flavescent Flycatcher	<i>Myiophobus flavicans</i>	2	1
201	Olive-sided Flycatcher	<i>Contopus cooperi</i>	1	1
202	Smoke-colored Pewee	<i>Contopus fumigatus</i>	4	1
203	Western Wood-Pewee	<i>Contopus sordidulus</i>	2	2
204	Black Phoebe	<i>Sayornis nigricans</i>	4	2
205	Vermilion Flycatcher	<i>Pyrocephalus rubinus</i>	1	1
206	White-browed Ground Tyrant	<i>Muscisaxicola albifrons</i>	1	2
207	Masked Water-Tyrant	<i>Fluvicola nengeta</i>	2	3
208	Crowned Chat-Tyrant *	<i>Ochthoeca frontalis</i>	1	1
209	Yellow-bellied Chat-Tyrant	<i>Ochthoeca diadema</i>	1	1
210	Brown-backed Chat-Tyrant	<i>Ochthoeca fumicolor</i>	1	1
211	Long-tailed Tyrant	<i>Colonia colonus</i>	4	2
212	Bright-rumped Attila	<i>Attila spadiceus</i>	1	H
213	Dusky-capped Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus tuberculifer</i>	3	1
214	Boat-billed Flycatcher	<i>Megarynchus pitangua</i>	1	2
215	Rusty-margined Flycatcher	<i>Myiozetetes cayanensis</i>	7	4
216	Social Flycatcher	<i>Myiozetetes similis</i>	7	3
217	Gray-capped Flycatcher	<i>Myiozetetes granadensis</i>	2	1
218	Golden-crowned Flycatcher	<i>Myiodynastes chrysocephalus</i>	4	2
219	Streaked Flycatcher	<i>Myiodynastes maculatus</i>	1	1
220	Piratic Flycatcher	<i>Legatus leucophaeus</i>	4	1
221	Tropical Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus melancholicus</i>	13	N/C
222	Green-and-black Fruiteater	<i>Pipreola riefferii</i>	1	H
223	Orange-breasted Fruiteater	<i>Pipreola jucunda</i>	2	4
224	Scaled Fruiteater	<i>Ampelioides tschudii</i>	2	1
225	Red-crested Cotinga	<i>Ampelion rubrocristatus</i>	1	2
226	Andean Cock-of-the-rock	<i>Rupicola peruvianus</i>	3	12
227	Purple-throated Fruitcrow	<i>Querula purpurata</i>	2	2
228	Long-wattled Umbrellabird	<i>Cephalopterus penduliger</i>	1	2
229	Golden-winged Manakin	<i>Masius chrysopterus</i>	2	2
230	Red-capped Manakin	<i>Pipra mentalis</i>	1	2
231	White-bearded Manakin	<i>Manacus manacus</i>	2	2
232	Sulphur-rumped Myiobius *	<i>Myiobius sulphureipygius</i>	1	1
233	Black-crowned Tityra	<i>Tityra inquisitor</i>	1	2
234	Masked Tityra	<i>Tityra semifasciata</i>	4	8
235	Barred Becard	<i>Pachyramphus versicolor</i>	3	1
236	Cinnamon Becard	<i>Pachyramphus cinnamomeus</i>	6	2
237	One-colored Becard	<i>Pachyramphus homochrous</i>	3	1

238	Brown-capped Vireo	<i>Vireo leucophrys</i>	4	3
239	Red-eyed Vireo	<i>Vireo olivaceus</i>	4	1
240	Lesser Greenlet	<i>Hylophilus decurtatus</i>	1	H
241	Turquoise Jay	<i>Cyanolyca turcosa</i>	2	2
242	Blue-and-white Swallow	<i>Pygochelidon cyanoleuca</i>	13	N/C
243	Brown-bellied Swallow	<i>Orochelidon murina</i>	1	12
244	White-thighed Swallow	<i>Atticora tibialis</i>	3	10
245	Southern Rough-winged Swallow	<i>Stelgidopteryx ruficollis</i>	10	N/C
246	Gray-breasted Martin	<i>Progne chalybea</i>	5	10
247	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	2	50
248	Southern Nightingale Wren	<i>Microcerculus marginatus</i>	3	H
249	House Wren	<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>	8	3
250	Mountain Wren	<i>Troglodytes solstitialis</i>	1	2
251	Sepia-brown Wren	<i>Cinnycerthia olivascens</i>	1	1
252	Grass Wren	<i>Cistothorus platensis</i>	2	1
253	Plain-tailed Wren	<i>Pheugopedius euophrys</i>	2	1
254	Bay Wren	<i>Cantorchilus nigricapillus</i>	7	2
255	Gray-breasted Wood-Wren	<i>Henicorhina leucophrys</i>	4	1
256	Long-billed Gnatwren	<i>Ramphocaenus melanurus</i>	1	1
257	Slate-throated Gnatcatcher	<i>Polioptila schistaceigula</i>	2	3
258	White-capped Dipper	<i>Cinclus leucocephalus</i>	2	1
259	Andean Solitaire	<i>Myadestes ralloides</i>	1	H
260	Slaty-backed Nightingale-Thrush	<i>Catharus fuscater</i>	1	1
261	Swainson's Thrush	<i>Catharus ustulatus</i>	1	1
262	Ecuadorian Thrush	<i>Turdus maculirostris</i>	3	1
263	Great Thrush	<i>Turdus fuscater</i>	5	N/C
264	Glossy-black Thrush	<i>Turdus serranus</i>	2	1
265	Dagua Thrush	<i>Turdus daguae</i>	1	H
266	Tropical Parula	<i>Setophaga pitiayumi</i>	6	2
267	Blackburnian Warbler	<i>Setophaga fusca</i>	5	4
268	Three-striped Warbler	<i>Basileuterus tristriatus</i>	2	4
269	Black-crested Warbler	<i>Myiothlypis nigrocristata</i>	1	1
270	Buff-rumped Warbler	<i>Myiothlypis fulvicauda</i>	1	H
271	Russet-crowned Warbler	<i>Myiothlypis coronata</i>	4	3
272	Slate-throated Whitestart	<i>Myioborus miniatus</i>	9	4
273	White-shouldered Tanager	<i>Tachyphonus luctuosus</i>	4	2
274	Tawny-crested Tanager	<i>Tachyphonus delatrii</i>	3	6
275	White-lined Tanager	<i>Tachyphonus rufus</i>	5	2
276	Lemon-rumped Tanager	<i>Ramphocelus flammigerus</i>	11	N/C
277	Moss-backed Tanager	<i>Bangsia edwardsi</i>	2	5
278	Black-chested Mountain-Tanager	<i>Buthraupis eximia</i>	1	2
279	Grass-green Tanager	<i>Chlorornis riefferii</i>	1	4
280	Scarlet-bellied Mountain-Tanager	<i>Anisognathus igniventris</i>	1	2
281	Blue-winged Mountain-Tanager	<i>Anisognathus somptuosus</i>	4	10
282	Black-chinned Mountain-Tanager	<i>Anisognathus notabilis</i>	1	6
283	Golden-crowned Tanager	<i>Iridosornis rufivertex</i>	1	2
284	Fawn-breasted Tanager	<i>Pipraeidea melanonota</i>	2	2
285	Glistening-green Tanager	<i>Chlorochrysa phoenicotis</i>	1	1
286	Blue-gray Tanager	<i>Thraupis episcopus</i>	12	N/C

287	Palm Tanager	<i>Thraupis palmarum</i>	10	N/C
288	Blue-capped Tanager	<i>Thraupis cyanocephala</i>	3	3
289	Golden-naped Tanager	<i>Tangara ruficervix</i>	5	8
290	Black-capped Tanager	<i>Tangara heinei</i>	1	2
291	Gray-and-gold Tanager	<i>Tangara palmeri</i>	4	4
292	Golden-hooded Tanager	<i>Tangara larvata</i>	3	2
293	Blue-necked Tanager	<i>Tangara cyanicollis</i>	3	6
294	Rufous-throated Tanager	<i>Tangara rufigula</i>	2	2
295	Beryl-spangled Tanager	<i>Tangara nigroviridis</i>	2	10
296	Metallic-green Tanager	<i>Tangara labradorides</i>	3	3
297	Rufous-winged Tanager	<i>Tangara lavinia</i>	2	4
298	Bay-headed Tanager	<i>Tangara gyrola</i>	3	6
299	Flame-faced Tanager	<i>Tangara parzudakii</i>	3	6
300	Golden Tanager	<i>Tangara arthus</i>	7	12
301	Emerald Tanager	<i>Tangara florida</i>	1	1
302	Silver-throated Tanager	<i>Tangara icterocephala</i>	2	2
303	Swallow Tanager	<i>Tersina viridis</i>	3	1
304	Yellow-tufted Dacnis *	<i>Dacnis egregia</i>	3	2
305	Scarlet-thighed Dacnis	<i>Dacnis venusta</i>	1	1
306	Scarlet-breasted Dacnis	<i>Dacnis berlepschi</i>	3	2
307	Purple Honeycreeper	<i>Cyanerpes caeruleus</i>	2	4
308	Green Honeycreeper	<i>Chlorophanes spiza</i>	4	4
309	Golden-collared Honeycreeper	<i>Iridophanes pulcherrimus</i>	1	2
310	Scarlet-browed Tanager	<i>Heterospingus xanthopygius</i>	2	6
311	Guira Tanager	<i>Hemithraupis guira</i>	3	2
312	Cinereous Conebill	<i>Conirostrum cinereum</i>	1	2
313	Capped Conebill	<i>Conirostrum albifrons</i>	1	2
314	Glossy Flowerpiercer	<i>Diglossa lafresnayii</i>	1	20
315	Black Flowerpiercer	<i>Diglossa humeralis</i>	2	6
316	White-sided Flowerpiercer	<i>Diglossa albilatera</i>	2	6
317	Masked Flowerpiercer	<i>Diglossa cyanea</i>	4	40
318	Plushcap	<i>Catamblyrhynchus diadema</i>	1	H
319	Blue-black Grassquit	<i>Volatinia jacarina</i>	3	6
320	Variable Seedeater	<i>Sporophila corvina</i>	5	4
321	Yellow-bellied Seedeater	<i>Sporophila nigricollis</i>	3	5
322	Thick-billed Seed-Finch	<i>Oryzoborus funereus</i>	4	1
323	Band-tailed Seedeater	<i>Catamenia analis</i>	1	1
324	Plain-colored Seedeater	<i>Catamenia inornata</i>	2	8
325	Plumbeous Sierra Finch	<i>Phrygilus unicolor</i>	1	10
326	Slaty Finch	<i>Haplospiza rustica</i>	1	1
327	Bananaquit	<i>Coereba flaveola</i>	5	6
328	Streaked Saltator	<i>Saltator striatipectus</i>	1	1
329	Buff-throated Saltator	<i>Saltator maximus</i>	7	4
330	Black-winged Saltator	<i>Saltator atripennis</i>	7	2
331	Slate-colored Grosbeak	<i>Saltator grossus</i>	1	1
332	Tanager Finch	<i>Oreothraupis arremonops</i>	1	2
333	Chestnut-capped Brushfinch	<i>Arremon brunneinucha</i>	3	2
334	Orange-billed Sparrow	<i>Arremon aurantirostris</i>	2	2
335	Black-striped Sparrow	<i>Arremonops conirostris</i>	1	H

336	Choco Brush-Finch	<i>Atlapetes crassus</i>	4	2
337	Yellow-breasted Brush-Finch	<i>Atlapetes latinuchus</i>	1	2
338	White-winged Brush-Finch	<i>Atlapetes leucopterus</i>	4	2
339	Rufous-collared Sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia capensis</i>	6	8
340	Dusky Bush Tanager	<i>Chlorospingus semifuscus</i>	3	2
341	Yellow-throated Bush-Tanager	<i>Chlorospingus flavigularis</i>	2	6
342	White-winged Tanager	<i>Piranga leucoptera</i>	2	2
343	Golden Grosbeak	<i>Pheucticus chrysogaster</i>	1	1
344	Scrub Blackbird	<i>Dives warszewiczi</i>	6	6
345	Giant Cowbird	<i>Molothrus oryzivorus</i>	1	1
346	Shiny Cowbird	<i>Molothrus bonariensis</i>	3	2
347	Chestnut-headed Oropendola	<i>Psarocolius wagleri</i>	1	4
348	Russet-backed Oropendola	<i>Psarocolius angustifrons</i>	1	20
349	Thick-billed Euphonia	<i>Euphonia lanirostris</i>	3	2
350	Fulvous-vented Euphonia	<i>Euphonia fulvicrissa</i>	2	2
351	Golden-rumped Euphonia	<i>Euphonia cyanocephala</i>	1	1
352	Orange-bellied Euphonia	<i>Euphonia xanthogaster</i>	5	3
353	Yellow-collared Chlorophonia	<i>Chlorophonia flavirostris</i>	1	2
354	Lesser Goldfinch	<i>Spinus psaltria</i>	2	2
355	Hooded Siskin	<i>Spinus magellanicus</i>	1	2
356	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	3	6

OTHERS SIGHTINGS

Westen Red Squirrel	White-eared Possum	Blue-bellied Whiptail
Western Dwarf Squirrel	Azara's Agouti	Owl Butterfly
Tayra	Ecuadorian Howler	Blue Morpho
Olinguito	Tapeti (<i>Sylvilagus brasiliensis</i>)	Giant Earth Worm
Kinkajou	Tarantula sp	Tarantula Wasp

Appendix * Followa IOC list version 8.1

Andean Ibis – according to the IOC list ver 8.1 Andean Ibis (*T. branickii*) is split from Black-faced Ibis (*T. melanopsis*). The Andean ibis is restricted to altitudes of 3,000 to 5,000 metres (9,800 to 16,400 ft) in the Andean highlands of Bolivia, Peru and Ecuador, while Black-faced is found throughout sw Peru, w Chile, s Argentina.

Lesser Violetear – Green Violetear (*Colibri thalassinus*) changed its name to Mexican Violetear and then Lesser Violetear was split from Mexican Violetear to become Lesser Violetear. Mexican is found from c Mexico to nc Nicaragua and Lesser is found from Costa Rica down to Peru and Bolivia.

Rufous-gaped Hillstar - There is talk by several authorities that the Rufous-gaped Hillstar (*Urochroa bougueri bougueri*) is likely to be split from White-tailed Hillstar (*Urochroa bougueri leucura*) and will represent a full species. Found from sw Colombia to nw Ecuador where it is considered rare.

Yellow-throated Toucan – This toucan has undergone several name changes in recent years from Chestnut-mandibled to Black-mandibled and now finally we hope Yellow-throated (*Ramphastos ambiguus*). There are considered two populations each with slightly different bill coloring hence the former names. It occurs from Honduras down to Venezuela.

Rufous-crowned Antpitta – There are just two species of Pittasoma and these are considered sisters to gnateaters Conopophaga and as such may in future be known as Rufous-crowned Gnateater or Rufous-crowned Pittasoma. It is a Chocó bioregion endemic, found from northwestern Colombia south to northwestern Ecuador. There are 3 subspecies and we saw (*P. r. rufopileatum*). A very hard bird to see and much sought after by world birders.

Chestnut-winged Cinclodes – The Chestnut-winged Cinclodes (*Cinclodes albidiventris*) was split from Buff-winged Cinclodes (*Cinclodes fuscus*) and occurs in Colombia, Venezuela and Ecuador. Buff-winged occurs in more southerly countries.

Pacific Hornero – The Pacific Hornero (*Furnarius cinnamomeus*) is now split from Pale-legged Hornero (*Furnarius leucopus*) with Pacific only found in w Ecuador and nw Peru. The pale eye of Pacific differs from the darker eye of Pale-legged but aside from that there is little difference except that Pale legged is found throughout Amazonia, Guyana, Peru and Bolivia.

Choco Tyrannulet – Recently separated from the much more widespread Golden-faced Tyrannulet (*Zimmerius chrysops*) the Choco Tyrannulet as its name suggests is endemic to the Chocó bioregion of southwest Colombia to western Ecuador. *Z. chrysops* has been split into 4 species ranging from Colombia, Venezuela, Peru and Ecuador.

Golden-faced Tyrannulet *Z. chrysops* – Colombia, Peru, Venezuela and Ecuador

Choco Tyrannulet *Z. albigularis* - w Ecuador, sw Colombia

Coopmans's Tyrannulet *Z. minimus* - Colombia, Venezuela

Loja Tyrannulet *Z. favidifrons* - sw Ecuador

Sulphur-rumped Myiobius – Previously considered a tyrant flycatcher (Tityridae) the 4 species of Myiobius are now a separate family. Sulphur-rumped Myiobius (*M. sulphureipygius*) was split from Whiskered Myiobius (*M. barbatus*) and is found from Mexico through Honduras to w Ecuador, while Whiskered is found from Colombia through to s Brazil.

Yellow-tufted Dacnis – The Yellow-tufted Dacnis (*Dacnis egregia*) once considered a subspecies of Black-faced Dacnis (*Dacnis lineata*) is split into a separate species. The black-faced Dacnis is found in sw Amazonia while the Yellow-tufted Dacnis has 2 subspecies (*Dacnis egregia egregia*) found in nc Colombia and (*Dacnis egregia aequatorialis*) is found in w Ecuador.

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