This gorgeous Cinnamon Screech Owl narrowly missed being our bird-of-the-trip! (Pete Morris)

COLOMBIA: FROM THE CHOCO TO AMAZONIA

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Well, this was the first time that we had run our revised Colombia With a Difference tour – now aptly-named Colombia: From the Choco to Amazonia. Complete with all the trimmings, which included pre-tour visits to San Andres and Providencia, the Sooty-capped Puffbird Extension, and the post tour Mitu Extension, we managed to amass in excess of 850 species. Travelling to the Caribbean, the Pacific Coast, the High Andes and the Amazon all in one trip really was quite an experience, and the variety and diversity of species recorded, at times, almost overwhelming! Picking out just a few highlights from such a long list is difficult, but here's just an

The exquisite Golden-bellied Starfrontlet, one of a number of stunning hummers and our bird-of-the-trip! (Pete Morris)

appetizer! The islands of San Andres and Providencia both easily gave up their endemic vireos – two Birdquest Lifers! The Sooty-capped Puffbirds were all we hoped for and a male Sapphire-bellied Hummingbird a bonus! A sneaky trip to Sumapaz National Park yielded several Green-bearded Helmetcrests and Bronze-tailed Thornbill. On the main tour we saw a huge number of goodies. Blue-throated, Dusky and Golden-bellied Starfrontlets (all stunners!); the rare Humboldt's Sapphire was a Birdquest lifer; nightbirds included Black-and-white Owl and White-throated, Cinnamon and Choco Screech Owls; and a random selection of other favourites included Gorgeted Wood Quail, the much appreciated Brown Wood Rail, Beautiful Woodpecker, Chestnut-bellied Hummingbird, Black Inca, the brilliant Rusty-faced Parrot, Citron-throated Toucan, Recurve-billed Bushbird, Urrao Antpitta, Niceforo's and Antioquia Wrens, the amazing Baudo Oropendola, Crested and Sooty Ant Tanagers and the rare Mountain Grackle. And that really is just the tip of the iceberg! On the Mitu Extension, Chestnut-crested Antbird was a real highlight, and a few of the other goodies included Tawny-tufted Toucanet, the hulking Bar-bellied Woodcreeper, the rare Grey-bellied Antbird and the seldom-seen White-bellied Dacnis.

Providencia Vireo (left) and San Andres Vireo - two Birdquest lifers! (Pete Morris)

The local form of Jamaican Oriole on San Andres. A potential split? (Pete Morris)

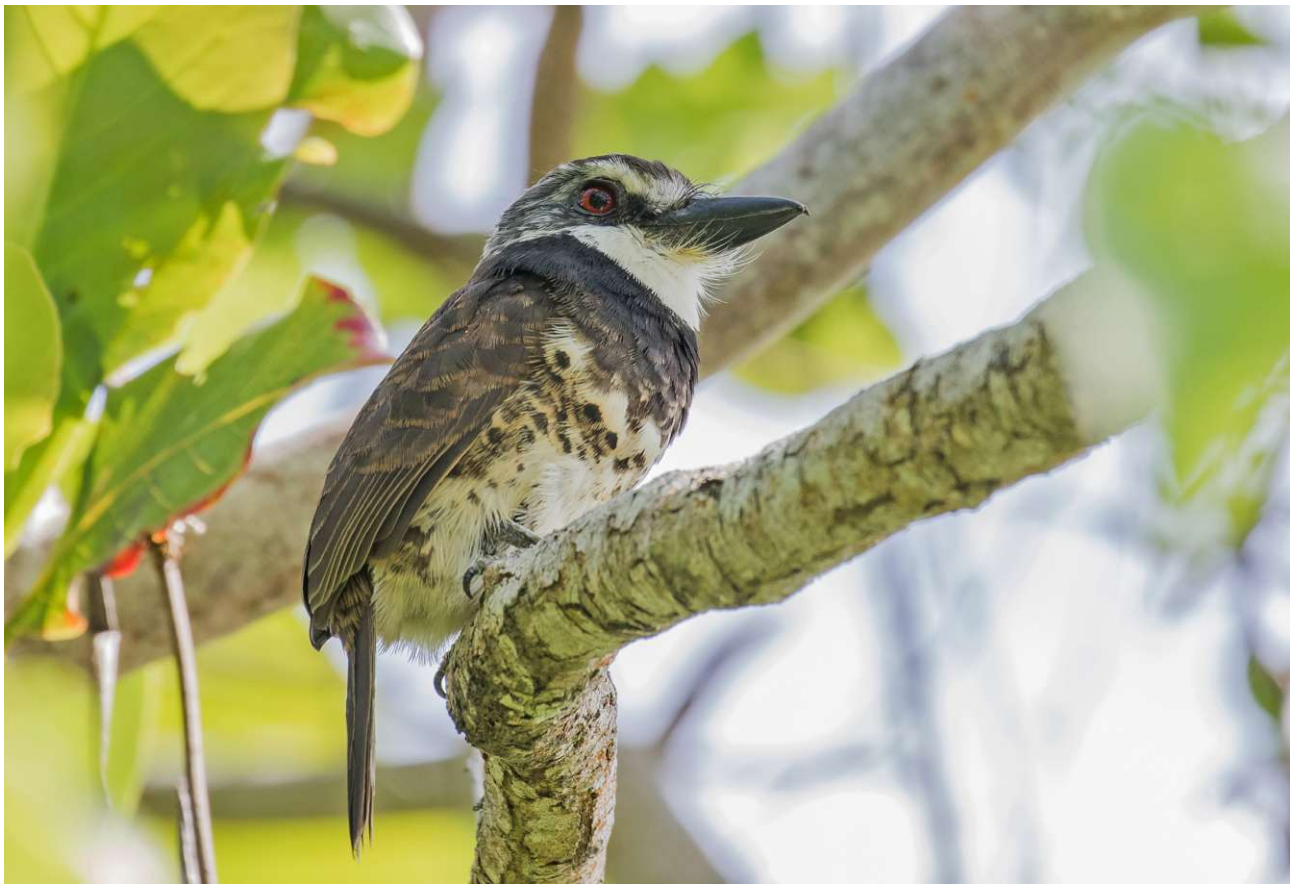
A few of us began the adventure by taking a flight over to the seldom-birded island of San Andres and explored this island and the adjacent Providencia. Here, we very quickly found the endemic San Andres and Providencia Vireos, common birds on their respective islands, and we also found the other specialities which surely include some future splits. These included distinctive local forms of Caribbean Dove (so different from those on Jamaica for example), Jamaican Oriole (distinctive voice) and the forest loving San Andres (Tropical) Mockingbird. White-crowned Pigeon, Green-breasted Mango, Caribbean Elaenia, Black-whiskered Vireo and 'Caribbean' Bananaquits were all common and we also found an excellent selection of North American migrants which included the smart White-eyed Vireo and a great selection of warblers including such gems as Prothonotary, Worm-eating, Hooded, Chestnut-sided, Prairie and Cape May Warblers and Northern Parula. It was a great couple of days.

Upon our return to the mainland, we had some 'buffer' time to spare before the main tour started, and took ourselves up to the delightfully scenic Sumapaz National Park. The glassy waters of the lake held Andean Ducks and Blue-winged Teals, whilst the surrounding vegetation was home to good numbers of showy Apolinar's Wrens and Tawny Antpittas. We quickly found several stunning Green-bearded Helmetcrests, and

The local form of Caribbean Dove on San Andres was quite dowdy; the Green-bearded Helmetcrest at Sumapaz NP was not! (Pete Morris)

Rufous-browed Conebills, but then it went strangely quiet. We flogged around, finding very few birds at all! Many-striped Canasteros did show up, a Merlin hawked dragonflies in hobby-like fashion, and an elusive Noble Snipe showed to some, but it wasn't until mid-afternoon that activity got going again and the helmetcrests reappeared. Having enjoyed them once more, we headed back to Bogotá, but some hummers caught our eyes from the vehicle, and soon we were enjoying a fine Bronze-tailed Thorntail, the other target for the day.

The following morning, joined by more of our party, we took a flight up to Apartado in the northwest of the country and from there drove on to Turbo and jumped in a boat and crossed the Brazo Leon Rio Atrato to Bocas del Atrato. On the way over we saw numerous terns and an unexpected Pomarine Skua, before arriving at our base, a simple lodge in the riverside village. Having settled in, it wasn't too long before we found our main prize, the mega Sooty-capped Puffbird, which showed incredibly well. Nearby we also found numerous Sapphire-throated Hummingbirds, a single male Sapphire-bellied Hummingbird and the local Black Antshrike as well as numerous Common Black Hawks, some showy Pale-bellied Hermits, Olivaceous Piculets and Prothonotary Warblers, and a boat trip enabled us to find a few other goodies including some fine Bare-throated Tiger Herons and Yellow-crowned and Southern Mealy Amazons, as well as witness a fine sunset.



Our Sooty-capped Puffbird twitch was highly successful - another Birdquest lifer notched up! (Pete Morris)

Having enjoyed a second session with the puffbirds, we decided it was time to head for a higher degree of comfort, and made our way to a nice hotel in Apartado. This also gave us the chance to visit some nearby forest where, as well as some entertaining sloths and three smart species of primates, we found a few interesting birds including prehistoric-looking Boat-billed Herons, Rufescent Tiger Heron, Capped Heron, Crane Hawk, a Laughing Falcon with a huge snake, some entertaining Whooping Motmots, Chestnut-backed Antbirds, the scarce (in Colombia) Clay-coloured Thrush and a colourful male Golden-collared Manakin.

Before we knew it, we were once again heading for the capital Bogotá, this time via Manizales, and soon met up with the rest of our group. Our tour started with a couple of days exploring the Eastern Andes close to Bogotá. We began with a visit to Mundo Nuevo, close to the capital, where our main target, the localized Flame-winged Parakeet, was soon in the bag. Exploring the mossy forest for the morning, we found a number of other high elevation species including Coppery-bellied and Glowing Pufflegs, Pearled Treerunner, a pair of Strong-

billed Woodcreepers, the endemic Pale-bellied (or Mattoral) Tapaculo, Red-crested Cotingas, a noisy group of Rufous Wrens, groups of Andean Siskins, showy Slaty Brush Finches, colourful Hooded and Scarlet-bellied Mountain Tanagers, endemic Rufous-browed Conebills and Glossy, Bluish and Masked Flowerpiercers.

Once again the sun slowed the activity, and we decided to make our way along some pretty tortuous roads to a private house with some very busy hummingbird feeders. This turned out to be excellent. The undoubted star of the show was the amazing Blue-throated Starfrontlet several of which showed brilliantly but the supporting cast of Glowing and Coppery-bellied Pufflegs, Green and Sparkling Violetears, Tyrian Metaltails, Green and Black-tailed Trainbearers and White-bellied Woodstars were also richly appreciated. By late-afternoon it was time to battle our way through the Bogotá traffic, for we had an early start to come…

Some simply stunning hummers were seen throughout the tour. Early on we feasted our eyes on the rare Blue-throated Starfrontlet (above), as well as Coppery-bellied Puffleg (top right) and Glowing Puffleg (right) (Pete Morris)

And early it was as we headed to the southeast of the capital the following morning, our destination the remnant forests above Monterredondo. Here we had a pretty tough morning chasing the elusive Cundinamarca Antpitta, and although we heard a few and glimpsed them occasionally, they never really obliged. Whilst looking we did find some other goodies including Collared and Bronzy Incas, the localized White-throated

Toucanet, Olive-backed Woodcreeper, a small group of the localized Sulphur-bellied Tyrannulet, Handsome Flycatcher, smart Rufous-crowned Tody-Flycatchers, many Green-and-black Fruiteaters, smart Golden-fronted Whitestarts, and colourful Grass-green, Golden-crowned and Saffron-crowned Tanagers. By the time we waved the white flag it was past lunch time, and we just had time to call in at Guayabatel before heading back to Bogotá. This proved worthwhile as Cliff Flycatchers obliged, our first Red-headed Barbets popped up, and the flowering flame trees held colourful Golden-tailed Sapphires and the rarely-seen Green-bellied Hummingbird. Result! The journey back in to Bogotá was once again a little tedious!

We had great views of both forms of the endemic Apolinar's Wren (Pete Morris)

The following day we began on the outskirts of Bogotá, now with our excellent driver and in our trusty van, our home for the next couple of weeks! We started at a small wetland where we soon found our targets which included Bogota Rail, Spot-flanked Gallinule, a singing Apolinar's Wren, and, a much-wanted Subtropical Doradito. We also found a variety of commoner wetland species such as Pied-billed Grebe, various waterfowl, Solitary Sandpiper and Lesser and Greater Yellowlegs. Nearby we found the endemic Silvery-throated Spinetail and some smart Yellow-backed Orioles before embarking on the relatively long drive to Soata. We broke the journey with lunch in Arcabuco, followed by a visit to a wonderful flower garden at Rogitama. Although there were no feeders, the flowers provided ample food for a number of hummingbirds, and here we were delighted to find the endemic Black Inca, the localized Short-tailed Emerald and the vivid Lazuline Sabrewing. It was tea time by the time we rolled into Soata.

Cracking hummers at Rogitama included Black Inca and Lazuline Sabrewing (Pete Morris)

This exquisite White-throated Screech Owl was an early star! (Pete Morris)

As is the style of this tour, our visit to Soata was for a specific purpose, and we had a day and a morning to find the targets. The two mornings were spent at higher altitude above Soata and here we eventually tracked down the very rare Colombian Mountain Grackle. We also found Rusty-faced Parrot (though the views were less than ideal) and other goodies higher up included a stunning pair of White-throated Screech Owls a fine Andean Pygmy Owl and a male Band-winged Nightjar. Another real favourite was the simply gorgeous Golden-bellied Starfrontlet, and other species of note included smart Amethyst-throated (or Longuemare's) Sunangels, colourful Crimson-mantled Woodpeckers, Streaked Tuftedcheek and the localized Moustached Brush Finch and the more widespread Yellow-breasted Brush Finch. We also spent a little bit of time at lower altitudes. Here we were delighted to get amazing views of the often awkward Niceforo's Wren and also got great looks at the rare endemic Chestnut-bellied Hummingbird, the distinctive endemic Apical Flycatcher, and the local Bar-crested Antshrike. A pretty good haul!

Believe me! Nicefero's Wrens are not always this showy! (Pete Morris)

Rusty-faced Parrot and Mountain Grackle - two montane specialities (Pete Morris)

We then left Soata and headed off on what we thought was the direct route to Bucaramanga… Well, it may have been direct, but quick it was not, as we wound our way over endless mountains for the rest of the day. It was a little tedious, but a couple of stops nearly made up for it as we found more Colombian Mountain Grackles and some fantastic Rusty-faced Parrots which showed superbly in the scope, bringing smiles to faces! Breeding Acorn Woodpeckers were also found, and a pair of roadside Band-tailed Guans rounded off the day nicely. The length of the journey meant that we decided to cut the journey in San Vicente de Chucuri and opted to stay in a comfortable hotel and get a little sleep!

We set off at dawn the following morning and birded our way up through the coffee plantations to the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, a journey we were to repeat a couple of days later. The two visits proved very birdy. Scope views of an attractive Yellow-browed Shrike-Vireo, a much-wanted stunner, were a highlight, and other goodies seen during the visits included displaying Black Hawk-Eagle, a smart male Violet-bellied Hummingbird, attractive Spectacled Parrotlets, Sooty-headed and Golden-faced Tyrannulets, an obliging pair of Cinereous Becards, Rufous-capped Warblers, Scrub, Blue-necked, Black-capped and Guaira Tanagers, Yellow-tufted Dacnis and even some smart White-eared Conebills.

During our time up at the reserve, we once again focused our attention on a suite of endemics. Around the lodge itself we found gaudy endemic Turquoise Dacnises and hooting White-mantled Barbets, whilst at higher altitude, after a tough hike or two, we found Gorgeted Wood Quail, Parker's Antbirds and the sneaky

The singing fledgling attila and a fine Lemon-rumped Tanager (Pete Morris)

Green-crowned Brilliant and Indigo-capped Hummingbirds were both common at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve (Pete Morris)

Upper Magdalena Tapaculo. Other goodies included an unbelievably cute pair of Cinnamon Screech Owls, Tropical Screech Owl, brilliant views of Lined Quail-Doves, the localized Crimson-rumped Toucanet, singing White-throated Spadebills, a female Golden-winged Manakin, colourful Golden-rumped Euphonias and a smart Yellow-tailed Oriole. Also worthy of mention was the Flammulated (Bright-rumped) Attila, in particular the tiny juvenile, still in pins, in full song from the nest! Mixed flocks, although hard to come by, were exciting when found, and held species such as Spotted Barbtail, Montane, Lineated and Buff-fronted Foliage-gleaners, Uniform Antshrike, the canopy-loving Rufous-rumped Antwren, Ornate Flycatchers, a group of the rare Rufous-browed Tyrannulets, Rufous-naped Greenlet, gorgeous Cerulean Warblers, Three-striped and Canada Warblers, Ashy-throated Bush-Tanagers and Golden, Flame-faced, Speckled and Bay-headed Tanagers. Feeders around the lodge hosted dazzling Lemon-rumped Tanagers as well as confiding Streaked Saltators and Swainson's Thrushes, whilst the various hummingbird feeders housed the endemic Indigo-capped Hummingbirds as well as Green and Rufous-breasted Hermits, Brown Violetear, (Violet) Crowned Woodnymphs, Andean Emeralds, Fawn-breasted and Green-crowned Brilliants, Buff-tailed Coronets, more Black Incas, stunning Booted Racket-Tails and even a fine male Gorgeted Woodstar. Sadly, our contact with Highland Tinamous, White-bellied Antpittas and Long-tailed Tapaculos remained aural only, despite considerable effort!

After what had been a very productive couple of days, it was once more time to move on, this time with the rather long drive to Ocaña, once again arriving in the dark. We did have some time to make a stop in some marshes where Northern Screamers were the highlights though a number of other wetland species were added to our lists including Black-collared Hawk, a Sora, plenty of whistling ducks, Yellow-chinned Spinetail and Pied Water and White-headed Marsh Tyrants. We also found a pair of Hooded Tanagers and Trinidad Euphonia at the southern end of its range here.

Of course we were on a mission again the following morning, and fortunately a successful one, as soon after dawn we had a pair of the remarkable Recurve-billed Bushbirds in our sights, a species that can prove tough but was thankfully kind to us! From the same spot we found the uncommon Grey-throated Warbler, and could then get on and explore the reserve. Sadly, some vocal Black-fronted Wood Quails only showed to some of the group, but we all managed to connect with the recently-split Klages's Antbird, a lekking Stripe-throated Hermit, sneaky but showy Stripe-breasted Spinetails, stolid Moustached Puffbirds, and, at a small antswarm, we found

Northern Screamers gave many great views (Pete Morris)

the uncommon Chestnut-bellied Thrush alongside Orange-billed Nightingale Thrush. Other more widespread species here included a confiding pair of Golden-crowned Flycatchers, Whiskered Wren, Spectacled Thrush, Blue-naped Chlorophonia and Black-headed Tanagers.

After successfully connecting with Ocaña's specialities, we opted not to have a second morning in the reserve, but instead embarked upon the long drive to El Paujil, so as to arrive there in good time. We once again looked over some wetlands, seeing good numbers of whistling ducks and other wetland birds. We paused for lunch by the mighty Magdalena River, and here, as well as getting a good feed, we were entertained by a variety of new species including Yellow-billed and impressive Large-billed Terns, Black Skimmers and the uncommon Collared Plover. We then made our way past various Northern Screamers and Rufescent Tiger Herons to the reserve itself, transferring to 4wds for the last bit, and arriving at the reserve in time for some initial exploration.

Our two and a bit days at El Paujil proved to be pretty productive. Our main reason for visiting the reserve and therefore our main target, was to try to see the impressive and endangered Blue-billed Curassow. This we achieved, with some great views of a pair close to our accommodation. However, it was all a little strange. Two captive females were also present, and these were released during our visit, though were incredibly tame and kept returning to the aviary. The 'wild' pair were obviously attracted to the aviary, presumably because of the females, though it was impossible to know for sure which curassows had at some point been in the cage! Indeed, with holes now in the aviary roof, birds could actually get into the aviary – an unusual concept, but with females and food on offer, perhaps not surprising that wild birds would attempt this! Suffice to say though, the birds we saw were timid and soon ran off once they knew we were showing an interest in them, and were as good as we could hope for!

A number of other 'special' birds were also on the agenda. Beautiful Woodpecker, an aptly-named endemic, was tracked down for fine views, an incredible Bare-crowned Antbird showed superbly, the range-restricted and somewhat dowdy Black-billed Flycatcher showed well, a usually retiring Russet-winged Schiffornis gave amazing views, colourful little Western Striped Manakins entertained and, after a bit of a battle, most got on to the impressive Sooty Ant Tanager (though better was to come!). We spent much time looking from a view-point. Here we saw King and Lesser Yellow-headed Vultures drifting overhead, colourful Citron-throated and Chestnut-mandibled Toucans in fruiting trees, and a good variety of parrots including huge Blue-and-yellow and smaller Chestnut-fronted Macaws, Red-lored, Orange-winged and Southern Mealy Amazons and a smart Orange-crowned Oriole. Also here were some hummingbird feeders which, amongst others, attracted the

El Paujil came alive at night! Choco Screech Owl, Black-and-white Owl and Common Potoo (Pete Morris)

Blue-chested and Shining Green Hummingbirds were stars of the show at the El Paujil feeders (Pete Morris)

scarce Shining Green and Blue-chested Hummingbirds as well as White-vented Plumeleteer and Long-billed Starthroat. Whilst exploring the forest trails we found a number of other species including both Great and Little Tinamous, Pied and impressive Barred Puffbirds, singing Band-tailed Barbthroat , Black-striped Woodcreeper, Black-crowned Antshrike, Southern Bentbill, Panamanian Flycatcher, Black-bellied Wren and Fulvous-vented Euphonia whilst colour was added by White-tailed and Gartered Trogons and Rufous Motmot. At night, the woods came alive with a number of other critters! Great mammals including Crab-eating Raccoon and Lemurine Night Monkey were seen, and plenty of nightbirds were on offer as we enjoyed great views of Choco Screech Owl, Black-and-white Owl, Mottled Owl and Common Potoo, though sadly the Crested Owls could not be tempted into view.

The (hopefully) wild male Blue-billed Curassow and the definitely not wild rehabilitated female (Pete Morris)

Before we knew it, it was time to retrace our steps, get back on our trusty bus and head for Libano. On the way we paused at a rather uninspiring looking site close to Laguna del Ato. It proved to be very birdy though, and in just a brief visit we added the endemic Velvet-fronted Euphonia as well as White-bellied and Jet Antbirds and a trio of Crested Bobwhites!

Two more highly-desired rarities - Crested Ant Tanager and White-bibbed Manakin (Pete Morris)

The following morning we explored some forest fragment close to Libano. And I do mean fragments – sadly there are barely any trees left! Nevertheless, we plugged away and came up with an impressive array of rare endemics. These included the stunning Crested Ant Tanager, the rare Yellow-headed Brush Finch and even the sneaky Tolima Dove which played hide and seek with us for a while. A number of other good birds put in an appearance including Andean Motmots, the sneaky White-tipped Sicklebill, the localized Black-headed Brush Finch, Yellow-throated (White-naped) Brush Finch and Black-winged Saltator. By lunchtime we were moving on again, this time to Victoria, where we had just an afternoon and an early morning to explore the birdy Bellavista Reserve. Once again we were target orientated! Sooty Ant Tanagers showed well to all, making up for the difficult views at El Paujil, and the localized White-bibbed Manakin gave great views, and we also found a fine male Magdalena Antbird. Our pre-dawn look also saw us getting fine views of another Mottled Owl. From Victoria it was a long drive to Urrao, and with an early start planned, there was little if any time to do anything other than admire the scenery from the bus window!

They may be relatively common, but it's always good to see a Mottled Owl! (Pete Morris)

Dusky Starfrontlet was one of the major stars at the Colibri del Sol Reserve (Pete Morris)

We were off early the following day in order to get all the way up to the paramo in the fantastically scenic Colibri del Sol reserve. Getting there was a bit of an ordeal! Not all of us considered ourselves great jockeys, but most found ourselves in the saddle, and somehow got to the paramo! The horses were best described as independent and at times unpredictable, but there were many laughs along the way, and sore backsides by the end of the day! Suffice to say, we all chose to walk down!!

Again, we were driven on by rare endemic targets, and again we found them! Pride of place went to the amazing Dusky Starfrontlet which literally glowed from the undergrowth, but the Chestnut-bellied Flowerpiercers were nearly as good, the Paramillo Tapaculo surprisingly obliging (in the end!) and, the following morning, the Urrao Antpittas were much appreciated. In amongst these goodies, we enjoyed a number of other high altitude species. The hummingbird feeders held a lovely selection including amazing Sword-billed Hummingbirds, Collared Inca, colourful Tourmaline Sunangels, Mountain Velvetbreast, Tyrian Metaltail, stunning Long-tailed Sylphs, and numerous White-bellied Woodstars that buzzed around like miniature drones! Other species in the forest included Golden-headed Quetzal (for some), Grey-throated Toucanet, a lovely Striped Treehunter, a gorgeous Rufous Antpitta, an obliging pair of Dusky Pihas, and, for some, a group of colourful Red-hooded Tanagers.

Urrao Antpitta - charismatic rather than colourful! (Pete Morris)

A quick roadside stop yielded two more endemics: Antioquia Wren and Greyish Piculet (Pete Morris)

Once back down, we again boarded our trusty vehicle and headed for Medellin, pausing to add endemic Antioquia Wren and Greyish Piculet as we went. After a pleasant night in a decent hotel, we headed for the airport, where we were to say goodbye to the trusty bus and excellent driver and board our plane for Bahia Solano over on the Pacific Coast. Once again, we had a couple of days to work with, and once again, a list of targets, though the diversity in the area meant that the species on the combined hit lists could have kept us going for weeks!!

We focused our efforts on three different areas, these being the road between El Valle and Bahia Solano, Utria National Park, a little to the south and accessed by boat, and for our second full day, a long trail running south from El Valle, towards Utria National Park. The road was sadly fairly quiet for much of the time, and the flock that we hoped for never really materialized. That said, it did give us an excellent introduction to the lowland Chocó birds, and indeed we got some great views of a number of interesting species including an obliging White-throated Crake, several Dusky Pigeons, impressive Stripe-billed Aracaris and Choco Toucans, numerous Black-cheeked and Cinnamon Woodpeckers, a dashing pair of Bat Falcons, much wanted Blue and Black-tipped Cotingas, noisy Dusky-faced Tanagers, and pretty Scarlet-thighed Dacnises and Scarlet-browed Tanagers.

White-throated Crake by special request! This one showed very well indeed! (Pete Morris)

Humboldt's Sapphire - another Birdquest Lifer! (Pete Morris)

The day we visited the park, we kicked off with Brown Booby from the boat and soon after arriving found our first major target, the rare Brown Wood Rail. Nearby we found an even rarer bird, the mangrove-loving Humboldt's Sapphire, and other birds here included Crested Guan, Great Green Macaw, Grey-chested Dove, the delightful Golden-collared Manakin and the scarce Blue-whiskered Tanager. On a trail just across a small bay, we found a number of other goodies including a surprise pair of Great Curassows, the interesting Tooth-billed Hummingbird, White-whiskered Hermit, Bronze-tailed Plumeleteer, shy Ocellated and Bicoloured Antbirds (at an antswarm), the localized Stripe-throated Wren, Tawny-faced Gnatwren, the bulky Lemon-spectacled Tanager and Rufous Piha. We also came across a couple of small mixed flocks which held species such as Spotted Woodcreeper, Spot-crowned Antvireo, Checker-throated Antwren, Pacific Flatbill and Tawny-crowned Greenlet, though sadly the desired Sapayoa was only heard.

The common but colourful Purple-throated Fruitcrow and the smart Black-breasted Puffbird were both seen around El Valle (Pete Morris)

A displaying Baudo Oropendola - a sight and sound not forgotten in a hurry! (Pete Morris)

Our full day along the trail was also productive. We began with a spotlit Barred Forest Falcon, but our real target was the endemic Baudo Oropendola, and it didn't take too long to find an amazing male which displayed and sung for us. What a creature! It wasn't the easiest birding, but we managed a number of other goodies including a nesting Grey-headed Kite, a pair of shy Olive-backed Quail-Doves, impressive Black-breasted and White-whiskered Puffbirds, the localized Spot-crowned Barbet, colourful Rose-faced Parrots, Spotted Antbird, an obliging Black-headed Antthrush, Streak-chested Antpitta (mostly heard but seen by the persistent!), Western Sirystes, unexpected White-headed Wrens and an extremely tame Southern Nightingale Wren.

From there it was a long haul back to Bogota. We began with a flight to Medellin from where we needed to switch airports. With plenty of time to do so, and ever hungry birders present, we decided to make a small detour, and soon notched up some delightful Red-bellied Grackles, a much-wanted Yellow-headed Manakin and an endemic Stiles's Tapaculo, as well as an unexpected Yellow-throated Vireo. We arrived at the airport in good time and headed for Bogota. At this point, we said cheerio to a couple of group members, whilst the rest of us grabbed a little sleep before boarding our next flight, this time bound for the Amazon!

Red-bellied Grackle was a nice 'greasy bonus' (Pete Morris)

Wow, what a bird! Chestnut-crested Antbird at Mitu (Pete Morris)

For the Mitu area, we had an afternoon, four full days and a morning to explore the various remnant patches of habitat. Anywhere with habitat in the Amazon basin is a diverse area, and within this short space of time, we managed to add a good number of species. Obviously many Amazonian species are widespread, and many of these were present, but as we made our way around the various sites, the calls of Screaming Pihas echoing through our ears, we attempted to find a number of more localized or difficult targets.

Perhaps the most spectacular of these was the superb Chestnut-crested Antbird, which gave such unbelievably good views. Tawny-tufted Toucanet, the hulking Bar-bellied Woodcreeper, the tiny Yellow-throated Antwren, the rare Grey-bellied Antbird, flocks of Azure-naped Jays, the diminutive Plumbeous Euphonia and the seldom-seen White-bellied Dacnis were amongst the other good rarities we found. Also here were a number of essentially local white sand and riparian specialists such as Blackish-grey Antshrike, Cherrie's Antwren,

Two more of Mitu's specialities - Bar-bellied Woodcreeper and Plumbeous Euphonia (Pete Morris)

White-chinned Woodcreeper and White-plumed Antbird, two of the antswarm specialists, and Cherrie's Antwren at Mitu (Pete Morris)

Amazonian Inezia, Citron-bellied Attila, Saffron-crested Tyrant-Manakin, Black and Yellow-crested Manakins and Brown-headed Greenlet. Cotingids were well represented and included the awesome Guianan Cock-of-the-Rock, Purple-breasted, Spangled and Pompadour Cotingas, Amazonian Umbrellabird and White-browed Purpletuft. Other species which can be hard to find such as Collared Gnatwren, Black Bushbird, Ringed Antpipit, Cinnamon Neopipo and the soon to be split *duidae* Fuscous Flycatcher all showed well, and we enjoyed brilliant encounters with both Rufous-capped and Striated Antthrushes. Indeed antbirds were rather well represented, with highlights including Dusky-throated and Cinereous Antshrikes (the mixed flock leaders!!), Spot-winged Antshrike, the localized Negro Stipple-throated Antwren, Rufous-tailed Antwren, Moustached and Pygmy Antwrens, the scarce Spot-backed Antwren, Black-faced, Imeri Warbling, Yellow-browed, Silvered and Black-throated Antbirds and Spot-backed, Dot-backed and Common Scale-backed Antbirds.

We were lucky enough to come across a couple of antswarms, and although not too many birds attended them, we did see several gorgeous White-plumed Antbirds as well as blue-eyed White-chinned Woodcreepers and Bicoloured Antbird. Elsewhere in the mixed flocks we found Speckled Spinetail, Chestnut-winged Hookbill, Cinnamon-rumped and Olive-backed Foliage-gleaners, the uncommon Rufous-tailed Xenops and Yellow-throated, Dusky-chested and palm-loving Sulphury Flycatchers, and colour was added by the uncommon Black-bellied Cuckoo, Pavonine Quetzal, Amazonian Motmot, Yellow-billed, Paradise, Bronzy and Great Jacamars, White-necked and Spotted Puffbirds, Ivory-billed and Many-banded Aracaris, Yellow-throated, Scaly-breasted, Chestnut and impressive Red-necked Woodpeckers, an amazing flock of 50+ Southern Mealy Amazons, stunning Scarlet Macaws and amazing Red-fan Parrots, which shared the canopy with Speckled Chachalacas, Green and Olive Oropendolas and Epaulet (Moriche) Oriole. Also in the canopy were a variety of colourful tanagers which included Fulvous-crested, Turquoise, Paradise, Green-and-gold, Yellow-bellied, Masked, Opal-rumped and Opal-crowned Tanagers, Black-faced and Yellow-bellied Dacnises and Short-billed

Large flocks of Southern Mealy Amazons were an impressive sight (Pete Morris)

Honeycreeper and we were also pleased to see Yellow-green, Slate-coloured and Rothschild's Grosbeaks, and on one occasion we were serenaded by a showy Lawrence's Thrush.

Good hummingbirds included Pale-tailed Barbthroat, Green-tailed Goldenthroat and a brief male Black-throated Brilliant, and raptors were represented by perched views of Black-and-white and Ornate Hawk Eagles, and noisy Black and Red-throated Caracaras. It was difficult to really get into any nightbirding, as the sites were not close to the hotel, but we did manage several Lesser and Band-tailed Nighthawks, Pauraques and some fine Blackish Nightjars.

By the time we flew back to Bogotá, we were ready for home, and the long journey back gave us the chance to reflect back on what had been an exceptional adventure! If you get the chance… go. Colombia really is just about the birdiest place on our planet!

Scarlet Macaws - widespread but always impressive (Pete Morris)

Rufous Antpitta at Urrao. They don't come much cuter than this... and not a worm in sight (Pete Morris)

SYSTEMATIC LIST OF SPECIES RECORDED DURING THE TOUR

Species which were heard but not seen are indicated by the symbol (H).
Species which were only recorded by the leader are indicated by the symbol (LO).
Species which were not personally recorded by the leader are indicated by the symbol (NL).

Species only seen on the pre-tour extension to San Andres, Providencia and Sumapaz National Park are indicated by the symbol (SA).
Species only seen on the pre-tour Sooty-capped Puffbird extension are indicated by the symbol (E1).
Species only seen on the post-tour Mitu extension are indicated by the symbol (E2).

Species marked with the diamond symbol (◊) are either endemic to the country or local region or considered 'special' birds for some other reason (e.g. it is only seen on one or two Birdquest tours; it is difficult to see across all or most of its range; the local form is endemic or restricted-range and may in future be treated as a full species).

Conservation threat categories and information are taken from *Threatened Birds of the World*, BirdLife International's magnificent book on the sad status of the rarest 10% of the world's avifauna, and updates on the BirdLife website: http://www.birdlife.org/datazone/home
(CR) = Critically Endangered, **(EN)** = Endangered, **(VU)** = Vulnerable, **(NT)** = Near Threatened, **(DD)** = Data Deficient.

For polytypic species, the subspecies seen on the tour, where known, is placed in parentheses at the end of the species comment. Generally, species listed with trinomials are not currently split by the IOC.

The species names and taxonomy used in the report mostly follows Gill, F & D Donsker (Eds). **2016. IOC World Bird List (v 6.2).** This list is updated several times annually and is available at http://www.worldbirdnames.org. Please note, this was the current version when the report checklist was created. Some alternative names are given in parentheses.

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Great Tinamou ***Tinamus major*** **(NT)** See note.
Highland Tinamou ◊ ***Nothocercus bonapartei*** (H) A few heard at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].
Tawny-breasted Tinamou ◊ ***Nothocercus julius*** (H) Several heard at Colibri del Sol, Urrao.
Little Tinamou ***Crypturellus soui*** See note.

Clockwise from top left: Little Tinamou at El Paujil; Band-tailed Guan and a pair of Speckled Chachalacas (Pete Morris)

Choco Tinamou ◊ ***Crypturellus kerriae*** **(VU)** A few heard in Utria NP, but none were accessible.
Northern Screamer ◊ ***Chauna chavaria*** **(NT)** Five on the drive to Ocaña and common on the El Paujil journeys.
White-faced Whistling Duck ***Dendrocygna viduata*** First seen at a roadside pool on the journey to El Paujil.
Black-bellied Whistling Duck ***Dendrocygna autumnalis*** Commonest at the marsh on the drive to Ocaña [nominate].
Muscovy Duck ***Cairina moschata*** A single seen in flight at Bocas del Atrato.
Blue-winged Teal ***Anas discors*** Seen on Providencia, and then common at Parque La Florida.
Cinnamon Teal ***Anas cyanoptera*** (SA) 1 immature male on the Represa at Freshwater Bay, Providencia.
Andean Teal (Merida T) ***Anas [andium] altipetens*** (SA) c20 on the lakes at Sumapaz NP.
Lesser Scaup ***Aythya affinis*** Seen on Providencia, at Sumapaz NP and at Parque La Florida.

Andean Duck ***Oxyura ferruginea*** See note.
Speckled Chachalaca ***Ortalis guttata*** (E2) Good views of two at Mitu Cachivera [nominate].
Colombian Chachalaca ◊ ***Ortalis columbiana*** Several below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, at El Paujil and La Romera.
Band-tailed Guan ◊ ***Penelope argyrotis*** Brilliant views of 2 on the journey from Soata to Bucaramanga.
Crested Guan ***Penelope purpurascens*** Two in Utria NP, caused initial excitement. Also heard on the El Valle Trail *[aequatorialis].*
Wattled Guan ◊ ***Aburria aburri*** **(NT)** Heard pre-dawn at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Sickle-winged Guan ◊ ***Chamaepetes goudotii*** See note.
Great Curassow ◊ ***Crax rubra*** **(VU)** Excellent views of a female in a tree at Utria NP, and a male more briefly there.
Blue-billed Curassow ***Crax alberti*** **(CR)** See note.
Crested Bobwhite ***Colinus cristatus*** A group of three flushed at Laguna del Ato *[leucotis].*
Black-fronted Wood Quail ◊ ***Odontophorus atrifrons*** **(VU)** Heard and seen by some at the Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve.
Gorgeted Wood Quail ◊ ***Odontophorus strophium*** Great views of a single bird at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Least Grebe ***Tachybaptus dominicus*** (NL) A couple for some on the journey to El Paujil *[brachyrhynchus]*.
Pied-billed Grebe ***Podilymbus podiceps*** Two seen at Parque La Florida *[antarcticus].*
Wood Stork ***Mycteria americana*** One near Apartado, and another seen at the marsh stop on the drive to Ocaña.
Green Ibis ***Mesembrinibis cayennensis*** Seen well along the El Valle Trail, and a couple seen well at Mitu Cachivera.
Bare-faced Ibis ***Phimosus infuscatus*** First seen at Turbo. Also common at Parque La Florida and elsewhere *[berlepschi].*
American White Ibis ***Eudocimus albus*** (E1) A few seen at Bocas del Atrato *[ramobustorum].*
Rufescent Tiger Heron ***Tigrisoma lineatum*** Great views near Apartado, near El Paujil, and in Utria NP [nominate].

Tiger Herons! Juvs on the left, adults on the right; Bare-throated at the top, Rufescent at the bottom! (Pete Morris)

Anhinga and Boat-billed Heron - two widespread species that showed well (Pete Morris)

Bare-throated Tiger Heron ***Tigrisoma mexicanum*** (E1) Four seen (2 ads and 2 juvs) at Bocas del Atrato.
Boat-billed Heron ***Cochlearius cochlearius*** Great views of several at Tulenapa, south of Apartado [nominate].
Black-crowned Night Heron ***Nycticorax nycticorax*** First near Apartado, and a few others noted *[hoactli].*
Yellow-crowned Night Heron ***Nyctanassa violacea*** (E1) Common on San Andres, Providencia and around Turbo *[violacea-group].*
Green Heron ***Butorides virescens*** (SA) A few seen on both San Andres and Providencia [nominate].
Striated Heron ***Butorides striata*** Two on Providencia, and common on the main tour [nominate].
Western Cattle Egret ***Bubulcus ibis*** Common and widespread.
Great Blue Heron ***Ardea herodias*** One at the Big Pond, San Andres, and a couple of others on the islands [nominate].
Cocoi Heron ***Ardea cocoi*** First seen at the marsh stop on the drive from San Vicente de Chucuri to Ocaña.
[American] Great Egret ***Ardea [alba] egretta*** Pretty common and widespread.
Capped Heron ***Pilherodius pileatus*** Great views of an adult at Tulenapa, south of Apartado. Also seen near El Paujil.
Little Blue Heron ***Egretta caerulea*** Widespread in small numbers.
Snowy Egret ***Egretta thula*** Common and widespread. First seen at Bocas del Atrato.
Brown Pelican ***Pelecanus occidentalis*** See note.
Magnificent Frigatebird ***Fregata magnificens*** Common on the islands, around Bocas del Atrato and at El Valle.
Brown Booby ***Sula leucogaster*** One or two adults as we approached Utria NP *[etesiaca].*
Neotropic Cormorant ***Phalacrocorax brasilianus*** Small numbers at several wetlands [nominate].
Double-crested Cormorant ***Phalacrocorax auritus*** (SA) One at Freshwater Bay, Providencia, where a vagrant.
Anhinga ***Anhinga anhinga*** A few seen at Bocas del Atrato, and one or two others [nominate].
Turkey Vulture ***Cathartes aura*** Common and widespread.
Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture ***Cathartes burrovianus*** Just a few seen around El Paujil [nominate].
Greater Yellow-headed Vulture ***Cathartes melambrotus*** (E2) Several seen at Mitu. First seen at Pueblo Nuevo.
Black Vulture ***Coragyps atratus*** Common and widespread.
King Vulture ***Sarcoramphus papa*** A few seen from the viewpoint at El Paujil.
Western Osprey ***Pandion haliaetus*** A few seen at various wetlands *[carolinensis].*
White-tailed Kite ***Elanus leucurus*** Small numbers seen, the first few in the Bogotá area.
Pearl Kite ***Gampsonyx swainsonii*** One on the journey from Soata to Bucaramanga, and another later in the trip *[leonae].*
Grey-headed Kite ***Leptodon cayanensis*** Good scope views of an adult on a nest along the El Valle Trail.

This Western Osprey, at Bocas del Atrato, was obviously half way through tea! (Pete Morris)

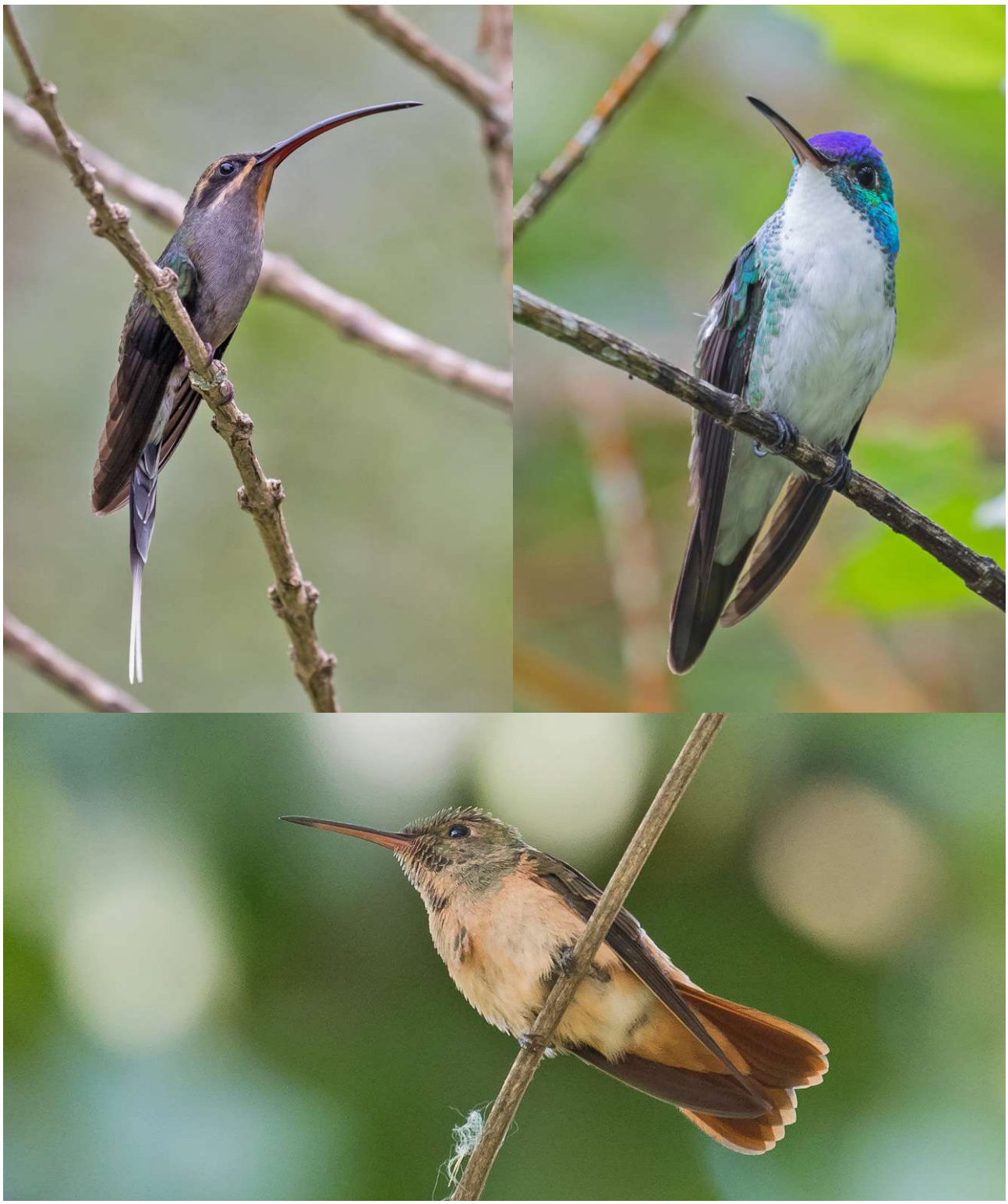
Swallow-tailed Kite ***Elanoides forficatus*** One seen at El Paujil. Also several in the El Valle area.
Black Hawk-Eagle ***Spizaetus tyrannus*** Three calling and displaying birds below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[serus].*
Black-and-white Hawk-Eagle ***Spizaetus melanoleucus*** (E2) An adult perched at Mitu, along the Bocatoma Trail.
Ornate Hawk-Eagle ***Spizaetus ornatus*** (E2) **(NT)** Great views of an adult at Ceima Cachivera, Mitu [nominate].
Tiny Hawk ***Accipiter superciliosus*** (NL) One for some at El Valle.
Plain-breasted Hawk ***Accipiter ventralis*** Singles circling at Mundo Nuevo and above Soata.
Plumbeous Kite ***Ictinia plumbea*** A couple seen at El Paujil.
Black-collared Hawk ***Busarellus nigricollis*** Seen well at the marsh stop on the drive to Ocaña [nominate].
Crane Hawk ***Geranospiza caerulescens*** Singles seen well twice at Tulenapa, south of Apartado *[balzarensis].*
Common Black Hawk ***Buteogallus anthracinus*** Common at Bocas del Atrato. Also at El Valle for some [nominate].
Savanna Hawk ***Buteogallus meridionalis*** First seen on the drive from Turbo to Apartado. Several others seen.
Great Black Hawk ***Buteogallus urubitinga*** An adult seen at Utria NP [nominate].
Roadside Hawk ***Rupornis magnirostris*** Common and widespread [nominate].
White-tailed Hawk ***Geranoaetus albicaudatus*** Nice views of one on the way down from Colibri del Sol *[hypospodius].*
Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle ***Geranoaetus melanoleucus*** Seen at Sumapaz NP and Mundo Nuevo *[australis].*
Broad-winged Hawk ***Buteo platypterus*** Quite common. First seen at Mundo Nuevo [nominate].
Short-tailed Hawk ***Buteo brachyurus*** A few seen at various sites. First seen near Apartado [nominate].
White-throated Crake ***Laterallus albigularis*** Superb views of one along the road near El Valle.
Bogota Rail ***Rallus semiplumbeus*** **(EN)** Heard at Sumapaz NP. One seen, sev. heard at Parque La Florida [nominate].
Grey-necked Wood Rail ***Aramides cajaneus*** A single near Apartado, and two seen at El Paujil [nominate].
Brown Wood Rail ◊ ***Aramides wolfi*** **(VU)** Brilliant views of one in of Utria NP.
Sora ***Porzana carolina*** One seen at the marsh stop on the drive from San Vicente de Chucuri to Ocaña.
Purple Gallinule ***Porphyrio martinicus*** Just a few, the first at Parque La Florida. Great views at El Paujil.
Common Gallinule ***Gallinula galeata*** Common at Parque La Florida *[pauxilla].*
Spot-flanked Gallinule ***Gallinula melanops*** A couple seen well at Parque La Florida *[bogotensis].*
American Coot ***Fulica americana*** c10 at Sumapaz NP and common at Parque La Florida. Yellow bills! *[columbiana].*

Southern Lapwing ***Vanellus chilensis*** Common and widespread. First seen at Parque La Florida *[cayennensis].*
Grey (or Black-bellied) Plover ***Pluvialis squatarola*** (NL) One from the car on San Andres.
Semipalmated Plover ***Charadrius semipalmatus*** Several on the mud at El Valle.
Wilson's Plover ***Charadrius wilsonia*** A couple on the mud at El Valle *[beldingi].*
Collared Plover ***Charadrius collaris*** A pair scoped on the Rio Magdalena from our lunch stop near Puerto Boyaca.
Wattled Jacana ***Jacana jacana*** First seen near Apartado. Lots at the marsh on the drive to Ocaña *[hypomelaena].*
Wilson's Snipe ***Gallinago delicata*** One seen at a roadside pool on the journey from Ocaña to El Paujil.
Noble Snipe ◊ ***Gallinago nobilis*** (NL) (SA) One for some at Sumapaz NP.
Hudsonian Whimbrel ***Numenius [phaeopus] hudsonicus/rufiventris*** A few on the islands and one near to Turbo.
Greater Yellowlegs ***Tringa melanoleuca*** c4 at Sumapaz NP. Also several at Parque La Florida and a few others.
Lesser Yellowlegs ***Tringa flavipes*** One seen at Parque La Florida.
Solitary Sandpiper ***Tringa solitaria*** Common at Parque La Florida, and a few later in the tour.
[Western] Willet ***Tringa [semipalmata] inornata*** Three on San Andres, one at Bocas del Atrato.
Spotted Sandpiper ***Actitis macularius*** A few on the islands, common around Bocas del Atrato and a few others.
Ruddy Turnstone ***Arenaria interpres*** (SA/E1) A few on the islands and one on the journey to Bocas del Atrato
Least Sandpiper ***Calidris minutilla*** One on San Andres, and two on the River Magdalena from our lunch stop.
Pectoral Sandpiper ***Calidris melanotus*** (NL) One from the bus on the journey to Turbo.
Black Skimmer ***Rynchops niger*** c40 seen well on the River Magdalena from our lunch stop near Puerto Boyaca *[cinerascens].*
Laughing Gull ***Leucophaeus atricilla*** A few on San Andres and around Turbo and common around El Valle.
Royal Tern ***Thalasseus maximus*** Common on the islands. Also seen around Bocas del Atrato and El Valle [nominate].
Elegant Tern ***Thalasseus elegans*** **(NT)** One seen well on the mud at El Valle.
Cabot's Tern ***Thalasseus acuflavidus*** Common around Bocas del Atrato, and sev. on the mud at El Valle [nominate].
Yellow-billed Tern ***Sternula superciliaris*** A few seen on the Rio Magdalena from our Puerto Boyaca lunch stop.
Common Tern ***Sterna hirundo*** (E1) Two seen near Turbo [nominate].
Large-billed Tern ***Phaetusa simplex*** Good numbers on the Rio Magdalena from our Puerto Boyaca lunch stop.
Pomarine Skua ***Stercorarius pomarinus*** (E1) One seen between Turbo and Bocas del Atrato.
Rock Dove ***Columba livia 'feral'*** Introduced, worthless vermin!!
White-crowned Pigeon ◊ ***Patagioenas leucocephala*** (SA) Common on San Andres and Providencia.
Scaled Pigeon ***Patagioenas speciosa*** (E2) A few seen at Mitu, at Urania, and better at Mitu Cachivera.
Band-tailed Pigeon ***Patagioenas fasciata*** Common. First seen at Mundo Nuevo *[albilinea].*
Pale-vented Pigeon ***Patagioenas cayennensis*** Several at Bocas del Atrato and common at El Paujil *[pallidicrissa].*
Plumbeous Pigeon ***Patagioenas plumbea*** Heard at El Paujil (form?), and the form *bogotensis* seen at Mitu.
Ruddy Pigeon ***Patagioenas subvinacea*** **(VU)** See note.
Dusky Pigeon ◊ ***Patagioenas goodsoni*** One seen near to El Valle and several seen well at Utria NP.
Common Ground Dove ***Columbina passerina*** (SA) Two at Old Point Mangroves, San Andres *[albivitta].*
Plain-breasted Ground Dove ***Columbina minuta*** (E2) A couple at the start of the Mitu Cachivera trail [nominate].
Ruddy Ground Dove ***Columbina talpacoti*** Common and widespread *[rufipennis].*
Blue Ground Dove ***Claravis pretiosa*** A few seen in the El Valle area and a few seen at Mitu.
Ruddy Quail-Dove ***Geotrygon montana*** Brief views below the lodge at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate.
Olive-backed Quail-Dove ◊ ***Leptotrygon veraguensis*** Excellent views, for some, of a pair along the El Valle trail.
White-tipped Dove ***Leptotila verreauxi*** Common, especially at El Paujil - blue orbital skin contrary to field guide! [nominate].
Grey-fronted Dove ***Leptotila rufaxilla*** (E2) Several heard at Mitu; one seen well at Mitu Cachivera *[dubusi].*
Caribbean Dove ***Leptotila jamaicensis*** (SA) See note.
Grey-chested Dove ***Leptotila cassinii*** A few seen well in Utria NP and along the El Valle trail [nominate].
Tolima Dove ◊ ***Leptotila conoveri*** **(EN)** Reasonable views of one in the forest fragments above Libano.
Lined Quail-Dove ◊ ***Zentrygon linearis*** Brilliant views of many at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Eared Dove ***Zenaida auriculata*** Two forms: *pentheria* first in Bogotá, *antioquiae* further west.
White-winged Dove ***Zenaida asiatica*** (SA) Common on San Andres and Providencia [nominate].
Greater Ani ***Crotophaga major*** First seen at Bocas del Atrato. Also seen at El Paujil etc.
Smooth-billed Ani ***Crotophaga ani*** Common and widespread.
Groove-billed Ani ***Crotophaga sulcirostris*** A few seen at Laguna del Ato, en route to Libano.
Striped Cuckoo ***Tapera naevia*** First seen and heard below the lodge at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Squirrel Cuckoo ***Piaya cayana*** First seen at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[mehleri].*
Black-bellied Cuckoo ***Piaya melanogaster*** (E2) A pair seen well at Mitu, along the Bocatoma Trail.
Mangrove Cuckoo ***Coccyzus minor*** (SA) One seen along the Radar Road, San Andres.
Tropical Screech Owl ***Megascops choliba*** Good views at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve and briefly at El Paujil *[cruciger].*

Cinnamon Screech Owl ◊ ***Megascops petersoni*** See note.
Choco Screech Owl ◊ ***Megascops centralis*** Stunning views of a mega rufous phase bird at El Paujil - cracker!
White-throated Screech Owl ***Megascops albogularis*** Great views of a pair above Soata [nominate].
Great Horned Owl ***Bubo virginiatus*** (NL) One seen from the vehicle on the drive up to Monterredondo.
Mottled Owl ***Strix virgata*** Seen well at El Paujil and at the Bellavista Reserve, La Victoria [nominate].
Black-and-white Owl ◊ ***Strix nigrolineata*** Great views of a superb pair at El Paujil.
Crested Owl ***Lophostrix cristata*** Heard at El Paujil, 25/1, but would not come in! *[wedeli].*
Andean Pygmy Owl ***Glaucidium jardinii*** Great views of one at the pass above Soata.
Great Potoo ***Nyctibius grandis*** (HNL) Heard at Bocas del Atrato.
Common Potoo ***Nyctibius griseus*** Great views of a few at El Paujil – night and day. Others heard *[panamensis].*
Lesser Nighthawk ***Chordeiles acutipennis*** (E2) A few seen well over Mitu.
Band-tailed Nighthawk ***Nyctiprogne leucopyga*** (E2) c5 seen over the river at Mitu *[exigua].*
Blackish Nightjar ***Nyctipolus nigrescens*** (E2) Great views of two at Ceima Cachivera, Mitu.
Pauraque ***Nyctidromus albicollis*** See note.

Blackish Nightjar at Mitu and Andean Pygmy Owl at Ocana - two more of the many nightbirds seen (Pete Morris)

Band-winged Nightjar ***Systellura longirostris*** A male seen at the pass above Soata *[ruficervix].*
White-collared Swift ***Streptoprocne zonaris*** See note.
Band-rumped Swift ***Chaetura spinicaudus*** Several seen well from the viewpoint at El Paujil *[aetherodroma].*
Pale-rumped Swift ***Chaetura egregia*** (E2) See note.
Grey-rumped Swift ***Chaetura cinereiventris*** Several seen at El Paujil. Rumps quite dark here *[occidentalis].*
Short-tailed Swift ***Chaetura brachyura*** First seen at Apartado. Also seen well at El Paujil *[occidentalis].*
White-tipped Swift ***Aeronautes montivagus*** A few, first seen above Soata *[montivagus].*
Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift ***Panyptila cayennensis*** Two for some around El Valle.
Neotropical Palm Swift ***Tachornis squamata*** (E2) Common around Mitu *[semota].*
White-tipped Sicklebill ***Eutoxeres aquila*** Good views for most of one hovering in a ravine above Libano *[salvini].*
Rufous-breasted Hermit ***Glaucis hirsutus*** Good views near Apartado, Cerulean Warbler Reserve, El Paujil etc. [nominate].
Band-tailed Barbthroat ***Threnetes ruckeri*** Good views of one at El Paujil.
Pale-tailed Barbthroat ***Threnetes leucurus*** (E2) Brilliant views of one at Mitu, along the Bocatoma Trail *[cervinicauda].*
White-whiskered Hermit ◊ ***Phaethornis yaruqui*** One seen along the Cocalito Trail in Utria NP.
Green Hermit ***Phaethornis guy*** Several seen well at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[emiliae].*
White-bearded Hermit ***Phaethornis hispidus*** (E2) A juvenile hummer at Mitu was identified as this species.
Long-billed Hermit (Western Long-tailed H) ***Phaethornis longirostris*** A few seen reasonably well at El Paujil *[cephalus].*
Great-billed Hermit ***Phaethornis malaris*** (E2) A couple seen well at Mitu, at Mitu Cachivera *[moorei].*
Tawny-bellied Hermit ◊ ***Phaethornis syrmatophorus*** Good views of one at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[columbianus].*
Straight-billed Hermit ***Phaethornis bourcieri*** Three seen at Mitu with some great views *[bourcieri].*
Pale-bellied Hermit ***Phaethornis anthophilus*** (E1) Several seen very well around Bocas del Atrato.



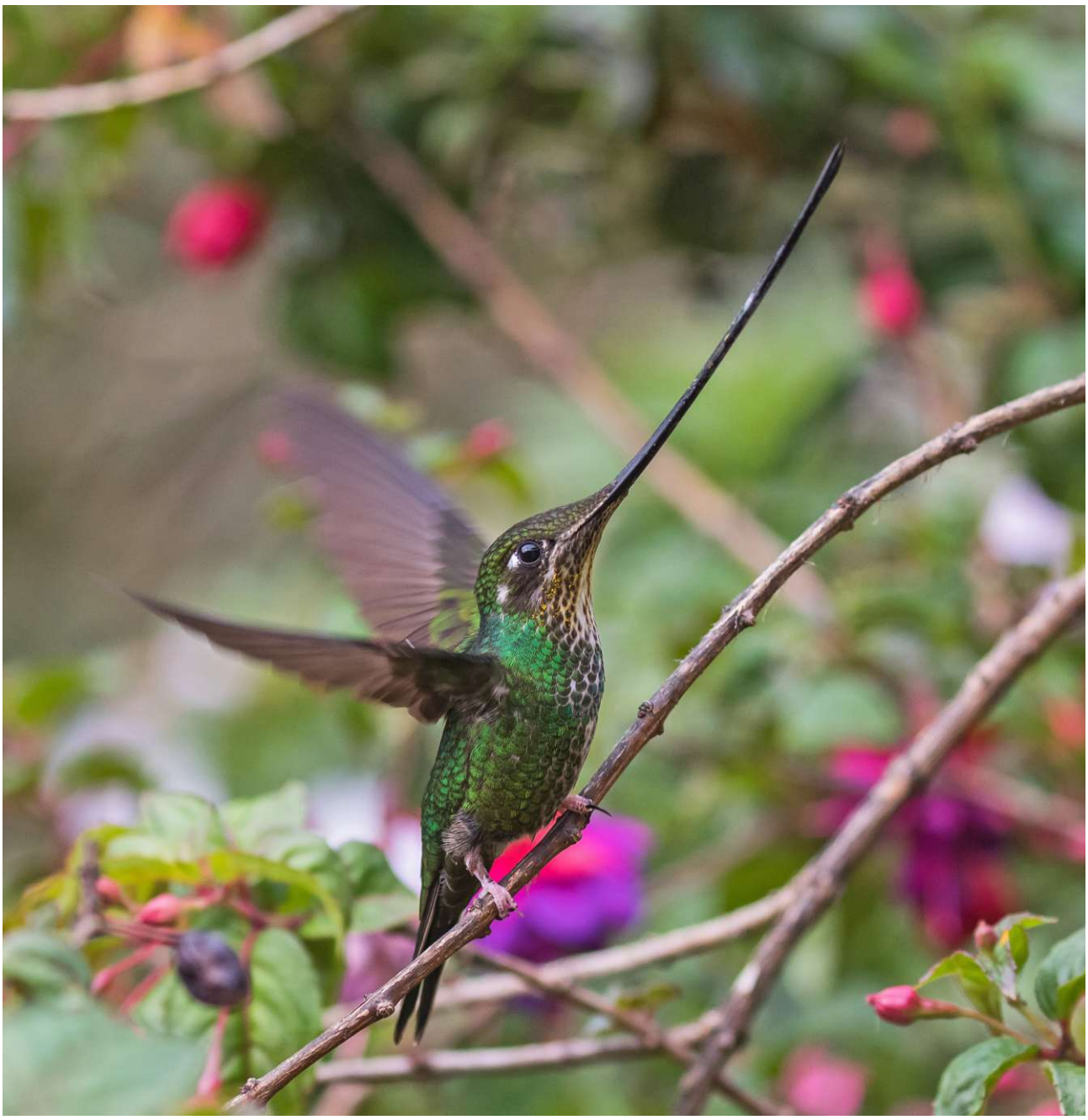
The number of stunning hummingbirds was almost bewildering! Clockwise from top left: Green Hermit, Andean Emerald and the endemic Chestnut-bellied Hummingbird (Pete Morris)

Reddish Hermit ***Phaethornis ruber*** (E2) Several seen at Mitu. First seen at Pueblo Nuevo *[nigricinctus].*
Stripe-throated Hermit ***Phaethornis striigularis*** Good views of one lekking at the Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve [nominate].
Tooth-billed Hummingbird ◊ ***Androdon aequatorialis*** Excellent views of one along the Cocalito Trail in Utria NP.
Lazuline Sabrewing ◊ ***Campylopterus falcatus*** Great views of 2 or 3 stunning males at Rogitama.
White-necked Jacobin ***Florisuga mellivora*** Quite common. First seen at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Brown Violetear ***Colibri delphinae*** Common at the feeders at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Green Violetear ***Colibri thalassinus*** Reasonably common. First seen, singing, at Mundo Nuevo, *[cyanotus].*
Sparkling Violetear ***Colibri coruscans*** Common on the tour. First seen at La Calera [nominate].
Green-breasted Mango ***Anthracothorax prevostii*** (SA) Many seen well on San Andres and Providencia *[hendersoni].*

Black-throated Mango ***Anthracothorax nigricollis*** Reasonably common and widespread in small numbers.
Red-billed Emerald ◊ ***Chlorostilbon gibsoni*** See note [nominate].
Short-tailed Emerald ◊ ***Chlorostilbon poortmani*** Great views of a male and a couple of females at Rogitama.
(Violet) Crowned Woodnymph ◊ ***Thalurania [colombica] colombica*** Common at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve feeders.
(Green) Crowned Woodnymph ◊ ***Thalurania [colombica] fannyae*** Several seen well in the El Valle area.
Fork-tailed Woodnymph ***Thalurania furcata*** (E2) Several seen at Mitu. First seen at Pueblo Nuevo.
Violet-bellied Hummingbird ***Juliamyia julie*** Best was the male below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].
Sapphire-throated Hummingbird ◊ ***Lepidopyga coeruleogularis*** See note.
Sapphire-bellied Hummingbird ◊ ***Lepidopyga lilliae*** (E1) **(CR)** See note.
Shining-green Hummingbird ◊ ***Lepidopyga goudoti*** Brilliant views of a cracker on the feeders at El Paujil [nominate].
Humboldt's Sapphire ◊ ***Hylocharis humboldtii*** Brilliant views of a male at Utria NP. A Birdquest lifer!!
Golden-tailed Sapphire ***Chrysuronia oenone*** Great views of a couple of males at Guayabetal [nominate].
Green-tailed Goldenthroat ◊ ***Polytmus theresiae*** (E2) A female seen at Urania, Mitu *[leucorrhous].*
Rufous-tailed Hummingbird ***Amazilia tzacatl*** First below Soata. Common at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve etc *[fuscicaudata].*
Chestnut-bellied Hummingbird ◊ ***Amazilia castaneiventris*** **(EN)** Brilliant views of 3 or 4 below Soata.
Versicolored Emerald ***Amazilia versicolor*** A few seen at Mitu, first at Mitu Cachivera *[millerii].*
Andean Emerald ***Amazilia franciae*** First at the feeders at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].
Blue-chested Hummingbird ***Amazilia amabilis*** Great views at El Paujil and El Valle. Surprisingly bright and attractive.
Indigo-capped Hummingbird ◊ ***Amazilia cyanifrons*** Common at the feeders at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Green-bellied Hummingbird ◊ ***Amazilia viridigaster*** Great views of c3 in a flowering Erythrina at Guayabetal [nominate].
White-vented Plumeleteer ***Chalybura buffonii*** Fairly common at El Paujil [nominate].
Bronze-tailed Plumeleteer ***Chalybura urochrysia*** One seen well along the Cocalito Trail in Utria NP.
Speckled Hummingbird ***Adelomyia melanogenys*** Several seen, first at Monterredondo [nominate].
Black-throated Brilliant ◊ ***Heliodoxa schreibersii*** A male seen well, but briefly, at Mitu Cachivera, Mitu [nominate].
Fawn-breasted Brilliant ***Heliodoxa rubinoides*** A few at the upper feeders at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].
Green-crowned Brilliant ***Heliodoxa jacula*** Common at the feeders at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].
Buff-tailed Coronet ***Boissonneaua flavescens*** A few seen at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, common at Urrao [nominate].

The gorgeous Mountain Velvetbreast - another stunner, and the much appreciated Pale-tailed Barbthroat (Pete Morris)

Mountain Velvetbreast ***Lafresnaya lafresnayi*** See note.
Bronzy Inca ***Coeligena coeligena*** One seen, briefly, at Monterredondo *[columbiana].*
Black Inca ◊ ***Coeligena prunellei*** **(VU)** Great views at Rogitama, and at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Collared Inca ***Coeligena torquata*** Two forms: *conradii* at Monterredondo; nominate at Colibri del Sol, Urrao.
Golden-bellied Starfrontlet ◊ ***Coeligena bonapartei*** Great views of several above Soata. Megas!! *[conradi].*
Dusky Starfrontlet ◊ ***Coeligena orina*** Brilliant views of at least five at Colibri del Sol, Urrao. Absolute stunners!



Female Sword-billed Hummingbird - no words required! (Pete Morris)

Blue-throated Starfrontlet ***Coeligena helianthea*** Fantastic views of at least 3 (2 males) at La Calera. Another stunner!
Sword-billed Hummingbird ***Ensifera ensifera*** Several great views at Colibri del Sol, Urrao. Mega!
Amethyst-throated Sunangel ◊ ***Heliangelus amethysticollis*** See note.
Tourmaline Sunangel ***Heliangelus exortis*** Great views of good numbers at Colibri del Sol, Urrao.
Glowing Puffleg ***Eriocnemis vestita*** See note.
Coppery-bellied Puffleg ◊ ***Eriocnemis cupreoventris*** **(NT)** Seen above Mundo Nuevo, and fantastic views at La Calera.
Booted Racket-tail ***Ocreatus underwoodii*** Several seen well at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].
Black-tailed Trainbearer ***Lesbia victoriae*** Great views of good numbers at La Calera [nominate].
Green-tailed Trainbearer ***Lesbia nuna*** Great views of a few at La Calera *[gouldii].*
Green-bearded Helmetcrest ◊ ***Oxypogon guerinii*** (SA) At least 5, including some fine males, seen at Sumapaz NP.
Tyrian Metaltail ***Metallura tyrianthina*** Great views of several at Colibri del Sol, Urrao [nominate].
Bronze-tailed Thornbill ◊ ***Chalcostigma heteropogon*** (SA) 2+ (a male and a female at least) at Sumapaz NP.
Long-tailed Sylph ***Aglaiocercus kingii*** Great views of several at Colibri del Sol, Urrao. Smart! *[caudatus].*
Purple-crowned Fairy ***Heliothryx barroti*** A couple seen in the El Valle area, the first at the Ajemal Lodge.
Black-eared Fairy ***Heliothryx auritus*** (E2) Two seen at Mitu. First seen at Ceima Cachivera [nominate].

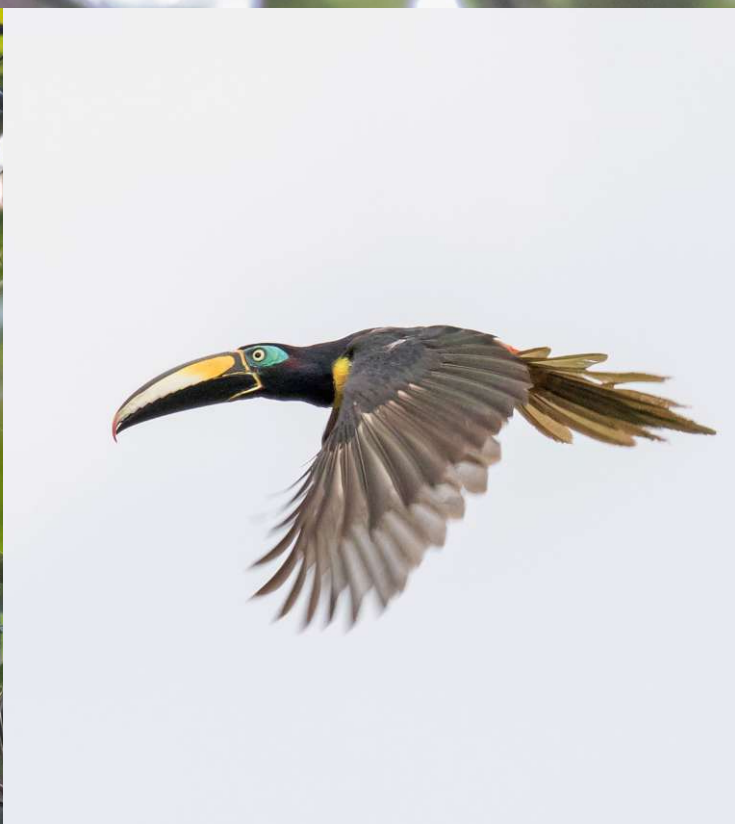
More hummers! The amazing Long-tailed Sylph, Tourmaline Sunangel (left) and Amethyst-throated Sunangel (Pete Morris)

Long-billed Starthroat ***Heliomaster longirostris*** A bright male seen on the feeders at El Paujil [nominate].
White-bellied Woodstar ***Chaetocercus mulsant*** Great views of good numbers at several sites.
Gorgeted Woodstar ***Chaetocercus heliodor*** A female above Soata, and a fine male at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Pavonine Quetzal ***Pharomachrus pavoninus*** (E2) Good views of a female at Mitu Cachivera, Mitu.
Golden-headed Quetzal ***Pharomachrus auriceps*** Heard, and seen by some, at Colibri del Sol, Urrao.
White-tailed Trogon ***Trogon chionurus*** A male, at El Paujil. Also, common in the El Valle area.
Green-backed Trogon ***Trogon viridis*** (E2) Quite common at Mitu. First seen at Urania.
Gartered Trogon ***Trogon caligatus*** A male, at El Paujil. Others heard [nominate].
Black-throated Trogon ***Trogon rufus*** A male seen well along the Cocalito Trail in Utria NP *[cupreicauda].*
Collared Trogon ***Trogon collaris*** At least one male seen well at Monterredondo [nominate].
Masked Trogon ***Trogon personatus*** A few, including above Soata, and at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Green Kingfisher ***Chloroceryle americana*** A few, the best on the river at Laguna del Ato, en route to Libano *[septentrionalis].*

Amazon Kingfisher ***Chloroceryle amazona*** First seen on the journey from Ocaña to El Paujil.
Ringed Kingfisher ***Megaceryle torquata*** Common at Bocas del Atrato, and various sites later in the trip [nominate].
Belted Kingfisher ***Megaceryle alcyon*** (SA) A few seen on San Andres and Providencia.
Whooping Motmot ***Momotus subrufescens*** (E1) Seen very well at Tulenapa, south of Apartado.
Amazonian Motmot ***Momotus momota*** (E2) A few heard at Mitu and one seen at Pueblo Nuevo *[microstephanus].*

Andean Motmots showed well as did secretive Moustached Puffbirds (Pete Morris)

Andean Motmot ◊ ***Momotus aequatorialis*** A few seen well, the first in the forest fragment above Libano.
Rufous Motmot ***Baryphthengus martii*** Good views at El Paujil, and along the Cocalito Trail in Utria NP *[semirufus].*
Yellow-billed Jacamar (E2) ***Galbula albirostris*** One seen well at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitu *[chalcocephala].*
Rufous-tailed Jacamar ***Galbula ruficauda*** A few, mostly heard but first seen at El Paujil [nominate].
Bronzy Jacamar ◊ ***Galbula leucogastra*** (E2) One scoped up at Urania, Mitu.
Paradise Jacamar ***Galbula dea*** (E2) Several seen at Mitu. First seen at Pueblo Nuevo *[brunneiceps].*
Great Jacamar ***Jacamerops aureus*** Good views of one at Ceima Cachivera, Mitu [nominate].
White-necked Puffbird ***Notharchus hyperrhynchus*** One seen well along the Bocatoma Trail, Mitu [nominate].
Black-breasted Puffbird ◊ ***Notharchus pectoralis*** Great views of one along the El Valle trail. Others heard.
Pied Puffbird ***Notharchus tectus*** Good scope views at El Paujil, and several seen well in the El Valle area *[subtectus].*
Spotted Puffbird ◊ ***Bucco tamatia*** Great views of one at Urania, Mitu *[pulmentum].*
Sooty-capped Puffbird ◊ ***Bucco noanamae*** (E1) **(NT)** Great views of several at Bocas del Atrato. Superb!
Barred Puffbird ◊ ***Nystalus radiatus*** Great views of a pair at El Paujil.
White-whiskered Puffbird ***Malacoptila panamensis*** A couple seen well along the El Valle trail.
Moustached Puffbird ◊ ***Malacoptila mystacalis*** Great views at the Cerulean Warbler and Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserves.
Rusty-breasted Nunlet ***Nonnula rubecula*** (E2) Brief and poor views of one at Urania, Mitu *[simulatrix].*
White-fronted Nunbird ***Monasa morphoeus*** See note.
Swallow-winged Puffbird ***Chelidoptera tenebrosa*** **(E2)** Common at Mitu. First seen at Urania.
Spot-crowned Barbet ◊ ***Capito maculicoronatus*** Good views of 3, inc. a smart male, along the El Valle trail *[rubrilateralis].*
White-mantled Barbet ◊ ***Capito hypoleucus*** **(VU)** Great views of four at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].
Gilded Barbet ◊ ***Capito auratus*** (E2) Several seen at Mitu. First seen at Pueblo Nuevo *[punctatus].*
Red-headed Barbet ***Eubucco bourcierii*** A female seen at Guayabetal. Also heard at La Romera [nominate].
Grey-throated Toucanet ◊ ***Aulacorhynchus griseigularis*** Good views at Colibri del Sol, Urrao, and at La Romera.
White-throated Toucanet ◊ ***Aulacorhynchus albivitta*** Seen well at Monterredondo, and at Libano [nominate].



Grey-throated Toucanet (top), Citron-throated Toucan (left) and Many-banded Aracari (Pete Morris)

Crimson-rumped Toucanet ◊ ***Aulacorhynchus haematopygus*** Good views of 2 at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].
Ivory-billed Aracari ***Pteroglossus azara*** (E2) A few seen at Mitu. First seen well at Pueblo Nuevo *[flavirostris].*
Many-banded Aracari ***Pteroglossus pluricinctus*** (E2) A few seen at Mitu. First seen at Urania.
Collared Aracari ***Pteroglossus torquatus*** Seen well at several lowland sites [nominate].
Stripe-billed Aracari ◊ ***Pteroglossus sanguineus*** Common in the El Valle area.
Tawny-tufted Toucanet ◊ ***Selenidera nattereri*** (E2) Pretty good scope views of a male at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitu.
Black-billed Mountain Toucan ◊ ***Andigena nigrirostris*** Brief views of a couple above Monterredondo [nominate].
Channel-billed Toucan ***Ramphastos vitellinus*** (E2) **(VU)** Several heard at Mitu *[culminatus].*
Citron-throated Toucan ◊ ***Ramphastos citreolaemus*** Several seen very well at El Paujil, Crackers!
Choco Toucan ◊ ***Ramphastos brevis*** Quite common in the El Valle area.

White-throated Toucan ***Ramphastos tucanus*** (E2) Several seen at Mitu. First seen at Pueblo Nuevo *[cuvieri].*
Yellow-throated (or Chestnut-mandibled) Toucan ***Ramphastos [ambiguus] swainsonii*** **(NT)** Several at El Paujil and El Valle.
Olivaceous Piculet ***Picumnus olivaceus*** Great views around Bocas del Atrato, and near to Soata.
Greyish Piculet ◊ ***Picumnus granadensis*** See note *[antioquensis].*
Acorn Woodpecker ***Melanerpes formicivorus*** Two seen on the journey between Soata and Bucaramanga *[flavigula].*
Yellow-tufted Woodpecker ***Melanerpes cruentatus*** (E2) Quite common at Mitu. First seen at Urania.
Beautiful Woodpecker ◊ ***Melanerpes pulcher*** Three seen at El Pauji, one of which showed very well. Others heard.
Black-cheeked Woodpecker ***Melanerpes pucherani*** Common in the El Valle area.
Red-crowned Woodpecker ***Melanerpes rubricapillus*** Reasonably common and widespread [nominate].
Smoky-brown Woodpecker ***Picoides fumigatus*** Seen at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve and La Romera [nominate].
Red-rumped Woodpecker ***Veniliornis kirkii*** Seen at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve and at El Paujil *[cecilii].*
Red-stained Woodpecker ***Veniliornis affinis*** (E2) One for some at Mitu.
Yellow-throated Woodpecker ***Piculus flavigula*** (E2) A male seen well at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitu *[flavigula/magnus].*
Golden-olive Woodpecker ***Colaptes rubiginosus*** See note.
Crimson-mantled Woodpecker ***Colaptes rivolii*** Good views of a pair above Soata [nominate].
Spot-breasted Woodpecker ***Colaptes punctigula*** See note.
Cinnamon Woodpecker ***Celeus loricatus*** Seen at Bocas del Atrato, and a few in the El Valle area *[mentalis].*
Scaly-breasted Woodpecker ***Celeus grammicus*** (E2) A few seen at Mitu where first seen at Urania.
Chestnut Woodpecker ***Celeus elegans*** (E2) One seen well at Mitu Cachivera *[jumanus].*
Lineated Woodpecker ***Dryocopus lineatus*** See note.
Red-necked Woodpecker ***Campephilus rubricollis*** (E2) Good views of a pair at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitu.
Crimson-crested Woodpecker ***Campephilus melanoleucos*** See note.
Black Caracara ***Daptrius ater*** (E2) Several seen at Mitu. First seen at Urania.
Red-throated Caracara ***Ibycter americanus*** (E2) Quite common at Mitu. First seen at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitu.
Northern Crested Caracara ***Caracara cheriway*** Fairly common and widespread.
Yellow-headed Caracara ***Milvago chimachima*** Common. First seen near Apartado *[cordata].*

The endemic Beautiful Woodpecker and a Laughing Falcon with an unfeasibly long snake! (Pete Morris)

Laughing Falcon ***Herpetotheres cachinnans*** See note [nominate].
Barred Forest Falcon ***Micrastur ruficollis*** Great views of one in the spotlight at dawn along the El Valle trail *[interstes].*
American Kestrel ***Falco sparverius*** Fairly common and widespread *[ochraceus].*
Merlin ***Falco columbarius*** See note [nominate].
Bat Falcon ***Falco rufigularis*** See note.
Peregrine Falcon ***Falco peregrinus*** (SA) An adult (male) at San Andres Airport *[tundrius].*
Orange-chinned Parakeet ***Brotogeris jugularis*** A few including at Apartado and the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].
Cobalt-winged Parakeet ***Brotogeris cyanoptera*** (E2) Common at Mitu. First seen at Urania.
Rose-faced Parrot ◊ ***Pyrilia pulchra*** (E2) Sev. in the El Valle area, most brief though decent views of a perched pair.
Orange-cheeked Parrot ◊ ***Pyrilia barrabandi*** (E2) A few heard and a couple of fly-bys at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitu.
Rusty-faced Parrot ◊ ***Hapalopsittaca amazonina*** **(VU)** One briefly above Soata, and brilliant views of 4 near Guaca.
Blue-headed Parrot ***Pionus menstruus*** Common, first seen near the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[rubrigularis].*
Red-lored Amazon ***Amazona autumnalis*** Excellent views at Tulenapa, El Paujil, and in the El Valle area *[salvini].*
Yellow-crowned Amazon ***Amazona ochrocephala*** (E1) Common around Bocas del Atrato *[panamensis].*
Southern Mealy Amazon ***Amazona farinosa*** **(NT)** Good views at Bocas del Atrato. Also at El Paujil, and c50 at Mitu Cachivera.
Orange-winged Amazon ***Amazona amazonica*** A few seen well at El Paujil.
Spectacled Parrotlet ◊ ***Forpus conspicillatus*** Quite a few seen – first below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.

A Black-capped Parrot at Mitu (Pete Morris)

Black-headed Parrot ***Pionites melanocephalus*** (E2) A few seen at Mitu. First seen at Urania *[pallidus].*
Red-fan Parrot ◊ ***Deroptyus accipitrinus*** (E2) Several at Mitu with best views were at Mitu Cachivera [nominate].
Maroon-tailed Parakeet ***Pyrrhura melanura*** (E2) Quite common at Mitu. First seen at Pueblo Nuevo [nominate].
Flame-winged (or Brown-breasted) Parakeet ◊ ***Pyrrhura calliptera*** **(VU)** Seen well above Mundo Nuevo; heard at Monterredondo.
Brown-throated Parakeet ***Eupsittula pertinax*** (SA) Common on San Andres where introduced.
Blue-and-yellow Macaw ***Ara ararauna*** Fairly common at El Paujil with up to 25 visiting a fruiting tree. A few elsewhere.
Great Green Macaw ◊ ***Ara ambiguus*** (NL) **(EN)** A couple in flight for some at Utria NP.
Scarlet Macaw ***Ara macao*** Several seen at Mitu including excellent looks along the Bocatoma Trail [nominate].
Chestnut-fronted Macaw ***Ara severus*** Common at El Paujil and a few seen well in the El Valle area.
Scarlet-fronted Parakeet ***Psittacara wagleri*** **(NT)** A flock seen below the Bellavista Reserve, La Victoria.
Sapayoa ***Sapayoa aenigma*** (H) Sadly, just heard twice, along the Cocalito Trail in Utria NP.
Andean Tit-Spinetail ***Leptasthenura andicola*** (SA) A few seen at Sumapaz NP *[exterior].*
Many-striped Canastero ***Asthenes flammulata*** (SA) A couple seen well and others heard at Sumapaz NP *[multostriata].*
Stripe-breasted Spinetail ◊ ***Synallaxis cinnamomea*** Great views of 3 at the Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve [nominate].
Silvery-throated Spinetail ◊ ***Synallaxis subpudica*** Excellent views of one at Parque La Florida, a few others heard.
Azara's Spinetail ***Synallaxis azarae*** Two forms: *elegantior* first seen above Soata; *media* near to Libano.

Pale-breasted Spinetail ***Synallaxis albescens*** Two forms: *latitabunda* heard at Turbo; *insignis* seen near to Soata.
Slaty Spinetail ***Synallaxis brachyura*** See note.
Speckled Spinetail ***Cranioleuca gutturata*** (E2) A couple seen at Ceima Cachivera, Mitu.
Yellow-chinned Spinetail ***Certhiaxis cinnamomeus*** A few seen at the marsh stop on the drive to Ocaña *[fuscifrons].*
Spotted Barbtail ***Premnoplex brunnescens*** Great views at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve and at La Romera.
Pearled Treerunner ***Margarornis squamiger*** A few. First seen on the tour above Mundo Nuevo *[perlatus].*
Streaked Tuftedcheek ***Pseudocolaptes boissonneautii*** Great views of one above Soata *[meridae].*
Montane Foliage-Gleaner ***Anabacerthia striaticollis*** Several at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, and at Libano [nominate].
Lineated Foliage-Gleaner ***Syndactyla subalaris*** A couple at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[striolata].*
Chestnut-winged Hookbill ***Ancistrops strigilatus*** (E2) One seen at Ceima Cachivera, Mitu.
Buff-fronted Foliage-Gleaner ***Philydor rufum*** A couple at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[panerythrum].*
Cinnamon-rumped Foliage-Gleaner ***Philydor pyrrhodes*** (E2) A couple heard at Mitu; one seen at Mitu Cachivera.
Striped Treehunter ◊ ***Thripadectes holostictus*** Great views of one at Colibri del Sol, Urrao *[striatidorsus].*
Buff-throated Foliage-gleaner ***Automolus ochrolaemus*** (E2) One seen at Urania, Mitu, others heard at Mitu *[turdinus].*
Olive-backed Foliage-gleaner ***Automolus infuscatus*** (E2) A few seen in the Mitu area, the first at Pueblo Nuevo [nominate].
Rufous-tailed Xenops ***Microxenops milleri*** (E2) Decent scope views of one at Ceima Cachivera, Mitu.
Plain Xenops ***Xenops minutus*** Two forms: *neglectus* first at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve; *ruficaudus* at Mitu.
Streaked Xenops ***Xenops rutilans*** One at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve; also seen near Libano *[heterurus].*
Tyrannine Woodcreeper ***Dendrocincla tyrannina*** (H) Heard at Colibri del Sol, Urrao.
Plain-brown Woodcreeper ***Dendrocincla fuliginosa*** See note.
White-chinned Woodcreeper ◊ ***Dendrocincla merula*** (E2) Brilliant views of at antswarms at Mitu Cachivera *[bartletti].*
Olivaceous Woodcreeper ***Sittasomus griseicapillus*** Several seen and heard in the Mitu area *[amazonus].*
Wedge-billed Woodcreeper ***Glyphorynchus spirurus*** (E2) Just 2 in the Mitu area, first at Mitu Cachivera *[rufigularis].*
Bar-bellied Woodcreeper ◊ ***Hylexetastes stresemanni*** (E2) Brilliant views of a pair at Ceima Cachivera, Mitu *[insignis].*
Strong-billed Woodcreeper ***Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchus*** A pair seen well above Mundo Nuevo [nominate].
Black-banded Woodcreeper ***Dendrocolaptes picumnus*** Good views of one above Soata *[multistrigatus].*
Straight-billed Woodcreeper ***Dendroplex picus*** Two forms: *extimus* at Bocas del Atrato; *dugandi* at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Striped Woodcreeper ***Xiphorhynchus obsoletus*** (E2) One seen in a mixed flock at Ceima Cachivera *[palliatus].*
Buff-throated Woodcreeper ***Xiphorhynchus guttatus*** (E2) A few (inc. heard), at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitu *[guttatoides].*
Cocoa Woodcreeper ***Xiphorhynchus susurrans*** First seen at Bocas del Atrato. Also at El Paujil *[nana].*
Black-striped Woodcreeper ***Xiphorhynchus lachrymosus*** Two forms: *alarum* at El Paujil; nominate in Utria NP.
Spotted Woodcreeper ***Xiphorhynchus erythropygius*** One seen well along the Cocalito Trail in Utria NP *[insolitus].*
Olive-backed Woodcreeper ***Xiphorhynchus triangularis*** Seen well at Monterredondo, and the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Streak-headed Woodcreeper ***Lepidocolaptes souleyetii*** Seen at Tulenapa; also at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[lineaticeps].*
Montane Woodcreeper ***Lepidocolaptes lacrymiger*** A few seen above Soata [nominate].
Duida Woodcreeper ***Lepidocolaptes duidae*** (E2) One seen in a mixed flock at Ceima Cachivera, Mitu.
Fasciated Antshrike ***Cymbilaimus lineatus*** Several heard in the Mitu area and a pair seen well *[intermedius].*
Great Antshrike ***Taraba major*** (H) Heard below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[granadensis]* and at El Valle *[obscurus].*
Barred Antshrike ***Thamnophilus doliatus*** A male seen at Laguna del Ato, en route to Libano, *[albicans].*

Two females of the many species of antshrike seen: Bar-crested Antshrike (left) and Blackish-grey Antshrike at Mitu (Pete Morris)

Bar-crested Antshrike ◊ ***Thamnophilus multistriatus*** Several seen very well, the first near to Soata.
Black Antshrike ◊ ***Thamnophilus nigriceps*** (E1) Excellent views of a female and male at Bocas del Atrato.
Blackish-grey Antshrike ◊ ***Thamnophilus nigrocinereus*** (E2) Great views of a pair near Mitu Cachivera, *[cinereoniger].*
Uniform Antshrike ***Thamnophilus unicolor*** Good views of a male at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[grandior].*
Plain-winged Antshrike ***Thamnophilus schistaceus*** (H) (E2) Heard at Ceima Cachivera, Mitu *[capitalis].*
Mouse-coloured Antshrike ***Thamnophilus murinus*** (H) (E2) Heard at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitu [nominate].
Black-crowned (or Western Slaty) Antshrike ***Thamnophilus atrinucha*** Great views at El Paujil and El Valle [nominate].
Amazonian Antshrike ***Thamnophilus amazonicus*** (E2) Several seen and heard in the Mitu area *[cinereiceps].*

Mitu also produced the localized Grey-bellied Antbird and Black Bushbird (Pete Morris)

Black Bushbird ***Neoctantes niger*** (E2) Brilliant views of a male at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitu.
Recurve-billed Bushbird ◊ ***Clytoctantes alixii*** **(EN)** Great views of a pair at the… Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve!
Plain Antvireo ***Dysithamnus mentalis*** (H) Heard at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve and near Libano *[semicinereus].*
Spot-crowned Antvireo ◊ ***Dysithamnus puncticeps*** A male seen along the Cocalito Trail in Utria NP.
Dusky-throated Antshrike ***Thamnomanes ardesiacus*** (E2) A male in a mixed flock at Mitu Cachivera. Others heard [nominate].
Cinereous Antshrike ***Thamnomanes caesius*** (E2) Several seen and heard in the Mitu area *[glaucus].*
Spot-winged Antshrike ***Pygiptila stellaris*** (E2) A few seen, mostly females, in the Mitu area *[occipitalis].*
Checker-throated Antwren ***Epinecrophylla fulviventris*** A pair seen well along the Cocalito Trail in Utria NP.
Negro Stipple-throated Antwren ◊ ***Epinecrophylla pyrrhonota*** (E2) A few seen in the Mitu area. First at Pueblo Nuevo.
Rufous-tailed Antwren ***Epinecrophylla erythrura*** (E2) A few seen in the Mitu area [nominate].
Moustached Antwren ***Myrmotherula ignota*** (E2) Excellent views of one at Mitu Cachivera. Others heard *[obscura].*
Pygmy Antwren ***Myrmotherula brachyura*** (E2) A pair seen and others heard at Ceima Cachivera, Mitu.
Pacific (Streaked) Antwren ◊ ***Myrmotherula pacifica*** Good views of a female at Utria NP. Others heard there.
Cherrie's Antwren ◊ ***Myrmotherula cherriei*** (E2) A few seen in the Mitu area. First seen at Urania.
Yellow-throated Antwren ◊ ***Myrmotherula ambigua*** (E2) Excellent views of one low at close range at Mitu Cachivera.
White-flanked Antwren ***Myrmotherula axillaris*** Two forms: *albigula* in Utria NP; *melaena* in the Mitu area.
Slaty Antwren ***Myrmotherula schisticolor*** A couple at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[interior].*
Long-winged Antwren ***Myrmotherula longipennis*** (NL) (E2) A male for some at Mitu.
Grey Antwren ***Myrmotherula menetriesii*** (E2) A few seen in the Mitu area. First seen at Mitu Cachivera *[pallida].*
Spot-backed Antwren ◊ ***Herpsilochmus dorsimaculatus*** (E2) Good views of a pair at Mitu Cachivera, Mitu.
Dot-winged Antwren ***Microrhopias quixensis*** A pair seen along the road near El Valle *[consobrina].*
Klages's Antbird ◊ ***Drymophila klagesi*** Great views of three at the Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve, Ocaña.
Streak-headed Antbird ◊ ***Drymophila striaticeps*** (H) A couple heard at Colibri del Sol, Urrao.

Rufous-rumped Antwren ◊ ***Terenura callinota*** One seen reasonably well at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Grey Antbird ***Cercomacra cinerascens*** (H) (E2) Several heard in the Mitu area. First heard at Pueblo Nuevo.
Dusky Antbird ***Cercomacra tyrannina*** See note.
Parker's Antbird ◊ ***Cercomacra parkeri*** A pair seen well at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Jet Antbird ***Cercomacra nigricans*** Good views of a male at Laguna del Ato, en route to Libano.
Black-faced Antbird ***Myrmoborus myotherinus*** (E2) A male seen at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitu, a few others heard *[elegans].*
Imeri Warbling Antbird ◊ ***Hypocnemis flavescens*** (E2) Two seen well and others heard at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitu [nominate].
Yellow-browed Antbird ***Hypocnemis hypoxantha*** (E2) Great views of one at Pueblo Nuevo, others heard [nominate].
Bare-crowned Antbird ◊ ***Gymnocichla nudiceps*** Great views of a pair at El Paujil. Superb! *[sanctamartae].*
Silvered Antbird ***Sclateria naevia*** (E2) A male seen at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitu *[argentata].*
White-bellied Antbird ***Myrmeciza longipes*** Good views of a male at Laguna del Ato, en route to Libano *[boucardi].*
Chestnut-backed Antbird ***Myrmeciza exsul*** Seen well at Tulenapa, El Paujil and in the El Valle area *[cassini].*
Magdalena Antbird ◊ ***Myrmeciza palliata*** **(NT)** Great views of a male below the Bellavista Reserve, La Victoria.
Grey-bellied Antbird ◊ ***Myrmeciza pelzelni*** (E2) Brilliant views of a terrestrial pair at Mitu Cachivera, Mitu.
Black-throated Antbird ***Myrmeciza atrothorax*** (E2) A few seen in the Mitu area, first at Pueblo Nuevo.
White-plumed Antbird ***Pithys albifrons*** (E2) Great views of sev. attending antswarms at Mitu Cachivera *[peruvianus].*
Bicolored Antbird ***Gymnopithys bicolor*** A couple in Utria NP, and several at an antswarm near El Valle [nominate].
White-cheeked Antbird ***Gymnopithys leucaspis*** (NL) (E2) Seen by some at an antswarm at Mitu Cachivera.
Chestnut-crested Antbird ◊ ***Rhegmatorhina cristata*** (E2) Brilliant views of a stunner at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitu. Others heard.
Spotted Antbird ◊ ***Hylophylax naevioides*** Great views of a singing male along the El Valle trail [nominate].
Spot-backed Antbird ***Hylophylax naevius*** (E2) A few seen well in the Mitu area [nominate].
Dot-backed Antbird ***Hylophylax punctulatus*** (E2) Great views of a singing male along the Bocatoma Trail, Mitu .
Common Scale-backed Antbird ***Willisornis poecilinotus*** (E2) A few seen well on vertical stems in the Mitu area *[duidae].*
Ocellated Antbird ◊ ***Phaenostictus mcleannani*** A juvenile and some skittish adults (mostly heard) in Utria NP.
Rufous-capped Antthrush ***Formicarius colma*** (E2) Absolutely brilliant views of one at Mitu Cachivera, Mitu.
Black-headed Antthrush ◊ ***Formicarius nigricapillus*** Great views of one along the El Valle trail, *[destructus].*
Striated Antthrush ◊ ***Chamaeza nobilis*** (E2) Very good views of an initially shy individual at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitu.
Schwartz's Antthrush ◊ ***Chamaeza turdina*** (HNL) Very good views of an initially shy individual at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitu.
Chestnut-crowned Antpitta ***Grallaria ruficapilla*** (H) Heard at La Calera. Also heard at Monterredondo.
Cundinamarca Antpitta ◊ ***Grallaria kaestneri*** **(EN)** Several heard at Monterredondo, but very shy, and only seen by a few.
Chestnut-naped Antpitta ***Grallaria nuchalis*** (H) A few heard at Colibri del Sol, Urrao *[ruficeps].*
White-bellied Antpitta ◊ ***Grallaria hypoleuca*** (H) Heard at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, but no luck *[hypoleuca].*
Rufous Antpitta ***Grallaria rufula*** See note.
Tawny Antpitta ***Grallaria quitensis*** (SA) Several seen well at Sumapaz NP and more heard.
Urrao Antpitta ◊ ***Grallaria urraoensis*** **(CR)** Brilliant views of one at Colibri del Sol. A few others heard and seen by some.
Streak-chested Antpitta ***Hylopezus perspicillatus*** A few heard along the El Valle trail, seen by Richard *[periophthalmicus].*
Thicket Antpitta ***Hylopezus dives*** (H) A couple heard from the mangrove boardwalk in Utria NP *[barbacoae].*

Tawny Antpitta was easy to see at Sumapaz NP. Spotted Antbirds were appreciated at El Valle (Pete Morris)

Thrush-like Antpitta ***Myrmothera campanisona*** Several heard in the Mitu area and seen by Richard *[dissors].*
Ash-coloured Tapaculo ***Myornis senilis*** (H) One heard above Mundo Nuevo at the edge of Chingaza NP.
Northern White-crowned Tapaculo ◊ ***Scytalopus atratus*** (H) A couple heard near Libano *[confusus].*
Long-tailed Tapaculo ◊ ***Scytalopus micropterus*** (H) Heard at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, but seemingly unresponsive.
Magdalena Tapaculo ◊ ***Scytalopus rodriguezi*** **(EN)** Two seen well at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[yariguiorum].*
Stiles's Tapaculo ◊ ***Scytalopus stilesi*** One heard and seen briefly at La Romera.
Spillmann's Tapaculo (H) ***Scytalopus spillmanni*** Heard at Colibri del Sol, Urrao, 1/2.
Pale-bellied (or Matorral) Tapaculo ◊ ***Scytalopus griseicollis*** Excellent views above Mundo Nuevo. Others heard [nominate].
Paramillo Tapaculo ◊ ***Scytalopus canus*** **(EN)** Great views of one, and two more briefly, at Colibri del Sol.
Blackish Tapaculo ◊ ***Scytalopus latrans*** (H) Several heard at Monterredondo.
Wing-barred Piprites ***Piprites chloris*** (H) (E2) One heard at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitu *[chlorion].*
Sooty-headed Tyrannulet ***Phyllomyias griseiceps*** Good views below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve and a few others.
Plumbeous-crowned Tyrannulet ◊ ***Phyllomyias plumbeiceps*** A few heard, and one seen by some above Soata.
Black-capped Tyrannulet ***Phyllomyias nigrocapillus*** Seen well high above Mundo Nuevo [nominate].
Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet ***Tyrannulus elatus*** First seen at Apartado. Also seen along the El Valle trail, and at Mitu.
Forest Elaenia ***Myiopagis gaimardii*** Two forms: *macilvainii* at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve; *bogotensis* at Mitu.
Greenish Elaenia ***Myiopagis viridicata*** Good views in the dry forest along the Concordia road *[accola].*
Yellow-bellied Elaenia ***Elaenia flavogaster*** Common and noisy [nominate].
Caribbean Elaenia ***Elaenia martinica*** (SA) Common on San Andres and Providencia *[cinerascens].*
Mountain Elaenia ***Elaenia frantzii*** Several seen, the first above Mundo Nuevo *[pudica].*
Brown-capped Tyrannulet ***Ornithion brunneicapillus*** Excellent views at El Paujil and in the El Valle area.
Southern Beardless Tyrannulet ***Camptostoma obsoletum*** Seen well at El Paujil *[caucae].*
White-throated Tyrannulet ***Mecocerculus leucophrys*** Two forms: *setophagoides* around Bogotá; *notatus* at Colibri del Sol.
White-tailed Tyrannulet ***Mecocerculus poecilocercus*** A couple in a mixed flock at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Sulphur-bellied Tyrannulet ***Mecocerculus minor*** Good views of a small group of 3 or 4 at Monterredondo.
White-banded Tyrannulet ***Mecocerculus stictopterus*** (NL) One on the journey to Ocaña for some.
Mouse-coloured Tyrannulet ***Phaeomyias murina*** Just a few in the El Paujil area *[incomta].*
Yellow Tyrannulet ***Capsiempis flaveola*** Heard a couple of times at El Paujil, and seen once *[leucophrys].*
Subtropical Doradito ◊ ***Pseudocolopteryx acutipennis*** Great views of one at Parque La Florida.
Rufous-headed Pygmy Tyrant ***Pseudotriccus ruficeps*** (H) A few heard, first at Monterredondo.
Ringed Antpipit ***Corythopis torquatus*** (E2) Great views of singles at two sites around Mitu. Cracking birds.
Slender-footed Tyrannulet ***Zimmerius gracilipes*** (E2) A few heard in the Mitu area, and a pair seen well.
Golden-faced Tyrannulet ***Zimmerius chrysops*** Common. First seen below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Rufous-browed Tyrannulet ◊ ***Phylloscartes superciliaris*** Brilliant views of 3 at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[griseocapillus].*
Streak-necked Flycatcher ***Mionectes striaticollis*** A couple high up at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[columbianus].*
Olive-striped Flycatcher ***Mionectes olivaceus*** A couple at the Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve *[venezuelensis].*
Ochre-bellied Flycatcher ***Mionectes oleagineus*** See note.
Sepia-capped Flycatcher ***Leptopogon amaurocephalus*** A few seen at El Paujil *[diversus].*
Slaty-capped Flycatcher ***Leptopogon superciliaris*** Seen at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, Libano, and La Romera [nominate].
Amazonian Inezia ***Inezia subflava*** (E2) Great views of a pair from the bridge at Urania, Mitu *[obscura].*
Handsome Flycatcher ◊ ***Nephelomyias pulcher*** Several seen well in a mixed flock at Monterredondo *[bellus].*
Ornate Flycatcher ***Myiotriccus ornatus*** A few seen well at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].
White-eyed Tody-Tyrant ***Hemitriccus zosterops*** (H) (E2) One heard along the Bocatoma Trail, Mitu.
Pearly-vented Tody-Tyrant ***Hemitriccus margaritaceiventer*** (NL) One for some near to Bolombolo.
Black-throated Tody-Tyrant ***Hemitriccus granadensis*** (H) One heard at the Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve *[andinus].*
Black-capped Pygmy Tyrant ***Myiornis atricapillus*** One seen near to El Valle and others heard there.
Southern Bentbill ◊ ***Oncostoma olivaceum*** A couple seen well at El Paujil, and others heard there.
Scale-crested Pygmy Tyrant ***Lophotriccus pileatus*** Common by voice at some sites. Best views at Libano *[squamaecrista].*
Double-banded Pygmy Tyrant ***Lophotriccus vitiosus*** (E2) One seen well at Ceima Cachivera, Mitu, others heard *[affinis].*
Rufous-crowned Tody-Flycatcher ***Poecilotriccus ruficeps*** Great views of a pair at Monterredondo *[melanomystax].*
Rusty-fronted Tody-Flycatcher ***Poecilotriccus latirostris*** (E2) A few seen/heard in the Mitu area *[mituensis].*
Slaty-headed Tody-Flycatcher ***Poecilotriccus sylvia*** Great views of a pair below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[superciliaris].*
Common Tody-Flycatcher ***Todirostrum cinereum*** Common. First seen at Tulenapa [nominate].
Yellow-browed Tody-Flycatcher ***Todirostrum chrysocrotaphum*** (E2) A few seen/heard in the Mitu area *[guttatum].*
Black-headed Tody-Flycatcher ***Todirostrum nigriceps*** First seen at Tulenapa. Also seen well at El Paujil.
Olivaceous Flatbill ***Rhynchocyclus olivaceus*** One seen well at El Paujil *[tamborensis].*

Pacific Flatbill ◊ ***Rhynchocyclus pacificus*** One seen briefly in a mixed flock along the Cocalito Trail in Utria NP.
Yellow-olive Flatbill ***Tolmomyias sulphurescens*** See note.
Zimmer's Flatbill ***Tolmomyias assimilis*** (E2) One seen in a small mixed flock at Ceima Cachivera, Mitu *[neglectus].*
Grey-crowned Flatbill ***Tolmomyias poliocephalus*** (E2) A few seen well at Mitu Cachivera. Others heard [nominate].
Ochre-lored Flatbill ***Tolmomyias flaviventris*** (E2) A couple seen well at Mitu Cachivera, Mitu, *[aurulentus].*
White-throated Spadebill ***Platyrinchus mystaceus*** A couple seen well at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[albogularis].*
White-crested Spadebill ***Platyrinchus platyrhynchos*** (E2) Good views of a singing bird at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitu.

Two rare tyrant flycatchers: Black-billed Flycatcher from El Paujil and Cinnamon Neopipo from Mitu (Pete Morris)

Cinnamon Neopipo ◊ ***Neopipo cinnamomea*** (E2) Brilliant views of a confiding individual at Mitu Cachivera [nominate].
Cinnamon Flycatcher ***Pyrrhomyias cinnamomeus*** Common at higher altitudes. First seen at Monterredondo *[pyrrhopterus].*
Cliff Flycatcher ***Hirundinea ferruginea*** One seen in Guayabetal and another on the journey back from there *[sclateri].*
Black-billed Flycatcher ◊ ***Aphanotriccus audax*** **(NT)** A few seen well and others heard at El Paujil.
Fuscous Flycatcher ◊ ***Cnemotriccus fuscatus*** **(E2)** Good views of one at Mitu Cachivera; *duidae*, a potential split.
Black Phoebe ***Sayornis nigricans*** A pair seen on the journey from Urrao to Medellin *[angustirostris].*
Smoke-coloured Pewee ***Contopus fumigatus*** (H) Heard at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Eastern Wood Pewee ***Contopus virens*** First seen at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve. Also, one seen at Mitu.
Acadian Flycatcher ***Empidonax virescens*** First seen below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve. A few others heard and seen.
Vermilion Flycatcher ***Pyrocephalus rubinus*** First seen at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[piurae].*
Streak-throated Bush Tyrant ***Myiotheretes striaticollis*** Brief views of one above Soata *[striaticollis].*
Pied Water Tyrant ***Fluvicola pica*** A male seen at the marsh stop on the drive to Ocaña, and one near El Paujil.
White-headed Marsh Tyrant ***Arundinicola leucocephala*** First seen at the marsh stop on the drive to Ocaña.
Yellow-bellied Chat-Tyrant ***Silvicultrix diadema*** Good views of one at Colibri del Sol, Urrao *[gratiosa].*
Rufous-breasted Chat-Tyrant ***Ochthoeca rufipectoralis*** Good views of a couple above Mundo Nuevo *[rufopectus].*
Brown-backed Chat-Tyrant ***Ochthoeca fumicolor*** Seen well at Sumapaz NP, and above Mundo [nominate].
Long-tailed Tyrant ***Colonia colonus*** A few seen in the El Valle *[leuconota].*
Cattle Tyrant ***Machetornis rixosa*** A few seen. First noted at Apartado Airport.
Piratic Flycatcher ***Legatus leucophaius*** First below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].
Rusty-margined Flycatcher ***Myiozetetes cayanensis*** Two forms: *hellmayri* first at Bocas del Atrato; *rufipennis* at Mitu.
Social Flycatcher ***Myiozetetes similis*** Surprisingly scarce. First at the marsh stop on the drive to Ocaña *[columbianus].*
Dusky-chested Flycatcher ***Myiozetetes luteiventris*** (E2) A few seen very well in the Mitu area.
Great Kiskadee ***Pitangus sulphuratus*** Common. First seen at Bocas del Atrato *[rufipennis].*
Lesser Kiskadee ***Philohydor lictor*** A pair seen at the pond at El Paujil, also seen at Laguna del Ato *[panamensis].*
Yellow-throated Flycatcher ***Conopias parvus*** (E2) Seen well at Mitu Cachivera, Mitu.
Golden-crowned Flycatcher ***Myiodynastes chrysocephalus*** Great views at the Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve *[minor].*
Streaked Flycatcher ***Myiodynastes maculatus*** See note.

Boat-billed Flycatcher ***Megarynchus pitangua*** Just a few, first seen below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Sulphury Flycatcher ***Tyrannopsis sulphurea*** (E2) A few seen well in the Mitu area.
Tropical Kingbird ***Tyrannus melancholicus*** Two forms noted: *satrapa* at Bocas del Atrato, and nominate (widespread).
Fork-tailed Flycatcher ***Tyrannus savana*** Several. First seen at Tulenapa, south of Apartado *[monachus].*
Grey Kingbird ***Tyrannus dominicensis*** First seen at Tulenapa, and then on the drive to Ocaña [nominate].
Greyish Mourner ***Rhytipterna simplex*** (E2) One seen at Mitu Cachivera *[frederici].*
Western Sirystes ***Sirystes albogriseus*** Good views of one along the El Valle trail.
Dusky-capped Flycatcher ***Myiarchus tuberculifer*** See note.
Panamanian Flycatcher ***Myiarchus panamensis*** Good views of a pair at El Paujil [nominate].
Short-crested Flycatcher ***Myiarchus ferox*** (E2) A few seen at Mitu where first identified at Mitu Cachivera [nominate].
Apical Flycatcher ◊ ***Myiarchus apicalis*** Great views of this endemic near Soata.
Great Crested Flycatcher ***Myiarchus crinitus*** Quite common. First seen at Tulenapa, south of Apartado.
Citron-bellied Attila ◊ ***Attila citriniventris*** (E2) A few heard in the Mitu area with one seen very well at Mitu Cachivera.
Bright-rumped (or Flammulated) Attila ***Attila [spadiceus] flammulatus*** See note.
Bright-rumped Attila ***Attila [spadiceus] spadiceus*** Good views of one at Ceima Cachivera, Mitu.
Red-crested Cotinga ***Ampelion rubrocristatus*** Several seen very well above Mundo Nuevo.
Green-and-black Fruiteater ***Pipreola riefferii*** Very common at Monterredondo, with many seen well [nominate].
Guianan Cock-of-the-Rock ◊ ***Rupicola rupicola*** (E2) Good views of a fine male at Ceima Cachivera, Mitu.
Blue Cotinga ◊ ***Cotinga nattererii*** A couple of females seen in the El Valle area.

The endemic Apical Flycatcher and the localized Amazonian Inezia - nearly forgot about that one!! (Pete Morris)

Purple-breasted Cotinga ◊ ***Cotinga cotinga*** (E2) A female seen well at Mitu Cachivera, Mitu.
Spangled Cotinga ***Cotinga cayana*** (E2) Several seen well in the Mitu area. First seen at Mitu Cachivera.
Dusky Piha ◊ ***Lipaugus fuscocinereus*** Good views of a pair at Colibri del Sol, Urrao.
Rufous Piha ***Lipaugus unirufus*** (E2) One seen along the Cocalito Trail in Utria NP *[unirufus].*
Screaming Piha ***Lipaugus vociferans*** (E2) Common in the Mitu area. First seen at Urania.
Pompadour Cotinga ◊ ***Xipholena punicea*** (E2) A couple of females seen at Mitu Cachivera, Mitu.
Black-tipped Cotinga ***Carpodectes hopkei*** Several seen well in the El Valle area.
Purple-throated Fruitcrow ***Querula purpurata*** A few seen at El Paujil, and common in the El Valle area.
Amazonian Umbrellabird ***Cephalopterus ornatus*** (E2) A male seen well but briefly at Urania, Mitu.
Saffron-crested Tyrant-Manakin ◊ ***Neopelma chrysocephalum*** (E2) Great views of one at Mitu Cachivera, others heard.
Dwarf Tyrant-Manakin ***Tyranneutes stolzmanni*** (E2) One seen well at Mitu Cachivera, others heard.

Golden-collared Manakin and Western Striped Manakin - a couple of gems! Russet-winged Schiffornis rarely shows so well (Pete Morris)

Golden-winged Manakin ***Masius chrysopterus*** A female seen well at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[pax].*
White-bibbed Manakin ◊ ***Corapipo leucorrhoa*** Great views of a male and female at the Bellavista Reserve.
Western Striped Manakin ◊ ***Machaeropterus striolatus*** See note.
Blue-crowned Manakin ***Lepidothrix coronata*** Two forms: *minuscula* in Utria NP; *carbonata* in the Mitu area
White-bearded Manakin ***Manacus manacus*** Two forms: *flaveolus* first seen at El Paujil; *interior* in the Mitu area.
Golden-collared Manakin ◊ ***Manacus vitellinus*** See note.
Yellow-headed Manakin ◊ ***Xenopipo flavicapilla*** **(VU)** Good views of a male at La Romera.
Black Manakin ◊ ***Xenopipo atronitens*** (E2) A few seen/heard in the Mitu area. Best were the males at Mitu Cachivera.
Yellow-crested Manakin ◊ ***Heterocercus flavivertex*** (E2) Great views of a singing male at Mitu Cachivera.
White-crowned Manakin ***Dixiphia pipra*** (E2) A few seen/heard in the Mitu area. First seen at Mitu Cachivera.
Red-capped Manakin ***Dixiphia mentalis*** (H) Several heard in the El Valle area.

Golden-headed Manakin ***Dixiphia erythrocephala*** See note.
Sulphur-rumped Myiobius ***Myiobius sulphureipygius*** Two or three seen in Utria NP *[aureatus].*
Whiskered Myiobius ***Myiobius barbatus*** (E2) One seen at Mitu for some.
Ruddy-tailed Flycatcher ***Terenotriccus erythrurus*** One seen along the Cocalito Trail in Utria NP *[fulvigularis].*
Black-crowned Tityra ***Tityra inquisitor*** Several seen in the El Valle area *[albitorques].*
Black-tailed Tityra ***Tityra cayana*** (E2) A few seen/heard in the Mitu area [nominate].
Masked Tityra ***Tityra semifasciata*** First seen below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve. Also seen at El Paujil.
Russet-winged Schiffornis ◊ ***Schiffornis stenorhyncha*** Outstanding views of a couple at El Paujil.
White-browed Purpletuft ***Iodopleura isabellae*** (E2) One seen at Mitu Cachivera, Mitu.
Barred Becard ***Pachyramphus versicolor*** (H) Heard at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Cinereous Becard ***Pachyramphus rufus*** Great views of a pair below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[nominate].*
Cinnamon Becard ***Pachyramphus cinnamomeus*** See note.
One-colored Becard ***Pachyramphus homochrous*** A male seen well at El Paujil *[quimarinus].*
Rufous-browed Peppershrike ***Cyclarhis gujanensis*** (E2) A few seen/heard in the Mitu area. *[gujanensis].*
Yellow-browed Shrike-Vireo ◊ ***Vireolanius eximius*** Great views below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve. Cracker.
White-eyed Vireo ***Vireo griseus*** (SA) Excellent views of a smart individual at the Big Pond, San Andres [nominate].
Providencia Vireo ***Vireo approximans*** (SA) Common at all sites on Providencia. Birdquest lifer!!
San Andres Vireo ***Vireo caribaeus*** (SA) **(VU)** Common at all sites on San Andres. Another Birdquest lifer!!
Yellow-throated Vireo ***Vireo flavifrons*** Nice views of one at La Romera.
Brown-capped Vireo ***Vireo leucophrys*** Common, especially by voice, above Soata, [nominate].
Red-eyed Vireo ***Vireo olivaceus*** Heard at El Paujil. Seen along the Concordia road *[vividior].* Common at Mitu: form?
Black-whiskered Vireo ◊ ***Vireo altiloquus*** (SA) Two forms: *grandior* on Providencia, *canescens* on San Andres.
Lemon-chested Greenlet ***Hylophilus thoracicus*** (H) (E2) Just one heard at Ceima Cachivera *[aemulus].*
Brown-headed Greenlet ◊ ***Hylophilus brunneiceps*** (E2) Great views of a couple at Mitu Cachivera. Others heard.
Rufous-naped Greenlet ◊ ***Hylophilus semibrunneus*** Seen well at several sites; first at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Golden-fronted Greenlet ***Hylophilus aurantiifrons*** One seen below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Scrub Greenlet ***Hylophilus flavipes*** A couple seen in the coffee below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Tawny-crowned Greenlet ***Hylophilus ochraceiceps*** Great views of a pair in Utria NP *[bulunensis].*
Lesser Greenlet ***Hylophilus decurtatus*** (H) Several heard in the El Valle area.
Black-collared Jay ***Cyanolyca armillata*** Great views of a flock at Colibri del Sol, Urrao *[quindiuna].*
Black-chested Jay ***Cyanocorax affinis*** Quite common. First seen at Bocas del Atrato *[affinis].*

Azure-naped Jay, a Mitu speciality, and Black-collared Jay from the Andes (Pete Morris)

Azure-naped Jay ◊ ***Cyanocorax heilprini*** (E2) Great views on several occasions at Mitu. Quite a dull bird really [nominate]!
Inca Jay ***Cyanocorax yncas*** Two forms: *cyanodorsalis* first seen along the Ongaza Road; *galeatus* at La Romera etc.
White-winged Swallow ***Tachycineta albiventer*** Quite common near water. First seen at Turbo.
Grey-breasted Martin ***Progne chalybea*** Common. First seen on the drive from Turbo to Apartado.
Blue-and-white Swallow ***Notiochelidon cyanoleuca*** Common and widespread. First seen at Monterredondo [nominate].
Brown-bellied Swallow ***Notiochelidon murina*** First seen at Sumapaz NP. Lots seen above Mundo Nuevo *[murina].*
White-thighed Swallow ***Neochelidon tibialis*** A small group, landed in a tree briefly, near to Libano *[minima].*
Southern Rough-winged Swallow ***Stelgidopteryx ruficollis*** First seen in Guayabetal *[aequalis].*
Barn Swallow ***Hirundo rustica*** First seen on the islands. A few on the drive to El Paujil *[erythrogaster].*
Black-capped Donacobius ***Donacobius atricapilla*** A pair seen on the journey out of El Paujil *[brachypterus].*
White-headed Wren ◊ ***Campylorhynchus albobrunneus*** A pair seen very well along the El Valle trail *[harterti].*
Band-backed Wren ***Campylorhynchus zonatus*** Seen near the lodge at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[brevirostris].*
Bicolored Wren ***Campylorhynchus griseus*** Two forms: *albicilius* first seen at Tulenapa; *bicolor* below Soata.
Rufous Wren ***Cinnycerthia unirufa*** Nice views of a small flock above Mundo Nuevo [nominate].
Sepia-brown Wren ***Cinnycerthia olivascens*** See note.
Sedge Wren ***Cistothorus platensis*** Good views above Soata [*aequatorialis* but formerly known as *tamae* here – now merged].
Apolinar's Wren ◊ ***Cistothorus apolinari*** **(EN)** See note.
Black-bellied Wren ◊ ***Pheugopedius fasciatoventris*** Several seen well at El Paujil [nominate].
Whiskered Wren ***Pheugopedius mystacalis*** A few at the Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve *[amaurogaster?].*
Coraya Wren ***Pheugopedius coraya*** (E2) Several seen/heard in the Mitu area *[caurensis].*
Antioquia Wren ◊ ***Thryophilus sernai*** Good views of one near to Bolombolo.
Niceforo's Wren ◊ ***Thryophilus nicefori*** **(CR)** Stunning views of one above Soata. Also heard at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Buff-breasted Wren ***Cantorchilus leucotis*** (E1) Seen well at Bocas del Atrato *[galbraithii].*
Bay Wren ***Cantorchilus nigricapillus*** Common (by voice at least) in the El Valle area *[schottii].*
Stripe-throated Wren ***Cantorchilus leucopogon*** Great views of one along the Cocalito Trail in Utria NP [nominate].
(Southern) House Wren ***Troglodytes [aedon] musculus*** Common and widespread. Rich song and plain-looking *[columbae].*
White-breasted Wood Wren ***Henicorhina leucosticta*** Two forms: *albilateralis* seen at El Paujil; *hauxwelli* heard at Mitu.
Grey-breasted Wood Wren ***Henicorhina leucophrys*** Several. Best views were of a pair above Soata.
Southern Nightingale-wren ***Microcerculus marginatus*** See note.
Collared Gnatwren ***Microbates collaris*** (E2) Great views of a shy individual at Mitu Cachivera. Others heard [nominate].
Tawny-faced Gnatwren ***Microbates cinereiventris*** Excellent views of one in Utria NP [nominate].
Tropical Gnatcatcher ***Polioptila plumbea*** Seen well on the boat trip at Bocas del Atrato. A few others seen *[bilineata].*
Tropical Mockingbird ***Mimus gilvus*** First seen on the journey from Soata to Bucaramanga *[melanopterus].*

The local form of Tropical Mockingbird on San Andres may be worthy of species status (Pete Morris)

Tropical (San Andres) Mockingbird ◊ ***Mimus [gilvus] magnirostris*** (SA) Quite common on San Andres. Distinctive!
Andean Solitaire ***Myadestes ralloides*** Two forms: *venezuelensis* first at Monterredondo; *plumbeiceps* at Colibri del Sol.
Orange-billed Nightingale-Thrush ***Catharus aurantiirostris*** A few at the Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve *[inornatus].*
Grey-cheeked Thrush ***Catharus minimus*** One seen well at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Swainson's Thrush ***Catharus ustulatus*** Common, first at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[swainsoni-group].*
Yellow-legged Thrush ***Turdus flavipes*** First seen below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve. Also common at Ocaña *[venezuelensis].*
Great Thrush ***Turdus fuscater*** Common. Two forms: *gigas* in the Eastern Andes; *quindio* widespread elsewhere.
Glossy-black Thrush ***Turdus serranus*** (H) Two forms heard: *atrosericeus* (Eastern Andes) and *fuscobrunneus*.
Chestnut-bellied Thrush ◊ ***Turdus fulviventris*** Two or three seen well at the Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve.
Pale-breasted Thrush ***Turdus leucomelas*** First seen below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[albiventer].*
Black-billed Thrush ***Turdus ignobilis*** Common. First below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].
Lawrence's Thrush ***Turdus lawrencii*** (E2) Good views of a singing bird at Mitu Cachivera, Mitu. Great song!
Clay-colored Thrush (E1) ***Turdus grayi*** Excellent views of one to playback at Tulenapa, south of Apartado *[casius].*
Spectacled Thrush ***Turdus nudigenis*** Seen at the Cerulean Warbler and Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserves.
White-necked Thrush ***Turdus albicollis*** (E2) Singles seen at Ceima Cachivera and Mitu Cachivera *[phaeopygus].*
White-capped Dipper ***Cinclus leucocephalus*** Heard, and seen by some, at Colibri del Sol.
Lesser Goldfinch ***Spinus psaltria*** Common. First seen on the way in to Rogitama *[colombianus].*
Yellow-bellied Siskin ***Spinus xanthogastrus*** A few seen on the walk down from Colibri del Sol, Urrao [nominate].
Andean Siskin ◊ ***Spinus spinescens*** A few noted, first seen above Mundo Nuevo, Chingaza NP [nominate].
Plumbeous Euphonia ◊ ***Euphonia plumbea*** (E2) Some really great views of singing males at Mitu Cachivera.
Trinidad Euphonia ***Euphonia trinitatis*** A male seen well at the marsh stop on the drive to Ocaña.
Velvet-fronted Euphonia ◊ ***Euphonia concinna*** Great views of at least five at Laguna del Ato, en route to Libano.
Thick-billed Euphonia ***Euphonia laniirostris*** Common. First seen at Bocas del Atrato *[crassirostris].*
Golden-rumped Euphonia ***Euphonia cyanocephala*** Lovely views of a male at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].
Fulvous-vented Euphonia ◊ ***Euphonia fulvicrissa*** Two forms: nominate in the El Valle area; *omissa* at El Paujil.
White-vented Euphonia ***Euphonia minuta*** A couple seen in a clearing at Ceima Cachivera, Mitu [nominate].
Orange-bellied Euphonia ***Euphonia xanthogaster*** See note.
Rufous-bellied Euphonia ***Euphonia rufiventris*** (E2) A few seen/heard in the Mitu area.
Blue-naped Chlorophonia ***Chlorophonia cyanea*** A couple of smart at the Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve *[longipennis].*
Ovenbird ***Seiurus aurocapilla*** (SA) Several seen well on San Andres and Providencia, and many good views.
Worm-eating Warbler ***Helmitheros vermivorum*** (SA) A few (total c5) seen well on San Andres and Providencia.

It was great to see so many confiding North American warblers such as this Northern Waterthrush (Pete Morris)

Stunning Prothonotary Warblers were seen well at a number of sites (Pete Morris)

Northern Waterthrush ***Parkesia noveboracensis*** Very common on San Andres and Providencia. A few elsewhere.
Black-and-white Warbler ***Mniotilta varia*** Fairly common on San Andres and Providencia. A few elsewhere.
Prothonotary Warbler ***Protonotaria citrea*** Seen well on the islands, at Bocas del Atrato and a couple on the main tour.
Tennessee Warbler ***Leiothlypis peregrina*** Small numbers seen at several sites.
Mourning Warbler ***Geothlypis philadelphia*** First at Tulenapa, south of Apartado, and 5 more during the tour.
Hooded Warbler ***Setophaga citrina*** (SA) A few (total c4) seen well on San Andres and Providencia.
American Redstart ***Setophaga ruticilla*** Fairly common on San Andres and Providencia. One on the main tour.
Cape May Warbler ***Setophaga tigrina*** (SA) c5 seen at McBean Lagoon, Providencia.
Cerulean Warbler ◊ ***Setophaga cerulea*** **(VU)** Several around the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, and one at Libano.
Northern Parula ***Setophaga americana*** (SA) Fairly common on San Andres and Providencia.
Tropical Parula ***Setophaga pitiayumi*** Just a few, the first below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Magnolia Warbler ***Setophaga magnolia*** (SA) Fairly common on San Andres and Providencia.
Bay-breasted Warbler ***Setophaga castanea*** Fairly common, many seen well, some showing some colour.
Blackburnian Warbler ***Setophaga fusca*** Common. First seen above Mundo Nuevo.
American Yellow Warbler ***Setophaga aestiva*** Seen well at several sites.
Mangrove Warbler ***Setophaga petechia*** (SA) Two forms noted: *armouri* on Providencia; *flavida* on San Andres.
Chestnut-sided Warbler ***Setophaga pensylvanica*** (SA) Two seen on San Andres.
Blackpoll Warbler ***Setophaga striata*** (E2) A few seen/heard in the Mitu area.
Black-throated Blue Warbler ***Setophaga caerulescens*** (SA) Two seen well on Providencia *[cairnsi].*
Myrtle Warbler ***Setophaga coronata*** (SA) A few (total c3) seen well on San Andres and Providencia.
Yellow-throated Warbler ***Setophaga dominica*** (SA) A single seen well at the Big Pond, San Andres.
Prairie Warbler ***Setophaga discolor*** (SA) A few (total c4) seen well on San Andres and Providencia [nominate].
Black-throated Green Warbler (SA) ***Setophaga virens*** Two individuals seen on San Andres.
Citrine Warbler ***Myiothlypis luteoviridis*** A group of three seen well at Colibri del Sol, Urrao *[richardsoni].*
Black-crested Warbler ***Myiothlypis nigrocristata*** First seen on the tour along the Ongaza Road, above Soata.
Buff-rumped Warbler ***Myiothlypis fulvicauda*** Two forms: *semicervina* below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve; nominate at Mitu.
Grey-throated Warbler ◊ ***Myiothlypis cinereicollis*** Great views of a few at the Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve [nominate].
Russet-crowned Warbler ***Myiothlypis coronata*** First seen at Monterredondo. Seen well at La Romera *[regulus].*
Rufous-capped Warbler ***Basileuterus rufifrons*** A few. First seen below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Golden-crowned Warbler ***Basileuterus culicivorus*** Two forms noted: *austerus* above Soata; *cabanisi* at Ocaña.

Three-striped Warbler ***Basileuterus tristriatus*** Quite common at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve and La Romera *[auricularis].*
Canada Warbler ***Cardellina canadensis*** Common at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, and a few elsewhere.
Slate-throated Whitestart ***Myioborus miniatus*** Common. First seen at Rogitama *[ballux].*
Golden-fronted Whitestart ***Myioborus ornatus*** Seen at Monterredondo and common above Soata [nominate].
Eastern Meadowlark ***Sturnella magna*** A few seen, first seen above Mundo Nuevo *[meridionalis].*
Red-breasted Blackbird ***Sturnella militaris*** First seen on the journey from Ocaña to El Paujil.
Chestnut-headed Oropendola ***Psarocolius wagleri*** Plenty at Tulenapa, then at El Valle *[ridgwayi].*
Russet-backed Oropendola ***Psarocolius angustifrons*** See note.
Crested Oropendola ***Psarocolius decumanus*** Two forms: *melanterus* first at Tulenapa; nominate at Monterredondo.
Green Oropendola ***Psarocolius viridis*** (E2) A few seen in the Mitu area. First seen at Ceima Cachivera.
Olive Oropendola ***Psarocolius bifasciatus*** (E2) A couple in the Mitu area. First seen at Pueblo Nuevo *[yuracares].*
Baudo Oropendola ◊ ***Psarocolius cassini*** **(EN)** Amazing views of two displaying birds and then a flock of five at El Valle.
Yellow-rumped Cacique ***Cacicus cela*** Two forms noted: *vitellinus* at El Valle trail; nominate in the Mitu area.
Scarlet-rumped (or Pacific) Cacique ***Cacicus [microrhynchus] pacificus*** Several seen in the El Valle area.
Northern Mountain Cacique ***Cacicus leucoramphus*** Good views of 3 or 4 at Colibri del Sol [nominate].
Red-rumped Cacique ***Cacicus haemorrhous*** Quite a few seen in the Mitu area [nominate].
Yellow-backed Oriole ***Icterus chrysater*** Quite common and seen well at several sites *[giraudii].*
Jamaican Oriole ◊ ***Icterus leucopteryx*** (SA) Great views of four at the Old Point Mangroves, San Andres *[lawrencii].*
Yellow Oriole ***Icterus nigrogularis*** First seen at the marsh stop on the drive to Ocaña *[lawrencii].*
Baltimore Oriole ***Icterus galbula*** A few seen at various sites.

The smart Yellow-tailed Oriole was a surprise at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve (Pete Morris)

Yellow-tailed Oriole ***Icterus mesomelas*** A couple seen well near the lodge at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[carrikeri].*
Orange-crowned Oriole ***Icterus auricapillus*** Nice views of one from the tower at El Paujil.
Epaulet (or Moriche) Oriole ***Icterus cayanensis*** A few seen in the Mitu area *[chrysocephalus].*
Giant Cowbird ***Molothrus oryzivorus*** A few. First seen below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].
Shiny Cowbird ***Molothrus bonariensis*** Widespread in small numbers.
Carib Grackle ***Quiscalus lugubris*** Common. First seen on the journey from Soata to Bucaramanga [nominate].
Great-tailed Grackle ***Quiscalus mexicanus*** A few on San Andres, plenty on the main tour *[peruvianus].*
Red-bellied Grackle ◊ ***Hypopyrrhus pyrohypogaster*** **(VU)** Great views of several at La Romera.
Colombian Mountain Grackle ◊ ***Macroagelaius subalaris*** **(EN)** Great views above Soata and near Guaca.
Yellow-hooded Blackbird ***Chrysomus icterocephalus*** Two forms: *[bogotensis]* around Bogotá; nominate in lowland marshes.
Bananaquit ***Coereba flaveola*** See note.
Rufous-collared Sparrow ***Zonotrichia capensis*** Common and widespread *[costaricensis].*
Yellow-browed Sparrow ***Ammodramus aurifrons*** (E2) Common in the Mitu area *[tenebrosus].*

Black-striped Sparrow ***Arremonops conirostris*** Two forms: *umbrinus* below the Cerulean Warbler Res, *striaticeps* near Bolombolo.
Pectoral Sparrow ***Arremon taciturnus*** (E2) A few seen well in the Mitu area [nominate].
Orange-billed Sparrow ***Arremon aurantiirostris*** See note.
Chestnut-capped Brush Finch ***Arremon brunneinucha*** A few seen well at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[frontalis].*
Black-headed Brush Finch ◊ ***Arremon atricapillus*** Great views of at least two near Libano [nominate].
Grey-browed Brush Finch ***Arremon assimilis*** Good views of a few at Colibri del Sol, Urrao [nominate].
Moustached Brush Finch ◊ ***Atlapetes albofrenatus*** Excellent views above Soata, and at Ocaña.
White-naped (or Yellow-throated) Brush Finch ***Atlapetes [albinucha] gutturalis*** Great views of a pair at Libano.
Pale-naped Brush Finch ◊ ***Atlapetes pallidinucha*** Several seen at Sumapaz NP, also at Monterredondo [nominate].
Yellow-headed Brush Finch ◊ ***Atlapetes flaviceps*** **(EN)** A few in forest fragments just above Libano.
Yellow-breasted Brush Finch ***Atlapetes latinuchus*** Excellent views of one above Soata *[simplex].*
Slaty Brush Finch ***Atlapetes schistaceus*** Two forms: *tamae* above Mundo Nuevo nominate at Colibri del Sol.
Common Bush Tanager ***Chlorospingus flavopectus*** Seen well at several sites. Orange eyes in this form *[olsoni].*
Ashy-throated Bush Tanager ***Chlorospingus canigularis*** Several in flocks at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].
Magpie Tanager ***Cissopis leverianus*** A few seen below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve and in the Mitu area *[leverianus].*
Hooded Tanager ***Nemosia pileata*** A pair seen at the marsh stop on the drive to Ocaña *[hypoleuca].*
Dusky-faced Tanager ***Mitrospingus cassinii*** Quite common in the El Valle area [nominate].
Black-capped Hemispingus ***Hemispingus atropileus*** Great views of a pair at Colibri del Sol, Urrao.
Oleaginous Hemispingus ***Hemispingus frontalis*** Good views of one in the forested ravine near Libano.
Grey-hooded Bush Tanager ***Cnemoscopus rubrirostris*** Seen at Monterredondo and Colibri del Sol, Urrao [nominate].
Grey-headed Tanager ***Eucometis penicillata*** One seen at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[cristata].*
Fulvous-crested Tanager ***Tachyphonus surinamus*** (E2) Quite common in the Mitu area *[brevipes].*
White-shouldered Tanager ***Tachyphonus luctuosus*** One at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, and a few at El Paujil *[panamensis].*
Tawny-crested Tanager ***Tachyphonus delatrii*** Several seen in the El Valle area.
White-lined Tanager ***Tachyphonus rufus*** A few. First seen at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Crimson-backed Tanager ***Ramphocelus dimidiatus*** Fairly common and widespread [nominate].
Silver-beaked Tanager ***Ramphocelus carbo*** (E2) Common in the Mitu area *[unicolor].*
Lemon-rumped Tanager ◊ ***Ramphocelus icteronotus*** Several seen at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve and El Valle.
Blue-grey Tanager ***Thraupis episcopus*** See note.
Palm Tanager ***Thraupis palmarum*** Two forms: *atripennis* for much of the tour; *melanoptera* around Mitu.
Blue-capped Tanager ***Thraupis cyanocephala*** Quite a few, first seen at Monterredondo *[auricrissa].*
Hooded Mountain Tanager ***Buthraupis montana*** Impressive! Seen above Mundo Nuevo and near to Guaca *[gigas].*
Lacrimose Mountain Tanager ***Anisognathus lacrymosus*** Seen well at Colibri del Sol, Urrao, *[olivaceiceps].*
Scarlet-bellied Mountain Tanager ***Anisognathus igniventris*** Several. First seen well above Mundo Nuevo *[lunulatus].*
Blue-winged Mountain Tanager ***Anisognathus somptuosus*** (NL) Seen by some at Colibri del Sol, Urrao.
Grass-green Tanager ***Chlorornis riefferii*** A few seen well at Monterredondo *[riefferii].*
Buff-breasted Mountain Tanager ***Dubusia taeniata*** (H) Heard along the Ongaza Road, above Soata.
Golden-crowned Tanager ***Iridosornis rufivertex*** A couple seen well at Monterredondo [nominate].
Fawn-breasted Tanager ***Pipraeidea melanonota*** Great views of one near Libano *[venezuelensis].*
Plain-coloured Tanager ***Tangara inornata*** Two forms: *languens* at Tulenapa; nominate at El Paujil.
Turquoise Tanager ***Tangara mexicana*** (E2) A few seen in the Mitu area. First seen at Ceima Cachivera *[media].*
Paradise Tanager ***Tangara chilensis*** (E2) Quite common in the Mitu area *[caelicolor].*
Blue-whiskered Tanager ◊ ***Tangara johannae*** One seen well by some in Utria NP.
Green-and-gold Tanager ***Tangara schrankii*** (E2) A few seen well in the Mitu area [nominate].
Golden Tanager ***Tangara arthus*** Seen at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve and Ocaña *[palmitae].*
Saffron-crowned Tanager ***Tangara xanthocephala*** One seen well at Monterredondo. Smart bird *[venusta].*
Flame-faced Tanager ***Tangara parzudakii*** One seen well at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].
Yellow-bellied Tanager ***Tangara xanthogastra*** (E2) A couple seen in a mixed flock at Mitu Cachivera *[xanthogastra].*
Speckled Tanager ***Tangara guttata*** A few. First seen at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[bogotensis].*
Bay-headed Tanager ***Tangara gyrola*** A few. First seen below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[deleticia].*
Scrub Tanager ◊ ***Tangara vitriolina*** A few. First seen in the coffee below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Metallic-green Tanager ***Tangara labradorides*** Seen well at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve and La Romera [nominate].
Blue-necked Tanager ***Tangara cyanicollis*** Seen on 4 dates. First seen below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[granadensis].*
Golden-hooded Tanager ***Tangara larvata*** Seen at Tulenapa, the Bellavista Reserve, and in the El Valle area.
Masked Tanager ***Tangara nigrocincta*** (E2) Four seen at Mitu Cachivera, Mitu.
Beryl-spangled Tanager ***Tangara nigroviridis*** Seen at Monterredondo and the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].

Blue-and-black Tanager ***Tangara vassorii*** Common above Mundo Nuevo, at Monterredondo and Urrao [nominate].
Black-capped Tanager ***Tangara heinei*** Seen below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, and at Ocaña.
Black-headed Tanager ***Tangara cyanoptera*** Several very smart individuals at the Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve [nominate].
Opal-rumped Tanager ***Tangara velia*** (E2) A few seen in the Mitu area *[iridina].*
Opal-crowned Tanager ***Tangara callophrys*** (E2) One seen well at Ceima Cachivera, Mitu, was a bit of a surprise.
Swallow Tanager ***Tersina viridis*** A single female seen at Guayabetal *[occidentalis].*
White-bellied Dacnis ◊ ***Dacnis albiventris*** (E2) Great scope views of a male (of 3 birds present) at Mitu Cachivera.
Black-faced Dacnis ***Dacnis lineata*** (E2) A female seen at Ceima Cachivera, Mitu.
Yellow-tufted Dacnis ◊ ***Dacnis egregia*** Seen well below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, at El Paujil and the Bellavista Reserve.
Yellow-bellied Dacnis ***Dacnis flaviventer*** (E2) A couple seen at Urania, Mitu.
Turquoise Dacnis ◊ ***Dacnis hartlaubi*** **(VU)** Good views of a couple around the lodge at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Scarlet-thighed Dacnis ◊ ***Dacnis venusta*** At least three seen along the road near to El Valle *[fuliginata].*
Blue Dacnis ***Dacnis cayana*** Three forms noted: *caerebicolor* at El Paujil; *napaea* at El Valle and nominate around Mitu.
Short-billed Honeycreeper ◊ ***Cyanerpes nitidus*** (E2) A few seen well in the Mitu area. First seen at Urania.
Purple Honeycreeper ***Cyanerpes caeruleus*** See note.
Red-legged Honeycreeper ***Cyanerpes cyaneus*** Two forms seen: *pacificus* in the El Valle area; *dispar* in the Mitu area.
Green Honeycreeper ***Chlorophanes spiza*** Two forms seen: *argutus* in the El Valle area; *caerulescens* in the Mitu area.
Scarlet-browed Tanager ***Heterospingus xanthopygius*** Several seen well in the El Valle area *[berliozi].*
Guira Tanager ***Hemithraupis guira*** Males seen below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve and near Bolombolo *[guirina].*
Yellow-backed Tanager ***Hemithraupis flavicollis*** A few. First seen at El Paujil *[ornata].*
White-eared Conebill ◊ ***Conirostrum leucogenys*** Seen well below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].
Rufous-browed Conebill ◊ ***Conirostrum rufum*** Seen well at Sumapaz NP and above Mundo Nuevo.
Chestnut-bellied Flowerpiercer ◊ ***Diglossa gloriosissima*** **(EN)** Superb views of several at Colibri del Sol *[boylei].*
Glossy Flowerpiercer ***Diglossa lafresnayii*** Seen at Sumapaz NP and above Mundo Nuevo.
Black Flowerpiercer ***Diglossa humeralis*** (NL) (SA) One seen at Sumapaz NP.
Black-throated Flowerpiercer ***Diglossa brunneiventris*** Superb views of several at Colibri del Sol *[vuilleumieri].*
White-sided Flowerpiercer ***Diglossa albilatera*** Several seen, the first at Rogitama [nominate].
Bluish Flowerpiercer ***Diglossa caerulescens*** Seen above Mundo Nuevo and at Monterredondo *[saturata].*
Masked Flowerpiercer ***Diglossa cyanea*** A few seen at high elevation: first above Mundo Nuevo [nominate].
Grey Pileated Finch ***Coryphospingus pileatus*** Good views at Laguna del Ato, en route to Libano *[rostratus].*

Black-throated (left) and the endemic Chestnut-bellied Flowerpiercer at Urrao (Pete Morris)

Plumbeous Sierra Finch ***Phrygilus unicolor*** (SA) c10 seen at Sumapaz NP *[geospizopsis].*
Saffron Finch ***Sicalis flaveola*** Common in the lowlands [nominate].
Blue-black Grassquit ***Volatinia jacarina*** Common. First seen at Tulenapa, south of Apartado *[splendens].*
Variable Seedeater ***Sporophila corvina*** Several seen in the El Valle area *[hicksii].*
Grey Seedeater ***Sporophila intermedia*** A male on the drive to Ocaña and seen at Laguna del Ato [nominate].
Yellow-bellied Seedeater ***Sporophila nigricollis*** Several below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate].
Ruddy-breasted Seedeater ***Sporophila minuta*** A few seen at Laguna del Ato, en route to Libano.
Chestnut-bellied Seedeater ***Sporophila castaneiventris*** (E2) A male seen at Urania, Mitu.
Thick-billed Seed Finch ***Oryzoborus funereus*** Seen at Laguna del Ato, and along the Concordia road *[ochrogyne].*
Chestnut-bellied Seed Finch ***Oryzoborus angolensis*** (E2) A female seen at Mitu Cachivera *[torridus].*
Plain-coloured Seedeater ***Catamenia inornata*** (SA) c3 seen at Sumapaz NP *[minor].*
Yellow-faced Grassquit ***Tiaris olivaceus*** A singing male seen near to Libano *[pusillus].*
Dull-coloured Grassquit ***Tiaris obscurus*** Just three, the first above Soata *[pauper].*
Black-faced Grassquit ***Tiaris bicolor*** (SA) Common on San Andres and Providencia *[grandior].*
Tooth-billed Tanager ***Piranga lutea*** A pair below Soata and a couple of others *[toddi].*
Summer Tanager ***Piranga rubra*** Scattered sightings throughout [nominate].
Scarlet Tanager ***Piranga olivacea*** (NL) One for some at Bahia Solano.
Red-hooded Tanager ◊ ***Piranga rubriceps*** (NL) At least three for some at Colibri del Sol, Urrao.
Sooty Ant Tanager ◊ ***Habia gutturalis*** **(NT)** A skittish male at El Paujil, and sev. seen well at the Bellavista Reserve.
Crested Ant Tanager ◊ ***Habia cristata*** Great views of at least four in forest fragments near Libano.
Lemon-spectacled Tanager ◊ ***Chlorothraupis olivacea*** A few seen well along the Cocalito Trail in Utria NP.
Rose-breasted Grosbeak ***Pheucticus ludovicianus*** Quite a few seen, including some fine males.
Yellow-green Grosbeak ***Caryothraustes canadensis*** (E2) A few seen well in the Mitu area [nominate].
Slate-coloured Grosbeak ***Saltator grossus*** (E2) Common by voice in the Mitu area; a few seen well [nominate].
Buff-throated Saltator ***Saltator maximus*** Several seen well, the first below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Black-winged Saltator ◊ ***Saltator atripennis*** One seen well in the forest fragments near Libano *[caniceps].*
Greyish Saltator ***Saltator coerulescens*** Just a few seen, the first at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve *[plumbeus].*
Streaked Saltator ***Saltator striatipectus*** Several seen, the first few near to Soata.
Blue-black Grosbeak ***Cyanocompsa cyanoides*** A singing male seen well at the Bellavista Reserve [nominate].
Rothschild's Grosbeak ◊ ***Cyanocompsa rothschildii*** (E2) Great views of a couple of males at Mitu and others heard.

A gorgeous Cerulean Warbler at... the Cerulean Warbler Reserve! (Pete Morris)

Crab-eating Raccoons, one of the mammalian highlights (Pete Morris)

MAMMALS

Water Opossum ***Chironectes minimus*** (NL) One for some at the hotel at El Valle.
Central American Woolly Opossum ***Caluromys derbianus*** (NL) One for some at the hotel at El Valle.
Brown-throated Three-toed Sloth ***Bradypus variegatus*** (E1) Great views at Tulenapa near Apartado.
Western Dwarf Squirrel ***Microsciurus mimulus*** A few assumed to be this species.
Red-tailed Squirrel (Tropical Red S) ***Sciurus granatensis*** A few assumed to be this species.
Central American Agouti ***Dasyprocta punctata*** A total of 3 seen.
Andean Cavy ***Cavia aperera*** Seen in the marshes at Bogotá.
Capybara ***Hydrochoerus hydrochaeris*** One for some on the journey to Ocaña.
Crab-eating Fox ***Cerdocyon thous*** A few good views at El Paujil.
Kinkajou ***Potos flavus*** (NL) One for some at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.
Crab-eating Raccoon ***Procyon cancrivorus*** A couple showed up from the restaurant at El Paujil. Great animals.
Geoffroy's Tamarin ***Saguinus geoffroyi*** Plenty seen around El Valle.
Cotton-top Tamarin ***Saguinus oedipus*** (E1) A few seen at Tulenapa near Apartado.
Mottle-faced Tamarin ***Saguinus inustus*** (E2) Plenty seen around Mitu.
White-fronted Capuchin ***Cebus albifrons*** (E1) A few seen at Tulenapa near Apartado.
Lemurine Night Monkey ***Aotus lemurinus*** Great views in the torch at El Paujil.
White-bellied Spider Monkey ◊ ***Ateles belzebuth*** A few skittish individuals at El Paujil.
Venezuelan Red Howler Monkey ***Alouatta seniculus*** A few seen well in the scope at El Paujil.
White-tailed Deer ***Odocoileus virginianus*** One above Soata was a surprise.

An American Purple Gallinule on the way into El Paujil (Pete Morris)

NOTES TO THE SYSTEMATIC LIST

The most up to date referenced taxonomic list referred to in the Tour Report is that of the IOC World Bird Names. (Gill, F and Donsker, D Eds). 2014. IOC World Bird Names v4.1. Available at http://www.worldbirdnames.org

Great Tinamou *Tinamus major*
Two forms were noted during the tour. One of the form *saturatus* gave reasonable scurrying up a bank at El Paujil, and was also heard at Utria NP. The form *peruvianus* was heard a couple of time at Mitu, first at Pueblo Nuevo.

Little Tinamou *Crypturellus soui*
We noted three forms on the tour. Great views of one static on the forest floor at El Paujil *[caucae]*; a few heard in the El Valle area *[harterti]*; heard a couple of time at Mitu [nominate].

Andean Duck *Oxyura ferruginea*
c30 on the lake at Sumapaz NP, and also common at Parque La Florida. Many birds showed characters of Ruddy Duck, and everything in between, and it seems that the validity of the two as separate species may be somewhat questionable.

Sickle-winged Guan *Chamaepetes goudotii*
Two forms noted. At Monterredondo, two of the form *tschudii* were seen, whilst the nominate form was seen well at Colibri del Sol, Urrao and also one seen well at La Romera.

Blue-billed Curassow *Crax alberti*
Great views of a pair at El Paujil. These seemed timid, though probably the same pair had managed to break into the aviary the previous day and needed to be released. A weird set up, and the two captive females that were there were released during our stay, but kept coming back to the cage!! It is hard to work out the history of all of the birds there, but hopefully the birds we saw were one of the wild pairs that had been attracted in by the captive birds.

Brown Pelican *Pelecanus occidentalis*
Two forms were noted. The nominate form, Caribbean Brown Pelican was first seen at Bocas del Atrato, whilst at El Valle we saw the form *murphyi*, Southern Brown Pelican.

Ruddy Pigeon *Patagioenas subvinacea*
We noted two forms during the tour. We had good views of several of the form *anolaimae* at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, and it was also this form seen on the way down from Colibri del Sol, Urrao. At Mitu, we saw several of the form *ogilviegranti* which was first seen at Pueblo Nuevo.

Caribbean Dove *Leptotila jamaicensis*
A pair seen very well along a small side trail in southern San Andres. The form here, *neoxena*, is very different to Jamaican birds and it seems likely that more than one species may be involved.

Cinnamon Screech Owl *Megascops petersoni*
Brilliant views of a pair in the forest at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve. One bird was typically cinnamon, the other, much more grey-brown. Real stunners!

Another view of the gorgeous Cinnamon Screech Owl (Pete Morris)

Pauraque *Nyctidromus albicollis*
We noted two forms of this widespread species. The form *gilvus* was seen well at Tulenapa, south of Apartado. Also great views at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve and at El Paujil. Around Mitu we saw several, the first on the way to Pueblo Nuevo. These were thought to be of the nominate form.

White-collared Swift *Streptoprocne zonaris*
I assume that we saw two forms of this impressive species. Those at higher elevations, such as above Soata, were assumed to be the form *altissima* whilst at lower elevations, the wheeling flock at El Paujil were assumed to be *subtropicalis.*

Pale-rumped Swift *Chaetura egregia*
Birds apparently of this species were seen investigating a dead tree at Ceima Cachivera, Mitu. Clearly very pale rumps! Other *Chaetura* swifts with darker rumps were not identified!

Red-billed Emerald *Chlorostilbon gibsoni*
A couple seen in the coffee between San Vicente de Chucuri and the Cerulean Warbler Reserve. In addition, a male emerald in the forest fragment just above and to the west of Libano, was thought to be this species. It showed some red on the lower mandible.

Sapphire-throated Hummingbird *Lepidopyga coeruleogularis*
Two forms seen. Several of the form *coelina* were seen very well at Bocas del Atrato whilst a male in the mangroves in Utria NP was of the form confinis.

Sapphire-bellied Hummingbird *Lepidopyga lilliae*
A male showing characters of this species showed well at Bocas del Atrato. It showed blue on the flanks/belly in some lights at least, and at some angles looked impressive. In my experience this is always the case with this species/form. Quite what it is (a full species, a colour morph or whatever) is probably still to be determined.

Mountain Velvetbreast *Lafresnaya lafresnayi*
One of the nominate form seen briefly near the pass NNW of Guaca on the journey from Soata to Bucaramanga. At Urrao, we enjoyed many great views of the form *saul* at Colibri del Sol Reserve.

Amethyst-throated Sunangel *Heliangelus amethysticollis*
Excellent views of a male at Monterredondo, and also common along the Ongaza Road, above Soata. It has been suggested that the form concerned, *clarisse,* may represent a separate species: Longuemare's Sunangel.

Glowing Puffleg *Eriocnemis vestita*
Two forms noted. At least two of the nominate form were seen well above Mundo Nuevo, then fantastic views of several at the Observatorio Colibres, La Calera, and seen along the Ongaza Road, above Soata. A couple of the form *paramillo* were seen well at Colibri del Sol. Another truly beautiful species.

White-fronted Nunbird *Monasa morphoeus*
We saw three forms of this species. At El Paujil, we saw one of the form *sclateri*. One of the form *pallescens* was seen well along the road between El Valle and Bahia Solano. Very pale wing panel in this form! Finally several of the form *peruana* were seen at Mitu. First seen at Pueblo Nuevo.

Greyish Piculet *Picumnus granadensis*
Two females seen in the dry forest along the Concordia road a few kilometres north of Bolombolo. The form here, *antioquensis,* is quite mottled/streaked on the underparts. One individual had blackish streaking on the flanks, leading to some confusion...

Golden-olive Woodpecker *Colaptes rubiginosus*
Two forms were noted. The form *buenavistae* was first seen well at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, whilst the form *gularis* was noted at La Romera.

Spot-breasted Woodpecker *Colaptes punctigula*
We noted two forms. The form *ujhelyii* was first seen at Bocas del Atrato, whilst the form *striatigularis* was seen low down, below the lodge and in the coffee below at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve.

Lineated Woodpecker *Dryocopus lineatus*
First seen on the mangrove boat trip at Bocas del Atrato. Also, a few seen at and below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, including a well-grown youngster in a nest.

Crimson-crested Woodpecker *Campephilus melanoleucos*
Two forms were noted. A pair seen well in the clearing at El Paujil were of the form *malherbii* whilst at Mitu, we saw a few of the nominate form, which we first saw at Pueblo Nuevo.

Laughing Falcon *Herpetotheres cachinnans*
We enjoyed some excellent views of one with a huge snake at Tulenapa, south of Apartado,. Heard frequently at El Paujil, and then excellent views of one at the Bellavista Reserve, La Victoria.

Merlin *Falco columbarius*
Two seen well, including a perched female, at Freshwater Bay, Providencia. An excellent male, complete with striking black and white tail, was watched catching dragonflies in hobby-like fashion over the marsh at Sumapaz NP. Later, a female was seen along the Ongaza Road, above Soata.

Bat Falcon *Falco rufigularis*
Two forms were noted. One seen dashing over the coffee between San Vicente de Chucuri and the Cerulean Warbler Reserve was of the nominate form. We also enjoyed excellent views of up to three along the road between El Valle and Bahia Solano, where we noted the massive size difference in the perched pair! These were of the form *petoensis.*

Slaty Spinetail *Synallaxis brachyura*
We saw two forms of this smart and skulking species. The nominate form was seen well near the lodge at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, and was also heard in the forest fragment just above and to the west of Libano. The form *nigrifumosa* was seen a couple of times in the El Valle area.

Plain-brown Woodcreeper *Dendrocincla fuliginosa*
We recorded three forms of this common, antswarm-living woodcreeper. Several of the form *lafresnayei* were seen at El Paujil. In the El Valle area, we recorded several of the form *ridgwayi* whilst in the Mitu area, the form *phaeochroa*was not uncommon.

Dusky Antbird *Cercomacra tyrannina*
One heard along the El Valle trail. The birds here were formerly known as *rufiventris*, though this subspecies is now merged with the nominate. We also saw a male at Pueblo Nuevo, Mitu, and heard others in the area there. I am unclear as to which subspecies is involved.

Rufous Antpitta *Grallaria rufula*
At least two of the nominate form heard at Monterredondo. We then had some brilliant views of one at Colibri del Sol, Urrao. A little stunner, but unsure of the subspecies here – perhaps even a new subspecies?

Ochre-bellied Flycatcher *Mionectes oleagineus*
We noted two forms of this widespread species. We watched a pair of the form *parcus* nest building in the coffee below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve and saw several of this form at El Paujil. In the Mitu area, the nominate form was common.

Yellow-olive Flatbill *Tolmomyias sulphurescens*
We recorded at least two forms of this widespread species. The form *asemus* was first seen well in the coffee between San Vicente de Chucuri and the Cerulean Warbler Reserve. Also seen at Ocaña where assumed to be this form? At Mitu, we saw the form *confusus* at Mitu Cachivera.

Streaked Flycatcher *Myiodynastes maculatus*
Two forms noted. Birds from the 'nominate group' were first seen at Tulenapa, south of Apartado, and then first on the main tour in the coffee between San Vicente de Chucuri and the Cerulean Warbler Reserve. At Mitu, we saw one of the form *difficilis* at Mitu Cachivera.

Dusky-capped Flycatcher *Myiarchus tuberculifer*
We noted forms of this widespread species. The form *pallidus* was first noted at the Recurve-billed Bushbird Reserve, Ocaña, whilst the nominate form was heard and seen by some at Mitu.

Bright-rumped (or Flammulated) Attila *Attila [spadiceus] flammulatus*
We recorded two subspecies that are part of the *flammulatus* group (Flammulated Attila). The form *sclateri* was heard at Tulenapa, south of Apartado. The form *caniceps* gave great views (an adult) near to the lodge at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve. What was amazing was that a youngster in a nest at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, feathers still in pins, was singing like the adult from the nest right next to us!!

Western Striped Manakin *Machaeropterus striolatus*
Two forms of this cracking species noted. We had excellent views of males of the form *antioquiae* at El Paujil, and heard others there and at the Bellavista Reserve, La Victoria. A few of the nominate form were heard in the Mitu area and a couple seen, the first, a fine male at Urania.

Golden-collared Manakin *Manacus vitellinus*
We saw two forms of this little stunner too. A male seen briefly at Tulenapa, south of Apartado, then excellent views of the same bird the following day [nominate]. Four, including two stunning males, in a fruiting tree in the dry forest along the Concordia road a few kilometres north of Bolombolo – a real surprise, and seen well from the mangrove boardwalk at Utria NP *[viridiventris]*.

Golden-headed Manakin *Dixiphia erythrocephala*
Once again, we noted two forms. A female seen at the Bellavista Reserve, La Victoria [nominate]. Four, including two stunning males, in a fruiting tree in the dry forest along the Concordia road a few kilometres north of Bolombolo. Also several seen/heard in the Mitu area *[berlepschi].*

Cinnamon Becard *Pachyramphus cinnamomeus*
First seen at Tulenapa. Several seen below the Cerulean Warbler Reserve [nominate]. One seen and others heard at El Paujil *[magdalenae].*

Sepia-brown Wren *Cinnycerthia olivascens*
Good views of a flock at Monterredondo. One bird showed an extensive bright white forehead, and another a more restricted white forehead, similar to the pattern shown by Peruvian Wren *[bogotensis].*

Apolinar's Wren *Cistothorus apolinari*
We saw both forms of this localized endemic. On the pre-tour visit to Sumapaz NP, we saw at least 20 of the form *hernandezi*, whilst on the main tour we got excellent views of an individual of the nominate form by the hide at Parque La Florida.

Southern Nightingale-wren *Microcerculus marginatus*
A widespread and variable species. We noted two forms. The form *occidentalis* was seen briefly at La Victoria, and then we enjoyed brilliant views of one along the El Valle trail. Around Mitu, we heard a few of the nominate race.

Orange-bellied Euphonia *Euphonia xanthogaster*
We saw three forms of this widespread and variable species. The form *exsul* was seen well at Monterredondo, and was quite orange on the belly and crown. The yellower *oressinoma* was first seen at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, whilst the form *brevirostris* was seen and heard in the Mitu area.

Russet-backed Oropendola *Psarocolius angustifrons*

The distinctive 'Caribbean' Bananaquit and the endemic Velvet-fronted Euphonia (Pete Morris)

We noted two forms of this species: *sincipitalis* first seen at the Cerulean Warbler Reserve, *salmoni* seen well at La Romera.

Bananaquit *Coereba flaveola*
We saw four species of this widespread species, possibly constituting two separate species? On the islands we noted two distinct forms, *tricolor* was common everywhere on Providencia, and *oblita* was common everywhere on San Andres. These two forms are part of the 'Caribbean' Bananaquit complex, differing vocally and in showing a red gape. It seems likely that a future split will occur. On the mainland we found the form *columbiana* commonly, it was first seen at Bocas del Atrato, and the form *minima* which was seen at Mitu Cachivera, Mitu.

Orange-billed Sparrow *Arremon aurantiirostris*
Once again, we saw two subspecies of this smart and widespread bird. At El Paujil, and below the Bellavista Reserve at La Victoria, we found the form *erythrorhynchus* whilst in Utria NP we found the form *occidentalis.*

Blue-grey Tanager *Thraupis episcopus*
We saw three subspecies of this widespread and common species. The form *cana* was seen in the northwest, first around Bocas del Atrato. The form *quaesita* was common and widespread. The Amazonian form *mediana*, complete with white wing patches, was common in the Mitu area.

Purple Honeycreeper *Cyanerpes caeruleus*
We noted three forms of this widespread species. The form *microrhynchus* was first seen at Guayabetal, the form *chocoanus* was common in the El Valle area and the nominate form was common around Mitu.
APPENDIX 1

An amazing male Bare-crowned Antbird from El Paujil (Pete Morris)

TOP TEN BIRDS OF THE TOUR

1st GOLDEN-BELLIED STARFRONTLET
2nd CINNAMON SCREECH OWL
3rd CHESTNUT-CRESTED ANTBIRD
4th= Urrao Antpitta
4th= Choco Screech Owl
6th Baudo Oropendala

Another view of the brilliant Chestnut-crested Antbird (Pete Morris)

APPENDIX 2

GALLERY OF OTHER INTERESTING FLORA AND FAUNA

Clockwise from top left: Western Basilisk (Pete Morris); Black-headed Calico Snake (Dave Williamson); Tree Frog sp at Mitu (Dave Williamson); Condoto Stubfoot Toad (Dave Williamson) and Fer de Lance at El Paujil (Pete Morris)

Clockwise from top left: Dyson's Blue Doctor; Green Urania Moth; Julia Butterfly; the incredible Fulgorhid Plantopper species from the Bellavista Reserve and Red-barred Amarynthis (all photos by Dave Williamson)

Clockwise from top left: the hawk moth Euryglottis aper; Brown Peacock and the amazing Colombian Lesserblack Tarantula (all photos by Dave Williamson)

Clockwise from top left: Panama Flame Tree; Red Passion Flower; the huge White Witch and Swallowtail sp. (all photos by Dave Williamson)