



Red-fronted Macaw is one of the key endemic birds of this superb country (János Oláh).

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Bolivia is a much neglected birding destination in South America. It is very surprising and surely the lack of interest is not deserved as being a land-locked country it hosts amazing habitat and bird diversity with a bird list of around 1450 species. This is surely the longest bird list of any country in the World without a sea coast. It also has a really exciting array of endemics, which includes two endemic large macaws and Bolivia is indeed a land of parrots! It is often considered a remote and not an easy country to visit but this has changed in the last few years. Now there is even a superb field guide covering all the birds and the road infrastructure is developing at a fast rate – it was very much needed though! So finally Bolivia is getting on the birding map as a firm and upcoming destination and it will be the new focus for serious South America or World birders in coming years! Birdquest has been operating tours here for many years and we have an unsurpassed experience of this country now. The 2017 tour with the short two days pre-tour extension to Riberalta was yet again a very successful one and we recorded 632 species, which included a long list of rare and hard-to-find birds like Huayco Tinamou, Darwin's and White-bellied Nothuras, Orinoco Goose, Red-faced Guan, Bare-faced Curassow, Rufous-breasted Wood Quail, Titicaca Grebe, Plumbeous Ibis, Black-and-chestnut Eagle, Ocellated Crane, Horned Coot, Andean Avocet, Rufous-bellied Seedsnipe, Rufescent Screech Owl, Yungas Pygmy Owl, Black-hooded Sunbeam, Sword-billed Hummingbird, Red-tailed Comet, Scaled Metaltail,

Hooded Mountain Toucan, Ocellated Piculet, Pale-crested Woodpecker, Grey-hooded and Cliff Parakeets, Tucuman Amazon, Blue-throated and Red-fronted Macaws, Bolivian Earthcreeper, Brown-capped and Tawny Tit-Spinetails, Black-throated Thistletail, Maquis, Berlepsch's and Scribble-tailed Canasteros, Ochre-cheeked, Light-crowned and Bolivian Spinetails, Plain (Bolivian) Softtail, Spot-breasted Thornbird, Bolivian Recurvbill, Great Rufous Woodcreeper, Yellow-rumped Antwren, Upland and Bolivian Slaty Antshrikes, Mato Grosso Antbird, Short-tailed Antthrush, Masked and Rufous-faced Antpittas, Slaty Gnateater, Bolivian White-crowned and Diademed Tapaculos, Olive-crowned Crescentchest, Rufous-sided Pygmy Tyrant, Bolivian Tyrannulet, Yungas Tody-Tyrant, Hudson's Black and Plumbeous Tyrants, Chestnut-crested Cotinga, Band-tailed Fruiteater, Scimitar-winged Piha, Sulphur-bellied Tyrant-Manakin, Yungas Manakin, White-eared Solitaire, Andean Slaty and Unicolored Thrushes, (Bolivian) Citrine, Pale-legged and Yungas Warblers, Southern Mountain Cacique, Velvet-fronted (Bolivian) Grackle, Bolivian Blackbird, Bolivian and Fulvous-headed Brushfinches, Orange-browed and Three-striped Hemispinguses, Rufous-bellied and Chestnut-bellied Mountain Tanagers, Straw-backed Tanager, Giant Conebill. Grey-bellied Flowerpiercer, Grey-crested Finch, Long-tailed Reed Finch, Bolivian Warbling Finch, Cochabamba Mountain Finch and Rufous-rumped and Dark-throated Seedeaters. Some interesting mammals included Azara's Night Monkey, White-eared Titi Monkey, Culpeo Fox and Southern Tamandua. What a country to have the privilege of birding its pristine habitats, enjoying an astonishing variety of birds in the most stunning landscapes anywhere on earth while being treated to the hospitality of the most pleasant of people. It was certainly a memorable tour and all the good birds we saw is not easily forgotten!



Blue-throated Macaw is a critically endangered species endemic to Bolivia (János Oláh).

Before the main tour we had a two days long pre-tour extension to the far north-east of the country to look for the highly localised Masked Antpitta. An early morning flight took us to Riberalta via the town of Trinidad (which was the starting point of our main tour later). A quick scan on the airfield at Trinidad produced Grey Monjita, Guira Cuckoos and Burrowing Owls. When we arrived at Riberalta, which is located at the confluence of the Madre de Dios and Beni River we transferred to our hotel, where Spotted Tody-Flycatcher and Sapphire-spangled Emerald were garden birds and had a quick lunch. Despite the heat we got into flooded forest habitat in the early afternoon to look for the ultimate prize. It was hot and very quiet to start

with but we had great looks of Johannes's and Pearly-vented Tody-Tyrants and also Short-tailed Pygmy Tyrant. Activity was getting better and a brief Amazonian Umbrellabird was followed by nice views of White-eyed Attila. In the late afternoon as we were enjoying some superb Band-tailed Manakins we heard the first Masked Antpitta. It was distant but we all got very excited. We did not get any response so we changed location and we soon got a response from a closer bird. Following an anxious few minutes the bird flew across the trail and landed high in a tree but out of sight for most people. It quickly dropped down and it took a few other minutes to get him back but this time sat on a log and showed really well. Wow! First afternoon we scored with this amazing bird. While scanning for the antpitta a pair of Amazonian Antshrikes moved across the low bushes but nobody really paid much attention. All very happy with the results we continued and soon had another pair of Masked Antpittas. They also gave pretty good looks. So our final tally was 3 Masked Antpitta for the day. Our long return walk to the cars produced a female Golden-green Woodpecker and two Little Nightjars at dusk. A terrific first day and a great start to our adventures in Bolivia!



Masked Antpitta is a highly localised endemic of Bolivia – you need to go to Riberalta to see one (János Oláh)!

Our first morning was spent in a nearby cerrado just a few kilometres out of town. We arrived at dawn and realized that most of the habitat has been recently burnt. We tried to look for non-burnt areas but not much left. In the early morning frenzy we got to see White-eared Puffbird, White-bellied Parrots, Peach-fronted Parakeets, a pair of Rusty-backed Antwrens, Lesser and Plain-crested Elaenias, Grey Monjitas, Tropical Kingbirds and lots and lots of Fork-tailed Flycatchers. They were flying in the sky in big flocks. It was amazing to see this handsome bird in such numbers. It took some time but we tracked down a singing pair of White-rumped Tanagers and many Black-faced Tanagers. In the late morning we were still looking for non-burnt areas so we covered considerable distances. We came across some migrant Upland Sandpipers and a few Wedge-tailed Grass Finches. A leader-only male Horned Sungem put in a brief appearance. Finally we located a patch of proper habitat and we immediately heard the calls of Ocellated Crakes. A bit of strategy discussion was followed by some cautious playback and finally we all got to see this most amazing little bird very well! A Campo / Chapada Suiriri was calling in a distance but we were dedicated to the crane we let it slip. Once we all secured good looks we even managed to show it to our local guide – it was a lifer for him (even being the top lister in the country)! Our next bird was a singing pair of Rufous-sided Pygmy Tyrant,

which was readily seen as well. This bird has decreased dramatically in the last few decades and is now only found at a few widely scattered locations. It was late morning now, and the temperature was steadily rising so after such an amazing and successful morning we returned to Riberalta for a well earned lunch and a little bit of siesta!



The super skulking Ocellated Crake gave excellent looks on our Riberalta extension (János Oláh).

In the afternoon we returned to the seasonally flooded forest near Riberalta and continued our exploration as well as we were planning to look for more Masked Antpittas! It was a particularly hot afternoon but as usual bird activity was getting better as time was passing. We flushed an Undulated Tinamou and saw a party of Hooded Tanagers and a male Double-collared Seedeater to start with. A mixed party held Olivaceous and Buff-throated Woodcreepers, Great Antshrikes, Slender-footed Tyrannulet, Yellow-browed Tody-Flycatcher and a Short-crested Flycatcher. In the tangly forest interior we got great looks of Band-tailed Manakins again, Grey-headed Tanager as well as we came across a pair of Amazonian Royal Flycatchers. The last hour of the day we were searching for the Masked Antpitta again and this time we got to see two individuals. This special bird is currently recognised as 'Vulnerable' but it is really hard to understand why as its known distribution range is tiny and the habitat destruction is obvious. According to the criteria it should be classified as 'Critically Endangered' and if more populations found in the near future it could be downgraded but it does not make a sense to treat it 'just' 'Vulnerable'. Anyway our main goal in Riberalta was to see this endemic bird and we got repeated excellent sightings. Next morning we had a few hours birding before our flight back to Trinidad so this time we drove to a cerrado habitat slightly further away from town. In fact it was a lot further with a big Chinese road building project under the way so instead of the calculated 46 minutes it was almost 90 minutes drive. We got there just after dawn and although roadside birding was miserable because of the road works and dust but before the trucks started we managed to see some great birds like a fly by flock of eight Upland Sandpipers, Yellow-crowned and Turquoise-fronted Amazons, Peach-fronted Parakeets, Sharp-tailed Grass Tyrant, Black-throated Saltator, Black-masked Finch and Dark-throated Seedeater. It was not a bad birding at all! We drove back to Riberalta and flew to Trinidad to meet up with the rest of the group for the main tour!



Band-tailed Manakin (top) and Amazonian Royal Flycatcher were seen well near Riberalta (János Oláh).

We arrived in Trinidad in the early afternoon meeting up with our driver Carlos and the rest of the group at the airport. In the afternoon we drove to a gallery forest habitat for our first birding in Beni. This department of Bolivia is one of the most fascinating and bird-rich areas in South America. It never fails to impress and we

had several days to explore the different habitats. On our short drive we saw Jabiru, Black-collared Hawk and Savanna Hawk. As soon as we stepped out of the car we were greeted by a flock of Velvet-fronted Grackles or as it is proposed nowadays with this *boliviensis* race, the Colombian Grackle. The next bird we saw was a party of Plain Sofftail or as it is proposed nowadays with this form in the Beni, the Colombian Sofftail. We got great looks of these fast moving furnarids with such a distinctive song. We continued on a nice wide forest track, where many birds were seen coming to the puddles (some were big enough to be pools) to drink. We saw Undulated Tinamou, Grey-necked Wood Rail, Ruddy, Picui and Blue Ground Doves as well as Grey-fronted Doves. We were also working our way through a number of thrushes coming to drink and saw several Creamy-bellied, Black-billed and two Hauxwell's Thrushes. We were also fishing for the rare Unicolored Thrush and suddenly we had a fast moving skittish thrush in the undergrowth which did look like one. The bird moved around us in the understory in somewhat ghostly fashion but did not show. Finally with a bit of playback we managed to get it out for a few seconds when it perched out on a liana. Yes, it was a Unicolored Thrush! Unfortunately it did not stay long enough for everybody to have good looks but most of the group did get on it. Fantastic! Other goodies on our walk included a male White-backed Fire-eye, several Bolivian Slaty Antshrikes, Blue-crowned and Black-tailed Trogons and fly by Golden-collared Macaws.



Velvet-fronted Grackle near Trinidad. This boliviensis race is a likely future split as Bolivian Grackle (János Oláh).

We left early next morning towards a hacienda, where we were hoping to find the 'Critically Endangered' Blue-throated Macaw. We arrived just after dawn and there were parrots and macaws everywhere! Blue-and-yellow Macaws were very obvious but it did not take long to locate our first pair of the big target: Blue-throated Macaw. We enjoyed a superb field breakfast while watching Yellow-chevroned, Peach-fronted and Dusky-headed Parakeets, Turquoise-fronted Amazon and Golden-collared Macaws in addition to the two species of yellow and blue coloured species! We were soaking it up and enjoyed the increasingly better and better views of the Blue-thorated Macaws as they were coming and going. It was certainly one of the most memorable morning of the tour! After the macaw show finished we did look at a few other species such as White Woodpeckers, Campo Flicker, Toco Toucan, Chotoy Spinetail, Greater Thronbird, Grey-crested Cacholote, Narrow-billed Woodcreeper, Rusty-backed Antwrens, Fawn-breasted Wren, Chalk-browed Mockingbird, Orange-backed Troupial, Variable Oriole and Greyish Baywing. We also had a Southern

Tamandua out in the open – certainly the mammal highlight of the tour. After this superb morning we returned to Trinidad where we had a nice lunch by a lagoon. Throughout lunch we picked up a few good birds like Plain Inezia, Yellow-browed Tyrant, Bran-colored Flycatcher and a male Hudson's Black Tyrant.



Blue-and-yellow Macaw (left) and Blue-throated Macaws (right and below) near Trinidad (János Oláh).

In the afternoon we drove to the El Cutal ranch, which is a working ranch and also a hotel for the adventures travellers. It is somewhat basic but gives a perfect insight to the local life on the Llanos de Moxos. It is a long drive and it does pass through some amazing habitat in which we just had to stop for various birds. We had good sightings of 16 Greater Rheas, numerous Southern Screamers, Jabirus, Maguari Storks, Plumbeous, Buff-necked and Green Ibises and large numbers of herons and egrets. We have counted 18 White-rumped and 6 White Monjitas on the roadside wires while the sky was full of Lesser Yellow-headed Vultures. We arrived to El Cutal in the late afternoon and did a short walk in the surrounding forest picking up a fine male Pale-crested Woodpecker, Red-billed Scythebill and the local 'unicolored' Thrush-like Wrens. The little pond by the hacienda is serving as a cattle drinking place and it held Jabirus, Black-backed Water Tyrants and both Red-crested and Red-capped (Bolivian) Cardinals. This action-packed day finished with a nice local meal.



Pale-crested Woodpecker (left) and Jabiru in the Trinidad area (János Oláh).

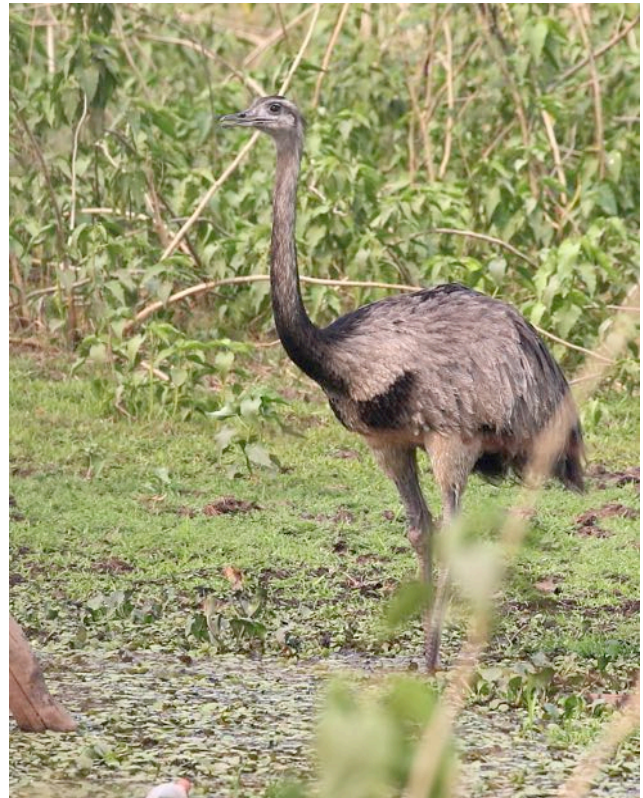
The following morning found us at the nearby La Habana Ranch. Our first surprise was seeing three Bare-faced Curassows on the access track. It was a write-in and again a new bird to our local guide as well. Most of the morning was spent in the lightly wooded savanna and later in the nice tall gallery forest. It was again a very birdy morning and we connected with Blue-throated Piping Guans, Speckled Chachalacas, Crane Hawk, Swallow-tailed Hummingbirds, Gilded Sapphire, Blue-tailed Emerald and White-tailed Goldenthrout, Rufous-tailed Jacamar, Black-tailed and Blue-crowned Trogons, White-wedged Piculet, Campo Flicker, a female Golden-green Woodpecker and yet another Pale-crested Woodpecker, Aplomado Falcon, Red-and-green Macaws, Cinereous-breasted and Plain-crowned Spinetails, (Bolivian) Plain Softtails, Greater Rufous Woodcreeper, Olivaceous Woodcreeper (which in the Beni has a pretty radical song), and colourful Band-tailed Manakins as well as a fine Sulphur-bellied Tyrant Manakin. Not the most inspiring of species but certainly an interesting intermediate between true Manakins and tyrannids. At a nearby lake we picked up Sungrebe and both Yellow-billed and Large-billed Terns. On our return walk we picked up Golden-crowned Warbler, more Red-billed Scythebills, Great and Barred Antshrikes, Ashy-headed Greenlet, Chestnut-vented Conebill and Red Pilated Finch. In the afternoon we visited the Laguna de Conchas where waterbirds were abundant and we also picked up Solitary Cacique, Pampa Finch and our only Spectacled Tyrant, Southern Yellowthroat and Long-tailed Reedfinches of the tour. The latter is found here in a population long isolated from its main Brazilian range over 1000 kilometers away. I don't think there is any suggestion they are

specifically distinct though. There were lots of hirundines around and in amongst we saw American Cliff Swallows.



'Bolivian' Plain Softtail (top) and Sulphur-bellied Tyrant-Manakin at La Habana Ranch in the Llanos de Moxos (János Oláh).

Unfortunately we got up about an hour before breakfast as it was heavily raining. This was not good as we got trapped in at the El Cutal ranch. The bus was unable to drive out as the dirt road became very slippery. Over a nice breakfast we discussed our options and decided to take the local transport out to the main road where we will start birding. The bus will follow as soon as it is able to get out of the ranch. On the way out we had great looks of a wet South American Coati. It was overcast so the temperature and the birding was rather pleasant along the main road. Our main target was the Great-billed Seedfinch but we could not find any despite extensive search. Muscovy Ducks, Long-winged Harrier, Green-barred Woodpecker, Purple-throated Euphonia, White-browed, Unicolored and Scarlet-headed Blackbirds were new to our list as well as we got great looks of Black-capped Donacobius, Yellow-browed Tyrant and Rusty-collared Seedeater! Finally late morning the bus appeared on the horizon being very muddy and a few bits and pieces were missing as a toll of the pretty rough drive out. We drove back to Trinidad stopping at another lagoon for a field lunch where we picked up Nacunda Nighthawk, South American Snipe and several Pectoral Sandpipers. Our afternoon was spent near Trinidad looking for seedeaters and seedfinches. Although we could not find Great-billed Seedfinch but we got lucky to have a mixed flock of seedeaters which held both of the scarce Tawny-bellied and Red-rumped Seedeaters as well as Double-collared Seedeater. Not much further we also got a pair of White-bellied Seedeaters. Other goodies this afternoon included Orinoco Goose and lots of waders.



Black-collared Hawk (left) and Greater Rhea in the Llanos de Moxos (János Oláh).

We still had a last morning in the area before our flight so we decided to go back to look to the Unicolored Thrush area. As we were driving at dawn on a dirt track we saw Paraque, Littly Nightjar and a female Scissor-tailed Nightjar. We had a field breakfast at the edge of the gallery forest and which was disturbed by a singing pair of Mato Grosso Antbirds, which were readily lured into view. The forest track was rather quiet but we went straight to the area where we had the Unicolored Thrush before. It was quiet and it took a while before we got a response, but after a while we could clearly hear one singing not very far from us. This time it was seen several times but it kept in the tangly undergrowth all the time. Nevertheless this time we all got on this near mythical bird! The Unicoloured Thrush is a species that, not so long ago, was pretty much unknown to birders. This was and remains complicated by the fact that Hauxwell's Thrush occurs in the same habitat throughout its range. It has a similar song and without a good view it has similar appearance too. However, they do seem to occupy slightly different niches with Hauxwell's Thrush being more of a

canopy species here while Unicoloured Thrush is possibly more of a mid-storey species therefore pointing to temporal exclusion and sympatry rather than competitive spatial exclusion and allopatry. Other notable birds in this overcast and windy morning were Black Hawk Eagle, Collared Forest Falcon, Sulphur-bellied Tyrant-Manakin and Grey-headed Tanager. It was a very successful visit to Beni though and all very happy we drove back to the hotel for packing and left for the airport to catch the early afternoon flight to Santa Cruz via Cochabamba.



Black Hawk Eagle (top) and Mato Grosso Antbird near Trinidad (János Oláh).

The following morning we visited the Viru Viru airport area near Santa Cruz where we were still looking for some missing birds. This was our last bit of lowland birding before heading towards the mighty Andes. It was only a few hours but very productive as we found several White-bellied Nothuras and also managed to flush a Red-winged Tinamou. A few other goodies were seen such as White Woodpecker, Burrowing Owls, Rufous Casiornis, Southern Martin, White-banded Mockingbird, Wedge-tailed Grass Finch and White-bellied Seedeater. It was well worth the time but we had to get moving and headed to Los Volcanes to explore the semi-humid foothill forests adjacent to the famous Ambo National Park. The setting of the lodge is spectacular, a little clearing surrounded by forested towering red cliffs, very impressive indeed. We arrived to the area with our bus and were transferred down to the lodge with 4x4 cars. The bus stop area gave us our first Andean Condors, King Vultures and Black-capped Antwrens.



Los Volcanes has a superb setting (top) – the lodge is located in the little clearing (bright green) in the middle of the image. Black-capped Antwren male was seen at our bus stop (János Oláh).

Los Volcanes is always a real pleasure to go birding and our visit was no exception. However it was somewhat difficult this time as the famous bamboo understorey was mostly dead. This rarely happens (mostly at 7-8 years intervals with bamboo) nevertheless it was pretty unlucky for us – especially as the Bolivian Recurvbill is a bamboo specialty! Our first afternoon birding was a very good introduction and we scored with two major targets, the sneaky Slaty Gnateater and the skulking Bolivian White-crowned Tapaculo. Also a few Military Macaws were seen distantly against the towering red cliffs.



Slaty Gnateater was a major highlight at Los Volcanes (János Oláh).

The next day and a half was spent wandering on the various forest trails around the lodge. It was certainly an action-packed stay with lots of goodies, even though only some of us managed to get on a super-skulking Bolivian Recurvbill despite spending most of our time looking for this enigmatic bird. The best birds of our stay included Brown and Grey Tinamou, Blue-throated Piping Guan, Rufous-breasted Wood Quail, Fasciated Tiger Heron, Yungas Dove, Rufescent Screech Owl, Rufous Nightjar, Golden-tailed Sapphire, Chestnut-tipped Toucanet, Red-necked Woodpecker, Green-cheeked Parakeet, Military Macaw, Ochre-cheeked Spinetail, Grey-throated Leaf-tosser, White-backed Fire-eye, (Peruvian) Short-tailed Antthrush, Sclater's Tyrannulet, Plumbeous Tyrant, Yungas Manakin, Moustached Wren, Rufous-bellied and White-necked Thrushes, Saffron-billed Sparrow, Orange-headed and Yellow-crested Tanagers. Our stay quickly came to an end and we had to leave this great place and drive to nearby Samaipata. It is a popular weekend retreat to escape the heat of Santa Cruz and was a great base for visiting a couple of sites en route to the dry valleys and deserts of central Bolivia. We had a few hours in hand so we drove above Samaipata for the afternoon and managed to find several interesting birds such as Andean Guan, White-wedged Piculet, Sooty-fronted Sipnetail, Spot-breasted Thornbird, male Giant Antshrike, variable Antshrike, White-bellied Tyrannulet, Rufous Casiornis, Red Pilated Finch, Black-and-chestnut and Black-capped Warbling Finches, Golden-billed Saltator, Dull-colored Grassquit as well as Black-backed and Ultramarine Grosebeaks. The following day we started really early to get to Quirusillas as we had a full morning around the lagoon there. It is always a difficult place to predict weatherwise and as we drove through thick fog on the way up it did not look very promising. However, when we got there and started our field breakfast it became clear and sunny with a spectacular view of the 'Emerald Lake'. In such conditions we quickly located some real goodies such as Red-faced Guans, several Tucuman Amazons, Blue-crowned Parakeets, a brief Andean Slaty Thrush, Highland Eleania, Golden-winged Cacique and a pair of Straw-backed Tanagers. It was a great morning with

quality birds! After breakfast we walked the track for an hour seeing Buff-browed Foliage-gleaner, the *dinelli* race of Variable Antshrike, Bolivian and Buff-banded Tyrannulets, Dusky-capped Flycatcher, Brown-capped Whitestart and Common Bush Tanagers. After the morning activity we started our long drive towards Perereta.



Tucuman Amazon (top) and male Straw-backed Tanager at Quirusillas (János Oláh).

As we made our way into progressively drier country dominated by cacti and acacia woodlands we made a few roadside stop and found Streak-fronted and Spot-breasted Thornbirds, Greater Wagtail Tyrant, Grey-hooded Parakeet and several Grey-crested Finches. In the late afternoon we got into the habitat of the endemic Bolivian Earthcreeper but sadly our stakeout had been destroyed by road construction work. A few kilometres away we did try for it in suitable looking habitat and we got an immediate response, however it only showed to some. It was late evening when we arrived at Perereta and finding the road 'across the river' was a bit time consuming. On the other side of the river, however, we had several Scissor-tailed Nightjars, some males with a proper long tail! It was late night when we got settled into the Armonia Lodge. Just as we got up it started to rain so we immediately instructed the driver to drive out so as not to get stuck again (we learnt our lesson from El Cutal). After breakfast we walked out through really slippery mud but at least we got our bus to drive to the top of the immense cliff where were expecting to see the endemic Red-fronted Macaws! The arid valleys in this part of central Bolivia are home to three endemic species such as Bolivian Blackbird, Cliff Parakeet and the endangered Red-fronted Macaw. So these were the targets for the morning!



Grey-hooded or Aymara Parakeet (top), Red-fronted Macaws (left) and Cliff Parakeet at Perereta (János Oláh).

We arrived a touch early and no macaws were around. This time of the year they are probably not roosting on the cliff face. After about 30 minutes the first pair flew in allowing great looks. The next hour or so was spent looking at the macaws as well as the breeding Cliff Parakeets and a few Bolivian Blackbirds were also spotted! We got excellent perched and flight views of the Red-fronted Macaws - phenomenal. No wonder it came on the top on the 'Bird of the Tour' competition! This reserve is likely to be the last stronghold of these magnificent birds as most peripheral populations continue to decline in the face of persecution and trapping for the bird trade. After we all soaked in the macaw experience we returned for breakfast and from our dining table we could watch Andean Swifts flying around as well as a fine selection of birds coming to the feeders such as White-fronted Woodpeckers, White-tipped Plantcutters, Sayaca and Blue-and-yellow Tanagers. While looking up now on the same cliff face we saw Mitred, Green-cheeked and Cliff Parakeets, Turquoise-fronted Amazons, Southern Martins and Cliff Flycatchers were active with about 15 Red-fronted Macaws. It was spectacular!



The endemic Bolivian Blackbird at Perereta (János Oláh).

We had to leave Perereta after our late breakfast to avoid the 4 hours road block due to one way passing system owing to road works. So even with several roadside stops we arrived to Comarapa by lunchtime and could start the initial exploration of the Siberia area. On our way out we secured great looks at Dusky-legged Guan, Chaco Puffbird, Aplomado Falcon, Bolivian Earthcreeper and Stripe-crowned Spinetails. After a quick lunch we drove higher and our first stop produced a female Red-tailed Comet, White-bellied Hummingbird and Azara's Spinetail despite the really strong wind. We drove higher up in hope of finding some sheltered corner where we could do some birding without the strong wind. Our next stop was a bushy hillside and some roadside eucalypt trees. The trees were in flower so a Red-tailed Comet was quickly located and this time a fine male with the long streamers. We decided to explore the hillside and our next bird was a nice Grey-bellied Flowerpiercer much to the delight of all. We also heard an Olive-crowned Crescentchest singing distantly so we walked closer and started to call in this colourful skulker. It did not take long for him to arrive but it took us considerable time to get everybody on this beautiful little bird. However, we succeeded and we left with happy smiles. It was getting late and the strong cold wind was also really unpleasant by now. We got back to the bus and drove down to Comarapa for dinner and some sleep!



The endemic Bolivian Earthcreeper (left) and Aplomado Falcon near Perereta. Olive-crowned Crescentchest at Siberia (János Oláh).

Some considerable time before dawn we started climbing up to the cloud forests at Siberia for another great bird-packed day. It was slow owing to road works and the overnight rain and fog. We got over the pass and stopped for a field breakfast. While our driver was setting up the breakfast table we wasted no time to track down an endemic Black-hooded Sunbeam, a Trilling Tapaculo, Red-crested Cotinga and a pair of Ocellated Piculets. It was a good start followed by some nice cooked breakfast. Our next stop was back around the pass where a Puna Ibis and a Least Grebe was seen on a small pool. Our search for the endemic Black-throated Thistletail was quick and we got great looks of the *bejaranoi* race. We descended into a nice patch of cloud forest where we quickly found a couple of Light-crowned Spinetails of the form *discolour*, Buff-banded Tyrannulet, Pale-legged Warbler and Bolivian Brushfinch. Our next target was the Rufous-faced Antpitta but it proved to be a difficult one to get. We spent a good two hours chasing around for singing birds without any luck. Just about when we gave up a roadside bird was finally seen by most of the group so after

all we were very happy! It was time for a field lunch and a little rest after the antpitta search. Later we walked a verdant trail and spent the rest of the day in superb albeit rather silent cloud forest. But as usual persistence pays off so we slowly managed to see Tyrian Metaltails, Speckled Hummingbirds, more Light-crowned Spinetails, Pearled Treerunner, Pale-footed Swallows, Rufous-chested Chat-Tyrants, Plumbeous Tyrant, Andean Slaty Thrush, White-browed Brushfinch, Common Bush Tanager, Rust-and-yellow Tanager, Blue-winged (Bolivian) and Chestnut-bellied Mountain Tanagers and Blue-backed (Bolivian) Conebills. But there was no sign of any Blue-capped Pufflegs around and both White-eared Solitaire and Yungas Pygmy Owl was heard only – but both of those we managed to see later on the tour!



Black-throated Thistletail (top), male (left) and female Ocellated Piculets and Light-crowned Spinetail (bottom) at Siberia (János Oláh).

It was again time to move and so we headed west all the way to Cochabamba. It was a long drive and most of the day was spent in the bus. However a few roadside stops and field breakfast and lunch produced some great birds! Our breakfast stop was still in the Siberia area in a dry hillside area where we got to see two Darwin's Nothuras, Plain-breasted Hawk, a fine Red-tailed Comet, White-winged Black Tyrant, Yellow-billed and Tufted Tit-Tyrants as well as the 'mountain' form of Great Pampa Finch. Our next stop a few hours later produced Bare-faced and Black-winged Ground Doves, Giant Hummingbird, Andean Swift, Rock Earthcreeper, Rusty-vented Canastero and even Rufous-sided and Bolivian Warbling Finches for some. Our field lunch area held White-tipped Plantcutters, Rufous-browed Peppershrike, Black-hooded Sierra Finch and Ringed Warbling Finch. During the drive we observed Black-chested Buzzard Eagle, Variable Hawk, Mountain Caracaras and American Kestrels as we passed through some very remote areas. Nearer Cochabamba we had a last stop to look for the Wedge-tailed Hillstar but we only found Cinereous Ground Tyrant, Streak-throated and Rufous-webbed Bush Tyrants, Brown-backed Mockingbird as well as Brown-backed and White-browed Chat-Tyrants. It was getting dark when we rolled into town and our comfortable hotel.



Darwin's Nothura was seen very well in the Siberia area (János Oláh).

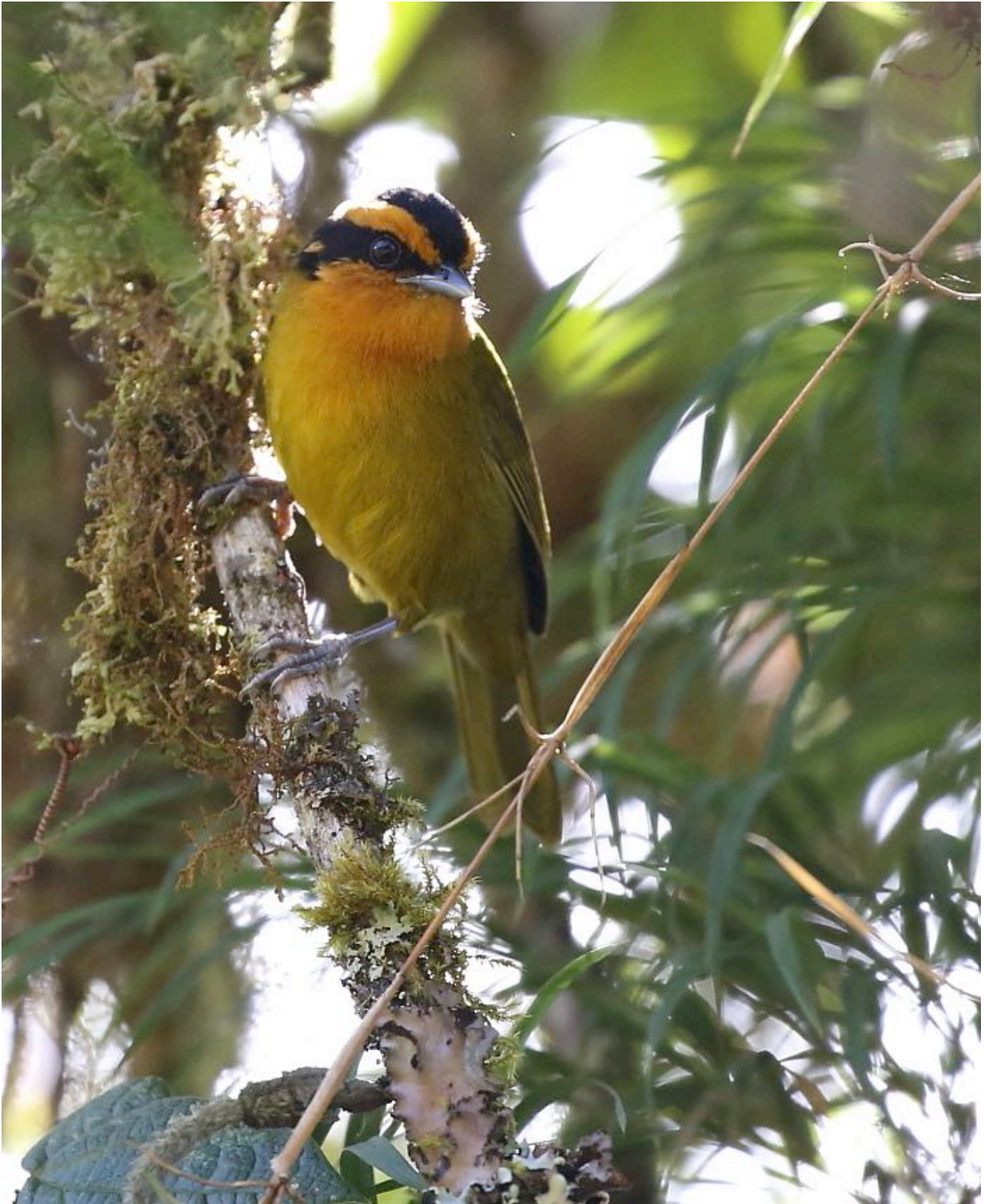
Our next day saw us looking for some special birds in the Cerro Tunari area near Cochabamba. A short drive took us to our field breakfast spot and while a marvellous breakfast was prepared by Herman we quickly found a flock of Mountain Parakeets, Brown-capped Tit-Spinetail, Yellow-billed Tit-Tyrant, Fulvous-headed Brushfinch and several Rufous-bellied Mountain Tanager. Surely it does not look like a tanager and this is why it is placed in its own genus *Pseudosaltator*. After a delicious breakfast we drove up to higher elevation and in a suitable looking habitat we started to look for the highly localised Cochabamba Mountain Finch, which duly appeared and put on a tremendous show. What a stunning bird it was! We also got to see Maquis Canastero and finally Bolivian Warbling Finch as well. Now our focus turned towards flowers and we started to look for Wedge-tailed Hillstar. We got several Grey-bellied Flowerpiercers and also found an Andean Hillstar but there was no sign of the Wedge-tailed Hillstar. We knew it is not an easy bird but this was a breeding location as our local guide has found nesting birds in this area before. Golden-bellied Saltator was very common and a large flock of Greenish Yellow Finch was also seen feeding on a small agricultural field.

We continued climbing to a nice patch of *Polylepis* woodland where Tawny Tit-Spinetail and Cream-winged Cinclodes was seen. We walked down a few kilometres from this area looking for hummingbirds but there was still no sign of Wedge-tailed Hillstar. We picked up Torrent Ducks and a White-capped Dipper on the rushing stream.



Cochabamba Mountain Finch (top) and Rufous-bellied Mountain Tanager near Cochabamba (János Oláh).

In the afternoon we drove back to Cochabamba and visited Laguna Alalay. This lake is now a city reserve and great for waterfowl. We enjoyed a short session seeing Cinnamon Teal, White-cheeked Pintail, Yellow-billed Pintail, Yellow-billed Teal, Puna Teal and a few Andean Ducks. The lake also held White-faced Ibis, Black-crowned Night Heron, Neotropic Cormorant, Pied-billed, White-tufted Grebe and Silvery Grebes, Common Gallinule, Andean Coot, Western Osprey and Wilson's Phalaropes. We also got to see Wren-like Rushbird and Many-colored Rush Tyrant in the lakeside vegetation.



Orange-browed Hemispingus along the Chapare Road (János Oláh).

Our next full day was spent in the cloud forests along the Chapare road. This is always a real pleasure and often one of the best days of the tour. We started with a field breakfast in the upper part of the road where Black-hooded Sunbeams were plentiful but we also had Grey-bellied Flowerpiercers, White-browed Conebill and Scarlet-bellied Mountain Tanagers. The much hoped for Hooded Mountain Toucan was not showing however. A little lower down we found a breeding pair of Andean Ibis on a roadside cliff and there were many Violet-throated Starfrontlets around. Still no sign of toucans though. Next we took a side track through a fantastic cloud forest with thick bamboo understorey. This was the habitat we were looking for and the real birding started with a party of showy Orange-browed Hemispinguses which was followed by a White-eared Solitaire. As we were watching a Glossy-black Thrush a big raptor flew across right in front of us, and it was a majestic Black-and-chestnut or Isidor's Eagle a very much wanted bird for some in our party! Next we tried to get a singing Barred Antthrush into view but the bamboo was just too thick and only one person caught a glimpse of the bird. A nearby fruiting tree held a Barred Fruiteater and much to our delight a superb Hooded Mountain Toucan showed up! This was a dreambird for all even a singing Chestnut-crested Cotinga on a treetop could not get our attention away from the toucan. Once we had long enough looks we did scope up the cotinga as well and a party of Southern Mountain Caciques investigated us together with some Grass-green and Hooded Mountain Tanagers. It was an absolutely fantastic hour of birding!



Black-and-chestnut Eagle and Hooded Mountain Toucans were favorites along the Chapare Road (János Oláh).

Our final birding of the day took us to the upper sub-tropics a little lower. We birded along another side track – which has sadly become very busy as a result of a dam construction project – and luckily we bumped into a mixed flock immediately which held Streaked Tuftedcheek, Montane Foliage-gleaner, Olive-backed Woodcreeper, Blue-banded Toucanets, Versicolored Barbet, Orange-bellied Euphonia, Blue-winged, Scarlet-bellied and Hooded Mountain Tanagers, Fawn-breasted, Straw-backed and Saffron-crowned Tanagers. The distinctly different form of Blue-and-black Tanager was also seen, which is a very likely future split as Spot-bellied Tanager. A field lunch was very welcome by now and while munching on our chicken and chips we could watch a Crested Quetzal pair. By this time the weather was changing and mist was rolling in so the visibility was getting worse. We had brief looks of an Upland Antshrike and a pair of Yungas Warblers showed well. Unfortunately a party of five Black-winged parrots were more or less just silhouettes. The hardest bird to get was a singing Yungas Tody-Tyrant and by the time we all got some sort of a view the mist closed in totally.



Male Versicolored (or Blue-moustached) Barbet along the lower Chapare Road (János Oláh).

Next day we had a long journey to get to the delightful city of Oruro high on the Altiplano. But we decided to give one more go to the Wedge-tailed Hillstar at Cerro Tunari. So very early we drove to our secret spot and had our field breakfast in the hummingbird area. Unfortunately no matter how hard we tried there was no sign of the hillstar. Obviously they are altitudinal migrants as most hummers and they were just not present in this breeding area this time. Our compensation was another view of Cochabamba Mountain-Finch as well as a Giant Conebill and a Yungas Pygmy Owl spotted by Dave! On our drive to Oruro we had road works again so it was a slow travel. A few comfort stops produced more Andean Hillstars, Plain-mantled Tit-Spinetail, White-winged Cinclodes and Black Siskin. When we arrived to Oruro which we named as the garbage city it still took us a while to get around to the other side so it was almost dusk when we got to the shallow side of Lake Uru Uru. We scanned the high number of Chilean Flamingos but we only managed to find one single Andean Flamingo and no James's at all. It was disappointing. Waders included Puna Plover and Andean Avocet and good numbers of wintering Calidrids, mostly Barid's Sandpipers. There were also a full range of upland wildfowl, Puna Ibises and lots of Andean Negritos. By this time it was dark so we drove to our hotel and tried to get accustomed to the 3800 meters on the Altiplano! Luck was not on our side as we had some bus problems and as we were about to drive to the remote Inquisivi next day so it had to be fixed. We decided to take a birding session early morning with a field breakfast by the lake. We scanned the flamingos again but still no James's were seen. The nearby hillsides was birdy and some people managed to see Ornate Tinamou while we all got to see Mountain Parakeets, Spot-winged Pigeon, Bare-faced Ground-Dove, Rufous-naped Ground Tyrant (the migrant race), Puna and Bright-rumped Yellow Finches, Black-hooded Sierra Finch and and a pair of Brown-backed Mockingbirds. The golf course area yielded Andean Swallows and Slender-billed Miners. We were back to the hotel for a second breakfast and packing. The bus was fixed and we were on our way towards Quime just after noon. We had our picnic lunch at a canastero location by a small stream and it was very successful with both Puna and Cordilleran Canasteros seen as well as Puna Snipe and few other goodies. A roadside Ornate Tinamou was great but our next stop was by some high puna lakes where we found a way out of the place Horned Coot and many Silvery Grebe, Baird's Sandpipers and Wilson's Phalaropes. We must not forget to mention our first Crested Ducks and Andean

Geese which are both species that rely on these smaller wetlands in the very high Andes near which to breed. It was dark as we descended in to a deeply incised valley to our delightful, if somewhat rustic accommodations, providing home for the night in this very infrequently visited region. We even got lost for a few minutes...



Giant Conebill (top), Puna Snipe (left), Black-hooded Sierra Finch (right) and Baird's Sandpipers (János Oláh).



Roadside birding towards Quime produced Ornate Tinamou (top), Cordilleran Canastero (middle) and Puna Canastero (János Oláh).

Not far from Quime is a fragmented area of dry deciduous woodlands that was the site Schoerd Mayer first found the Bolivian Spinetail. There is a second site but it has not been seen there for some time and no other locations were found either. It looks as if this species is more or less restricted to this rather small area below Inquisivi. We left in good time to be on site shortly after dawn and just as we got out of the bus we heard Bolivian Spinetail singing. We saw the birds within minutes of arrival and in the next 30 minutes until breakfast we had repeated excellent looks. It was easy to see but one has to come as far as this place to see these rather neat looking spintails. We spent some more time in this habitat and got to see Andean Tinamou, Spot-winged Piegeons, Striped Woodpecker, Yellow-chevroned and White-eyed Parakeets, Rusty-vented Canastero, White-bellied Tyrannulet, Masked Gnatcatcher, Brown-capped Whitestart, Black-and-chestnut and Ringed Warbling Finches and Black-backed Grosebeaks. It is however, a very limited habitat and we quickly took our leave and began to retrace our steps to devote more time to the puna grasslands and upland bogs on our way to La Paz.



The endemic Bolivian Spinetail near Inquisivi (top) and field lunch at 4000 meters (János Oláh).

We had several stops on our climb back and managed to find several Puna Tapaculos, Cinereous and Rufous-naped Ground Tyrants (the resident race), more Sierra Finches and White-winged Diuca Finch. We had our lunch near the top and had our best looks of Andean Condors. At least six birds came to investigate and some immatures really got close to us. It was magical experience! The Horned Coot was seen at the very same pool as yesterday. It was late afternoon when we arrived to La Paz.



Rufous-bellied Seedsnipe at La Cumbre near La Paz at 4600 meters (János Oláh).

Our next day was devoted to the famous Coroico Road. It was called the 'death road' in the past but nowadays a new highway connects La Paz to Coroico. On this particular day we birded from 4600 to 1100 meters, a huge drop from paramo to dry forest. The early morning traffic is still good so in no time we were out of La Paz and heading for La Cumbre. It was a superb clear morning and we quickly found a pair of Rufous-bellied Seedsnipes and stayed with them until the first ray of light hit the hillside and the birds. It was an outstanding start to the day! Our next port of call was the Pongo Valley where Scribble-tailed Canastero showed well. When we got to the old road we started birding from the top. We got lucky and a super Diademed Tapaculo gave great looks as well lured out the nominate form of Black-throated Thistletail which was rather less forthcoming than its near relative at Siberia. The temperate forests of the Coroico road are quite superb and leave birding such habitats elsewhere a little depressing. In Bolivia, pristine forests stretch in every direction from the main highway. No hike or pony trek to a distant fragment of degraded forest. Primary forest lines the road and you need to know where to stop. We had a great morning finding our targets one by one. First we stopped at an area which looked perfect for Scimitar-winged Piha. We got immediate response for our advertisement and a slight movement was detected. Indeed it was this rather large but shy and sluggish bird right in front of us! We were able to watch this rarely seen bird close-up. Superb! This was followed by a fantastic Band-tailed Fruiteater and a Bolivian Tyrannulet. The weather was sunny though and there were no flocks about. A Rufous-faced Antpitta was seen by those who missed the first one and we also got good looks of Rufous-capped Antshrike. As we made our way down we stopped at a few more locations adding various tanagers to our list. In the afternoon we headed to the foothills to work through a different set of Yungas targets. It was a productive little walk in a good forest with Andean Cock-of-the-rocks and Yungas Doves plus a few special goodies such as Yellow-rumped and Streak-chested Antwrens as well as Upland Antshrike for everybody! We also got to see a few unexpected birds like a Sharp-tailed Streamcreeper and Green-fronted Lancebill. As it was getting late we drove to Coroico where we realized the local fiesta made it even harder to get to our well hidden hotel. Plus we also had some roadworks on the narrow track down to the hotel. It did not look good and we were already suspicious from our previous experiences on this tour. It was heavily raining from about 3 AM and still raining when we were getting the bags down from the various rooms scattered all over the hillside. Finally all bags down and ready to go. Our trusty driver was nervous and we soon found out why. After about 100 meters the bus slipped

down from the track into a ditch – it really was inevitable in such muddy conditions on a narrow track. Especially as a ditch (for laying some pipe) was dug on the side of the track with fresh earth deposited on the road which became mud. Cutting the story short we left the bus behind and quickly found some taxis to transport us back to the top part of the Coroico ‘death’ road. Amazingly the van was new and very strong so we got up much quicker so did not lose much birding time! As soon as we stepped out we got a Scaled Metaltail and a Rufous-capped Thornbill. We devoted our time to look for flocks but in the meantime we got great looks of Bolivian Brushfinch, Plum-crowned Parrot and absolutely amazing close looks of Hooded Mountain Toucan and Barred Fruiteater!



Scimitar-winged Piha (top), Violet-throated Starfrontlet (left) and Three-striped Hemispingus along the Coroico Road (János Oláh).

We got some promising news that they managed to get the bus out and it should be with us soon. We did not know how soon though, so we continued birding and eventually we did come across a bird flock which had a fine assortment of birds like Mountain and Fulvous Wrens, the white capped nominate form of the Light-crowned Spinetail, White-throated Tyrannulet, Drab, Three-striped and Orange-browed Hemispinguses, Chestnut-bellied and Blue-winged Mountain Tanagers. Finally our bus also reappeared though our driver

Hermann did look muddy! It was time to move on and we drove back to the Pongo Valley for a quick lunch before we drove through La Paz and the unending sprawl of El Alto to Lake Titicaca.



Barred (Yellow-eyed) Fruiteater (top) and Band-tailed Fruiteater along the Coroico Road (János Oláh).

On our final morning of the main tour we headed to Sorata in search of yet another endemic bird, the Berlepsch's Canastero. As usual we arrived at the spot and while Hermann produced a pancake breakfast we did some birding. We quickly found our main target in some remnant scrub and it allowed great looks for all. It is a distinctly different looking canastero even though it does not look like in the books! After breakfast we finally connected with Huayco Tinamou which was our 9th species of seen tinamou on this remarkable tour! Also Black-hooded Sunbeam was seen again as well as Andean Flicker, White-crested Elaenia, Black-billed Shrike Tyrant, White-winged Black Tyrant and Black-throated Flowerpiercer.



The endemic Berlepsch's Canastero near Sorata (János Oláh).

Following this great success we drove back towards Lake Titicaca but we stopped at a lagoon to search for Giant Coot as it was a special request from one of our participants as we did not come across any around Oruro. Fortunately we found 23 of them alongside Andean Coots. Back at Lake Titicaca we still had an important bird to get so we drove straight to the lakeside and quickly found several Titicaca Grebes. We could watch these flightless grebes very close to the shore together with White-tufted Grebes. In the lakeside vegetation we found Plumbeous Rail and Wren-like Rushbird to complete the set of goodies. It was a great ending to our action packed and successful tour to Bolivia! We had a final nice lunch and those staying for the Birdquest Expedition to look for the Palkachupa Cotinga waved goodbye to the rest of the group as they drove away towards La Paz airport.



Hooded Mountain Toucan along the famous Coroico 'death road' (János Oláh).

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 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, **E** = Endangered, **V** = Vulnerable, **NT** = Near Threatened

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). 2018. IOC World Bird List (v 8.1)**. 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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Greater Rhea *Rhea americana* Sixteen were seen on our drive to El Cutal a few other elsewhere [araneipes].

Grey Tinamou ♦ *Tinamus tao* One was seen well at Los Volcanes [kleej]. **VU**

Cinereous Tinamou ♦ *Crypturellus cinereus* (H) It was heard near Riberalta on the extension.

Little Tinamou *Crypturellus soui* (H) It was heard near Riberalta on the extension [inconspicuous].

Brown Tinamou *Crypturellus obsoletus* Three were seen at Los Volcanes, heard elsewhere [punensis].

Undulated Tinamou *Crypturellus undulatus* It was seen near Riberalta and around Trinidad [nominate].

Red-winged Tinamou *Rhynchotus rufescens* One was seen near Santa Cruz airport [rufescens].

Huayco Tinamou ♦ *Rhynchotus maculicollis* Finally one was seen well near Sorata on our last morning!

Ornate Tinamou ♦ *Nothoprocta ornata* One was seen by some near Oruro and one on our way to Quime [nominate].

Andean Tinamou *Nothoprocta pentlandii* We got good views of one near Inquisivi [pentlandii].

White-bellied Nothura ♦ *Nothura boraquira* Several great looks near Santa Cruz airport.

Darwin's Nothura ♦ *Nothura darwinii* A pair was seen near Comarapa. Great bird [boliviana]!

Horned Screamer *Anhima cornuta* (H) It was heard at Riberalta on the extension.

Southern Screamer *Chauna torquata* It was very common around Trinidad in the Beni wetlands.



Southern Screamer in the Llanos de Moxos (János Oláh).

White-faced Whistling Duck *Dendrocygna viduata* It was common around Trinidad.

Black-bellied Whistling Duck *Dendrocygna autumnalis* A few small flocks seen near Trinidad [nominate].

Torrent Duck *Merganetta armata* Four were seen near Cochabamba [garlepp].

Orinoco Goose ♦ *Neochen jubata* Three were seen near Trinidad. Such a declining species.

Andean Goose *Chloephaga melanoptera* First seen at Lake Uru Uru later common on the Altiplano.

Muscovy Duck *Cairina moschata* One was seen near Puerto Maldonado.

Brazilian Teal *Amazonetta brasiliensis* It was seen at Riberalta, Trinidad and Santa Cruz [ipecutiri].

Crested Duck *Lophonetta specularioides* A few sightings at high elevations [alticola].

Cinnamon Teal *Anas cyanoptera* It was seen at Laguna Alalay and Lake Uru Uru [orinoma].

White-cheeked Pintail *Anas bahamensis* Just four were seen at Laguna Alalay near Cochabamba [rubrirostris].

Yellow-billed Teal *Anas flavirostris* It was common around Oruro [oxyptera].

Yellow-billed Pintail *Anas georgica* It was first seen at Laguna Alalay near Cochabamba [spinicauda].

Puna Teal *Anas puna* First seen at Laguna Alalay near Cochabamba and common around Oruro.

Andean Duck *Oxyura ferruginea* About 150 were seen at Laguna Alalay and a few more elsewhere.

Speckled Chachalaca *Ortalis guttata* It was very common around Trinidad [*subaffinis*].

Andean Guan *Penelope montagnii* Just two were seen above Samaipata [*sclateri*].

Red-faced Guan ♦ *Penelope dabbeni* Three were seen at Quirusillas. Excellent find by Dave!

Dusky-legged Guan *Penelope obscura* Just a single seen on the roadside near Perereta [*bridgesi*].

Blue-throated Piping Guan (White-th P G) *Pipile [cumanensis] grayi* It was common around Los Volcanes. **NT**

Bare-faced Curassow ♦ *Crax fasciolata* A pair and a male was seen very well at La Habana [*grayi*]. **VU**

Rufous-breasted Wood Quail ♦ *Odontophorus speciosus* A pair and a covey was seen at Los Volcanes [*loricatus*].

Least Grebe *Tachybaptus dominicus* One was seen on two days at a small lake near Siberia [*brachyrhynchus*].

Pied-billed Grebe *Podylimbus podiceps* A single bird was spotted at Laguna Alalay near Cochabamba [*antarcticus*].

White-tufted Grebe *Rollandia rolland* First seen at Laguna Alalay and also at Lake Titicaca [*chilensis*].

Titicaca Grebe ♦ *Rollandia microptera* We counted 23 at Lake Titicaca. Superb looks! **EN**



Titicaca Grebe was one of our final birds of the tour (János Oláh).

Silvery Grebe *Podiceps occipitalis* First seen at Laguna Alalay a few others elsewhere [*juninensis*].

Chilean Flamingo *Phoenicopterus chilensis* Hundreds were seen and scanned at Lake Uru Uru near Oruro.

Andean Flamingo ♦ *Phoenicopterus andinus* A single one was spotted at Lake Uru Uru near Oruro. **VU**

Wood Stork *Mycteria americana* Regularly seen around Trinidad.

Maguari Stork *Ciconia maguari* Just a few seen around Trinidad.

Jabiru *Jabiru mycteria* About 20 were seen in the Trinidad area.

Buff-necked Ibis *Theristicus caudatus* Regularly seen around Trinidad [*hyperorius*].

Andean Ibis ♦ *Theristicus branickii* Two were seen on a nesting cliff along the Chapare Road.

Green Ibis *Mesembrinibis cayennensis* A few seen around Trinidad.

Bare-faced Ibis *Phimosus infuscatus* It was common around Trinidad [*infuscatus*].

White-faced Ibis *Plegadis chihi* Two were seen at Laguna Alalay near Cochabamba.

Puna Ibis *Plegadis ridgewayi* It was common around Oruro.

Plumbeous Ibis ♦ *Theristicus cearulescens* Regularly seen around Trinidad.



A pair of Plumbeous Ibis (male on the left) in the Llanos de Moxos (János Oláh).

Roseate Spoonbill *Platalea ajaja* Singletons were seen on the Tambopata and Madre de Dios Rivers.

Rufescent Tiger Heron *Tigrisoma lineatum* A few seen around Trinidad [*nominata*].

Fasciated Tiger Heron *Tigrisoma fasciatum* (LO) One was seen briefly at Los Volcanes [*salmonii*].

Black-crowned Night Heron *Nycticorax nycticorax* A few sightings on the tour [*hoactli*].

Striated Heron *Butorides striata* It was regularly seen around Trinidad [*nominata*].

Western Cattle Egret *Bubulcus ibis* Very common around Trinidad and hundreds at Laguna Alalay.

Cocoi Heron *Ardea cocoi* Regularly seen around Trinidad.

Great Egret (American G E) *Ardea [alba] egretta* Regular sightings [*egretta*].

Capped Heron *Pilherodius pileatus* Single one was seen near Riberalta on the extension.

Whistling Heron *Syrigma sibilatrix* It was fairly common around Trinidad [*nominata*].

Little Blue Heron *Egretta caerulea* Five were seen at Lake Uru Uru.

Snowy Egret *Egretta thula* Scattered sightings on the tour [*nominata*].

Neotropic Cormorant *Phalacrocorax brasilianus* Regularly seen on the tour [*nominata*].

Anhinga *Anhinga anhinga* Singletons were recorded around Trinidad [*nominata*].

Turkey Vulture *Cathartes aura* It was very common [*jota*].

Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture *Cathartes burrovianus* Regular in small numbers around Trinidad [*urubutinga*].

Black Vulture *Coragyps atratus* Very common throughout.

King Vulture *Sarcorampus papa* Three birds were seen at Los Volcanes.

Andean Condor *Vultur gryphus* First seen at Los Volcanes. Best looks on our way back from Quime!

Western Osprey *Pandion haliaetus* A single one was noted at Laguna Alalay near Cochabamba.

Swallow-tailed Kite *Elanoides forficatus* Great looks at this elegant bird at Quirusillas and Siberia [*yetapa*].

Black Hawk-Eagle *Spizaetus tyrannus* Superb perched looks at Puerto Ballivian near Trinida [*serus*].

Black-and-chestnut Eagle ♦ *Spizaetus isidori* Magical flight views along the Chapare Road. **EN**

Plain-breasted Hawk *Accipiter ventralis* One was seen on our way to Cochabamba.

Long-winged Harrier *Circus buffoni* We had two sightings around Trinidad.

Cinereous Harrier *Circus cinereus* One was seen at our canastero stop on our way to Quime.



The mighty Andean Condor – an immature bird on our way back from Quime (János Oláh).

Plumbeous Kite *Ictinia plumbea* It was most common around Trinidad.

Black-collared Hawk *Busarellus nigricollis* Regular encounters around Trinidad [*nominate*].

Snail Kite *Rostrhamus sociabilis* Regular encounters around Trinidad [*nominate*].

Crane Hawk *Geranospiza caerulescens* A single bird was seen at La Habana [*flexipes*].

Savanna Hawk *Buteogallus meridionalis* Common in the Trinidad area.

Great Black Hawk *Buteogallus urubitinga* About twenty were seen in the Trinidad area [*nominate*].

Roadside Hawk *Rupornis magnirostris* Regularly seen throughout [*occiduus, saturatus*].

Harris's Hawk *Parabuteo unicinctus* A few were seen on our way to Perereta [*nominate*].

White-tailed Hawk *Geranoaetus albicaudatus* It was seen near Riberalta and Trinidad [*nominate*].

Variable Hawk *Geranoaetus polyosoma* A few sightings at high elevation [*fieldsai*].

Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle *Geranoaetus melanoleucus* It was only seen at Los Volcanes [*australis*].

Short-tailed Hawk *Buteo brahcyurus* One was seen at Siberia [*nominate*].

Red-legged Sereima *Cariama cristata* (H) It was only heard at Cerrado Triangulo on the extension.

Sungrebe *Heliornis fulica* A pair was seen at La Habana ranch in the Beni.

Ocellated Crake ♦ *Micropygia schomburgkii* Excellent looks at this skulker at Cerrado San Lorenzo [*chapmani*].

Grey-necked Wood Rail *Aramides cajaneus* Regular sightings in the Trinidad area [*nominate*].

Ash-throated Crake *Porzana albicollis* (H) A few heard around Trinidad but never close [*nominate*].

Plumbeous Rail *Pardirallus sanguinolentus* One was seen on our last morning at Lake Titicaca [*tschudii*].

Common Gallinule *Gallinula galeata* Common at Lake Uru Uru [*garmani*].

Andean Coot *Fulica ardesiaca* Common at Lake Titicaca [*nominate*].

Giant Coot ♦ *Fulica gigantea* We counted 23 on our last morning near Sorata.

Horned Coot ♦ *Fulica cornuta* A real surprise find at a high elevation lake on our way to Quime.

Limpkin *Aramus guarauna* It was common in the Trinidad area [*nominate*].

White-backed Stilt *Himantopus melanurus* It was common around Lake Uru Uru.

Andean Avocet ♦ *Recurvirostra andina* About ten were seen at Lake Uru Uru.

Southern Lapwing *Vanellus chilensis* Singletons were seen at four locations [*cayannensis/lampronotus*].

Andean Lapwing *Vanellus resplendens* A few seen on the Altiplano.



Horned Coot was a great surprise find on some high Andean lakes (János Oláh).

Collared Plover *Charadrius collaris* Two were seen on the river at Perereta.

Puna Plover ♦ *Charadrius alticola* It was quite common around Lake Uru Uru.

Wattled Jacana *Jacana jacana* It was common in the Trinidad area.

Rufous-bellied Seedsnipe ♦ *Attagis gayi* A pair was seen at La Cumbre near La Paz. Magical [simonsi]!

South American Snipe *Gallinago paraguanae* One was seen near Trinidad.

Puna Snipe *Gallinago andina* Six were seen very well on our 'canastero' stop towards Quime [nominate].

Upland Sandpiper *Bartramia longicauda* Three and eight were seen in burnt cerrado habitat on the extension.

Greater Yellowlegs *Tringa melanoleuca* It was seen around Trinidad and Lake Uru Uru.

Lesser Sallowlegs *Tringa flavipes* It was seen around Trinidad and Lake Uru Uru.

Solitary Sandpiper *Tringa solitaria* Regular encounters around Trinidad.

Spotted Sandpiper *Actitis macularia* Just three seen – it was early for the American migrants.

Baird Sandpiper *Calidris bairdii* It was very common at Lake Uru Uru.

White-rumped Sandpiper *Calidris fuscicollis* Ten were seen at Puerto varador near Trinidad.

Pectoral Sandpiper *Calidris melanotos* We got great looks of several on flooded meadows around Trinidad.

Wilson's Phalarope *Phalaropus tricolor* We had up to 50 at Laguna Alalay and at Lake Uru Uru.

Andean Gull *Chroicocephalus serranus* Regularly seen on the Altiplano lakes and wetlands.

Yellow-billed Tern *Sternula superciliaris* One was seen at Laguna Alalay and few around Trinidad.

Large-billed Tern *Phaetusa simplex* A few sightings at Riberalta and around Trinidad.

Rock Dove *Columba livia* Common.

Picazuro Pigeon *Patagioenas picazuro* Regular sightings in the Trinidad area and Santa Cruz.

Spot-winged Pigeon *Patagioenas maculosa* Seen in dry habitat on the Altiplano but most common at Inquisivi.

Band-tailed Pigeon *Patagioenas fasciata* Common along the Chapare and Coroico Roads.

Pale-vented Pigeon *Patagioenas cayennensis* Regularly seen in the Trinidad area [andersoni].

Plumbeous Pigeon *Patagioenas plumbea* It was seen at Los Volcanes and along the Chapare Road.

Ruddy Ground Dove *Columbina talpacoti* It was common at Riberalta and Around Trinidad [nominate].

Picui Ground Dove *Columbina picui* A few at Riberalta and common around Trinidad [nominate].

Blue Ground Dove *Claravis pretiosa* A few sightings in gallery forest habitat around Trinidad.

Bare-faced Ground Dove *Metriopelia ceciliae* A few were seen in higher and drier habitat [zimmeri].

Black-winged Ground Dove *Metriopelia melanoptera* Regular sightings at higher elevations [*nominate*].
White-tipped Dove *Leptotila verreauxi* A few scattered sightings [*decipiens*].
Yungas Dove ♦ *Leptotila megalura* It was seen at Los Volcanes, on the way to Comarapa and lower Coroico.
Grey-fronted Dove *Leptotila rufaxilla* A few sightings in the Trinidad area [*dubus*].
White-throated Quail-Dove *Zentrygon frenata* (H) It was heard along the Chapare Road [*nominate*].
Eared Dove *Zenaida auriculata* Common [*chrysauchenia*].
Guira Cuckoo *Guira guira* Common around Trinidad.
Smooth-billed Ani *Crotophaga ani* Commonly seen.
Striped Cuckoo *Tapera naevia* Great looks around Trinidad [*nominate*].
Little Cuckoo *Coccyzua minuta* (H) One was heard near Trinidad but refused to show.
Squirrel Cuckoo *Piaya cayana* Several sightings in the forest [*obscura*].
Tropical Screech Owl *Megascops choliba* (H) Distantly heard from our memorable hotel in Coroico [*surutus*].
Rufescent Screech Owl ♦ *Megascops ingens* Great views of this localised bird at Los Volcanes [*nominate*].



Rufescent Screech Owl at Los Volcanes (János Oláh).

Yungas Pygmy Owl ♦ *Glaucidium bolivianum* One was seen near Cochabamba. Magical spotting by Dave!
Ferruginous Pygmy Owl *Glaucidium brasilianum* One was seen near Riberalta on the extension [*pallens*].
Burrowing Owl *Athene cunicularia* It was seen around Riberalta, Trinidad and Santa Cruz [*boliviana*].
Nacunda Nighthawk *Chordeiles nacunda* Three were seen near Trinidad [*nominate*].
Pauraque *Nyctidromus albicollis* Two sightings [*derbyanus*].
Little Nighthjar *Setopagis parvula* Two were seen near Riberalta and two at Puerto Ballivian.
Scissor-tailed Nightjar *Hydrosalis torquata* Great looks of both sexes at Perereta [*furcifer*].
Rufous Nightjar ♦ *Antrostomus rufus* It was seen at Los Volcanes [*rutilus*].
Chestnut-collared Swift *Streptoprocne rufus* Just six were seen on our drive to Comarapa [*brunnitorques*].
White-collared Swift *Streptoprocne zonaris* Regular sightings [*kuenzeli*].
Short-tailed Swift *Chaetura brachyura* Regular, largest flock of 50 at Posada Amazonas [*nominate*].
White-tipped Swift *Aeronautes montivagus* It was seen at Los Volcanes and the Coroico Road [*nominate*].
Andean Swift *Aeronautes andecolus* Regular sightings of this fast-flyer [*nominate*].
Neotropical Palm Swift *Tachornis squamata* It was only seen near Riberalta on the extension [*semota*].

White-bearded Hermit *Phaethornis hispidus* One was seen near Riberalta on the extension [*nominate*].
Great-billed Hermit *Phaethornis malaris* One was seen at Los Volcanes [*bolivianus*].
Reddish Hermit *Phaethornis ruber* Three were seen near Riberalta [*longipennis*].
Green-fronted Lancebill *Doryfera ludovicae* Two were seen on the lower Coroico Road [*nominate*].
Swallow-tailed Hummingbird ♦ *Eupetomena macroura* Just a few seen around Trinidad [*nominate*].
Lesser Violetear *Colibri cyanotus* Just one was seen along the Coroico Road [*crissalis*].
Sparkling Violetear *Colibri coruscans* One was seen at Cerro Tunari and others along the Coroico Road [*nominate*].
Black-throated Mango *Anthracochoax nigricollis* A male and a female was seen near Trinidad.
Blue-tailed Emerald *Chlorostilbon mellisugus* Two sightings around Trinidad [*peruanus*].
Glittering-bellied Emerald *Chlorostilbon lucidus* Several seen in the Los Volcanes and Perereta areas [*nominate*].
Fork-tailed Woodnymph *Thalurania furcata* A male seen at Riberalta and several at Los Volcanes [*boliviana*].
White-chinned Sapphire *Hylocharis cyanus* A female was seen at Cerrado Triangulo on the extension [*rostrata*].
Gilded Sapphire *Hylocharis chrysura* Several great looks around Trinidad.
Golden-tailed Sapphire *Chrysuronia oenone* A single male was seen at Los Volcanes [*josephinae*].
White-tailed Goldenthrout *Polytmus guainumbi* Singletons were seen around Trinidad [*thaumantias*].
White-bellied Hummingbird *Amazilia chionogaster* First seen at Los Volcanes, later at Perereta [*hypoleuca*].
Glittering-throated Emerald *Amazilia fimbriata* A single sighting near Riberalta on the extension [*nigricauda*].
Sapphire-spangled Emerald *Amazilia lactea* About five were seen near Riberalta [*bartletti*].
Speckled Hummingbird *Adelomyia melanogenys* It was seen at Siberia and along the Chapare Road [*inornata*].
Black-hooded Sunbeam ♦ *Aglaeactis pamea* Fantastic bird! Great looks at Siberia, Chapare Road and Sorata.
Andean Hillstar *Oreotrochilus estella* First seen near Cochabamba and later around Lake Uru Uru [*bolivianus*].
Bronzy Inca *Coeligena coeligena* A single sighting along the lower Chapare Road [*boliviana*].
Collared Inca *Coeligena torquata* A single bird was seen along the Coroico Road [*inca*].
Violet-throated Starfrontlet *Coeligena violifer* Seen at Siberia; along the Chapare and Coroico Roads [*nominate*].
Sword-billed Hummingbird *Ensifera ensifera* Two were seen along the Chapare Road.
Great Sapphirewing *Pterophanes cyanopterus* Singles along the Chapare and Coroico Roads [*peruvianus*].
Giant Hummingbird *Patagona gigas* Several sightings near Cochabamba and on the Altiplano [*peruviana*].
Amethyst-throated Sunangel *Heliangelus amethysticollis* It was numerous along the Coroico Road [*nominate*].
Red-tailed Comet ♦ *Sappho sparganurus* It was seen around Siberia and at Cerro Tunari [*nominate*, *sappho*].
Tyrian Metaltail *Metallura tyrianthina* Most sightings at Siberia [*smaragdinicollis*].
Scaled Metaltail ♦ *Metallura aeneocauda* Three were seen on the upper section of the Coroico Road [*nominate*].
Rufous-capped Thornbill ♦ *Chalcostigma ruficeps* One was seen on the upper section of the Coroico Road.
Long-tailed Sylph *Aglaiocercus kingii* Females were seen at Siberia and along the Coroico Road [*smaragdinus*].
Horned Sungem *Heliactin bilophus* (LO) One was seen at Cerrado San Lorenzo.
Long-billed Starthroat *Heliomaster longirostris* One was seen on our drive to Comarapa [*nominate*].
Golden-headed Quetzal *Pharomachrus auriceps* (H) Heard distantly along the Coroico Road [*nominate*].
Crested Quetzal *Pharomachrus antisianus* Great looks of a pair on the lower section of the Chapare Road.
Black-tailed Trogon *Trogon melanurus* Regular sightings around Trinidad [*nominate*].
Green-backed Trogon *Trogon viridis* A male was seen near Riberalta on the extension.
Blue-crowned Trogon *Trogon curucui* Regular sightings on the tour [*peruvianus/behni*].
Masked Trogon *Trogon personatus* (H) It was heard at Los Volcanes [*submontanus*].
Green Kingfisher *Chloroceryle americana* Two sightings near Trinidad [*nominate*].
Amazon Kingfisher *Chloroceryle amazona* First seen near Riberalta and regular sightings around Trinidad.
Ringed Kingfisher *Megaceryle torquata* Several sightings near Trinidad [*nominate*].
Amazonian Motmot *Momotus momota* One was seen near Riberalta on the extension [*nattereri*].
Rufous-tailed Jacamar *Galbula cyanescens* Several were seen around Riberalta and Trinidad [*rufoviridis*].
White-eared Puffbird *Nystalus chacurui* One was seen at Cerrado San Lorenzo on the extension [*uncirostris*].
Chaco Puffbird ♦ *Nystalus striatipectus* One was seen on our drive out of Perereta.
Black-fronted Nunbird *Monasa nigrifrons* It was common around Riberalta and a few around Trinidad [*canescens*].
Swallow-winged Puffbird *Chelidoptera tenebrosa* Several sightings near Riberalta [*nominate*].
Versicolored Barbet ♦ *Eubucco versicolor* Superb looks at 3 along the lower Chapare Road [*nominate*]. See note
Chestnut-tipped Toucanet *Aulacorhynchus derbianus* A few sightings at Los Volcanes.
Blue-banded Toucanet ♦ *Aulacorhynchus coeruleicinctis* Excellent looks along the Chapare and Coroico Roads.
Chestnut-eared Aracari *Pteroglossus castanotis* We had several sightings on the tour [*australis*].

Hooded Mountain Toucan ♦ *Andigena cucullata* Great looks along the Chapare and Coroico Roads.
Channel-billed Toucan *Ramphastos vitellinus* It was seen at Los Volcanes and along the lower Chapare Road.
Toco Toucan *Ramphastos toco* Several good views around Trinidad and seen at Los Volcanes too [*albogularis*].
White-throated Toucan *Ramphastos tucanus* (H) It was only heard at Riberalta.
Ocellated Piculet ♦ *Picumnus dorbignyanus* A pair was seen at Siberia [*nominata*].
White-wedged Piculet *Picumnus albosquamatus* Several excellent looks nr Trinidad and Los Volcanes [*nominata*].



Male White-wedged Piculet (János Oláh).

White Woodpecker *Melanerpes candidus* We saw this beauty around Trinidad and Santa Cruz.
Yellow-tufted Woodpecker *Melanerpes cruentatus* It was only seen near Riberalta on the extension.
White-fronted Woodpecker ♦ *Melanerpes cactorum* Stunning bird! It was common around Perereta.
Little Woodpecker *Veniliornis passerinus* Several sightings near Riberalta and Trinidad [*agilis*].
Striped Woodpecker ♦ *Veniliornis lignarius* One was seen at Inquisivi.
Golden-green Woodpecker *Piculus chrysochloros* A female was seen at Riberalta and near Trinidad [*laemostictus*].
Golden-olive Woodpecker *Colaptes rubiginosus* A single bird was seen along the Chapare Road [*canipileus*].
Crimson-mantled Woodpecker *Colaptes rivolii* A single bird was seen along the Chapare Road [*atriceps*].
Green-barred Woodpecker *Colaptes melanochloros* It was seen near Trinidad and Cochabamba [*melanolaimus*].
Andean Flicker *Colaptes rupicola* First seen near Cochabamba, later several on the Altiplano [*nominata*].
Campo Flicker *Colaptes campestris* It was common around Trinidad [*nominata*].
Pale-crested Woodpecker ♦ *Celeus lugubris* Single males at El Cutal and La Habana ranches [*nominata*].
Chestnut Woodpecker *Celeus elegans* One was seen near Riberalta on the extension [*jumanus*].
Lineated Woodpecker *Dryocopus lineatus* (H) It was only heard in the Riberalta area [*nominata*].
Red-necked Woodpecker *Campephilus rubricollis* A pair was seen at Los Volcanes [*trachelopyrus*].
Crimson-crested Woodpecker *Campephilus melanoleucos* Many sightings around Riberalta & Trinidad [*nominata*].
Mountain Caracara *Phalcoboenus megalopterus* It was commonly seen on the Altiplano.
Southern Crested Caracara *Caracara plancus* Common around Riberalta and Trinidad.
Yellow-headed Caracara *Milvago chimachima* Several sightings in the Trinidad area [*nominata*].
Laughing Falcon *Herpetotheres cachinnans* Several great looks around Riberalta and Trinidad [*nominata*].
Barred Forest Falcon *Micrastur ruficollis* (H) It was only heard at Los Volcanes [*zonothorax*].
Collared Forest Falcon *Micrastur semitorquatus* Excellent looks of one at Puerto Ballivian near Trinidad [*nominata*].
American Kestrel *Falco sparverius* Regular sightings [*cinnamominus*].
Aplomado Falcon *Falco femoralis* Excellent looks around Trinidad and one close up near Perereta [*pichinchae*].
Grey-hooded Parakeet ♦ *Psilopsiagon aymara* Lovely views near Perereta and around Cochabamba.

Mountain Parakeet *Psilopsiagon aurifrons* Excellent looks near Cochabamba [*margaritae*].



Mountain Parakeet (left) near Cochabamba and Green-cheeked Parakeets (right) at Los Volcanes (János Oláh).

Cliff Parakeet ♦ *Myiopsitta luchi* Endemic to Bolivia. Excellent looks near Perereta!

Yellow-chevroned Parakeet *Brotogeris chiriri* Many great sightings of this fast-flyer in the Beni area [*nominate*].

Cobalt-winged Parakeet *Brotogeris cyanoptera* Excellent looks around Riberalta and two near Trinidad [*beniensis*].

Black-winged Parrot ♦ *Hapalopsittaca melanotis* Five seen in flight on the Chapare Road and heard at Coroico.

Scaly-headed Parrot *Pionus maximiliani* Seen at La Habana and near Santa Cruz – pre tour excursion [*siy*].

Plum-crowned Parrot *Pionus tumultuosus* Great looks along the Coroico Road.

Blue-headed Parrot *Pionus menstruus* Seen around Riberalta, Trinidad and Los Volcanes [*nominate*].

Tucuman Amazon ♦ *Amazona tucumana* Superb looks of 15 at Quirusillas both perched and flight. **VU**

Yellow-crowned Amazon *Amazona ochrocephala* A few sightings around Riberalta and Trinidad [*nattereri*].

Turquoise-fronted Amazon *Amazona aestiva* Our best looks were at Riberalta and Los Volcanes [*xanthopteryx*].

Scaly-naped Amazon *Amazona mercenarius* Seen at Siberia and along the Chapare Road [*nominate*].

Blue-winged Parrotlet *Forpus xanthopterygius* Common around Trinidad and Santa Cruz [*flavescens*].

White-bellied Parrot ♦ *Pionites leucogaster* We counted 14 at Cerrado San Lorenzo [*xanthomerius*]. See note

Green-cheeked Parakeet *Pyrrhura molinae* Common around Los Volcanes, but seen elsewhere too [*nominate*].

Peach-fronted Parakeet *Eupsittula aurea* Many excellent looks near Riberalta and Trinidad. Beautiful parakeet.

Dusky-headed Parakeet *Aratinga weddellii* Commonly seen near Riberalta and Trinidad.

Golden-collared Macaw ♦ *Primolius auricollis* Several excellent looks around Trinidad.

Blue-and-yellow Macaw *Ara ararauna* Excellent views at Hacienda Esperancita in the Beni.

Blue-throated Macaw ♦ *Ara glaucogularis* Endemic to Bolivia! Superb looks at Hacienda Esperancita in the Beni. **CR**

Military Macaw ♦ *Ara militaris* Daily sightings at Los Volcanes though distant [*bolivianus*]. **VU**

Red-and-green Macaw *Ara chloropterus* Just a few were seen near Trinidad.

Red-fronted Macaw ♦ *Ara rubrogenys* Endemic to Bolivia! One of the tour highlights at Perereta. **EN**

Chestnut-fronted Macaw *Ara severus* Regularly seen near Riberalta and Trinidad.

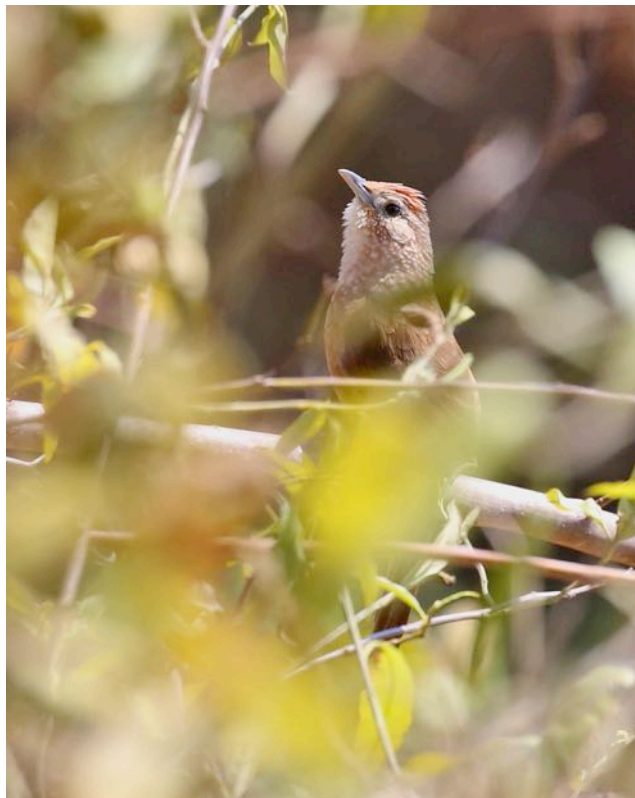
Blue-crowned Parakeet ♦ *Thectocercus acuticaudatus* Best views at Quirusillas on a flowering tree [*neumanni*].

Mitred Parakeet *Psittacara mitratus* It was fairly common at Los Volcanes [*nominate*].

White-eyed Parakeet *Psittacara leucophthalmus* Regularly seen around Trinidad [*nominate*].

Puna Miner *Geositta punensis* Just one was seen on our way to Quime.

Slender-billed Miner *Geositta tenuirostris* Three were seen in high elevation [*nominate*].
Rock Earthcreeper ♦ *Ochetorhynchus andaecola* It was seen on our way to Cochabamba and at Cerro Tunari.
Bolivian Earthcreeper ♦ *Tarphonomus harteri* Finally we got excellent looks near Perereta.
Cream-winged Cinclodes *Cinclodes albiventris* Regular sightings on the Altiplano [*nominate*].
White-winged Cinclodes *Cinclodes atacamensis* Less common, we only had two sightings [*nominate*].
Pale-legged Hornero *Furnarius leucopus* Only seen near Riberalta on the extension [*tricolor*].
Rufous Hornero *Furnarius rufus* Common around Trinidad a few elsewhere [*commersoni*].
Brown-capped Tit-Spinetail ♦ *Leptasthenura fuliginiceps* We had great looks around Cochabamba [*nominate*].
Tawny Tit-Spinetail ♦ *Leptasthenura yanacensis* Several great looks at Cerro Tunari in *Polylepis* forest.
Plain-mantled Tit-Spinetail *Leptasthenura aegithaloides* It was seen on our way to and around Oruro [*berlepschi*].



Plain-mantled Tit-Spinetail (left) and Spot-breasted Thornbird (János Oláh).

Black-throated Thistletail ♦ *Asthenes harterti* We saw it at Siberia [*bejarano*] and the Coroico Road [*nominate*].
Maquis Canastero ♦ *Asthenes heterura* Excellent looks near Cochabamba.
Cordilleran Canastero *Asthenes modesta* One was seen on the Altiplano on our way to Quime [*modesta*].
Rusty-vented Canastero *Asthenes dorbigny* Several sightings near Cochabamba and Inquisivi [*consobrina*].
Berlepsch's Canastero ♦ *Asthenes berlepschi* Endemic to Bolivia! Superb views near Sorata on our last morning.
Puna Canastero *Asthenes sclateri* Two were seen on the Altiplano on our way to Quime [*punensis*].
Scribble-tailed Canastero ♦ *Asthenes maculicauda* We had two pairs in the Pongo Valley.
Chotoy Spinetail *Schoeniophylax phryganophilus* Excellent looks of this smart bird around Trinidad [*nominate*].
Ochre-cheeked Spinetail ♦ *Synallaxis scutata* One was tracked down at Los Volcanes [whitii].
Sooty-fronted Spinetail *Synallaxis frontalis* Seen above Samaipata and on our way to Perereta.
Azara's Spinetail *Synallaxis azarae* We saw it near Siberia, Cochabamba and along the Chapare Road [*nominate*].
Pale-breasted Spinetail *Synallaxis albescens* (H) It was only heard around Trinidad [*australis*].
Cinereous-breasted Spinetail ♦ *Synallaxis hypospodia* One was seen near La Habana near.
Plain-crowned Spinetail *Synallaxis gujanensis* A few sightings around Trinidad [*inornata*].
Light-crowned Spinetail ♦ *Cranioleuca albiceps* Excellent looks at Siberia [*discolor*] and Coroico Road [*nominate*].
Stripe-crowned Spinetail *Cranioleuca pyrrhophia* A pair was seen well on our drive to Comarapa [*striaticeps*].
Bolivian Spinetail ♦ *Cranioleuca henricae* Endemic to Bolivia. Superb looks at Inquisivi. **EN**
Yellow-chinned Spinetail *Certhiaxis cinnamomeus* Several seen around Trinidad [*russeolus*].

Plain Softtail ♦ *Tripophaga fusciceps* Repeated excellent looks around Trinidad [*fusciceps*]. See note
Streak-fronted Thornbird *Phacellodomus striaticeps* A pair was seen by a nest on the way to Perereta [*nominata*].
Spot-breasted Thornbird *Phacellodomus maculipectus* First seen above Samaipata and great looks at Quriusillas.
Greater Thornbird *Phacellodomus ruber* Several nice views around Trinidad.
Wren-like Rushbird *Phleocryptes melanops* Three were seen at Laguna Alalay near Cochabamba [*schoenobaenus*].
Pearled Treerunner *Margarornis squamiger* It was seen at Siberia and along the Coroico Road [*nominata*]. See note
Grey-crested Cacholote *Pseudoseisura unirufa* It was common around Trinidad.
Streaked Tuftedcheek *Pseudocolaptes boissonneautii* Just one was seen along the Chapare Road [*carabayae*].
Montane Foliage-gleaner *Anabacerthia striaticollis* Just one was seen along the Chapare Road [*yungae*].
Buff-browed Foliage-gleaner *Syndactyla rufosuperciliata* A singleton was seen at Quriusillas [*cabanis*].
Bolivian Recurvebill ♦ *Simoxenops striatus* Despite much effort only some managed to see it at Los Volcanes. **NT**
Buff-fronted Foliage-gleaner *Philydor rufum* We had several sightings at Los Volcanes [*bolivianum*].
Grey-throated Leaf Tosser *Sclerurus albigularis* Two were seen at Los Volcanes [*albicollis*].
Sharp-tailed Streamcreeper ♦ *Lochmias nematura* One was seen on the lower Coroico Road [*obscuratus*].
Olivaceous Woodcreeper *Sittasomus griseicapillus* It was common around Lago Soledad [*viridis*].
Long-billed Woodcreeper *Nasica longirostris* (H) It was only heard near Riberalta on the extension.
Strong-billed Woodcreeper *Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchus* [*lineatocephalus*].
Great Rufous Woodcreeper *Xiphocolaptes major* We got nice looks of this beast around Trinidad [*castaneus*].
Straight-billed Woodcreeper *Dendroplex picus* Just two were seen around Trinidad [*peruvianus*].
Tschudi's Woodcreeper *Xiphorhynchus chunchotambo* Several were seen at Los Volcanes [*brevirostris*].
Buff-throated Woodcreeper ♦ (Lafresnaye's W) *Xiphorhynchus guttatus* Common [*guttatoides*, *dorbignyanus*].
Olive-backed Woodcreeper *Xiphorhynchus triangularis* Just one was seen along the Chapare Road [*bangs*].
Narrow-billed Woodcreeper *Lepidocolaptes angustirostris* Common Trinidad, one at Perereta [*bivittatus*, *hellmayri*].
Montane Woodcreeper *Lepidocolaptes lacrymiger* (NL) One was seen at Siberia [*bolivianus*].
Red-billed Scythebill *Campylorhamphus trochilirostris* We had two sightings near Trinidad [*lafresnayanus*].



Red-billed Scythebill at El Cutal (János Oláh).

Giant Antshrike ♦ *Batara cinerea* After much work a male was seen above Samaipata [*excubitor*].
Great Antshrike *Taraba major* It was fairly common around Trinidad [*melanurus*].

Barred Antshrike *Thamnophilus doliatus* A pair was seen at La Habanna ranch near Trinidad [*radiatus*].

Chestnut-backed Antshrike *Thamnophilus palliatus* A skittish pair was seen at Los Volcanes [*puncticeps*].

Upland Antshrike ◇ *Thamnophilus aroyae* Seen on the lower parts of the Chapare and Coroico Roads.

Bolivian Slaty Antshrike ◇ *Thamnophilus sticturus* It was seen near Trinidad and also at Santa Cruz by some.

Amazonian Antshrike *Thamnophilus amazonicus* A pair was seen briefly near Riberalta [*nominate*].

Variable Antshrike *Thamnophilus caeruleus* Several were seen around Samaipata and Quirusillas [*dinellii*].

Rufous-capped Antshrike ◇ *Thamnophilus ruficapillus* It was seen on the Coroico Road [*subfasciatus*]. See note

Plain Antwren *Dysithamnus mentalis* Regularly seen at Los Volcanes [*tavarae*].

Yellow-rumped Antwren ◇ *Euchrepomis sharpei* A male was seen at the lower Coroico Road by some. **EN**

Pygmy Antwren *Myrmotherula brachyura* (H) It was only heard near Riberalta on the extension.

Stripe-chested Antwren ◇ *Myrmotherula longicauda* Excellent looks of a showy pair on the lower Coroico Road.

Black-capped Antwren ◇ *Herpsilochmus atricapillus* It was commonly heard and seen at Los Volcanes.

Rusty-backed Antwren *Formicivora rufa* A pair was seen at Cerrado San Lorenzo and also near Trinidad.

Grey Antbird *Cercomacra cinerascens* (H) It was only heard near Riberalta [*sclateri*].

Mato Grosso Antbird ◇ *Cercomacra melanaria* A pair was seen in gallery forest habitat near Trinidad.

White-backed Fire-eye *Pyriglena leuconota* One seen near Trinidad and others at Los Volcanes [*maura*, *hellmayri*].

Black-throated Antbird *Myrmeciza atrothorax* (LO) One was seen by Janos near Riberalta [*melanura*].

Black-faced Antthrush *Formicarius analis* (H) It was only heard near Riberalta [*nominate*].

Short-tailed Antthrush ◇ *Chamaeza campanisona* It was easy to see at Los Volcanes [*boliviana*]. See note

Barred Antthrush ◇ *Chamaeza mollissima* One was seen by some on the upper Chapare Road [*yungae*].

Undulated Antpitta *Grallaria squamigera* (H) One was heard along the Coroico Road [*canicauda*].

White-throated Antpitta ◇ *Grallaria albigula* (H) It was only heard once distantly at Quirusillas [*nominate*].

Rufous Antpitta ◇ *Grallaria rufula* (H) It was heard at Siberia and along the Chapare Road [*cochabambae*].

Rufous-faced Antpitta ◇ *Grallaria erythrotis* Great looks at Siberia and the Coroico Road.

Masked Antpitta ◇ *Hylopezus auricularis* Endemic to Bolivia! Excellent looks near Riberalta. **VU**



Masked Antpitta at Riberalta on the extension (János Oláh).

Slaty Gnateater ◇ *Conopophaga ardesiaca* Repeated superb looks at Los Volcanes [*nominate*].

Bolivian White-crowned Tapaculo ◇ *Scytalopus bolivianus* Several great sightings at Los Volcanes.

Trilling Tapaculo *Scytalopus parvirostris* One was seen at Siberia.

Diademed Tapaculo ◇ *Scytalopus schulenbergi* It was only seen along the Coroico Road.

Puna Tapaculo *Scytalopus simonsi* Fantastic looks on our way back from Quime.

Olive-crowned Crescentchest ◇ *Melanopareia maximiliani* After hard work we had great looks at Siberia [*argentina*].

Wing-barred Piprites *Piprites chloris* (H) It was heard at Los Volcanes [*boliviana*].

Sclater's Tyrannulet *Phyllomyias sclateri* Three were seen at Los Volcanes [*nominate*].

Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet *Tyrannulus elatus* It was seen near Riberalta and Trinidad. Lowland bird.

Large Elaenia *Elaenia spectabilis* (LO) One was seen briefly by Janos near Trinidad.

White-crested Elaenia *Elaenia albiceps* Just a few seen Siberia and along the Chapare Road [*nominate*]. See note

Small-billed Elaenia *Elaenia parvirostris* A few were seen near Riberalta and Trinidad.

Plain-crested Elaenia *Elaenia cristata* It was seen in cerrado habitat near Riberalta on the extension [*nominate*].

Lesser Elaenia *Elaenia chiriquensis* Most sightings near Riberalta in cerrado but a few around Trinidad [*albivertex*].

Highland Elaenia *Elaenia obscura* One was seen very well at Quirusillas [*nominate*].

Sierran Elaenia *Elaenia pallatangae* Several were seen along the Coroico Road [*exsul*].

Southern Beardless Tyrannulet *Camptostoma obsoletum* Seen near Riberalta and Trinidad [*bolivianum*]. See note

Chapada Flycatcher ◇ *Suiriri affinis* (H) It remained unseen on the extension near Riberalta in cerrado habitat.

White-throated Tyrannulet *Mecocerculus leucophrys* It was common at Siberia [*nominate*].

Buff-banded Tyrannulet ◇ *Mecocerculus hellmayri* First seen at Quirusillas and later at Siberia.

Yellow-billed Tit-Tyrant *Anairetes flavirostris* Good looks in the Siberia area [*nominate*].

Tufted Tit-Tyrant *Anairetes parulus* It was common at Siberia and Cerro Tunari [*aequatorialis*].

White-bellied Tyrannulet *Serpophaga munda* It was seen around Samaipata and Inquisivi.

Mouse-coloured Tyrannulet *Phaeomyias murina* Three were seen at Los Volcanes [*wagae*].

Rufous-sided Pygmy Tyrant ◇ *Euscarthmus rufomarginatus* Two seen at Cerrado San Lorenzo on the extension.

Greater Wagtail Tyrant ◇ *Stigmatura budyoides* Several seen in dry country near Perereta [*nominate*].

Bolivian Tyrannulet ◇ *Zimmerius bolivianus* Superb looks at Quirusillas and the Coroico Road.



Buff-banded Tyrannulet (left) and Bolivian Tyrannulet (János Oláh).

Slender-footed Tyrannulet *Zimmerius gracilipes* It was only seen near Riberalta on the extension [*gilvus*].

Mottle-cheeked Tyrannulet *Phylloscartes ventralis* We saw several at Quirusillas [*angustirostris* /*tucumanus*?].

Sepia-capped Flycatcher *Leptopogon amaurocephalus* (H) We heard it at Los Volcanes [*peruvianus*].

Slaty-capped Flycatcher *Leptopogon superciliaris* Seen Los Volcanes and Chapare Road [*albidiventer*]. See note

Southern Scrub Flycatcher ◇ *Sublegatus modestus* Two were seen close to Perereta [*nominate*].

Plain Inezia ◇ *Inezia inornata* It was seen near Riberalta and common around Trinidad.

Bran-colored Flycatcher *Myiophobus fasciatus* Regularly seen around Trinidad in the Beni [*auriceps*]. See note

Many-colored Rush Tyrant *Tachuris rubrigastra* It was seen at Laguna Alalay and Lake Uru Uru [*alticola*].

Sharp-tailed Grass Tyrant *Culicivora caudacuta* (LO) One was seen at Cerrado Triangulo near Riberalta. **VU**

Yungas Tody-Tyrant ◇ *Hemitriccus spodiops* One was seen at the lower Chapare Road with difficulties!

Johannes's Tody-Tyrant ◇ *Hemitriccus johannis* It was only seen on the extension near Riberalta.

Pearly-vented Tody-Tyrant *Hemitriccus margaritaceiventer* Seen at Riberalta, Los Volcanes and Perereta [*rufipes*].

Short-tailed Pygmy Tyrant ◇ *Myornis ecaudatus* A pair was seen near Riberalta on the extension.

Ochre-faced Tody-Flycatcher ◇ *Poecilatriccus plumbeiceps* (H) It was only heard along Coroico Road [*obscurus*].

Rusty-fronted Tody-Flycatcher *Poecilatriccus latirostris* (H) It was heard near Trinidad [*mixtus*].

Common Tody-Flycatcher *Todirostrum cinereum* Several sightings near Trinidad [*coloreum*].
Spotted Tody-Flycatcher *Todirostrum maculatum* It was seen in Riberalta on the extension [*signatum*].



Spotted Tody-Flycatcher (János Oláh).

Yellow-browed Tody-Flycatcher *Todirostrum chrysocrotaphum* Seen at Riberalta and lower Coroico [*neglectum*].
Yellow-olive Flatbill *Tolmomyias sulphurescens* Just one seen at La Habanna ranch near Trinidad [*pallenscens*].
Cinnamon Flycatcher *Pyrrhomyias cinnamomeus* It was seen at Siberia and the Coroico Road [*nominat*].
Cliff Flycatcher *Hirundinea ferruginea* It was seen at Los Volcanes, Samaipata and Perereta [*pallidior*].
Euler's Flycatcher *Lathrotriccus euleri* One was seen at Los Volcanes [*argentinus*].
Fuscous Flycatcher *Cnemotriccus fuscatus* One was seen near Riberalta [*beniensis*].
Black Phoebe *Sayornis nigricans* Only two were recorded on the lower Coroico Road [*latirostris*].
Smoke-colored Pewee *Contopus fumigatus* (H) Heard along the Coroico Road [*nominat*].
Eastern Wood Pewee *Contopus virens* One was seen at Los Volcanes.
Scarlet Flycatcher *Pyrocephalus rubinus* It was very common around Trinidad.
Andean Negrito *Lessonia oreas* Common at Lake Uru Uru.
Hudson's Black Tyrant ♦ *Knipolegus hudsoni* A total of five males and a female were seen around Trinidad.
Plumbeous Tyrant ♦ *Knipolegus cabanisi* A female at Los Volcanes and several at Siberia.
White-winged Black Tyrant *Knipolegus aterrimus* Several were seen at Siberia and Sorata [*anthracinus*].
Spectacled Tyrant *Hymenops perspicillatus* Only a female was seen near El Cutal.
Yellow-browed tyrant *Satrapa icterophrys* We had four birds around Trinidad.
Spot-billed Ground Tyrant *Muscisaxicola maculirostris* Seen on our 'canastero' stop towards Quime [*nominat*].
Puna Ground Tyrant *Muscisaxicola juninensis* First seen towards Oruro and later towards Quime.
Cinereous Ground Tyrant ♦ *Muscisaxicola cinereus* Seen en route to Cochabamba and towards Quime [*nominat*].
Rufous-naped Ground Tyrant ♦ *Muscisaxicola rufivertex* A pair at Lake Uru Uru and two towards Quime. See note
Cinnamon-bellied Ground Tyrant *Muscisaxicola capistratus* (LO) One was seen on our way to Quime.
Black-billed Shrike-Tyrant *Agriornis montanus* Just one was seen at Sorata [*intermeduis*].
Grey Monjita *Xolmis cinereus* One at Trinidad airport, two at Cerrado San Lorenzo on the extension [*pepoaza*].
White-rumped Monjita *Xolmis velatus* Common around Trinidad. Highest count was 18 towards El Cutal.
White Monjita *Xolmis irupero* A total of nine were seen around Trinidad [*nominat*].

Streak-throated Bush Tyrant *Myiotheretes striaticollis* It was seen along the Chapare and Coroico Roads [*pallidus*].

Rufous-webbed Bush Tyrant ♦ *Polioxolmis rufipennis* A pair was seen towards Cochabamba [*nominate*].

Black-backed Water Tyrant *Fluvicola albiventer* Common around Trinidad.

White-headed Marsh Tyrant *Arundinicola leucocephala* Regularly seen around Trinidad.

Rufous-breasted Chat-Tyrant *Ochthoeca rufipectoralis* Common at Siberia, also Chapare and Coroico [*nominate*].

Brown-backed Chat-Tyrant *Ochthoeca fuscicolor* One was seen on our drive to Cochabamba [*berlepschi*].

White-browed Chat-Tyrant *Ochthoeca leucophrys* Regularly seen around Cochabamba [*nominate*].

Cattle Tyrant *Machetornis rixosa* Common around Riberalta and Trinidad [*nominate*].

Piratic Flycatcher *Legatus leucophaeus* Just one seen at Puerto Varador [*nominate*].

Rusty-margined Flycatcher *Myiozetetes cayanensis* Just two seen near Trinidad [*nominate*].

Social Flycatcher *Myiozetetes similis* Common around Riberalta and Trinidad [*nominate*].

Great Kiskadee *Pitangus sulphuratus* Common [*maximiliani, bolivianus*].

Golden-crowned Flycatcher *Myiodynastes chrysocephalus* Two were seen at Los Volcanes [*nominate*]. See note

Streaked Flycatcher *Myiodynastes maculatus* Several sightings on the tour [*solitarius*]. See note

Boat-billed Flycatcher *Megarynchus pitangua* (NL) Two were seen at La Habana by some [*nominate*]. See note

Variegated Flycatcher *Empidonomus varius* One seen at Riberalta and one at Quirusillas [*nominate*]. See note

Crowned Slaty Flycatcher *Griseotyrannus aurantioatrocristatus* Four were seen near Perereta [*nominate*].

Tropical Kingbird *Tyrannus melancholicus* Common [*nominate*].

Fork-tailed Flycatcher *Tyrannus savana* It was seen around Riberalta and Trinidad [*nominate*]. See note

Rufous Casiornis *Casiornis rufus* Several sightings from Riberalta, Trinidad, Santa Cruz and Los Volcanes.

Dusky-capped Flycatcher *Myiarchus tuberculifer* Just one was seen at Quirusillas [*atriceps*].

Short-crested Flycatcher *Myiarchus ferox* Several sightings around Riberalta and Trinidad [*australis*].

Brown-crested Flycatcher *Myiarchus tyrannulus* It was seen at Trinidad, Santa Cruz and Los Volcanes [*nominate*].

White-eyed Attila ♦ *Attila bolivianus* It was seen around Riberalta and Trinidad [*bolivianus*].



White-eyed Attila (János Oláh).

Red-crested Cotinga *Ampelion rubrocristatus* It was seen at Siberia, Cerro Tunari and the Chapare Road.

Chestnut-crested Cotinga ♦ *Ampelion rufaxilla* Great looks of one on the upper Chapare Road [*nominate*].

White-tipped Plantcutter *Phytotoma rufite* It was most common around Perereta [*angustirostris*].

Band-tailed Fruiteater ♦ *Pipreola intermedia* Excellent looks along the Coroico Road [*signata*].

Barred Fruiteater *Pipreola arcuata* The most amazing encounters on the Coroico Road [*viridicauda*]! See note

Andean Cock-of-the-rock *Rupicola peruvianus* Two females were seen along the Coroico Road [*saturatus*].

Scimitar-winged Piha ♦ *Lipaugus uropygialis* Superb looks of this localised bird along the Coroico Road.

Amazonian Umbrellabird *Cephalopterus ornatus* It was seen briefly near Riberalta.

Sulphur-bellied Tyrant-Manakin ♦ *Neopelma sulphureiventer* Two sightings near Trinidad.

Yungas Manakin ♦ *Chiroxiphia boliviana* Common at Los Volcanes, heard elsewhere.

Band-tailed Manakin ♦ *Pipra fasciicauda* Common around Riberalta and a few seen near Trinidad [*nominate*].

Amazonian Royal Flycatcher ♦ *Onychorhynchus coronatus* A pair was seen very well near Riberalta [*nominate*].

Black-tailed Tityra *Tityra cayana* One was seen at Puerto Varador [*nominate*].

Black-crowned Tityra *Tityra inquisitor* Just one seen near Riberalta and two near Trinidad [*pelzelni*].

Masked Tityra *Tityra semifasciata* It was seen at Los Volcanes [*fortis*].

White-winged Becard *Pachyramphus polychopterus* (H) Just one heard near Trinidad [*spixii*].

Rufous-browed Peppershrike *Cychlaris gujanensis* Singletons near Riberalta and Cerro Tunari [*pax*]. See note

Red-eyed Vireo *Vireo olivaceus* The resident griseobarbatus-group (Chivi Vireo) was seen near Trinidad. See note

Ashy-headed Greenlet *Hylophilus pectoralis* A single one was seen in a mixed flock near Trinidad.

White-collared Jay ♦ *Cyanolyca viridicyanus* (H) It was only distantly heard along the Coroico Road [*nominate*].

Purplish Jay *Cyanocorax cyanomelas* Several sightings. Great looks at TRC and Los Amigos.

Plush-crested Jay *Cyanocorax chrysops* Commonly seen [*nominate*]



Plush-crested Jay at Los Volcanes (János Oláh).

Inca Jay *Cyanocorax yncas* (H) Heard along the lower Chapare Road [*nominate*].

Sand Martin *Riparia riparia* Singletons were seen at Santa Cruz airport and laguna Alalay [*nominate*].

White-winged Swallow *Tachycineta albiventer* Just a few seen around Trinidad.

White-rumped Swallow *Tachycineta leucorrhoa* A few seen around Trinidad.

Grey-breasted Martin *Progne chalybea* A few seen around Riberalta and Trinidad [*macrorhamphus*]

Southern Martin *Progne elegans* Three were seen at Santa Cruz airport and about ten near Perereta.

Brown-chested Martin *Progne tapera* It was common around Trinidad.

Blue-and-white Swallow *Notiochelidon cyanoleuca* It was common in the highlands. See note

Pale-footed Swallow ♦ *Notiochelidon flavipes* Large flocks were seen at Siberia.

Andean Swallow ♦ *Haplochelidon andecola* Just a few breeding birds around Oruro and Sorata.

Southern Rough-winged Swallow *Stelgidopteryx ruficollis* Two near Riberalta on the extension [*nominate*].

Barn Swallow *Hirundo rustica* Largest gathering was seen at Laguna Alalay. See note

American Cliff Swallow *Petrochelidon pyrrhonota* About 70 near Laguna Los Conchas near El Cutal.

Black-capped Donacobius *Donacobius atricapilla* Regular sightings around Trinidad [*albovittatus*].

Thrush-like Wren *Campylorhynchus turdinus* Regularly seen around Riberalta and Trinidad [*unicolor*]. See note

Fulvous Wren ♦ *Cinnycerthia fulva* One was seen by some along the Coroico Road [*gravesi*].

Moustached Wren *Pheugopedius genibarbis* It was seen at Los Volcanes [*bolivianus*].

Fawn-breasted Wren ♦ *Cantorchilus guarayanus* It was seen near Santa Cruz, Riberalta and Trinidad.

House Wren *Troglodytes aedon* Fairly common and widespread [*tecellatus, rex*]. See note

Mountain Wren *Troglodytes solstitialis* It was seen at Siberia and along the Chapare and Coroico Roads [*frater*].

Grey-breasted Wood Wren *Henicorhina leucophrys* (H) Heard at Siberia and the Chapare Road [*boliviana*].

Masked Gnatcatcher *Poliophtila dumicola* A male seen near Perereta and one at Inquisivi [*saturata*]. See note

Chalk-browed Mockingbird *Mimus saturninus* Commonly seen around Trinidad [*modulator*].

White-banded Mockingbird ♦ *Mimus triurus* Just one was seen at Santa Cruz airport.

Brown-backed Mockingbird ♦ *Mimus dorsalis* Several sightings on the Altiplano.

Andean Solitaire *Myadestes rallodies* (H) It was heard along the Coroico Road [*nominate*].

White-eared Solitaire ♦ *Entomodestes leucotis* It was heard at Siberia and three seen along the Chapare Road.

Great Thrush *Turdus fuscater* Common [*nominate*].

Chiguanco Thrush *Turdus chiguanco* Common [*nominate*].

Glossy-black Thrush *Turdus serranus* Many seen along the Chapare Road [*nominate*].

Andean Slaty Thrush ♦ *Turdus nigriceps* One seen at Quirusillas and one at Siberia where many were singing.

Rufous-bellied Thrush *Turdus rufiventris* Several were seen at Los Volcanes [*nominate*].

Creamy-bellied Thrush *Turdus amaurochalinus* Many sightings on the tour. Partial austral migrant.

Black-billed Thrush *Turdus ignobilis* Regular sightings around Riberalta and Trinidad [*debilis*].

Hauxwell's Thrush *Turdus hauxwelli* Two were seen in gallery forest near Trinidad.

Unicolored Thrush ♦ *Turdus haplochrous* Two sightings of this shy and rare bird near Trinidad.

White-necked Thrush *Turdus albicollis* Several sightings at Los Volcanes [*spodiolaemus*]. See note

White-capped Dipper *Cinclus leucocephalus* One was spotted at Cerro Tunari [*nominate*]. See note

House Sparrow *Passer domesticus* Common.

Hooded Siskin *Spinus magellanicus* Many great looks along the tour [*santaecrucis*]. See note

Black Siskin *Spinus atratus* Several sightings. First seen on our way to Oruro.

Purple-throated Euphonia *Euphonia chlorotica* We had good looks near Riberalta and Trinidad [*taczanowskii*].

Thick-billed Euphonia *Euphonia lanirostris* Just two were seen in the hotel garden at Riberalta [*nominate*].

White-lored Euphonia *Euphonia chrysopasta* Two sightings at Los Volcanes [*nominate*].

Orange-bellied Euphonia *Euphonia xanthogaster* A pair along the Chapare Road. Distinctive race [*ruficeps*].

Southern Yellowthroat *Geothlypis velata* A single bird was seen at Laguna Los Conchas near El Cutal.

Tropical Parula *Setophaga pitiauyumi* Very common around Los Volcanes and Samaipata [*nominate*].

Citrine Warbler ♦ *Myiothlypis luteoviridis* Four were seen on the Coroico Road [*euophrys*]. See note

Pale-legged Warbler *Myiothlypis signata* Excellent looks at Siberia [*flavovirens*].

Two-banded Warbler *Myiothlypis bivittata* It was common at Los Volcanes and seen at Coroico too [*nominate*].

Golden-crowned Warbler *Basileuterus culicivorus* A pair was seen at La Habana near Trinidad [*viridescens*].

Yungas Warbler ♦ *Basileuterus punctipectus* A pair was seen on the lower Chapare Road [*nominate*].

Brown-capped Whitestart ♦ *Myioborus bruniceps* First seen at Quirusillas and more elsewhere.

Spectacled Whitestart *Myioborus melanocephalus* It was seen at Siberia, Chapare and Coroico Roads [*bolivianus*].

White-browed Blackbird *Sturnella supercilialis* About twenty were seen near Trinidad.

Dusky-green Oropendola *Psarocolius atrovirens* Regularly seen at Los Volcanes and Coroico.

Crested Oropendola *Psarocolius decumanus* Common around Trinidad and Los Volcanes [*maculosus*].

Solitary Cacique *Cacicus solitarius* Two sightings near Trinidad.

Golden-winged Cacique *Cacicus chrysopterus* A single bird was seen at Quirusillas in Tucumna forest.

Yellow-rumped Cacique *Cacicus cela* Commonly encountered [*nominate*].

Southern Mountain Cacique *Cacicus chrysonotus* It was seen along the Chapare and Coroico Roads.

Orange-backed Troupial *Icterus croconotus* Regular sightings around Trinidad and Santa Cruz [*strictifrons*].

Variable Oriole *Icterus pyrrhopterus* Two sightings around Trinidad [*periporphyrus*]. See note

Giant Cowbird *Molothrus oryzivorus* Sveral sightings on the tour [*nominata*].

Shiny Cowbird *Molothrus bonariensis* It was most common around Trinidad [*nominata*].

Velvet-fronted Grackle ◇ *Lamprospar tanagrinus* Big flocks were seen around Trinidad [*boliviensis*]. See note

Scarlet-headed Blackbird *Amblyramphus holosericeus* two sightings of about nine birds near Trinidad.

Chopi Blackbird *Gnorimopsar chopi* Common around Riberalta and Trinidad [*megistus*].

Bolivian Blackbird ◇ *Oreospar bolivianus* Many great looks around Perereta and Cerro Tunari.

Greyish Baywing (Bay-winged Cowbird) *Agelaioides badius* Common around Trinidad & Cochabamba [*bolivianus*].

Yellow-winged Blackbird *Agelastictus thilius* A few seen at Laguna Alalay and Lake Uru Uru [*alticola*]. See note

Unicolored Blackbird *Agelastictus cyanops* A few seen in wetland habitat near Trinidad [*nominata*]. See note

Bananaquit *Coereba flaveola* Just two seen on the lower Coroico Road [*dispar*]. See note

Rufous-collared Sparrow *Zonotrichia capensis* It was very common at high elevation.

Grassland Sparrow *Ammodramus humeralis* A few seen aroud Riberalta, Trinidad and Los Volcanes.

Yellow-browed Sparrow *Ammodramus aurifrons* Singletons seen at Riberalta and Trinidad [*nominata*].

Saffron-billed Sparrow *Arremon flavirostris* It was seen at Los Volcanes and towards Perereta [*dorbignii*]. See note

White-browed Brushfinch ◇ *Arremon torquatus* Just two were seen at Siberia [*fimbriatus*].

Bolivian Brushfinch ◇ *Atlapetes rufinucha* It was seen well at Siberia [*carrikeri*] and the Coroico Road [*nominata*].



Bolivian Brushfinch (János Oláh).

Fulvous-headed Brushfinch ◇ *Atlapetes fulviceps* A single bird seen near Cochabamba.

Common Bush Tanager *Chlorospingus flavopectus* Seen Quirusillas, Siberia, Chapare Road [*bolivianus*]. See note

Red-crested Cardinal *Paroaria coronata* Regular sightings around Riberalta and Trinidad.

Red-capped Cardinal *Paroaria gularis* Regular sightings around Riberalta and Trinidad [*cervicalis*]. See note

Black-faced Tanager *Schistochlamys melanopis* Two sightings near Riberalta on the extension [*olivina*].

Magpie Tanager *Cissopis leverianus* Two were seen on the Chapare Road [*nominata*].

Hooded Tanager *Nemosia pileata* Seen twice near Riberalta on the extension [*caerulea*].

Orange-browed Hemispingus ◇ *Hemispingus calophrys* A total of 12 seen on the Chapare and Coroico Roads.

Superciliaried Hemispingus *Hemispingus superciliaris* Just two seen on the Chapare Road [*urubambae*]. See note

Drab Hemispingus *Hemispingus xanthophthalmus* A single one was seen on the Coroico Road.

Three-striped Hemispingus ♦ *Hemispingus trifasciata* Two were seen on the Coroico Road. See note
Orange-headed Tanager *Thlypopsis sordida* Two were seen at Los Volcanes [*nominata*]. See note
Rust-and-yellow Tanager *Thlypopsis ruficeps* It was seen at Siberia and on the Chapare and Coroico Roads.
White-rumped Tanager ♦ *Cypsnagra hirundinacea* Two were seen at Cerrado San Lorenzo [*pallidigula*].
Black-goggled Tanager *Trichothraupis melanops* Regular sightings at Los Volcanes.
Grey-headed Tanager *Eucometis penicillata* One seen near Riberalta and one near Trinidad [*albicollis*]. See note
Yellow-crested Tanager *Tachyphonus rufiventer* (NL) A male was seen at Los Volcanes by some.
Silver-beaked Tanager *Ramphocelus carbo* Commonly seen around Riberalta and Trinidad [*atrosericeus*].
Blue-grey Tanager *Thraupis episcopus* Just a few seen near Riberalta and Trinidad [*mediana*]. See note
Sayaca Tanager *Thraupis sayaca* Common [*boliviana*, *obscura*].
Palm Tanager *Thraupis palmarum* Common [*melanoptera*]. See note
Blue-capped Tanager *Thraupis cyanocephala* It was seen at Siberia, Chapare and Coroico [*nominata*]. See note
Blue-and-yellow Tanager *Thraupis bonariensis* Common around Perereta [*composita*].



Blue-and-yellow Tanager at Perereta (János Oláh).

Hooded Mountain Tanager *Buthraupis montana* It was seen on the Chapare and Coroico Roads [*nominata*].
Scarlet-bellied Tanager *Anisognathus igniventris* It was seen at Chapare and Coroico [*igniventris*]. See note
Blue-winged Mountain Tanager *Anisognathus somptuosus* Seen at Siberia, Chapare Road [*flavinucha*]. See note
Grass-green Tanager *Chlorornis riefferii* It was seen on the Chapare and Coroico Roads [*bolivianus*].
Rufous-bellied Mountain Tanager ♦ *Pseudosaltator rufiventris* We had many excellent looks near Cochabamba.
Chestnut-bellied Mountain Tanager ♦ *Delothraupis castaneovenstris* It was seen at Siberia, Chapare and Coroico.
Golden-collared Tanager *Iridosornis jelskii* (NL) One was seen on the Coroico Road by some [*bolivianus*].
Fawn-breasted Tanager *Pipraeidea melanonota* A single one was seen on the Chapare Road [*venezuelensis*].
Saffron-crowned Tanager *Tangara xanthocephalus* It was seen on the Chapare and Coroico Roads [*lamprotis*].
Spotted Tanager *Tangara punctata* It was seen on the Chapare and Coroico Roads [*punctulata*].
Golden-naped Tanager *Tangara ruficervix* A single one was seen on the Chapare Road [*nominata*].
Blue-and-black Tanager *Tangara vassorii* It was seen on the Chapare and Coroico Roads [*atrocoerulea*]. See note
Straw-backed Tanager *Tangara argyrofenges* We had 2 at Quirusillas and 4 at the lower Chapare road [*nominata*].
Swallow Tanager *Tersina viridis* Several were seen on the lower Coroico Road [*occidentalis*].

Black-faced Dacnis *Dacnis lineata* (NL) One was seen at Los Volcanes.

Blue Dacnis *Dacnis cayana* A few were seen around Trinidad and Los Volcanes [*glaucoocularis*].

Purple Honeycreeper *Cyanerpes caeruleus* Three were seen on the lower Coroico Road [*microrhynchus*].

Guira Tanager *Hemithraupis guira* It was seen at Santa Cruz, Trinidad and Los Volcanes [*boliviana*].

Chestnut-vented Conebill *Conirostrum speciosum* Pairs were seen near Riberalta and Trinidad [*speciosum*].

Cinereous Conebill *Conirostrum cinereum* Five were seen at Cerro Tunari [*nominate*]. See note

White-browed Conebill ♦ *Conirostrum ferrugineiventris* A single one was seen by some on the Chapare Road.

Blue-backed Conebill *Conirostrum sitticolor* Two were seen at Siberia [*cyaneum*]. See note

Capped Conebill *Conirostrum albifrons* Just two were seen on the lower Coroico Road [*sordidum*]. See note

Giant Conebill ♦ *Oreomanes fraseri* Excellent looks of one at Cerro Tunari in *Polylepis*.

Black-throated Flowerpiercer *Diglossa brunneiventris* Just a few seen at Sorata and Lake Titcaca [*nominate*].

Grey-bellied Flowerpiercer ♦ *Diglossa carbonaria* Endemic to Bolivia! Several great views on the tour.

Masked Flowerpiercer *Diglossa cyanea* It was seen on the Chapare and Coroico Roads [*melanopsis*].

Black-masked Finch ♦ *Coryphaspiza melanotis* One was seen at cerrado Triangulo on the extension [*nominate*].

Red Pileated Finch *Coryphospingus cucullatus* Recorded near Riberalta, Trinidad and above Samaipata [*fargo*].

Black-hooded Sierra Finch *Phrygilus atriceps* Several sightings around Cochabamba and Oruro.



Rufous-sided Warbling Finch near Cochabamba (János Oláh).

Peruvian Sierra Finch *Phrygilus punensis* Only seen on the upper Coroico Road [*punensis*].

Plumbeous Sierra Finch *Phrygilus unicolor* Seen en route to Quime and the upper Coroico Road [*inca*]. See note

Ash-breasted Sierra Finch *Phrygilus plebejus* Many were seen around Oruro [*nominate*].

Band-tailed Sierra Finch *Phrygilus alaudinus* It was seen around Oruro and towards Quime [*exclusus*].

Grey-crested Finch ♦ *Lophospingus griseocristatus* Common around Perereta.

Long-tailed Reed Finch ♦ *Donacospiza albifrons* Just three were seen near El Cutal.

White-winged Diuca Finch ♦ *Diuca speculifera* A few seen in the paramo towards Quime [*nominate*].

Bolivian Warbling Finch ♦ *Poospiza boliviana* Finally great looks around Cochabamba.

Rufous-sided Warbling Finch *Poospiza hypochondria* More numerous Cochabamba than Bolivian [*nominate*].

Black-and-chestnut Warbling Finch *Poospiza whitii* We saw it above Samaipata, Comarapa and Inquisivi.

Ringed Warbling Finch *Poospiza torquata* Several were seen on the tour [*nominate*].

Black-capped Warbling Finch *Poospiza melanoleuca* It was seen above Samaipata and around Perereta.

Cochabamba Mountain Finch ♦ *Compsospiza garleppi* Endemic to Bolivia! Superb looks near Cochabamba!

Puna Yellow Finch *Sicalis lutea* A few seen near Oruro and in the paramo towards Quime.

Bright-rumped Yellow Finch *Sicalis uropygialis* It was seen at Cerro Tunari and Oruro [*nominata*].

Greenish Yellow Finch *Sicalis olivascens* Several flocky seen at Cerro Tunari near Cochabamba [*olivascens*].

Saffron Finch *Sicalis flaveola* Regular sightings on the tour [*pelzelni*]. See note

Wedge-tailed Grass Finch *Emberizoides herbicola* Seen in on the extension, also Trinidad [*nominata*]. See note

Pampa Finch *Embernagra platensis* It was seen around Trinidad and also at Siberia [*nominata*]. See note

Buff-throated Saltator *Saltator maximus* It was seen near Riberalta, Trinidad and Coroico [*nominata*].

Greyish Saltator *Saltator coerulescens* Regular encounters around Trinidad [*nominata*]. See note

Golden-billed Saltator *Saltator aurantirostris* Seen around Samaipata and regular on the highlands [*hellmayri*].

Black-throated Saltator *Saltator atricollis* One was seen at Cerrado Triangulo on the extension.

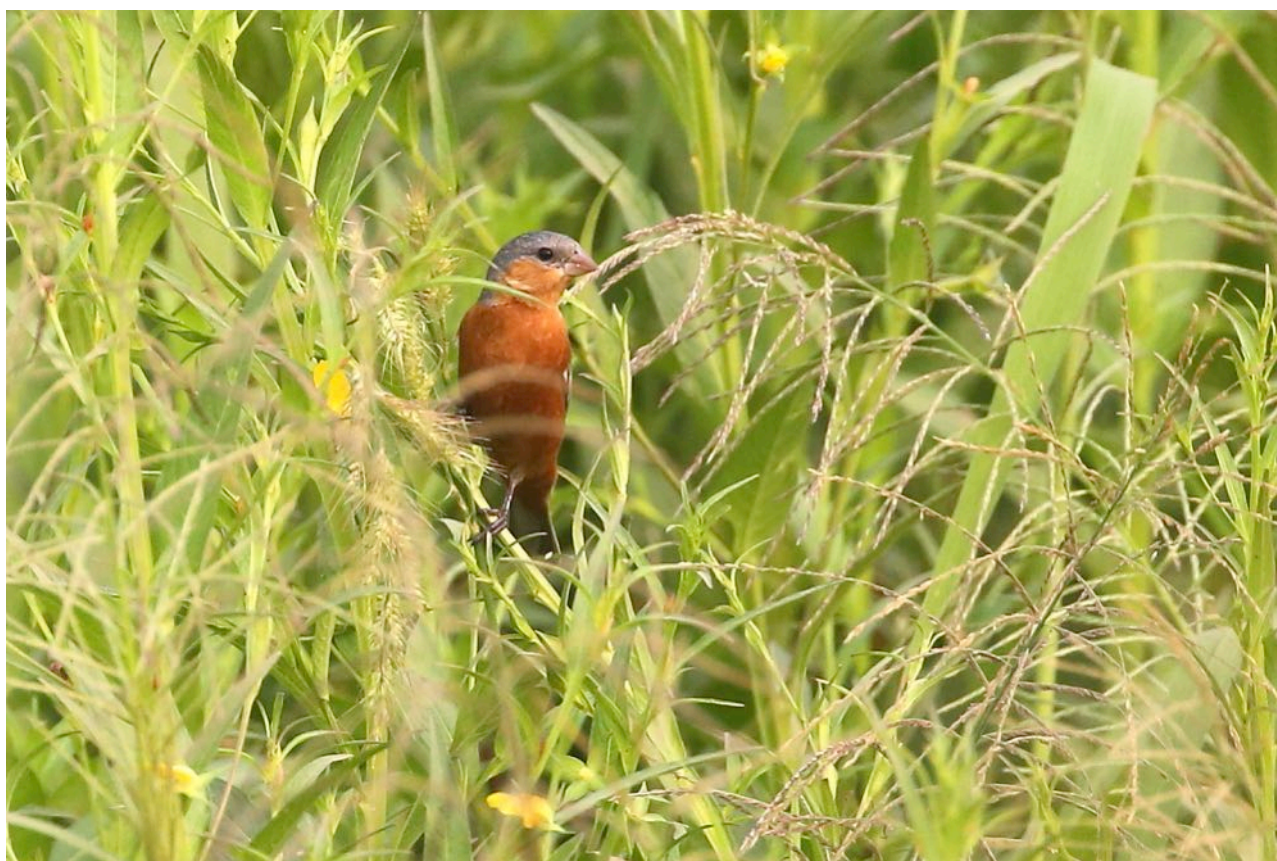
Blue-black Grassquit *Volatinia jacarina* Regular sightings near Riberalta and Trinidad.

Rusty-collared Seedeater *Sporophila collaris* A female near Riberalta and several around Trinidad [*ochrascens*].

Double-collared Seedeater *Sporophila caerulescens* Seen near Riberalta, more common around Trinidad [*yungae*].

White-bellied Seedeater *Sporophila leucoptera* A pair was seen near Trinidad and at Santa Cruz [*bicolor*]. See note

Tawny-bellied Seedeater *Sporophila hypoxantha* A flock of 15 were seen near Trinidad.



Tawny-bellied Seedeater near Trinidad (János Oláh).

Rufous-rumped Seedeater *Sporophila hypochroma* About 8 were counted mixed in with the previous species.

Dark-throated Seedeater *Sporophila ruficollis* A pair was seen at Cerrado Triangulo on the extension.

Band-tailed Seedeater *Catamenia analis* It was seen around Cochabamba and Sorata [*nominata*].

Dull-colored Grassquit *Tiaris obscura* A flock was seen above Samaipata [*nominata*].

Tooth-billed Tanager *Piranga lutea* Three were seen on our drive to Comarapa [*nominata*].

Black-backed Grosebeak *Pheucticus aureoventris* Several sightings on the tour [*nominata*].

Ultramarine Grosebeak *Cyanocompsa brissonii* It was seen above Samaipata and at Perereta [*argentina*].



Southern Tamandua near Trinidad was a nice surprise (János Oláh).

MAMMALS

- Azara's Night Monkey** ♦ *Aotus azarae* Five were seen at La Habana. Pre-tour also in Santa Cruz.
- White-eared Titi (W-e T-Monkey)** ♦ *Callicebus donacophilus* A few sightings. Pre-tour also in Santa Cruz.
- Black-capped Squirrel Monkey** *Saimiri boliviensis* Large flocks were seen at various locations.
- Paraguayan Howler** *Alouatta caraya* Just eight were seen near Trinidad. Pre-tour also in Santa Cruz.
- Brown-throated Three-toed Sloth** *Bradypus variegatus* Several excellent looks throughout the tour.
- Bolivian Squirrel** *Sciurus ignitus* A few seen at Los Volcanes.
- Southern Amazon Red Squirrel** *Sciurus spadiceus* It was seen near Santa Cruz airport.
- Capybara** *Hydrochaeris hydrochaeris* Several seen in the wetlands of Beni.
- Common Yellow-toothed Cavy** *Galea musteloides* Several sightings near Cochabamba and on the Altiplano.
- Southern Viscacha** *Lagidium viscacia* Just a few spotted on rocks around Cochabamba.
- Culpeo Fox** ♦ *Pseudalopex culpaeus* One was seen at night on our way to Perereta.
- South American Coati** *Nasua nasua* One was seen on our rainy morning at El Cutal.
- Southern Tamandua** ♦ *Tamandua tetradactyla* Fantastic looks at the Blue-throated Macaw hacienda.



Brown-throated Three-toed Sloth (top) near Trinidad and White-eared Titi (János Oláh).

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 List (v7.3). Available at <http://www.worldbirdnames.org/ioc-lists/master-list/>

Versicolored Barbet *Eubucco versicolor*

HBW now splits the Versicolored Barbet to Blue-cowled Barbet *E. steerii*, Blue-chinned Barbet *E. glaucogularis* and Blue-moustached Barbet *E. versicolor* (the nominate form). The one we saw along the Chapare Road is the latter, the **Blue-moustached Barbet**.

White-bellied Parrot *Pionites leucogaster*

HBW now splits the White-bellied Parrot to Black-legged Parrot *P. xanthomerus*, Yellow-tailed Parrot *P. xanthurus* and Green-thighed Parrot *P. leucogaster* (the nominate form). The one we saw at Cerrado San Lorenzo on the extension is the **Black-legged Parrot**.

Plain Softtail *Tripophaga fusciceps*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Peruvian Plain Softtail *T. dimorpha*, Brazilian Plain Softtail *T. obidensis* and Bolivian Plain Softtail *T. fusciceps* (the currently nominate form). The one we saw around Trinidad in the Beni is the **Bolivian Plain Softtail**.

Pearled Treerunner *Margarornis squamiger*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Northern Pearled Treerunner *M. perlatus* (including the *peruvianus* race) and the Southern Pearled Treerunner *M. squamiger* (the currently nominate form). The one we saw on the tour is the **Southern Treerunner**.

Rufous-capped Antshrike *Thamnophilus ruficapillus*

HBW now splits the Rufous-capped Antshrike to Northern Rufous-capped Antshrike *T. subfasciatus* and Southern Rufous-capped Antshrike *T. ruficapillus* (the nominate form). We only heard the Southern Rufous-capped Antshrike around Samaipata and Siberia while we had great looks of the **Northern Rufous-capped Antshrike** near La Paz along the Coroico Road.

Short-tailed Antthrush *Chamaeza campanisona*

HBW suggests it might be a future split into several species. It would be Roraiman Short-tailed Antthrush *C. fulvescens*, Venezuelan Short-tailed Antthrush *C. venezuelana*, Colombian Short-tailed Antthrush *C. columbiana*, Peruvian Short-tailed Antthrush *C. olivacea* and Brazilian Short-tailed Antthrush *C. campanisona* (the currently nominate form). We saw the *boliviana* race of the **Peruvian Short-tailed Antthrush** on the tour at Los Volcanes. Their vocalisation is clearly different, the Peruvian Short-tailed Antthrush has a much faster song than the birds further north.

White-crested Elaenia *Elaenia albiceps*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Peruvian Elaenia *E. modesta*, Chilean Elaenia *E. chilensis* and White-crested Elaenia *E. albiceps* (the currently nominate form). The one we saw on the tour is the **White-crested Elaenia**.

Southern Beardless Tyrannulet *Camptostoma obsoletum*

HBW suggests it might be a future split into several species. It would be Central American Beardless Tyrannulet *C. flaviventris*, Colombian Beardless Tyrannulet *C. pusillum*, Western Beardless Tyrannulet *C. sclateri*, Olive Beardless Tyrannulet *C. olivaceum* and Southern Beardless Tyrannulet *C. obsoletum* (the currently nominate form). We saw the *bolivianum* race of the **Southern Beardless Tyrannulet** on the tour.

Slaty-capped Flycatcher *Leptopogon superciliaris*

HBW now splits the Slaty-capped Flycatcher to White-bellied Flycatcher *L. albidiventer* and Slaty-capped Flycatcher *L. superciliaris* (the nominate form). The one we saw on the tour at all locations is the **White-bellied Flycatcher**.

Bran-colored Flycatcher *Myiophobus fasciatus*

HBW now splits the Bran-colored Flycatcher to Mouse-grey Flycatcher *M. crypterythrus*, Rufescent Flycatcher *M. rufescens* and Bran-colored Flycatcher *M. fasciatus* (the nominate form). The one we saw on the tour is the *auriceps* race of the latter, the **Bran-colored Flycatcher**.

Rufous-naped Ground Tyrant *Muscisaxicola rufivertex*

HBW now splits the Chestnut-naped Ground Tyrant *M. occipitalis* from Rufous-naped Ground Tyrant *M. rufivertex* (the nominate form). We saw the *pallidiceps* race of the austral migrant **Rufous-naped Ground Tyrant** at Lake Uru Uru. Later we saw the resident **Chestnut-naped Ground Tyrant** *M. occipitalis* near the high pass towards Quime.

Golden-crowned Flycatcher *Myiodynastes chrysocephalus*

HBW now transferred *minor* and *cinerascens* races of Golden-crowned Flycatcher into Golden-bellied Flycatcher *M. hemichrysus* of Central America (sister species) so all birds north of Peru (in Colombia and Ecuador) belongs to this species. The nominate *chrysocephalus* became monotypic as **Golden-crowned Flycatcher**. This was seen on the Bolivia tour.

Streaked Flycatcher *Myiodynastes maculatus*

HBW now splits the Streaked Flycatcher to Northern Streaked Flycatcher *M. maculatus* (the nominate form) and Southern Streaked Flycatcher *M. solitarius*. We saw the **Southern Streaked Flycatcher** on the tour.

Boat-billed Flycatcher *Megarynchus pitangua*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Northern Boat-billed Flycatcher *M. mexicanus*, Tumbes Boat-billed Flycatcher *M. chrysogaster* and Southern Boat-billed Flycatcher *M. pitangua* (the currently nominate form). The one seen on the tour would be the **Southern Boat-billed Flycatcher**.

Variegated Flycatcher *Empidonomus varius*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Northern Variegated Flycatcher *E. rufinus* and Southern Variegated Flycatcher *E. varius* (the currently nominate form). The one we saw on the tour is the **Southern Variegated Flycatcher**.

Fork-tailed Flycatcher *Tyrannus savanna*

We saw amazing numbers in burnt cerrado habitat near Riberalta. Especially at Cerrado San Lorenzo where we estimated 200-400 birds present. They were flying around in flocks in the sky. It was an amazing experience. Later only a few were seen on the main tour around Trinidad.

Barred Fruiteater *Pipreola arcuata*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Barred Fruiteater *P. arcuata* and Yellow-eyed Fruiteater *P. viridicauda* (the currently nominate form). The one we saw on the tour is the **Yellow-eyed Fruiteater**.

Rufous-browed Peppershrike *Cychlaris gujanensis*

HBW suggests it might be a future split into several species. It would be Western Peppershrike *C. virenticeps*, Chaco Peppershrike *C. viridis*, Ochre-crowned Peppershrike *C. ochrocephala* and Rufous-browed Peppershrike *C. gujanensis* (the currently nominate form). We saw the *pax* race of the **Rufous-browed Peppershrike** on the tour.

Red-eyed Vireo *Vireo olivaceus*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Chivi Vireo *V. chivi* and Red-eyed Vireo *V. olivaceus* (the currently nominate form). All South American races would be moved to Chivi Vireo. The one we saw on the tour is the **Chivi Vireo**.

Blue-and-white Swallow *Notiochelidon cyanoleuca*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. The *patagonica* race would be split off as Patagonian Swallow while all other races remain in the Blue-and-white Swallow complex. The one we saw on the tour is **Blue-and-white Swallow**.

Barn Swallow *Hirundo rustica*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. The *erythrogaster* race would be split off as American Barn Swallow while all other races would be in the Eurasian Barn Swallow complex. The one we saw on the tour is **American Barn Swallow**.

Thrush-like Wren *Campylorhynchus turdinus*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Plain-breasted Wren *C. unicolor* and Thrush-like Wren *C. turdinus* (the currently nominate form). The one we saw on the tour is the **Plain-breasted Wren**.

House Wren *Troglodytes aedon*

HBW suggests it might be a future split into several species. It would be Northern House Wren *T. aedon* (the currently nominate form), Brown-throated Wren *T. brunneicollis*, Antillean House Wren *T. martinicensis* and Southern House Wren *T. musculus*. We saw the *tecillatus* and *rex* races of the **Southern House Wren** on the tour.

Masked Gnatcatcher *Poliophtila dumicola*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Berlepsch's Gnatcatcher *P. berlepschi* and Masked Gnatcatcher *P. dumicola* (the currently nominate form). We saw the *saturata* race of the **Masked Gnatcatcher**.

White-necked Thrush *Turdus albicollis*

HBW suggests it might be a future split into three species. It would be Dagua Thrush *T. daguae*, Grey-flanked Thrush *T. phaeopygus* and Rufous-flanked Thrush *T. albicollis* (the currently nominate form). We saw the *spodiolaemus* races of the **Grey-flanked Thrush** on the tour.

White-capped Dipper *Cinclus leucocephalus*

HBW suggests it might be a future split into several species. It would be Santa Marta Dipper *C. rivularis*, White-backed Dipper *C. leuconotus* and White-capped Dipper *C. leucocephalus* (the currently nominate form). We saw the **White-capped Dipper** on the tour.

Hooded Siskin *Spinus magellanicus*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Lowland Hooded Siskin *S. magellanicus* (the currently nominate form) and Andean Hooded Siskin *S. capitalis*. We saw the *sanctaecrucis* race of the **Andean Hooded Siskin**.

Citrine Warbler *Myiothlypis luteoviridis*

HBW now splits the Citrine Warbler to Northern Citrine Warbler *M. luteoviridis* (the nominate form), Peruvian Citrine Warbler *M. striaticeps* and Bolivian Citrine Warbler *M. euophrys*. The one we saw on the tour is the **Bolivian Citrine Warbler**.

Variable Oriole *Icterus pyrrhopterus*

It is often treated as conspecific with Moriche *I. chryscephalus* and Epaluet Orioles *I. cayanensis*. HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Yellow-shouldered Oriole *I. tibialis* and Chestnut-shouldered Oriole *I. pyrrhopterus* (the currently nominate form). The one we saw on the tour is the **Chestnut-shouldered Oriole**.

Velvet-fronted Grackle *Lamprospira tanagra*

HBW suggests it might be a future split into three species. It would be Violaceous Grackle *L. violaceus*, Bolivian Grackle *L. boliviensis* and Velvet-fronted Grackle *L. tanagra* (the currently nominate form). We saw the **Bolivian Grackle** on the tour which is the most distinctive form.

Yellow-winged Blackbird *Agelaius thilius*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Titicaca Blackbird *A. alticola* and Yellow-winged Blackbird *A. thilius* (the currently nominate form). The one we saw on the tour is the **Titicaca Blackbird**.

Unicolored Blackbird *Agelaius cyanops*

HBW suggests it might be a future split into three species. It would be Para Blackbird *A. xenicus*, Rio de Janeiro Blackbird *A. atroolivaceus* and Unicolored Blackbird *A. cyanops* (the currently nominate form). We saw the *beniensis* race of the **Unicolored Blackbird** on the tour.

Bananaquit *Coereba flaveola*

HBW suggests it might be a future split into three species (to start with). It would be Bahama Bananaquit *C. bahamensis*, Greater Antillean Bananaquit *C. flaveola* (the currently nominate form) and Common Bananaquit *C. bartholemica*. We saw the *dispar* race of the **Common Bananaquit** on the tour.

Saffron-billed Sparrow *Arremon flavirostris*

HBW suggests it might be a future split into three species. It would be Stripe-crowned Sparrow *A. dorbignii*, Grey-backed Sparrow *A. polionotus* and Saffron-billed Sparrow *A. flavirostris* (the currently nominate form). We saw the **Stripe-crowned Sparrow** on the tour.

Common Bush Tanager *Chlorospingus flavopectus*

HBW suggests it might be a future split into several species. It would be Brown-headed Bush Tanager *C. ophthalmicus*, Tuxtla Bush Tanager *C. wetmorei*, White-fronted Bush Tanager *C. albifrons*, Dwight's Bush Tanager *C. dwighti*, Dusky-headed Bush Tanager *C. postocularis*, Dotted Bush Tanager *C. punctulatus*, Yellow-breasted Bush Tanager *C. flavopectus* (the currently nominate form), Buff-breasted Bush Tanager *C. cinereocephalus* and Common Bush Tanager *C. venezuleanus*. We saw the *bolivianus* race of the **Common Bush Tanager** on the tour.

Red-capped Cardinal *Paroaria gularis*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Bolivian Cardinal *P. cervicalis* and Red-capped Cardinal *P. gularis* (the currently nominate form). The one we saw on the tour is the **Bolivian Cardinal**.

Superciliaried Hemispingus *Hemispingus superciliaris*

HBW suggests it might be a future split into three species. It would be Yellow-browed Hemispingus *H. chrysophris*, White-bellied Hemispingus *H. leucogastrus* and White-browed Hemispingus *H. superciliaris* (the currently nominate form). We saw the *urubambae* race of the **White-browed Hemispingus** on the tour.

Three-striped Hemispingus *Hemispingus trifasciata*

HBW suggest to move this species to a different genus called Microspingus. Resurrected to represent a clade recovered by recent molecular work that comprises *Hemispingus trifasciata* and a number of species previously included in *Poospiza* genus.

Orange-headed Tanager *Thlypopsis sordida*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Western Orange-headed Tanager *T. chrysopsis* and Eastern Orange-headed Tanager *T. sordida* (the currently nominate form). The one we saw on the tour is the **Eastern Orange-headed Tanager**.

Blue-grey Tanager *Thraupis episcopus*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Blue-grey Tanager *T. cana* and White-edged Tanager *T. episcopus* (the currently nominate form). The one we saw on the tour is the **White-edged Tanager**.

Palm Tanager *Thraupis palmarum*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Violaceous Palm Tanager *T. violilavata* and Olive Palm Tanager *T. palmarum* (the currently nominate form). We saw the *melanopectera* race of the **Olive Palm Tanager**.

Grey-headed Tanager *Eucometis penicillata*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Northern Grey-headed Tanager *E. spodocephalus* and Southern Grey-headed Tanager *E. penicillata* (the currently nominate form). We saw the *albicollis* race of the **Southern Grey-headed Tanager** on the tour.

Blue-capped Tanager *Thraupis cyanocephala*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Blue-bellied Tanager *T. olivicyanea* and Blue-capped Tanager *T. cyanocephala* (the currently nominate form). The one we saw on the tour is the **Blue-capped Tanager**.

Scarlet-bellied Tanager *Anisognathus igniventris*

HBW now splits the Scarlet-bellied Tanager to Fire-bellied Mountain Tanager *A. igniventris* (the nominate form) and Scarlet-bellied Mountain Tanager *A. lunulatus*. The one we saw on the tour is the **Fire-bellied Mountain Tanager**.

Blue-winged Mountain Tanager *Anisognathus somptuosus*

HBW now splits the Blue-winged Mountain Tanager to Bolivian Mountain Tanager *A. flavinucha* and Blue-winged Mountain Tanager *A. somptuosus* (the nominate form). The one we saw on the tour is the **Bolivian Mountain Tanager**.

Blue-and-balck Tanager *Tangara vassorii*

First of all HBW now splits the Blue-and-balck Tanager to Spot-bellied Tanager *T. atrocoerulea* and Blue-and-balck Tanager *T. vassorii* (the nominate form). Moreover suggests that Blue-and-balck Tanager might be a future split again. It would be Silver-crowned Tanager *T. branickii* and Blue-and-balck Tanager *T. vassorii* (the currently nominate form). We saw the **Spot-bellied Tanager** on the tour.

Cinereous Conebill *Conirostrum cinereum*

First of all HBW now splits the Cinereous Conebill to Ochraceous Conebill *C. fraseri* and Cinereous Conebill *C. cinereum* (the nominate form). Moreover suggests that Cinereous Conebill might be a future split again. It would be Buff-bellied Conebill *C. littorale* and Cinereous Conebill *C. cinereum* (the currently nominate form). We saw the **Cinereous Conebill** on the tour.

Blue-backed Conebill *Conirostrum sitticolor*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Bolivian Conebill *C. cyaneum* and Blue-backed Conebill *C. sitticolor* (the currently nominate form). We saw the **Bolivian Conebill** on the tour.

Capped Conebill *Conirostrum albifrons*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Blue-capped Conebill *C. atrocyaneum* and White-capped Conebill *C. albifrons* (the currently nominate form). We saw the **Blue-capped Conebill** on the tour.

Plumbeous Sierra Finch *Phrygilus unicolor*

HBW suggests it might be a future split into three species. It would be Northern Plumbeous Sierra Finch *P. geospizopsis*, Peruvian Plumbeous Sierra Finch *P. inca* and Southern Plumbeous Sierra Finch *P. unicolor* (the currently nominate form). We saw the **Peruvian Plumbeous Sierra Finch** on the tour.

Saffron Finch *Sicalis flaveola*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Pelzelin's Finch *S. pelzelni* and Saffron Finch *S. flaveola* (the currently nominate form). We saw the **Pelzelin's Finch** on the tour.

Wedge-tailed Grass Finch *Emberizoides herbicola*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Northern Wedge-tailed Grass Finch *E. sphenurus* and Southern Wedge-tailed Grass Finch *E. herbicola* (the currently nominate form). We saw the **Southern Wedge-tailed Grass Finch** on the tour.

Pampa Finch *Embernagra platensis*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Western Pampa Finch *E. olivascens* and Eastern Pampa Finch *E. platensis* (the currently nominate form). We saw both on the tour. The **Western Pampa Finch** at Siberia (in the mountains) and the **Eastern Pampa Finch** on the lowlands of Beni.

Greyish Saltator *Saltator coerulescens*

HBW now splits the Greyish Saltator to Northern Grey Saltator *S. grandis*, Caribbean Grey Saltator *S. olivascens* and Amazonian Grey Saltator *S. coerulescens* (the nominate form). We saw the **Amazonian Grey Saltator** on the tour.

White-bellied Seedeater *Sporophila leucoptera*

HBW suggests it might be a future split. It would be Bicolored Seedeater *S. bicolor* and Grey-backed Seedeater *S. leucoptera* (the currently nominate form). We saw the **Bicolored Seedeater** on the tour.

APPENDIX 1: Overall results of the 'Bird of the tour' contest

Species	Points	Nominations
1st Red-fronted Macaw	38	6
2nd Ocellated Crake	28	4
3rd Blue-throated Macaw	24	3
3rd Horned Coot	20	4
5th Black-and-chestnut Eagle	20	2

APPENDIX 2 - Other fauna & flora recorded

AMPHIBIANS & REPTILES (courtesy of Dave Williamson)

Tree Frog sp. El Cutal

Cane (or Marine) Toad *Rhinella marina* El Cutal

Spectacled Caiman *Caiman crocodilus* Santa Cruz Botanical Gardens and Trinidad area

Argentine Black-and-white Tegu *Salvator merianae* El Cutal

Lizard sp. Los Volcanes

Gecko sp. El Cutal

Red-footed Tortoise *Chelonoidis carbonarius* Santa Cruz Botanical Gardens

Yellow Anaconda *Eunectes notaeus* El Cutal and Trinidad

BUTTERFLIES (courtesy of Dave Williamson)

Papilionidae (Swallowtails)

King Page Swallowtail *Heracles thoas*

Gold Rim Swallowtail *Battus polydamus*

Cattleheart sp. Parides sp.

Pieridae (Whites & Yellows)

Lesbia Clouded Yellow *Colias lesbia*

Puna Clouded Yellow *Colias euxanthe*

"Green-veined White" species *Hypsochila wagenknehti* ?

Riodinidae (Metalmarks etc)

Ochreous Emesis *Emesis lupine*

White-spotted Pixie *Melanis aegtes*

Nymphalidae (Brush-foots)

Biblidinae

Amphiro Redring *Pyrrhogyra amphiro*

Red Cracker *Hamadryas amphinome*

Grey Cracker *Hamadryas februa*

Starry Night Cracker *Hamadryas laodamia*

Zigzag Callicore *Callicore sorana*
Vaninka *Mesotaenia vaninka*

Nymphalinae

Orange Admiral *Hypanartia lethe*
Bella Mapwing *Hypanartia bella*
American Painted Lady *Vanessa virginiensis*
Andean Buckeye *Junonia vestina*
Tropical Buckeye *Junonia evarete*

Heliconiini

Red Postman (or Common Longwing) *Heliconius erato*
Glycera Longwing *Dione glycera*
Julia *Dryas iulia*

Ithomiini

Giant Glasswing *Methona confusa*

Satyrinae

Manu Oressinoma *Oressinoma sorata*
Galaxy Satyr *Pedaliodes phrasicla*

Morphinae

Achilles Blue Morpho *Morpho achilles*

Hesperiidae (Skippers)

Teleus Longtail *Urbanus teleus*
White-tailed Longtail *Urbanus doryssus*
Great White Longtail *Urbanus chalco*



Vaninka (Dave Williamson).



King Page Swallowtail (top) and White-tailed Longtail (Dave Williamson).