



## NORTHERN PERU TOUR REPORT 2023

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Once again, we had a very successful Northern Peru trip, where we managed to record at least 718 species, along with 7 potential future splits. Some of the subspecies that we looked for on last year's tour are now full species, like the Marañon and Tumbesian Tyrannulets, or the Mouse-grey Flycatcher. And I have to admit that there were two more recent splits that I wasn't aware of at the time, the Streaked Dacnis (a recent split from Tik-like Dacnis) and the new Peruvian endemic the Streak-crowned Mountain Tanager (split from Buff-breasted Mountain Tanager). Northern Peru is a challenging tour at times, but it's really enjoyable and entertaining, as you continuously and dramatically change habitats, going from desert-like coastal dunes to Amazonian foothills, passing through higher mountains, intermontane valleys, and outlying ridges that host all kind of specialties. The quality of birds that you see on this tour is hard to beat, and you have the chance to see some of the most iconic birds of South America, such as the Marvelous Spatuletail, the formerly mythical Long-whiskered Owllet, and the colourful Scarlet-banded Barbet that is the species on the cover of the Birds of Peru, just to mention some exquisite birds that we saw in this tour.

The tour is full of endemics and major specialties, and we managed to find practically all of our main targets, including 49 Peruvian endemic species. Of course, we missed certain birds and not everyone managed to see some of the trickiest ones, but those were generally species that are possible to be seen on other tours. Just to mention some of the highlights besides the previous ones, I will say that managing to show the Cordillera Azul Antbird to the whole group was a major achievement, also our success with the Antpittas where we got to see 8 different species that included the very restricted endemic Pale-billed, Rusty-tinged, Cajamarca, Chestnut, Chachapoyas and Ochre-fronted Antpittas, as well as the tricky Undulated and Rusty-breasted Antpittas, that are not endemics but they are hard to see. Three more species were heard only. Some interesting Tapaculos were seen nicely like the Neblina, Large-footed, Unicolored, Utcubamba and Rufous-vented Tapaculos, along with others that we just heard. Another rare sighting of the tour was White-chinned Swift, which is not a regular species in Peru, and we saw at least 3 individuals with photos on the road to Plataforma. A Grey-headed Antbird female seen at Abra Porculla was another major surprise and totally unexpected on this itinerary. The rare and secretive Peruvian Treehunter gave us nice and prolonged views at Leymebamba. And we managed to again see on this tour the restricted and localized Ash-throated Antwren. Other goodies seen during the tour included the secretive Little and Tataupa Tinamous, the endemic White-winged Guan, the uncommon Rufous-breasted Wood Quail, great views of the crepuscular Rufous-bellied Nighthawk, many sightings of Anthony's Nightjar, and the amazing experience of seeing the Oilbird cave with birds flying around making weird sounds. On this tour we managed to record 69 species of

Hummingbirds including some fancy ones like the Royal Sunangel, Rufous-crested Coquette, the restricted endemic Grey-bellied Comet, the rare Purple-backed Thornbill, the endemic Coppery and Black Metaltails, the undescribed subspecies from Alto Mayo of Greenish Puffleg, the exquisite Rainbow Starfrontlet, the colourful Gould's Jewelfront, the biggest of all the hummingbirds Giant Hummingbird, the fancy male of Peruvian Sheartail, the uncommon endemic Tumbes Hummingbird, or the rare Napo Sabrewing, just to mention a few of them.

Big numbers of Peruvian Terns (200+) were another highlight, as well seeing the uncommon (for Peru) South American Tern, the prehistoric-looking Hoatzin, the rare Black-and-white Hawk-Eagle and White-rumped Hawk were also nice surprises. On this tour we managed to record 17 species of Owls with good views of Yungas and Pacific Pygmy Owl, Striped, Band-bellied, and Rufous-banded Owls, as well the White-throated, Koepcke's, Cinnamon and Foothill Screech Owls, as well as both of the subspecies of West Peruvian Screech Owl that showed really well (Peruvian and Marañon Screech Owl). We had good views of Golden-headed and Crested Quetzal, and Ecuadorian Trogon. The uncommon Chestnut-tipped Toucanet and Curl-crested Aracari, and the colourful Grey-breasted Mountain Toucan were some of the 10 different species of Toucans that we saw on the trip. During the tour, we saw 17 different species of Woodpeckers that included the endemic Speckle-chested Piculet, Ecuadorian Piculet, the endemic Black-necked Woodpecker, as well the Guayaquil and Red-necked Woodpeckers. Yellow-faced Parrotlet was another important endemic. The rare Grey-throated Leaf-tosser, the secretive Henna-hooded and Rufous-necked Foliage-gleaners, the endemic Chestnut-backed Thornbird, the endemic subspecies of White-chinned Thistletail [peruviana], the rare and local Equatorial Greytail, the localized endemic Russet-mantled Softail, the secretive Marañon Spinetail, the restricted Chinchipe Spinetail, and the Near Threatened endemic Great Spinetail were some of the Furnariids seen. As a proof of how diverse this tour was, we managed to record this time 108 species of the Tyrannidae family which included good views of Wing-barred Piprites, rare and local White-fronted Tyrannulet, the Unstreaked Tit-Tyrant, Mishana Tyrannulet, the rare and localized Cinnamon-breasted Tody-Tyrant, the endemic Lulu's Tody Flycatcher, the rare Fulvous-breasted Flatbill, the local Yellow-throated Spadebill, the rare Blackish Pewee, the Tumbes Tyrant, Jelski's and Piura Chat-Tyrant, and the endemic Rufous Flycatcher. A good repertory of the Cotingidae family included the endemic Peruvian Plantcutter, Scarlet-breasted and the endemic Masked Fruiteater, the local Grey-tailed Piha, and the Andean Cock-of-the-rock. We also recorded very interesting species of Manakins like the very restricted endemic Painted Manakin, as well the rare Jet Manakin, also great views of Yungas, Blue-rumped and Golden-headed Manakins. The rare Foothill Schiffornis, the localized Tumbes Swallow, the endemic subspecies of Plain-tailed Wren [schulenbergi], the restricted Bar-winged Wood-Wren, good views of Speckled Nightingale-Thrush, both subspecies of Black-capped Sparrows, the near-endemic White-headed Brushfinch, the rare and local Pale-eyed Blackbird, excellent views of White-capped Tanager, good views of the endemic Grey-winged, Buff-bridled and Little Inca Finches, the uncommon Short-billed Honeycreeper, the restricted Black-cowled Saltator, the easy-to-see but endemic Huallaga Tanager, the uncommon Vermilion Tanager, the fancy endemic Yellow-Scarfed Tanager, the rare and local Dotted Tanager, or other special tanagers like the Straw-backed and Blue-browed Tanager were some other species of interest that were seen during the trip.

Some mammals of interest seen during the trip included the Sechuran Fox, Eastern Lowland Olingo, Tayra, Saddle-backed Tamarin, Andean Night Monkey, the Critically Endangered San Martin Titi Monkey and Peruvian Yellow-tailed Monkey, and the rare Amazon Dwarf Squirrel that was a write-in for the tour.

Our tour started at the airport of Chiclayo, where we met our amazing local crew. Carlos (our local expert guide), Mario (our driver) and Mari (our chef) were waiting for our early morning flight from Lima, and without complications as soon as we packed our stuff in our vehicle, we were ready to go to our first birding site.

From the parking lot of the airport, we got our first West Peruvian Dove and Long-tailed Mockingbird, also our first White-browed Gnatcatcher was seen in the few trees that were in the area. Once we left the Chiclayo city, we headed up to Bosque de Rafán, but we did some stops on the way to check some interesting birds from the edge of the highway like the Tawny-throated Dotterel that we got to see several individuals. While we were checking for the Dotterels, we noticed big flocks of birds moving true the fields, and we noticed that they were Sulphur-throated Finches, and at least more than a thousand individuals were moving on those fields. Our first Variable Hawk and Peruvian Thick-Knee were seen before getting to Rafán, as well.

Once at Bosque de Rafán, it didn't take long to find the Peruvian Plantcutter and we got nice views of a male and female together. Other specialties of the place were the Rufous Flycatcher and the Cinereous Finch, which both showed nicely. Other birds at Rafán included the Lesser Nighthawk, Amazilia Hummingbird, Croaking Ground Dove, White-tipped Dove, Pearl Kite, Burrowing Owl, Scarlet-backed Woodpecker, Pacific Parrotlet, Coastal Miner, Pacific Hornero, Southern Beardless Tyrannulet, Tumbesian Tyrannulet, Fasciated Wren, Superciliated Wren, White-browed Gnatcatcher, Streaked Saltator [immaculatus] and Drab Seedeater.

After our first field breakfast of the trip, we continued to check some birds on the coast at Playa Santa Rosa. A combination of ocean birds, shorebirds, water birds, and bird of desertic coastal plains was the menu of the place. Perhaps we witnessed the effects of El Niño, where we noticed some dead birds along the coast that included several Peruvian Boobies, a possible Sooty Shearwater, a recently dead South American Sea Lion, and at least two skeletons of Dolphins. Even so, the birding session was quite interesting where we managed to see big numbers of Peruvian Terns (at least 200 individuals resting on the beach), other notable water birds included Cinnamon Teal, White-cheeked Pintail, American Oystercatcher, Wilson's Phalarope, Baird's, Least and Pectoral Sandpipers, Black Skimmer, Grey-headed, Grey, Belcher's and Kelp Gull, Gull-billed, Elegant, South American, Common and Inca Terns, Peruvian Booby, Puna Ibis and Peruvian Pelican. Some of the non-water birds were the Harris's Hawk, American Kestrel, Many-colored Rush Tyrant and the Peruvian Pipit.

After lunch we continued to the famous Chaparrí Reserve, but before we checked the Tinajones Lake and surrounding

areas where we saw Common Gallinule, Black-crowned Night Heron, Cocoli Heron, Burrowing Owl, Golden-Olive Woodpecker, Vermillion Flycatcher and more than 100 individuals of Chestnut-collared Swallows. On the entrance road to Chaparrí we saw several Anthony's Nightjars this time.

After dinner we did a brief owling session around the rooms but the West Peruvian Screech Owl [robustus] just answered and refused to show. We saw some roosting birds like White-tailed Jay and Baird's Flycatcher, and Sechuran Foxes, at least.

After an early breakfast we left Chaparrí to spend our morning at Casupe Road. It was a foggy morning that made the birding a bit more challenging for some moments, but on the other hand kept the birding activity until later hours of the morning, so it wasn't bad after all. Some of the most remarkable birds were the White-winged Guan, which wasn't as easy to see this time at Chaparrí, the only sight of Tumbes Hummingbird of the tour, lots of Ochre-bellied Dove vocalizing (some were lucky enough to see brief looks), Zone-tailed Hawk which is a rare bird in Peru (new Peruvian bird for me actually), Ecuadorian Trogon and the rare and local Grey-breasted Flycatcher. Of course there were other species of interest that we saw like the Grey-chinned Hermit [porcullae], excellent views of Ecuadorian Piculet, Guayaquil Woodpecker, Red-masked Parakeet, Rufous-necked and Henna-hooded Foliage-gleaners showed well after all, Chapman's Antshrike, Pacific Elaenia, Baird's and Sooty-crowned Flycatchers, White-tailed Jay, Fasciated and Speckle-breasted Wrens [paucimaculatus], Plumbeous-backed Thrush, Black-capped Sparrow [nominate], White-winged Brushfinch, White-edged Oriole, Grey-and-gold and Three-banded Warbler, Tooth-billed Tanager and Golden Grosbeak. Despite that some species were more quiet and harder than usual we managed a good repertory of birds at Casupe Road.

After a short break after lunch, we birded the trails of Chaparrí. The fact of been a year influenced by El Niño phenomenon the forest was very green with lots of foliage on the trees and scrubs, and some birds were harder than usual and gave us some extra work. Last year on the 2022 northern Peru tour was the opposite situation, where at the moment that we visited Chaparrí the area had a drought of 2 years, and many of the birds concentrated in the areas around the lodge. This time the birds spread more on the reserve, but at the end we saw everything that we needed to see and some other unexpected species as well as Snow-throated Kingbird or Black-and-white Becard. Our session at Chaparrí produced brief looks of White-winged Guans (who were nesting at the moment), Short-tailed Woodstar, a pair of Ochre-bellied Doves that was flushed, an Aplomado Falcon taking a dust bath was the main show of the afternoon, Streak-headed Woodcreeper, a pair of Necklaced Spinetails (the only ones of the tour), the nominate form of Collared Antshrike, excellent views of Elegant Crescentchest in the open, Fulvous-crowned Scrub Tyrant, Grey-and-white Tyrannulet, Mouse Grey Flycatcher, Tumbes Pewee, Sooty-crowned Flycatcher, White-tailed Jay, Superciliated Wren, Tumbes Sparrow, White-headed Brushfinch, Peruvian Meadowlark and Parrot-billed Seedeater.

Thanks to the local knowledge of Ismael, our local guide in Chaparrí, we got great views of a single individual of Tumbes Tyrant, otherwise we could easily have missed it this time.

During the owling session, we got great views of the West Peruvian Screech-Owl, also we heard the Common Potoo. A sleeping Green Iguana was another creature that we saw, as well.

Our last morning at Chaparrí we tried for White-winged Guans meanwhile our staff was packing stuff in the car but no signs of them around, despite that some guans were calling before dawn around the lodge. We still needed to see certain species on the scrubby areas along the entrance road so we continued our way to look for those birds. We added some species like the Short-tailed Field Tyrant, Collared Warbling Finch, Parrot-billed and Drab Seedeaters, and some Sulphur-throated Finches that showed briefly. Once outside of Chaparrí, we looked again for Chestnut-collared Swallows and we improved our previous views. Some Scrub Blackbirds, Blue-grey Tanagers, Saffron Finches and many West Peruvian Doves were seen on our way to Bosque Pomac. Once at Bosque Pomac it didn't take long to find the Tumbes Swallows and this time, we got stunning views. Other birds at Bosque Pomac were the Peruvian Thick-knee, Variable Hawk, Pacific Pygmy Owl, Pacific Hornero and Rufous Flycatcher.

The plan of the afternoon was to visit the Quebrada Freolillo, but the rains of previous months damaged some sections of the road to the site and didn't allow our vehicle to pass. We had to think on a new plan for our afternoon, so, at the end we decided to visit Abra Porculla would be the best birding option available, and it was a good call after all. Our session at Abra Porculla produced our only Piura Chat Tyrant and Bay-crowned Brushfinch of the tour, as well a male Peruvian Sheartail with a full-grown tail. Other birds like Sparkling Violetear, Chapman's Antshrike, Hooded Siskin, Black-crested Warbler and Rusty Flowerpiercer complemented our afternoon.

The following morning, we came back again to Abra Porculla, where we focused on the species that we still needed to see, but had some other unexpected surprises, too. The Black-cowled Saltator was possibly the main target of the morning and finally we got great views of a single bird. Good views of White-tipped Swifts were another important sighting, as well as more Peruvian Sheartails. A female Little Woodstar was one of the first surprises of the morning, as well the Grey-browed Brushfinch which gave us very good views in the open. But the main surprise of the morning was a female of Grey-headed Antbird that came out from the vegetation and several members of the group got good views. Unfortunately, it wasn't interested in the playback and didn't show up again. Possibly this individual was in search of a new territory and it was just passing by the area, but who knows. Other birds during our morning included Ecuadorian Piculet, Smoky-brown Woodpecker, Rufous-necked Foliage-gleaner, the local form of Line-cheeked Spinetail [palamblae], Chapman's Antshrike, Dusky-capped Flycatcher, Plumbeous-backed Thrush, White-winged Brushfinch, Ash-breasted Sierra Finch and Silver-backed Tanager.

We did very well with the Tumbesian specialties, despite that it was a bit harder this time for "El Niño" influence, but we saw all the expected species that we had to see. So, it was time to focus on the Marañon specialties in the area of Jaén, where a new selection of birds was waiting for us. Our session this afternoon was very productive, where we managed to see one of the most difficult Marañon endemics, the Marañon Spinetail, which everyone managed to get good views of

despite his shy behaviour. Other highlights of the afternoon included good views of Marañon Crescentchest and Chinchipe Spinetail, the local form of Northern Slaty Antshrike [leucogaster], and the nominate form of Speckle-breasted (Marañon) Wren. Other birds seen during the afternoon included the Marañon form of Andean Emerald [cyanocolis], Crimson-crested Woodpecker, Rufous-fronted Thornbird [peruvianus], Fulvous-crowned Scrub Tyrant, Yellow-cheeked Becard, Chivi Vireo, Yellow-tailed Oriole [taczanowskii], the local form of Streaked Saltator [peruvianus], Red Pileated Finch and Buff-bellied Tanager.

Our owling session produced excellent views of the nominate form of West Peruvian (Marañon) Screech Owl, a great way to wrap-up our excellent birding day.

The following morning at Jaen, we had a bit of rain during our morning but fortunately it wasn't for long time. The best bird of the morning was the Tataupa Tinamou which everyone managed to see. The local form of Collared (Shumba) Antshrike was another main target who gave us some complications to see it, but finally it gave us nice views in the open. Other birds during our morning session were the Blue Ground Dove, Ecuadorian Ground (sadly just heard only), a group of Cordilleran Parakeet that flew over, Marañon Tyrannulet, Mouse Grey Flycatcher, Brown-crested Flycatcher, Inca Jay, Tropical (Marañon) Gnatcatcher, Purple-throated Euphonia and Drab Seedeater.

After we left Jaén we went to look for our first Inca Finch of the trip. The local stake out had some new houses around so we had to keep looking for suitable habitat and keep trying in the hot time of the day. Finally at some point we heard one from the car and we jumped out of the car right away. Very soon we managed to connect with a responsive couple of Little Inca Finches who gave us very good views. Other birds that we saw during our search of the Inca Finch were the Spot-throated Hummingbird, Pacific Pygmy Owl, Yellow-tailed Oriole and Golden Grosbeak.

After our Inca Finch quest in the desertic scrubby areas of the Marañon valley, we continued our drive to Pomacochas area. Driving by the margins of the Utcubamba River, we got to see two individuals of Fasciated Tiger Heron, besides that encounter we didn't see much else. Dealing with construction projects in the roads on our route we got short in time and we decided to invest the last hours of daylight at the Pomacochas Lake. Here we aimed to see the Subtropical Doradito, but once again this one didn't show up. We didn't have success with Puna Snipes this time, seemed that the fields around the lake were a bit dry at the moment. At least we managed to see the local form of Rufous-capped Antshrike [jaczewskii] who has an isolated distribution in northern Peru. Plumbeous Rail also showed nicely, and few other birds like Azara's Spinetail, Yellow-bellied Seedeater, Black-crested Warbler and some Grassland Yellow Finches.

After our early breakfast a big birding day was waiting for us, with a predawn owling session where we managed to see a White-throated Screech Owl. After that we started our steep hike to the Pale-billed Antpitta site. The ones who didn't did the hike went to Huembo feeders meanwhile we did the San Lorenzo Ridge hike.

The weather was nice, but the birding activity was a bit slow on this occasion. Even so we succeed with our main mission, and we managed good views of one Pale-billed Antpitta. Once we got our main quarry, we could look more carefully on other birds, including another main specialties like the Russet-mantled Softail and the local form of Plain-tailed Wren [schulenbergi] with good views of both.

At the end of the morning, we had a nice list of birds, including many new species for the tour. Birds like Sickie-winged Guan, Rufous-capped Thornbill, Violet-throated Starfrontlet, Black-throated Toucanet, Mountain Caracara, Aplomado Falcon, Scaly-naped Amazon, Pearled Treerunner, White-banded Tyrannulet, Unstreaked Tit-Tyrant, Rufous-breasted Chat-Tyrant, Yellow-breasted Brushfinch, Yellow-billed Cacique, Citrine Warbler, White-browed Hemispingus, Blue-backed Conebill and Beryl-spangled Tanager were part of the morning repertory.

After lunch we went to Huembo feeders, where we spent some time hoping to connect with a male of a Marvelous Spatuletail with a full-grown tail. After a while, Mark spotted a male with a full tail in the vegetation but when the rest of the group tried to find the angle this one flew away. So, we decided to keep calm and just wait (at least we knew that a full tail male was around). A few minutes later we got excellent views of at least 2 different males with full tail, as well a male with incomplete tail, and one Spatuletail female as well. Other hummingbird species included Lesser and Sparkling Violetear, Purple-throated Sunangel, Bronzy Inca, Chestnut-breasted Coronet, Violet-fronted Brilliant, White-bellied Woodstar, Andean Emerald and White-bellied Hummingbird. Not bad at all!

After our hummingbird session we continued our way to Abra Patricia. Taking advantage of the good weather, we decided to do the hike for the Owlet on our first night. Interesting birds were seen on the way, but the best one was an Undulated Antpitta hopping in the middle of the trail. Other birds seen were the Collared Inca, Fawn-breasted Brilliant, Variable Antshrike, Inca Flycatcher, Lulu's Tody-Flycatcher and a familiar group of White-capped Tanagers.

While we waited for dark, we heard Lyre-tailed Nightjar and Common Potoo. Once we tried for the Long-whiskered Owlet, one individual started to answer right away. We waited for it but it didn't come closer and started to vocalize farther away. At the very end we managed to locate one bird, but back views of it, and not everyone got to see it. Quite bad views actually. Nobody said it was going to be easy...

After that we started our walk back to the lodge, a bit frustrating for miss the Owlet, but definitely a great birding day, and even better when we spotted the Undulated Antpitta sleeping in the trees on the way back of our hike. Once at the lodge some managed to see with me the Andean Night Monkey, another bonus of the day.

The following day started with the Antpittas morning show! The first one was the Chestnut Antpitta that didn't take long to come once Roberto put the worms. Two individuals of Chestnut Antpitta were around actually. The second Antpitta show was the Rusty-tinged Antpitta. For this one we had to wait a bit longer, but finally one individual put in an appearance, ate the worms and disappeared in the woods. We kept waiting to see if came back, but it didn't, at least it gave us nice views. The rest of the morning we spent birding around the lodge and the forest trails of Abra Patricia. The highlights of the morning were to see the local and uncommon Jet Manakin, as well nice views of the endemic Yellow-scarfed Tanager, a

real stunner!

Other birds of interest during our morning were the Emerald-bellied Puffleg, brief views of 3 Crested Quetzals, Strong-billed, Olive-backed and Montane Woodcreepers, Streak-headed Antbird, Rufous-vented Tapaculo, Black-capped, Peruvian and Mottle-cheeked Tyrannulet, Streak-necked, Olive Tufted and Pale-edged Flycatchers, Green-and-black Fruiteater, Andean Solitaire, Yellow-breasted Brushfinch, Bluish and White-sided Flowerpiercers and Silver-backed, Beryl-spangled and Flame-faced Tanagers.

For the afternoon session we divided the group, some did the hike to try the Long-whiskered Owlet again, and the ones who preferred to take it easy stayed with me and we birded areas around the lodge and just entrances of different trails. Some of the birds that the people who stayed with me saw were the Emerald-bellied Puffleg, Crimson-mantled Woodpecker, good views of Rufous-headed Pygmy-Tyrant, Sierran Elaenia, close views of White-capped Tanagers and Grass-green, Saffron-crowned and Flame-faced Tanagers.

The group who went to the Owlet Trail, was led by Carlos and they got several interesting birds like the Geoffroy's Daggerbill, Uniform Antshrike, the Undulated Antpitta (again), Lulu's Tody-Flycatcher, Maroon-belted Chat-Tyrant, Northern Mountain Cacique, Grey-hooded Bush Tanager and Oleaginous Hemispingus.

This time the luck was with them, and they got to see the Long-whiskered Owlet quite quickly at close distance in an open branch. By 8:20 pm they were back in the lodge to tell us the good news.

An early breakfast for the next day in order to be at dawn at Fundo Alto Nieva. A particular stunted forest that hosts some interesting species like the rare and localized Cinnamon-breasted Tody-Tyrant that was seen quite well this time, by everyone. Another major target that we connect was the local endemic Ochre-fronted Antpitta that we managed to see well too, and with the Bar-winged Wood-Wren we got to see our main birds of the morning. We spent some time at the hummingbird feeders where we got to see Speckled Hummingbird, Long-tailed Sylph, Bronzy Inca, Chestnut-breasted Coronet, Peruvian Racket-tail, Fawn-breasted and Violet-fronted Brilliant, Little Woodstar and the controversial one which some authorities consider an undescribed subspecies of Greenish Puffleg from the Alto Mayo area, but others considered that is a Buff-thighed Puffleg [affinis], which in my personal opinion doesn't look at all like that one, so the most logical taxonomic solution is label it as a Greenish Puffleg. In most of the cases the logic doesn't apply in taxonomy, but we are not going to discuss this topic.

Part of the morning we invested looking for another major specialty of the area, the unique Royal Sunangel. In the first places that we tried we didn't manage to see it but we got very good views of a White-rumped Hawk flying above us. We decided to try in another site for the Sunangel and this time we got great views of a cracking male, unfortunately all my photo opportunities I got branches on the way but we got excellent views of it. Other birds that we saw during our morning were the Azara's Spinetails with excellent views in the open, Torrent and Peruvian Tyrannulet, Chestnut-breasted Wren, Yellow-browed Sparrow, Subtropical Cacique, Three-striped Warbler, Blue-winged Mountain-Tanager and the Yellow-throated, Black-faced and Metallic-green Tanagers. Once we came back to Abra Patricia we got nice views of Black-throated Tody-Tyrant at the parking lot, as well good views as the Emerald-bellied Puffleg.

The afternoon the activity was a bit slow, but we got nice views of the Crested Quetzal, some members of the group got to see the Rufous Spinetail, and a Yungas Pygmy Owl that we just managed to hear, were the most exiting encounters in our afternoon session at Abra Patricia. We did our owling session outside Abra Patricia so we decided to get be in time at the right place. Initially we were hoping for the Long-whiskered Owlet for the members who haven't see the bird yet. Meanwhile we tried for the Owlet we heard a Cinnamon Screech Owl, so at that moment we realized that the Owlet would not going to show up that night. With some selection of calls of the Cinnamon Screech Owl, we got one bird who came right away somewhere above us. Once we locate it, we managed excellent views of it. Time to go to our hotel for celebrate another successful day.

Well, this day was a "big day", where we managed to record 153 species of birds during the whole day. The number of birds of the day wasn't the priority but honestly, I thought that we saw more than that. It was a combination of birding during the morning at Abra Patricia, for then look birds at different lower elevations true the Alto Mayo Road and we finished in the eastern lowlands at the end of the day.

During the morning session at Abra Patricia we got an encounter with a Yungas Pygmy Owl, but not everyone managed to see it. A Tawny-bellied Hermit came to mob the Pygmy Owl, that was another species of interest. Other birds included the Ruddy Pigeon, White-throated Quail-Dove, Tyrannine Woodcreeper, Variable Antshrike, Green-and-black Fruiteater, Sepia-brown Wren, Glossy-black Thrush, Olivaceous Siskin and Russet-crowned Warbler.

As we start to descend the Alto Mayo Road we got nice views of a Bar-winged Wood-Wren. On the first mix-species flocks we got birds like that Ashy-throated Bush Tanager, Three-striped Warbler, Ornate and Inca Flycatcher and Orange-bellied Euphonia. Continuing our way down we connect with another mix-species flock with some interesting species like the Black-throated Toucanet, Olive-backed Woodcreeper, Rufous-rumped Antwren, Streak-necked Flycatcher, Fulvous-breasted Flatbill, Rufous-crested, Yellow-throated and Saffron-crowned Tanagers and Golden-eyed Flowerpiercer.

At lower elevations we got different species that included Speckled Chachalaca, Green Hermit, Violet-fronted Brilliant, Many-spotted Hummingbird, the rare and local Equatorial Greytail, Streaked Xenops, Rufescent Antshrike, Marble-faced Bristle Tyrant, Slaty-capped Flycatcher, Lemon-browed Flycatcher, Grey-mantled Wren, Bronze-green Euphonia, Tropical Parula, and Vermilion, Orange-eared (for some), Spotted, Blue-necked and Bay-headed Tanagers.

Also, we were lucky enough to see a group of at least 5 individuals of Peruvian Yellow-tailed Woolly Monkey, a Critical Endangered species with a very restricted range. Another mammal that we got to see very well along the Alto Mayo Road was a Tayra who crossed the road twice at a very close distance from our vehicle.

The afternoon session was a combination of Rioja with Moyobamba, where we add many more species for our day, and for our trip. Some of those species included Comb Duck, Brazilian Teal (a write-in for the tour), Masked Duck, Short-tailed

Swift, Fork-tailed Palm Swift, Black-throated Mango, Little Cuckoo, Limpkin, Black-necked and White-backed Stilts, Snail Kite, Spot-breasted Woodpecker, White-winged Parakeet, Black Phoebe, Black-capped Donacobius, Orange-backed Troupial, Oriole Blackbird, Chestnut-bellied and Black-billed Seed Finch, Chestnut-bellied Seedeater, Black-faced and White-lined Tanagers and Red-capped Cardinal.

Two of the main specialties during our afternoon were the Pale-eyed Blackbird which is a rare and very local species in their distribution range. Definitely this area is one of the best places in the world to look for it. The other species of interest was the endemic Huallaga Tanager which is a common species in the area.

Despite our long day we didn't arrive as late to Waqanki, so we had time to take a hot shower, and drink some beers to celebrate our birding day.

The following day a Rufous Nightjar was calling at the same time that our alarms were ringing. After an early breakfast we spent the morning at the trails of Quebrada Mishquiyacu, located in the mountain behind Waqanki. We focused our morning to find the Painted Manakin but this morning we didn't even hear a single one. We decided to keep going up in the trail to reach the rocky habitat and see what we could find there. A few surprises appear like the Black-and-white Hawk Eagle, and a pair of Red-shouldered Tanager who flew by. Also, the local endemic Mishana Tyrannulet appear in that area. We came back to the Painted Manakin territories without a sign of them. At least we got to see the Northern Chestnut-tailed Antbird (Zimmer's Antbird), the Black-throated Hermit and the White-bellied Pygmy Tyrant in those areas. The birding activity was quite slow but during the whole morning we managed to see Blue-tailed Emerald, Double-toothed Kite, Blue-crowned Trogon, Broad-billed Motmot, White-fronted Nunbird, Gilded Barbet, Lettered Aracari, Lafresnaye's Piculet, Yellow-tufted and Little Woodpecker, Olivaceous and Plain-brown Woodcreepers, Fasciated Antshrike, Spot-winged Antbird, Small-billed Elaenia, White-lored Tyrannulet, White-vented, Thick-billed, Orange-bellied and White-lored Euphonias, Red-crowned Ant Tanager and Guira, Swallow, Huallaga, Yellow-bellied, Masked, Turquoise and Paradise Tanagers. Also, the Rufous-crested Coquette male visiting the verbena flowers of the gardens of Waqanki.

During the afternoon we visited Morro de Calzada, another reserve not too far away from Waqanki with chances to see the Painted Manakin as well other species of interest. On this occasion we managed to detect an area where a Painted Manakin was calling and after a while we managed that most of the group get to see it, until a point that the bird didn't call again and we looked for other species. Carlos stayed with the ones who needed to see the Manakin or get a photo, but the bird didn't show up again. It was a nice adult male by the way.

Some other birds during our visit to Morro de Calzada included the Grey-breasted Sabrewing, Bluish-fronted Jacamar, Red-stained Woodpecker, White-eyed Parakeet, Inambari Woodcreeper, White-flanked Antwren, Peruvian Warbling Antbird, Wing-barred Piprites, Ochre-bellied Flycatcher, Short-tailed Pygmy Tyrant, Olive-faced Flatbill, and Green-and-gold and Turquoise Tanager.

Our night session produced some brief views of Rufous Nightjar, also we heard the Stygian Owl and saw the silhouette of the owl flying by. We also heard Tropical Screech Owl and Band-bellied Owl.

Another early breakfast to visit and interesting outlying ridge in the Moyobamba area, with some interesting species like the Endangered Ash-throated Antwren, who has a very restricted distribution range in northern Peru, with not many localities with good access. A significant section of forest of our stake out was recently cut down, but we managed to see a female Ash-throated Antwren, as well other interesting species like the rare Napo Sabrewing, the endemic Speckle-chested Piculet, the rare and inconspicuous White fronted Tyrannulet, or the endemic Masked Fruiteater who has one of the northernmost localities of its distribution range.

Other species at the site included the Plumbeous Pigeon, Montane Foliage-gleaner, Chestnut-crowned Gnatcatcher, Olive-striped Flycatcher, White-throated Spadebill, Rufous-tailed and Long-tailed Tyrant, White-crowned Manakin, Golden-rumped Euphonia, Rusty Flowerpiercer, and Black-goggled, Spotted and Silver-backed Tanagers.

Before to leave Waqanki we visited the famous Waqanki hummingbird feeders, where we got an entertained session with chances to photography. The common ones included White-necked Jacobin, Grey-breasted Sabrewing, Fork-tailed Woodnymph, Golden-tailed Sapphire and the Rufous-crested Coquette. Other ones not as common or more sporadic were the Rufous-breasted, Great-billed and Black-throated Hermits, Brown and Sparkling Violetear, Long-billed Starthroat, Amethyst Woodstar, Sapphire-spangled Emerald and White-chinned Sapphire. A total of 14 different species were seen during our feeder session, not bad at all.

On route we stopped to see the Oilbird congregation on the canyons of a narrow river. At least 80 individuals we may saw, but for sure many other more out of view from our angle. After that we continued our way to Bellavista where we arrived at night-time.

Early next morning, we packed our stuff in 4x4 vehicles to do the drive to Plataforma, but with different stops along the way. Our first stop was on the margins of Huallaga River to see the prehistoric look Hoatzins. At this stop we also got the only Southern Mouse-colored Tyrannulet of the trip, a male White-winged Becard and some White-banded Swallows. At the rice fields we got Black-bellied Whistling Ducks which are not as common in the area, actually a write-in for the tour. Other species of interest were the Spotted Rails, Southern Lapwing, Pied Plover, Riparian Parrotlets, and Giant Cowbird. Another particular species was the White-backed Stilt, who were more numerous than previous days in Rioja, most of the time joining groups of Black-necked Stilts.

Higher up along the Plataforma road we got a nice selection of species like King Vulture, Ferruginous Pygmy Owl, Yellow-billed Nunbird, Buff-throated Woodcreeper, Sepia-capped Flycatcher, Variegated Flycatcher, Coraya Wren, Epaulet Oriole, Magpie Tanager, Red-capped Cardinal and Opal-crowned Tanager. At higher altitudes as we approached to Plataforma we got to see the rare and local Blackish Pewee, as well our first Versicolored Barbet and Gould's Jewelfront.

We arrived by mid-day to our accommodations in Plataforma, which are basic, but year by year they are improving. We

had some time to settle in, rest a bit, and prepare for the hike of the afternoon.

The trail (or path) was much better than what it used to be, but always is a bit challenging. At the moment of our visit to Plataforma, didn't rain much on the last weeks so that helped a lot, but the afternoon had intentions of rain for some moments. Our hike had steep sections as well tricky muddy areas at some points.

We were very lucky with the weather and with the birds too, were we experienced excellent views of the Scarlet-banded Barbet from really close distance, definitely one of the main highlights of the tour. Other birds who complemented our afternoon were the Collared Trogon, Bluish-fronted Jacamar, Chestnut-tipped Toucanet, Golden-olive Woodpecker, Montane and Lineated Foliage-gleaners, Ash-browed Spinetail, Scarlet-breasted Fruiteater, Jet and Blue-rumped Manakin, Foothill Schiffornis, Speckled Nightingale-Thrush, Yellow-throated Bush Tanager, and a nice combination of tanagers that included the White-winged, Blue-browed, and Golden-naped Tanagers.

During our owling session we managed to see the Napo Screech Owl and the Band-bellied Owl. As well a pair of Eastern Lowland Olingo feeding on a fig tree.

In the middle of the night started to rain heavily, and our easy hike for the next day became a bit muddy and slippery, luckily that rain wasn't the day before.

The first part of the morning was misty, but with good activity. We managed to find a pair of Scarlet-Banded Barbets, also other interesting species like male and female Napo Sabrewing, Straw-backed and Blue-browed Tanagers were some of the goodies that we saw in the open sections of the road. As well the Scaled Pigeon, Versicolored Barbet, Lafresnaye's Piculet, Strong-billed Woodcreeper, Streaked Xenops, Lined Antshrike, Blackish Antbird, White-crested Elaenia, Peruvian Tyrannulet, Olive-striped, Olive-chested and Euler's Flycatcher, Yellow-olive Flatbill, Scarlet-breasted Fruiteater, Yungas Manakin, Chestnut-crowned Becard (a write-in for the tour), Thrush-like and Grey-mantled Wrens, Blue-naped Chlorophonia, Chestnut-capped Brushfinch, Crested Oropendola, Golden-collared Honeycreeper, and Spotted, Yellow-bellied and Golden-eared Tanagers.

Once we got in the forested areas the birding became more challenging and we focused to see some secretive species.

The expectations to see the Cordillera Azul Antbird were low, according to Eugenio (our local guide at Plataforma) the bird wasn't responsive to playback lately, but at least an individual (or a couple?) still live in that forested area. It was quite sad to see the area where we saw the Cordillera Azul Antbird the last year is gone now, it's all cut down, in the process to become a new coffee area (most likely).

The birds that we got in this new forested area were the Grey-throated Leaf-tosser, Tschudi's Woodcreeper, Short-tailed Antthrush, Chestnut-crowned Gnatcatcher, an adult and young Yellow-throated Spadebills. Two rare species that we just managed to hear were the Buff-throated Tody-Tyrant and Subtropical Pygmy Owl. Despite the intensive deforestation in Plataforma on the last years, the place still has a great selection of special birds.

At some point we connected with one Cordillera Azul Antbird who was singing, so we designed a strategy that allowed to show the bird to each member of the group. At the end the last person who still needed to see it, stayed with me and finally everyone managed to see it, and some record photos as well. The other ones managed to escape with a 4x4 vehicle to the accommodations, but Charles and I we experienced a refreshing tropical rain on our way back to our place.

The afternoon birding session we did a more relaxed birding session with a little bit of rain left, but even so we managed to see more interesting birds like localized Grey-tailed Piha, the fancy Red-necked Woodpecker, or the local form of Rufous-rumped Foliage-gleaner [*ochrogaster*] from the Andes of Peru and Bolivia who has a very different coloration than the other Amazonian subspecies. Other birds seen during the afternoon included the Violet-headed Hummingbird, Buff-fronted Foliage-gleaner, Slaty Antwren, Plain Antvireo, Greyish Mourner, Blue-rumped Manakin, Slaty-capped Shrike-Vireo, Brown-capped Vireo, Blue-napped Chlorophonia, Bronze-green Euphonia, Buff-throated Saltator and Magpie Tanager. Another successful birding day, indeed!

The following day we left Plataforma after breakfast, and we birded on the way to Bellavista. It was a rainy morning so the intensity of the rain was the one who decided where to stop or continue during our drive.

First stop in the upper section of the road we got to see Versicolored Barbet, Tschudi's Woodcreeper, Yellow-breasted Antwren, Blue-rumped Manakin, Yellow-throated Bush Tanager and Golden-collared Honeycreeper among others. The intensity of the rain increased so we move on.

On different random stops we managed to see Scaled Pigeon, Grey-headed Kite, Crane Hawk, Channel-billed and White-throated Toucans, Sooty-headed, Mishana Tyrannulet, Crowned Slaty Flycatcher, Coraya Wren and Olive Oropendola. But the best bird of the day (and maybe one of the best species for the trip) was to see at least 3 individuals of White-chinned Swift joining a group of Chestnut-collared and White-collared Swift. Luckily, we got some photos to document our sightings.

Once we got in the rice fields areas we kept trying for Paint-billed Crake, but it didn't appear in this tour. When we looked for the Crake we improved our views of Spotted Rails, including views of a pair mating in front of the group. We also got to see a Plain-breasted Ground-Dove, as well as other species seen two days before. It was time to move on to have enough time at Quebrada Upaquihoa.

After lunch we continued to Quebrada Upaquihoa, a dry forest area located in the Huallaga Valley, that host some interesting Amazonian birds and mammal species, such as the Northern Slaty Antshrike (Huallaga S A) or the local Huallaga subspecies of White-browed Antbird [*kenigorom*], as well other localized Amazonian species (for Peru) like the Planalto Hermit and Chattering Gnatwren, that everyone got to see it well and the Sulphur-bellied Tyrant Manakin that we heard, but only leaders and one person where able to see it. Another main highlight from our visit was to get superb views of 3 individuals of the San Martin Titi Monkey a very localized and Critically Endangered species. Other species during our visit included Blue-tailed Emerald, Hook-billed Kite, Lafresnaye's Piculet, Plain-crowned Spinetail, Stripe-chested and White-flanked Antwren, Southern Chestnut-tailed Antbird, Forest Elaenia, Mishana Tyrannulet, Olive-faced Flatbill and White-

shouldered Tanager. A brief check from a look out point to the Huallaga River produced a Comb Duck, Brazilian Teal (25 ind), Boat-billed Heron (another write-in for the tour), Pied Plover, Black Skimmer and huge flocks of Blue-and-white Swallows (+300). After that we continued our drive to Tarapoto city where we passed the night in a very nice and comfortable hotel.

The following morning, we started our birding session at the Escalera Ridge, also known as the Tarapoto Tunnel, which is a nice forested area where the road goes from Tarapoto to the Amazon lowlands, where several foothill Amazonian species could be seen. Here our main target was the Dotted Tanager which we got good views, and the Plumbeous Euphonia which in this occasion we missed. Some of the birds we managed to see at the Escalera Ridge were White-tipped Swift, Double-toothed Kite, Red-stained Woodpecker, Yellow-olive Flatbill Olive-striped, Cliff and Dusky-chested Flycatcher, Olive Tanager, Yellow-backed Tanager and the uncommon Short-billed Honeycreeper.

We also visited the ACONABIKH Reserve, a place with hummingbird feeders and forest trails, that even that was a quiet day at the reserve we managed to see quite a few interesting species including our main target the endemic Koepcke's Hermit who didn't come to feeders this time but we managed to see it in the forest. At the hummingbird feeders we got a couple surprises as the Black-throated Hermit, as well as the White-bearded Hermit that was a write-in for the tour, also other species like Gould's Jewelfront or white-necked Jacobin were regular visitors. On the forest trails we got to see Blue-fronted Lancebill, Amazonian Trogon, Ivory-billed and Curl-crested Aracari, White-shouldered Antshrike, Fiery-capped and Golden-headed Manakin, Violaceous Jay, White-necked Thrush and Fulvous Shrike-Tanager. After our lunch we continued our journey to Nueva Cajamarca where we spent the night.

The following morning, we visited the Arenas Blancas Reserve, where we had a great session at the hide. Here we got to see two Little Tinamous (an adult with a young bird), also a group of 6 Rufous-breasted Wood Quails performed really well. A nice study of Grey-fronted and White-tipped Doves seen at the same moment, and the Grey-cowled Wood Rail were the birds that we saw at the hide. An interesting mammal that we saw from the hide was an Amazon Dwarf Squirrel, who appear briefly in the feeding area.

Some of the hummingbirds that we saw at Arenas Blancas in the gardens and hummingbird feeders were the Blue-fronted Lancebill, Wire-crested Thorntail, Rufous-crested Coquette, Many-spotted Hummingbird, Sapphire-spangled Emerald and Rufous-throated Sapphire. The fruit feeders weren't as active but we got to see the Yellow-tufted Woodpecker, White-lored and Orange-bellied Euphonia, Epaulet Oriole and Huallaga, Blue-grey and Palm Tanagers.

Another visitor to the feeders was a family of Saddle-backed Tamarins who came a few times to eat the fruits. Other interesting birds during our visit were the Golden-collared Toucanet, Black-banded Woodcreeper and Peruvian Warbling Antbird.

After breakfast we passed the Alto Mayo Road, some of the most remarkable ones where the Ecuadorian Tyrannulet, Yellow-margined Flatbill and good views of Golden-eared Tanager. Other birds who complement our session in the Alto Mayo Road were the Olive-backed Woodcreeper, Montane Foliage-gleaner, a female Andean Cock-of-the-rock, Grey-mantled Wren and Ashy-throated Bush Tanager.

Once at the higher areas in the Abra Patricia pass we got a pair of Torrent Ducks, also excellent views of White-capped Tanager and Hooded Mountain Tanager. Then we crossed to the other side of the mountains and drove true areas of the Marañon drainage, on the margins of the Utcubamba River most of the time. This areas along the Utcubamba Valley have low diversity but we managed to see the Marañon subspecies of Black-necked Woodpecker [peruvianus], Cordilleran Parakeet, Marañon Thrush and Tooth-billed Tanager. A short owling session before arriving to Leymebamba we managed to see the Koepcke's Screech Owl, who gave us a bit of complications but at the end show up nicely.

After a long driving day, we arrived at our Hotel in Leymebamba where we stayed for two nights to explore the area of Leymebamba.

Our full day at Leymebamba was another productive day, where we got our major targets which included endemic birds like the Chachapoyas Antpitta, the Utcubamba and Large-footed Tapaculo or the Coopery Metaltail. Also, some rare species like the Purple-backed Thornbill, the secretive Peruvian Treehunter, the tricky Rufous-breasted Antpitta (Leymebamba A). Other species that we saw during our day in Leymebamba area were the Andean Guan, Amethyst-throated and Purple-throated Sunangel, Sapphire-vented Puffleg (Coppery-naped P), Rainbow Starfrontlet, White-throated Hawk, Yungas Pygmy Owl, Golden-headed Quetzal, Grey-breasted Mountain Toucan, Smoky-brown Woodpecker, White-capped Parrot, White-chinned Thistletail [peruviana], Line-cheeked Spinetail [baroni], Black-capped, White-throated, White-tailed and White-banded Tyrannulets, Maroon-belted Chat-Tyrant, Black-and-white Becard, White-collared Jay, White-capped Dipper, Northern Mountain Cacique, Drab and Superciliaried (White-bellied H) Hemispingus, Rufous-chested Tanager, Capped Conebill, Bluish and Moustached Flowerpiercers, Fawn-breasted, Silver-backed and Blue-and-black Tanagers.

During the owling session in the area, we got excellent views of Rufous-bellied Nighthawk, as well a pair of Rufous-banded Owls. What a great ending of our birding day!

Next day we left early our hotel in Leymebamba, to initially do some birding in the Abra Barro Negro area. In the highest section of Abra Barro Negro we saw

Cream-winged Cinclodes, Many-striped Canastero, Grass Wren, Paramo Pipit, Plumbeous Sierra Finch and Plain-colored Seedeater, any of them a real specialty of Northern Peru, but not as many chances during this trip to see species from this elevations (3600 m at the highest section). One real specialty that we saw in the higher areas was the endemic Neblina Tapaculo, where normally you can listen from the distance, but deep in the canyons with difficult access from the main road. This time we got an individual close to the main road that gave us excellent views. Neblina Tapaculo is a specialty



from central Peru, that has the northern limit distribution in these areas of northern Peru but is very hard to see in this tour.

Other birds in the elfin forest areas were the Great Sapphirewing, Purple-backed Thornbill, Shining Sunbeam, Red-crested Cotinga, Brown-bellied Swallow, Yellow-breasted Brushfinch, Superciliated Hemispingus (White-bellied H), and Hooded and Scarlet-bellied Mountain Tanager.

Another main specialty of the morning at Abra Barro Negro was one of the latest Peruvian endemics, the Streak-crowned Mountain Tanager, a recent split from Buff-breasted Mountain Tanager, that has a distribution in the eastern slope of the Andes of Peru.

Descending the Marañon canyon at lower elevations we managed to see Bare-faced Ground Dove, Black-chested Buzzard Eagle, the endemic Chestnut-backed Thornbird, Marañon Tyrannulet, Fulvous-crowned Scrub Tyrant, Tropical Gnatcatcher (Marañon G), and Buff-bellied Tanager. A main specialty that we still needed to see was the local subspecies of the Marañon area of Black-capped Sparrow [nigriceps] who showed nicely for our group.

Once at the area of Balsas we reached again lower elevations in the Marañon Valley, with a very arid woodland with cactus, and thorn-scrub vegetation. We initially focused on the Yellow-faced Parrotlet, who gave us a bit of complications but at the end we managed good views with the scope. Other specialties of that area that we saw were the Marañon Pigeon and the Buff-bridled Inca Finch. Other birds that we saw in the Balsas area were the Cordilleran Parakeet, Lesser Goldfinch, and the Marañon subspecies of Streaked Saltator [peruvianus].

On the higher areas of Balsas near the Hacienda Limon we looked for the Grey-winged Inca Finch that we found it without complications. We also saw the Purple-collared Woodstar and Black-lored Yellowthroat at this location.

With some time left we did a try for Jelski's Chat Tyrant and we saw a pair of them. We tried one more time for Chestnut-crowned Antpitta, but this one refused to appear one more time. Then we continued our journey to Celendin where we passed the night.

We left Celendin early in the morning to go to Cruz Conga area. Initially we looked in the remanent patches of vegetation for the endemic Cajamarca Antpitta. The first part of the morning was frustrated without much species of interest. Our luck changed after breakfast, where we managed great looks of the Cajamarca Antpitta, as well the endemic Plain-breasted Warbling Finch, and a female Streaked Dacnis (recent split of Tit-like Dacnis). Other birds seen in the patches of vegetation were the Tyrant Metaltail, Shining Sunbeam, Azara's Spinetail, Tufted and Black-crested Tit-Tyrants, Hooded Siskin, Yellow-breasted Brushfinch (Baron's) and Black-throated Flowerpiercer. Later, we checked the open fields mostly with pastures or agricultural fields, where we saw Yellow-billed Teal, Andean Lapwing, Puna Ibis, Andean Flicker, Rufous-naped Ground-Tyrant, Rufous-webbed Bush Tyrant, White-tailed Shrike-Tyrant and Peruvian Sierra Finch. We continued to Chonta where we looked for another very localized endemic, the Grey-bellied Comet. With a bit of patience and local information we managed to have good views of one male visiting some flowers in the area. Other birds that we saw in Chonta included the Black Metaltail, Giant Hummingbird, Bare-faced Ground Dove, White-winged Cinclodes, Black-crested Tit-Tyrant, Cinereous Conebill and Band-tailed Seedeater.

The last section of our afternoon we went to the other side of Cajamarca, to cross to the Pacific slope of the mountains, at Abra Gavilán. Here our target was the endemic Unicolored Tapaculo, that with a bit of patience and strategy we managed to show to every person of the group. We also saw the Yellow-billed Tit-Tyrant (which is rare in the northern Peru), Scrub Blackbird, Black-crested Warbler, Golden-billed Saltator, and a different subspecies of Yellow-breasted Brushfinch [chugurensis], from the Pacific slope of Cajamarca.

With all the missions of the day accomplished it was time to go to our nice hotel in Cajamarca where we spent the last night of the tour.

The last morning of the tour we were at dawn at San Marcos area, looking for the Great Spinetail. One individual answered right away, but it kept hidden in the thorny scrub. Finally, we located and everyone got to see it. Other birds seen during the morning were the Purple-collared Woodstar, Spot-throated Hummingbird, Croaking Ground Dove, Black-necked Woodpecker, American Kestrel, Fulvous-crowned Scrub Tyrant, Chiguanco Thrush, Tooth-billed Tanager, Golden Grosbeak and Dull-colored Grassquit. Luckily, we managed to see this time the Great Spinetail, but our stake-out is under pressure from construction of new houses in the area, also some sections of the thorny scrub were burned recently, but so far, the Spinetail was still there, and we also found a nest of the Spinetail. We'll see how it goes for the next year.

After our morning birding session, we came back to our hotel to pack our stuff and have a farewell lunch, before going to take our flight back to Lima. Many thanks to our fantastic crew who made a challenging tour to go very smoothly and without complications. And to Carlos, our enthusiastic local guide with unbeatable local knowledge of Peru, who never gave up and kept pushing on one way or another until finding the birds.

As well, many thanks to all the members of our group for a great birding companionship and positive attitude during all these days, a big amount of the success of our tour was thanks to you.

## **BIRD OF THE TRIP**

**1<sup>st</sup>: Scarlet-banded Barbet**

**2<sup>nd</sup>: Marvelous Spatuletail**

**3<sup>rd</sup>: Long-whiskered Owlet**

4<sup>th</sup>: White-chinned Swift

5<sup>th</sup>: Great Spinetail

6<sup>th</sup>: Cordillera Azul Antbird

7<sup>th</sup>: Pale-billed Antpitta

8<sup>th</sup>: Peruvian Treehunter

9<sup>th</sup>: Neblina Tapaculo

10<sup>th</sup>: Elegant Crescentchest

#### SYSTEMATIC LIST OF SPECIES RECORDED

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).

The species names and taxonomy used in the bird list follows Gill, F., Donsker, D., & Rasmussen, P.(Eds). **2023. IOC World Bird List (v13.2)** (this was the current version when the checklist for the tour report was created).

Where the subspecies seen is/are known, these are often given in parentheses at the end of the species comment.

#### BIRDS

**Cinereous Tinamou** *Crypturellus cinereus* (H) Heard only at ACONABIKH and Arenas Blancas Reserve.

**Little Tinamou** *Crypturellus soui* Excellent views of 2 individuals (Adult and young bird) at Arenas Blancas Reserve.

**Tataupa Tinamou** *Crypturellus tataupa* Nice views at Jaen, everyone saw it.

**Black-bellied Whistling Duck** *Dendrocygna autumnalis* A few seen at Bellavista rice fields area. A write-in!!

**Torrent Duck** *Merganetta armata*

**Comb Duck** *Sarkidiornis sylvicola* Some seen at Rioja rice fields, also one flew over the Huallaga River.

**Brazilian Teal** *Amazonetta brasiliensis* Seen at 3 different occasions at different localities. 12 at Rioja rice fields, 2 at Bellavista rice fields and around 25 in the margins of Huallaga River. A write-in for the tour.

**Cinnamon Teal** *Spatula cyanoptera* Seen at Playa Santa Rosa.

**White-cheeked Pintail** *Anas bahamensis* Seen at Playa Santa Rosa.

**Yellow-billed Teal** *Anas flavirostris* Seen in two different localities in the highlands.

**Masked Duck** *Nomonyx dominicus* One female seen at Moyobamba area.

**Speckled Chachalaca** *Ortalis guttata*

**Andean Guan** *Penelope montagnii* Seen at Leymebamba area.

**White-winged Guan** ◊ *Penelope albipennis* Endemic. Seen at Casupe Road, also at Chaparri, but they weren't as easy to see as usual.

**Wattled Guan** *Aburria aburri* (H) Heard only at Abra Patricia.

**Sickle-winged Guan** *Chamaepetes goudotii* Seen at San Lorenzo Ridge.

**Rufous-breasted Wood Quail** ◊ *Odontophorus speciosus* Excellent views at Arenas Blancas Reserve.

**Lesser Nighthawk** *Chordeiles acutipennis* Good views at Rafán.

**Rufous-bellied Nighthawk** *Lurocalis rufiventris* Seen at dusk at Leymebamba.

**Blackish Nightjar** *Nyctipolus nigrescens* (LO) Leader only at Waqanki.

**Pauraque** *Nyctidromus albicollis* (H) Heard only at different localities.

**Anthony's Nightjar** ♦ *Nyctidromus anthonyi* They were quite common on this trip at Chaparri, also heard at Jaen.

**Lyre-tailed Nightjar** *Uropsalis lyra* Heard only at Abra Patricia.

**Rufous Nightjar** *Antristomus rufus* Seen at Morro de Calzada.

**Oilbird** *Steatornis caripensis* First seen at Abra Patricia, also great views at their canyon on the way to Tarapoto.

**Common Potoo** *Nyctibius griseus* (H) Heard only at Chaparri and Abra Patricia.

**White-chinned Swift** ♦ *Cypseloides cryptus* At least 3 individuals, but maybe more joining a group of Chestnut-collared Swift from a ridge of the Plataforma Road. Close views with photos to check some identification marks.

**Chestnut-collared Swift** *Streptoprocne rutila* A group was seen nicely along the Plataforma Road.

**White-collared Swift** *Streptoprocne zonaris*

**Short-tailed Swift** *Chaetura brachyura* Seen at Rioja Rice Fields, also along the Plataforma Road.

**White-tipped Swift** *Aeronautes montivagus* Seen at Abra Porculla as well in the Escalera Ridge at Tarapoto.

**Fork-tailed Palm Swift** *Tachornis squamata* Seen at Waqanki and Moyobamba area.

**White-necked Jacobin** *Florisuga mellivora* Common at Waqanki feeders as well at ACONABIKH.

**Rufous-breasted Hermit** *Glaucis hirsutus* Sporadic sights at Waqanki feeders.

**Black-throated Hermit** ♦ *Phaethornis atrimentalis* It was regularly visiting the feeders at ACONABIKH, also was seen at Waqanki trails.

**Grey-chinned Hermit** *Phaethornis griseogularis* Good views at Casupe Road [porcullae].

**Planalto Hermit** *Phaethornis pretrei* Seen at Quebrada Upaquihua.

**White-bearded Hermit** *Phaethornis hispidus* One individual came to the ACONABIKH feeders. A write-in for the tour!

**Green Hermit** *Phaethornis guy* Seen at Llanteria feeders, at Alto Mayo.

**Tawny-bellied Hermit** *Phaethornis syrmatorphorus* One bird mobbing a Yungas Pygmy Owl at Abra Patricia.

**Koepcke's Hermit** ♦ *Phaethornis* Endemic. Seen at ACONABIKH.

**Great-billed Hermit** *Phaethornis malaris* Seen at Waqanki and ACONABIKH feeders.

**Blue-fronted Lancebill** *Doryfera johannae* Seen at ACONABIKH, also seen at Arenas Blancas Reserve feeders.

**Geoffroy's Daggerbill** *Schistes geoffroyi* Seen by part of the group at Abra Patricia.

**Brown Violetear** *Colibri delphinae* Seen at Waqanki, ACONABIKH and Arenas Blancas Reserve.

**Lesser Violetear** *Colibri cyanotus* Seen at Huembo and Abra Patricia.

**Sparkling Violetear** *Colibri coruscans*

**Black-throated Mango** *Anthracothorax nigricollis* Seen in one random stop in the lowlands, on the way to Moyobamba.

**Amethyst-throated Sunangel** *Heliangelus amethysticollis* Seen at Leymebamba area.

**Purple-throated Sunangel** *Heliangelus viola* Seen at Leymebamba area.

**Royal Sunangel** ♦ *Heliangelus regalis* Near endemic. Seen at Abra Patricia area.

**Wire-crested Thorntail** *Discosura popelairii* One male was seen at Arenas Blancas Reserve.

**Rufous-crested Coquette** ♦ *Lophornis delattrei* Nice views at Waqanki, also at Arenas Blancas Reserve.

**Speckled Hummingbird** *Adelomyia melanogenys*

**Long-tailed Sylph** *Agelaiocercus kingii* Regular at Abra Patricia area.

**Grey-bellied Comet** ♦ *Taphrolesbia griseiventris* Endemic. One male seen at Chonta, Cajamarca area.

**Green-tailed Trainbearer** *Lesbia nuna* Seen by part of our group at Huembo feeders.

**Purple-backed Thornbill** *Ramphomicron microrhynchum* One female was seen at Abra Barro Negro.

**Rufous-capped Thornbill** *Chalcostigma ruficeps* One bird seen at San Lorenzo Ridge.

**Tyrian Metaltail** *Metallura tyrianthina* Seen in different occasions at the highlands.

**Coppery Metaltail** ♦ *Metallura theresiae* Endemic. Seen at Abra Barro Negro.

**Black Metaltail** ♦ *Metallura phoebe* Endemic. Seen at Chonta, Cajamarca area.

**Greenish Puffleg** ♦ *Haplophaedia aureliae* Seen at Fundo Alto Nieva. This is an undescribed subspecies of the Alto Mayo area in Peru but is well known that occurs at this locality.

**Sapphire-vented Puffleg (Coppery-naped P)** *Eriocnemis [luciani] sapphiropygia* Good views at Abra Barro Negro.

**Emerald-bellied Puffleg** *Eriocnemis aline* Seen at Abra Patricia.

**Marvelous Spatuletail** ♦ *Loddigesia mirabilis* Nice views of at least 2 males with full grown tail, as well some females and young males.

**Shining Sunbeam** *Aglaeactis cupripennis* Seen at Barro Negro and Cruz Conga (Cajamarca area).

**Bronzy Inca** *Coeligena coeligena* Seen at Huembo and Abra Patricia area.

**Collared Inca** *Coeligena torquata* Seen at Abra Patricia area.

**Violet-throated Starfrontlet** *Coeligena violifer* Just one bird was seen at San Lorenzo Ridge.

**Rainbow Starfrontlet** *Coeligena iris* Few sights at Leymebamba area.

**Great Sapphirewing** *Pterophanes cyanopterus* Seen it briefly at Abra Barro Negro.

**Chestnut-breasted Coronet** *Boissonneaua matthewsii*

**Peruvian Racket-tail** ♦ *Ocreatus peruanus* First seen at Fundo Alto Nieva, as well in other localities.

**Gould's Jewelfront** *Heliodoxa aurescens* Good views at ACONABIKH.

**Fawn-breasted Brilliant** *Heliodoxa rubinoides* Regular hummingbird at Abra Patricia area.

**Violet-fronted Brilliant** *Heliodoxa leadbeateri*

**Giant Hummingbird** *Patagona gigas* Seen at Chonta, Cajamarca.

**Long-billed Starthroat** *Heliomaster longirostris* Seen at Casupe Road, Porculla Pass and Waqanki feeders.

**Amethyst Woodstar** *Calliphlox amethystina* Seen at Waqanki and Arenas Blancas Reserve.

**Purple-collared Woodstar** *Myrtis fanny* Best views at the upper section of Balsas, also at San Marcos, Cajamarca.

**Short-tailed Woodstar** ♦ *Myrmia micrura* Seen at Casupe Road and Chaparri.

**Peruvian Sheartail** ♦ *Thaumastura cora* Few individuals were seen at Porculla Pass.

**White-bellied Woodstar** *Chaetocercus mulsant* Best views at Fundo Alto Nieva, also seen at Huembo and Abra Patricia.

**Little Woodstar** ♦ *Chaetocercus bombus* Great views at Abra Porculla, also seen at Huembo.

**Blue-tailed Emerald** *Chlorostilbon mellisugus* First seen at Waqanki, also seen at Quebrada Upaquihua.

**Violet-headed Hummingbird** *Klais guimeti* Seen once at Plataforma area.

**Grey-breasted Sabrewing** *Campylopterus largipennis*

**Napo Sabrewing** ♦ *Campylopterus villaviscensio* Good views at Plataforma, also at Carlos Ridge.

**Fork-tailed Woodnymph** *Thalurania furcata*

**Tumbes Hummingbird** ♦ *Thaumasius baeri* Seen once at Casupe Road, we were really lucky with this one.

**Spot-throated Hummingbird** ♦ *Thaumasius taczanowskii* Endemic. A common one in the dry areas of Marañon Valley.

**Many-spotted Hummingbird** ♦ *Taphrospilus hypostictus* First seen at Alto Mayo, also at Waqanki and Arenas Blancas.

**Amazilia Hummingbird** *Amazilia amazilia* Common species in the first days of the tour.

**Andean Emerald** *Uranomitra franciae* First seen at Jaen, also at Huembo feeders.

**Golden-tailed Sapphire** *Chrysuronia oenone* Common one at Waqanki, ACONABIKH and Arenas Blancas.

**Sapphire-spangled Emerald** *Chionomesa lactea* Seen at Waqanki and Arenas Blancas.

**Rufous-throated Sapphire** *Hylocharis sapphirina* One individual showed up at Arenas Blancas Reserve.

**White-bellied Hummingbird** *Elliotomyia chionogaster* Seen at Huembo feeders.

**White-chinned Sapphire** *Chlorestes cyanus* Some members of the group got to see it at Waqanki feeders.

**Smooth-billed Ani** *Crotophaga ani* Common and widespread in humid lowlands of the east.

**Groove-billed Ani** *Crotophaga sulcirostris* Common and widespread in the dry areas of the west.

**Striped Cuckoo** *Tapera naevia* (H) Heard only at Rafán and Jaen areas.

**Little Cuckoo** *Coccyua minuta* A pair was seen at Rioja rice fields.

**Squirrel Cuckoo** *Piaya cayana*

**Rock Dove (introduced)** *Columba livia*

**Scaled Pigeon** *Patagioenas speciosa* Seen at Plataforma.

**Band-tailed Pigeon** *Patagioenas fasciata* First seen at Abra Porculla, also in other highlands localities as well.

**Pale-vented Pigeon** *Patagioenas cayennensis* Seen in the lowland areas near Bellavista.

**Maranon Pigeon** ♦ *Patagioenas oenops* Finally we got to see it at Balsas.

**Plumbeous Pigeon** *Patagioenas plumbea* Most of the sights were at Plataforma.

**Ruddy Pigeon** *Patagioenas subvinacea* Seen at Abra Patricia.

**Plain-breasted Ground Dove** *Columbina minuta* One bird seen at Bellavista rice fields.

**Ecuadorian Ground Dove** ♦ *Columbina buckleyi* Heard only at Jaen area.

**Ruddy Ground Dove** *Columbina talpacoti*

**Croaking Ground Dove** *Columbina cruziana*

**Blue Ground Dove** *Claravis pretiosa* Seen at Jaen, heard only at different localities.

**Bare-faced Ground Dove** *Metriopelia ceciliae* Seen at Chonta, Cajamarca.

**White-tipped Dove** *Leptotila verreauxi*

**Grey-fronted Dove** *Leptotila rufaxilla* Nice views at Arenas Blancas Reserve, with a White-tipped Dove next to it to compare both species.

**Ochre-bellied Dove** ♦ *Leptotila ochraceiventris* It was calling a lot at Casupe Road (at least 20 individuals). Some members of the group got to see it when it was flushed away, some at Casupe others at Chaparri.

**White-throated Quail-Dove** *Zentrygon frenata* Brief views walking on the trails at Abra Patricia.

**Eared Dove** *Zenaida auriculata*

**West Peruvian Dove** *Zenaida meloda* Very common along the dry Pacific coast in the first days of the tour.

**Spotted Rail** *Pardirallus maculatus* Great views in the Bellavista rice fields.

**Plumbeous Rail** *Pardirallus sanguinolentus* Good views at Pomacocha Lake.

**Grey-cowled Wood Rail** *Aramides cajaneus* Good views at Arenas Blancas Reserve.

**Common Gallinule** *Gallinula galeata* First seen at Playa Santa Rosa, also in other localities as well.

**Purple Gallinule** *Porphyrio martinica* Several sights at Rioja and Bellavista rice fields.

**Ocellated Crane** *Micropygia schomburgkii* (H) Heard only at Moyobamba area. A write-in for the tour.

**Russet-crowned Crane** *Rufirallus viridis* (H) Heard only at Jaen and Moyobamba areas.

**Chestnut-headed Crane** *Rufirallus castaneiceps* (H) Heard only at Plataforma area

**Rufous-sided Crane** *Laterallus melanophaius* (H) Heard only at Rioja rice fields.

**Limpkin** *Aramus guarauna* A few were seen at Rioja and Bellavista rice fields.

**Peruvian Thick-knee** ♦ *Burhinus superciliaris* First seen on the way to Rafan, but the best views were at Bosque Pomac.

**American Oystercatcher** *Haematopus palliatus* Good views at Playa Santa Rosa.

**Black-necked Stilt** *Himantopus mexicanus* Seen in good numbers at Playa Santa Rosa, also in rice field areas at Rioja and Bellavista.

**White-backed Stilt** *Himantopus melanurus* They were noticed at Rioja and Bellavista rice fields, in much more smaller numbers than Black-necked Stilt, most of the sights joining groups of Black-necked Stilt.

**Southern Lapwing** *Vanellus chilensis* Seen at Bellavista area.

**Andean Lapwing** *Vanellus resplendens* First seen at Pomacochas, also at Cruz Conga, Cajamarca.

**Semipalmated Plover (N)** *Charadrius semipalmatus* Playa Santa Rosa.

**Killdeer** *Charadrius vociferus* Playa Santa Rosa.

**Tawny-throated Dotterel (B)** *Oreopholus ruficollis* Around 20 individuals scattered in the fields on the way to Rafan. Write-in for the tour.

**Pied Plover** *Hoploxypterus cayanus* Seen at Bellavista, also in the margins of Huallaga River.

**Wattled Jacana** *Jacana jacana* Seen at Rioja and Bellavista rice fields.

**Hudsonian Whimbrel** *Numenius hudsonicus* Playa Santa Rosa.

**Baird's Sandpiper (N)** *Calidris bairdii* Playa Santa Rosa.

**Least Sandpiper (N)** *Calidris minutilla* Playa Santa Rosa.

**Pectoral Sandpiper (N)** *Calidris melanotos* Playa Santa Rosa.

**Wilson's Phalarope (N)** *Phalaropus tricolor* A write-in for the tour at Playa Santa Rosa.

**Spotted Sandpiper (N)** *Actitis macularius* Playa Santa Rosa, also seen at Utcubamba River.

**Lesser Yellowlegs (N)** *Tringa flavipes* Playa Santa Rosa.

**Willet (N)** *Tringa [semipalmata] inornata* Playa Santa Rosa.

**Greater Yellowlegs (N)** *Tringa melanoleuca* Playa Santa Rosa.

**Black Skimmer** *Rynchops niger* Playa Santa Rosa, and Huallaga River.

**Grey-headed Gull** *Chroicocephalus cirrocephalus* Playa Santa Rosa.

**Grey Gull** ♦ *Leucophaeus modestus* Playa Santa Rosa.

**Belcher's Gull** ♦ *Larus belcheri* Playa Santa Rosa.

**Kelp Gull** *Larus dominicanus* Playa Santa Rosa.

**Gull-billed Tern** *Gelochelidon nilotica* Playa Santa Rosa.

**Elegant Tern** *Thalasseus elegans* Playa Santa Rosa.

**Peruvian Tern** ♦ *Sternula lorata* A big congregation was seen at Playa Santa Rosa (around 200 individuals resting on the beach).

**South American Tern** *Sterna hirundinacea* Several individuals were at Playa Santa Rosa (20+).

**Common Tern (N)** *Sterna hirundo* At least 3 individuals with winter plumage were seen at Playa Santa Rosa.

**Large-billed Tern** *Phaetusa simplex* Two birds flying over the Huallaga River.

**Inca Tern** ♦ *Larosterna inca* A few were seen at Playa Santa Rosa.

**Elliot's Storm Petrel** ♦ (White-vented S P) *Oceanites gracilis* Several Storm-Petrels were flying close to the shore at Playa Santa Rosa, some flew close enough to be able to identify with our telescopes.

**Peruvian Booby** ♦ *Sula variegata* Playa Santa Rosa.

**Neotropic Cormorant** *Nannopterum brasilianum* Playa Santa Rosa.

**Puna Ibis** *Plegadis ridgwayi* First seen at Playa Santa Rosa, also in the highlands at Cruz Conga.

**Fasciated Tiger Heron** *Tigrisoma fasciatum* Good views along the Utcubamba River.

**Boat-billed Heron** *Cochlearius cochlearius* One individual seen on the margins of Huallaga River. A write-in for the tour.

**Black-crowned Night Heron** *Nycticorax nycticorax* First seen at Playa Santa Rosa, also appear in other localities.

**Striated Heron** *Butorides striata*

**Western Cattle Egret** *Bubulcus ibis*

**Cocoi Heron** *Ardea cocoi* Several noted at various wetlands.

**Great Egret** *Ardea alba*

**Little Blue Heron** *Egretta caerulea*

**Snowy Egret** *Egretta thula*

**Peruvian Pelican** ♦ *Pelecanus thagus* Playa Santa Rosa.

**Hoatzin** *Opisthocomus hoazin* Seen at Bellavista area along the margins of Huallaga River.

**King Vulture** *Sarcoramphus papa* One bird seen along the road to Plataforma.

**Black Vulture** *Coragyps atratus*

**Turkey Vulture** *Cathartes aura*

**Pearl Kite** *Gampsonyx swainsonii* Good views at Rafán.

**Grey-headed Kite** *Leptodon cayanensis* A pair was seen the day that we left Plataforma on the way to Bellavista.

**Hook-billed Kite** *Chondrohierax uncinatus* One bird seen at Quebrada Upaquiuhua.

**Swallow-tailed Kite** *Elanoides forficatus* Common bird in different east slope of the mountains, in areas like Abra Patricia or Plataforma.

**Black-and-white Hawk-Eagle** *Spizaetus melanoleucus* One bird flew above us at Waqanki.

**Double-toothed Kite** *Harpagus bidentatus* One bird was seen at Waqanki, also at Escalera Ridge near Tarapoto.

**Plumbeous Kite** *Ictinia plumbea* Just seen on one occasion at Rioja rice fields.

**Snail Kite** *Rostrhamus sociabilis* Seen at Rioja rice fields.

**Crane Hawk** *Geranospiza caerulescens* Seen along the Plataforma Road, on the way to Bellavista.

**Roadside Hawk** *Rupornis magnirostris* Common and widespread species.

**Harris's Hawk** *Parabuteo unicinctus* Several sights on the first days of the trip in areas like Rafán, Chaparrí or Casupe Road.

**White-rumped Hawk** *Parabuteo leucorrhous* Nice views at Abra Patricia.

**Variable Hawk** *Geranoaetus polyosoma*

**Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle** *Geranoaetus melanoleucus* One bird seen between Abra Barro Negro and Balsas.

**White-throated Hawk (A)** *Buteo albigula* One individual seen at Leymebamba area.

**Short-tailed Hawk** *Buteo brachyurus* One bird seen at Abra Patricia.

**Zone-tailed Hawk** *Buteo albonotatus* Good views at Casupe Road, a rare species in Peru.

**Long-whiskered Owlet** ♦ *Xenoglaux loweryi* Endemic. Nice views in the open for the ones who did the second owling attempt in Abra Patricia.

**Burrowing Owl** *Athene cunicularia* Seen at Rafan and Tinajones Lake.

**Yungas Pygmy Owl** *Glaucidium bolivianum* Best views at Barro Negro, also seen at Abra Patricia and heard only at San Lorenzo Ridge.

**Subtropical Pygmy Owl** ♦ *Glaucidium parkeri* (H) Heard only at Plataforma.

**Ferruginous Pygmy Owl** *Glaucidium brasilianum* Seen at Bellavista and on the Plataforma Road as well.

**Pacific Pygmy Owl** *Glaucidium peruanum* Best views at Bosque Pomac, but also seen at Rafan, Tinajones and Jaen area, near Bagua.

**Striped Owl** *Asio clamator* One bird seen near Nueva Cajamarca.

**Stygian Owl** *Asio stygius* (H) Heard only, and silhouette of one individual flying, near Moyobamba.

**White-throated Screech Owl** ♦ *Megascops albobularis* Good views near Pomacochas area.

**Tropical Screech Owl** *Megascops choliba* One bird seen at Waqanki, heard only as well near Moyobamba.

**Koepcke's Screech Owl** ♦ *Megascops koepckeae* Seen near Leymebamba.

**Cinnamon Screech Owl** ♦ *Megascops petersoni* Good views at Fundo Alto Nieva.

**Foothill Screech Owl (Napo S O)** *Megascops [roraimae] napensis* Seen at Plataforma.

**West Peruvian Screech Owl** ♦ (Peruvian S O) *Megascops [roboratus] pacificus* Nice views at Chaparrí.

**West Peruvian Screech Owl** ♦ (Maranon S O) *Megascops [roboratus] roboratus* Very cooperative pair was seen at Jaen.

**Band-bellied Owl** ♦ *Pulsatrix melanota* Seen at Plataforma and heard only at Waqanki.

**Rufous-banded Owl** *Strix albitarsis* Seen at Leymebamba area.

**Golden-headed Quetzal** *Pharomachrus auriceps* Good views at Leymebamba.

**Crested Quetzal** *Pharomachrus antisianus* Finally we got good views at Abra Patricia.

**Ecuadorian Trogon** ♦ *Trogon mesurus* Seen at Casupe Road.

**Green-backed Trogon** *Trogon viridis* Seen at Escalera Ridge and heard only at Waqanki.

**Amazonian Trogon** *Trogon ramonianus* Good views at ACONABIKH.

**Blue-crowned Trogon** *Trogon curucui* Good views at Waqanki and Morro de Calzada.

**Collared Trogon** *Trogon collaris* Seen at Plataforma.

**Amazon Kingfisher** *Chloroceryle amazona* Seen at Bellavista area.

**Rufous Motmot** *Baryphthengus martii* (H) Heard only at Waqanki.

**Broad-billed Motmot** *Electron platyrhynchum* Seen at Waqanki.

**Bluish-fronted Jacamar** *Galbula cyanescens* Seen at Morro de Calzada, also at Plataforma.

**Black-fronted Nunbird** *Monasa nigrifrons* One bird seen while we were driving to Rioja rice fields.

**White-fronted Nunbird** *Monasa morphoeus* Good views at Waqanki.

**Yellow-billed Nunbird** *Monasa flavirostris* A pair was seen along the road to Plataforma.

**Scarlet-banded Barbet** ♦ *Capito wallacei* Endemic. Very close views the first afternoon at Plataforma, also seen the following morning in Plataforma.

**Gilded Barbet** *Capito auratus* Seen at Waqanki, Plataforma and ACONABIKH.

**Versicolored Barbet** *Eubucco versicolor* Several sightings in Plataforma area.

**Black-throated Toucanet** ♦ *Aulacorhynchus atrogularis* First seen at Pomacochas area, latter was seen in the Alto Mayo Road.



**Chestnut-tipped Toucanet** *Aulacorhynchus derbianus* One bird was seen the first afternoon at Plataforma.

**Lettered Aracari** *Pteroglossus inscriptus* Seen at Waqanki.

**Ivory-billed Aracari** *Pteroglossus azara* At least 3 individuals were seen at ACONABIKH.

**Chestnut-eared Aracari** *Pteroglossus castanotis* First seen at Rioja rice fields, also at Plataforma area and Arenas Blancas.

**Curl-crested Aracari** *Pteroglossus beauharnaisii* Seen at ACONABIKH.

**Golden-collared Toucanet** *Selenidera reinwardtii* A pair was seen at Arenas Blancas Reserve, unfortunately not everyone managed to see it.

**Grey-breasted Mountain Toucan** *Andigena hypoglauca* Close views at Leymebamba area.

**Channel-billed Toucan** *Ramphastos vitellinus* Seen along the Plataforma Road, on the way to Bellavista.

**White-throated Toucan** *Ramphastos tucanus* At least 3 individuals were seen along the Plataforma Road.

**Lafresnaye's Piculet** *Picumnus lafresnayi* First seen at Waqanki, also at Plataforma and Quebrada Upaquiuhua.

**Ecuadorian Piculet** ♠ *Picumnus sclateri* Good views at Casupe Road, also at Abra Porculla.

**Speckle-chested Piculet** ♠ *Picumnus steindachneri* Endemic. At least 4 individuals were seen at Carlos Ridge.

**Yellow-tufted Woodpecker** *Melanerpes cruentatus* Several sights at Rioja, Waqanki and Plataforma.

**Little Woodpecker** *Veniliornis passerinus* One bird was seen at Waqanki.

**Scarlet-backed Woodpecker** *Veniliornis callonotus* A pair was seen at Rafán.

**Red-stained Woodpecker** *Veniliornis affinis* Best views at Morro de Calzada, also at Escalera Ridge.

**Smoky-brown Woodpecker** *Leuconotopicus fumigatus* Seen at Abra Porculla and Leymebamba area.

**Golden-olive Woodpecker** *Colaptes rubiginosus* First seen at Casupe Road, also at Plataforma.

**Crimson-mantled Woodpecker** *Colaptes rivolii* Seen at Abra Patricia area, also at Leymebamba.

**Black-necked Woodpecker** ♠ *Colaptes atricollis* Endemic. First seen at Utcubamba Valley, also at San Marcos in our last day of the tour.

**Spot-breasted Woodpecker** *Colaptes punctigula* Good views at Rioja rice fields.

**Andean Flicker** *Colaptes rupicola* Seen regularly in the high altitudes of Barro Negro and Cruz Conga.

**Lineated Woodpecker** *Dryocopus lineatus* Seen at Plataforma village.

**Red-necked Woodpecker** *Campephilus rubricollis* Nice views bellow Plataforma.

**Crimson-crested Woodpecker** *Campephilus melanoleucos* Seen at Jaen.

**Guayaquil Woodpecker** ♠ *Campephilus guayaquilensis* Good views at Casupe Road.

**Mountain Caracara** *Phalcoboenus megalopterus* Best views at Leymebamba, also at San Lorenzo Ridge and Cajamarca area.

**Crested Caracara (Northern C C)** *Caracara [plancus] cheriway* Seen at Bellavista area.

**Barred Forest Falcon** *Micrastur ruficollis* (H) Heard only at Plataforma.

**American Kestrel** *Falco sparverius*

**Aplomado Falcon** *Falco femoralis* One gave us a nice show taking a dust bath at Chaparri, also seen in other localities.

**White-winged Parakeet** *Brotogeris versicolurus* Seen at Rioja rice fields.

**Cobalt-winged Parakeet** *Brotogeris cyanoptera* Common species in the eastern lowlands.

**White-capped Parrot** *Pionus seniloides* Good views at Leymebamba area.

**Blue-headed Parrot** *Pionus menstruus* Seen at Waqanki and Plataforma.

**Scaly-naped Amazon** *Amazona mercenarius* Seen at San Lorenzo Ridge and Abra Patricia.

**Mealy Amazon** *Amazona farinosa* (H) Heard only at Arenas Blancas Reserve. A write-in for the tour.

**Riparian Parrotlet** ♦ *Forpus crassirostris* A pair was seen at Bellavista area.

**Pacific Parrotlet** ♦ *Forpus coelestis* Common species on the Pacific side, in the first days of the tour.

**Yellow-faced Parrotlet** ♦ *Forpus xanthops* Endemic. Scope views at Balsas in the Marañón canyon.

**Cordilleran Parakeet** *Psittacara frontatus* Best views at Balsas, also seen at Utcubamba Valley and Jaen area.

**Mitred Parakeet** *Psittacara mitratus* (H) Heard only when we were driving near Huembo area, at Pedro Ruiz.

**Red-masked Parakeet** ♦ *Psittacara erythrogenys* A pair flew over at Casupe Road.

**White-eyed Parakeet** *Psittacara leucophthalmus* Seen at Morro de Calzada and along the road to Plataforma.

**Grey-throated Leaf-tosser** *Sclerurus albigularis* Seen at Plataforma.

**Coastal Miner** ♦ *Geositta peruviana* Endemic. Seen near Rafán area.

**Olivaceous Woodcreeper** ♦ *Sittasomus griseicapillus* Seen at Waqanki.

**Tyrannine Woodcreeper** *Dendrocincla tyrannina* Seen at Abra Patricia.

**Plain-brown Woodcreeper** *Dendrocincla fuliginosa* Seen at Waqanki

**Wedge-billed Woodcreeper** *Glyphorhynchus spirurus* Seen at Waqanki and ACONABIKH.

**Black-banded Woodcreeper** *Dendrocolaptes picumnus* Good views at Arenas Blancas Reserve.

**Strong-billed Woodcreeper** ♦ *Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchus* Seen at Abra Patricia, and the local subspecies of Plataforma.

**Tschudi's Woodcreeper** *Xiphorhynchus chunchotambo* Seen at Plataforma and below Plataforma along the road.

**Elegant Woodcreeper** *Xiphorhynchus elegans* (H) Heard only at Quebrada Upaquihua. Write-in for the tour.

**Buff-throated Woodcreeper** *Xiphorhynchus guttatus* Seen in the road to Plataforma.

**Olive-backed Woodcreeper** *Xiphorhynchus triangularis* Seen at Abra Patricia and Alto Mayo Road.

**Streak-headed Woodcreeper** *Lepidocolaptes souleyetii* Seen at Casupe Road and Chaparrí.

**Montane Woodcreeper** *Lepidocolaptes lacrymiger* Seen at Abra Patricia and Leymebamba area.

**Inambari Woodcreeper** ♦ *Lepidocolaptes fatimalimae* Seen at Morro de Calzada and heard only at Arenas Blancas Reserve.

**Streaked Xenops** *Xenops rutilans* Seen at Alto Mayo Road, also at Plataforma.

**Pale-legged Hornero** *Furnarius leucopus* (H) Heard only at Bellavista.

**Pacific Hornero** *Furnarius cinnamomeus* Common in the Pacific section of the tour in areas like Chaparrí or Rafán.

**Cream-winged Cinclodes** *Cinclodes albiventris* One was seen at the Calla Calla Pass (the upper section of Barro Negro).

**White-winged Cinclodes** *Cinclodes atacamensis* Excellent views at Chonta.

**Rufous-rumped Foliage-gleaner** *Philydor [erythrocerum] ochrogaster* Good views below Plataforma.

**Montane Foliage-gleaner** *Anabacerthia striaticollis* Best views at Alto Mayo Road, also at Carlos Ridge and Plataforma.

**Buff-browed Foliage-gleaner** *Syndactyla rufosuperciliata* (H) Heard only at San Lorenzo Ridge and Abra Patricia.

**Lineated Foliage-gleaner** *Syndactyla subalaris* One bird seen the first afternoon at Plataforma.

**Rufous-necked Foliage-gleaner** ♦ *Syndactyla ruficollis* A tricky one this time, but we managed to see it at Casupe Road and Abra Porculla.

**Buff-fronted Foliage-gleaner** *Dendroma rufa* A pair was seen below Plataforma, along the sections with forest along the road.

**Henna-hooded Foliage-gleaner** ◊ *Clibanornis erythrocephalus* After several tries, we managed good views at Casupe.

**Peruvian Treehunter** ◊ *Thripadectes scrutator* Excellent views at Leymebamba area, one of the best birds of the tour!

**Black-billed Treehunter** *Thripadectes melanorhynchus* (H) Heard only at Alto Mayo Road.

**Ochre-throated Foliage-gleaner** *Automolus ochrolaemus* (H) Former Buff-throated Foliage-Gleaner. Heard only at Escalera Ridge, Tarapoto.

**Spotted Barbtail** *Premnoplex brunnescens* Seen at Fundo Alto Nieva.

**Pearled Treerunner** *Margarornis squamiger* Seen at Abra Patricia, San Lorenzo Ridge and Leymebamba.

**Rufous-fronted Thornbird** ◊ (Maranon T) *Phacellodomus [rufifrons] peruvianus*

**Chestnut-backed Thornbird** ◊ *Phacellodomus dorsalis* Endemic. Seen descending to Balsas in the Marañon canyon.

**Many-striped Canastero** *Asthenes flammulata* Seen at Abra Barro Negro.

**White-chinned Thistletail** ◊ (Peruvian T) *Asthenes [fuliginosa] peruviana* Good views at Abra Barro Negro.

**Equatorial Greytail** ◊ *Xenerpestes singularis* Close views along the Alto Mayo Road.

**Russet-mantled Softtail** ◊ *Thripophaga berlepschi* Seen at San Lorenzo Ridge.

**Ash-browed Spinetail** *Cranioleuca curtata* Seen at Plataforma.

**Line-cheeked Spinetail** *Cranioleuca antisiensis* Seen at Abra Porculla.

**Line-cheeked Spinetail** ◊ (Baron's S) *Cranioleuca [antisiensis] baroni* Seen near Leymebamba area.

**Plain-crowned Spinetail** *Synallaxis gujanensis* Seen at Quebrada Upaquiuhua.

**Maranon Spinetail** ◊ *Synallaxis maranonica* This time the bird behaved well at Tamborapa Road (Jaen).

**Great Spinetail** ◊ *Synallaxis hypochondriaca* Endemic. One bird was seen in our last day of the trip at San Marcos.

**Chinchipe Spinetail** ◊ *Synallaxis chinchipensis* Endemic. Good views at Jaen.

**Necklaced Spinetail** ◊ *Synallaxis stictothorax* This time just one pair was seen at Chaparrí.

**Dark-breasted Spinetail** *Synallaxis albigularis* (H) Heard only at Carlos Ridge and Plataforma.

**Azara's Spinetail** *Synallaxis azarae* Seen at Pomacochas, Abra Patricia and San Lorenzo Ridge.

**Rufous Spinetail** *Synallaxis unirufa* Seen at Abra Patricia, but very skulking behaviour and not everyone managed to see it. Heard at San Lorenzo Ridge as well.

**Rufous-rumped Antwren** *Euchrepomis callinota* Good views joining mix-species flocks bellow Abra Patricia.

**Rufescent Antshrike** *Thamnistes rufescens* Nice views during our day in the Alto Mayo Road.

**Rufous-tailed Stipplethroat** *Epinecrophylla erythrura* (H) Heard only at ACONABIKH.

**Stripe-chested Antwren** *Myrmotherula longicauda* Seen at Quebrada Upaquiuhua.

**White-flanked Antwren** *Myrmotherula axillaris* Seen at Morro de Calzada and Quebrada Upaquiuhua.

**Slaty Antwren** *Myrmotherula schisticolor* Seen at Carlos Ridge and in Plataforma.

**Ash-throated Antwren** ◊ *Herpsilochmus parkeri* Endemic. Good views of a female at Carlos Ridge.

**Yellow-breasted Antwren** *Herpsilochmus axillaris* Seen on the road bellow Plataforma.

**Plain Antvireo** *Dysithamnus mentalis* Seen at Plataforma.

**Collared Antshrike** ◊ *Thamnophilus bernardi* Seen in the lower areas of Casupe Road, also at Chaparrí.

**Collared Antshrike** ◊ (Shumba A) *Thamnophilus [bernardi] shumbae* Finally we got one in our last morning at Jaen.

**Barred Antshrike** *Thamnophilus doliatus* (H) Heard only at Arenas Blancas Reserve.

**Chapman's Antshrike** ◊ *Thamnophilus zarumae* Seen at Casupe Road and Abra Porculla.

**Lined Antshrike** *Thamnophilus tenuipunctatus* A couple was seen at Plataforma.

**White-shouldered Antshrike** *Thamnophilus aethiops* Seen by everyone at ACONABIKH.

**Uniform Antshrike** *Thamnophilus unicolor* Seen by the members of the group who did the second attempt for Long-whiskered Owllet at Abra Patricia.

**Plain-winged Antshrike** *Thamnophilus schistaceus* (H) Heard only at Moro La Calzada and ACONABIKH.

**Northern Slaty Antshrike** ◊ (Maranon S A) *Thamnophilus [punctatus] leucogaster* Good views at Jaen.

**Northern Slaty Antshrike** ◊ (Huellaga S A) *Thamnophilus [punctatus] huallagae* Seen at Quebrada Upaquiua.

**Variable Antshrike** *Thamnophilus caerulescens* Good views at Abra Patricia.

**Rufous-capped Antshrike** *Thamnophilus ruficapillus* Seen at Pomacochas Lake.

**Fasciated Antshrike** *Cymbilaimus lineatus* Good views at Waqanki.

**Great Antshrike** *Taraba major* (H) Heard only during our first afternoon at Jaen.

**Streak-headed Antbird** *Drymophila striaticeps* Seen at Abra Patricia.

**Peruvian Warbling Antbird** *Hypocnemis peruviana* Best views at Arenas Blancas, also was seen by some at Moro La Calzada.

**Southern Chestnut-tailed Antbird** ◊ (Chestnut-t A) *Sciaphylax hemimelaena* Seen at Quebrada Upaquiua.

**Northern Chestnut-tailed Antbird** ◊ (Zimmer's A) *Sciaphylax castanea* A very cooperative bird was seen at Waqanki, heard only at Arenas Blancas.

**Blackish Antbird** *Cercomacroides nigrescens* Good views at Plataforma.

**Cordillera Azul Antbird** ◊ *Myrmoderus eowilsoni* Endemic. One of the best birds of the trip, everyone managed to see it at Plataforma.

**Spot-winged Antbird** *Myrmelastes leucostigma* One bird was seen at Waqanki.

**Grey-headed Antbird** ◊ *Ampelornis griseiceps* A female was seen at Abra Porculla. Not an expected bird at the moment for the lack of reports in the area. Good views for the ones who managed to see it. A write-in for the tour.

**Black-faced Antbird** *Myrmoborus myotherinus* (H) Heard only at ACONABIKH.

**White-browed Antbird** *Myrmoborus leucophrys* Nice views of a couple at Quebrada Upaquiua.

**Black-faced Antthrush** *Formicarius analis* (H) Heard only at ACONABIKH.

**Rufous-breasted Antthrush** *Formicarius rufipectus* (H) Heard only at Plataforma.

**Short-tailed Antthrush** *Chamaeza campanisona* Some members of the group managed to see it at Plataforma, tricky one to see.

**Undulated Antpitta** *Grallaria squamigera* Excellent views of one bird sleeping at Abra Patricia, also we saw it jumping along the trails at dusk.

**Scaled Antpitta** *Grallaria guatemalensis* (H) Heard only at Plataforma.

**Chestnut-crowned Antpitta** *Grallaria ruficapilla* (H) We tried hard this time, couple times it was at close distance but at the end refused to show up.

**Pale-billed Antpitta** ◊ *Grallaria carrikeri* Endemic. Nice views at San Lorenzo Ridge.

**Rusty-tinged Antpitta** ◊ *Grallaria przewalskii* Endemic. We were lucky this time to have one at the worm feeder at Abra Patricia.

**Cajamarca Antpitta** ◊ *Grallaria cajamarcae* Endemic. Great views at Cruz Conga, Cajamarca.

**Chestnut Antpitta** ◊ *Grallaria blakei* Endemic. Excellent views of two individuals who came to the worm feeders at Abra Patricia.

**Chachapoyas Antpitta** ◊ *Grallaria gravesi* Endemic. It gave us some complications but we managed to see one bellow Abra Barro Negro.

**Thrush-like Antpitta** *Myrmothera campanisona* (H) Heard only at very close distance in ACONABIKH.

**Ochre-fronted Antpitta** ♦ *Grallarica ochraceifrons* Endemic. Seen at Fundo Alto Nieva.

**Rufous-breasted Antpitta** ♦ (Leymebamba A) *Grallarica leymebambae* A very cooperative pair was seen bellow Abra Barro Negro.

**Chestnut-crowned Gnateater** *Conopophaga castaneiceps* Good views of one male at Carlos Ridge.

**Ash-colored Tapaculo** *Myornis senilis* (H) Heard only at San Lorenzo Ridge.

**Neblina Tapaculo** ♦ *Scytalopus altirostris* Endemic. Excellent views at Abra Barro Negro.

**White-crowned Tapaculo** *Scytalopus atratus* (H) Heard only in the Alto Mayo Road.

**Rufous-vented Tapaculo** ♦ *Scytalopus femoralis* Endemic. Seen at Abra Patricia.

**Large-footed Tapaculo** ♦ *Scytalopus macropus* Endemic. Seen at Leymebamba.

**Unicolored Tapaculo** ♦ *Scytalopus unicolor* Endemic. Good views at Abra Gavilán, Cajamarca.

**Utcubamba Tapaculo** ♦ *Scytalopus intermedius* Endemic. Very good views at Abra Barro Negro.

**Maranon Crescentchest** ♦ *Melanopareia maranonica* Excellent looks at this endemic near Jaen.

**Elegant Crescentchest** ♦ *Melanopareia elegans* Nice views in the open at Chaparri.

**Wing-barred Piprites** *Piprites chloris* Great views at Morro de Calzada.

**White-fronted Tyrannulet** ♦ *Phyllomyias zeledoni* Good views to see all the details of this localized rarity at Carlos Ridge.

**Sooty-headed Tyrannulet** *Phyllomyias griseiceps* Seen during our drive from Plataforma to Bellavista.

**Black-capped Tyrannulet** *Phyllomyias nigrocapillus* Seen at Abra Patricia and Leymebamba area.

**Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet** *Tyrannulus elatus* (LO) Seen by leader at ACONABIKH.

**Forest Elaenia** *Myiopagis gaimardii* Seen at Quebrada Upaquiua.

**Pacific Elaenia** ♦ *Myiopagis subplacens* Good views at Casupe Road.

**Yellow-bellied Elaenia** *Elaenia flavogaster* Seen at Jaen and Rioja rice fields.

**White-crested Elaenia** *Elaenia albiceps* Seen at Plataforma.

**Small-billed Elaenia** *Elaenia parvirostris* Seen at different localities like Waqanki and Plataforma.

**Sierran Elaenia** *Elaenia pallatangae* Seen at Abra Patricia and Leymebamba area.

**White-lored Tyrannulet** *Ornithion inerme* Seen at Waqanki, heard only at ACONABIKH.

**Southern Beardless Tyrannulet** *Camptostoma obsoletum* Common and widespread species.

**White-throated Tyrannulet** *Mecocerculus leucophrys* Good views at Abra Barro Negro.

**White-tailed Tyrannulet** *Mecocerculus poecilocercus* A pair was seen at Leymebamba area.

**Rufous-winged Tyrannulet\*** *Mecocerculus calopterus* Some members of the group managed to see it at Leymebamba area, also seen by leader at Casupe Road.

**White-banded Tyrannulet** *Mecocerculus stictopterus* Seen at San Lorenzo Ridge, also at Leymebamba and Barro Negro.

**Black-crested Tit-Tyrant** ♦ *Anairetes nigrocristatus* Best views at Chonta, also during our morning at Cruz Conga.

**Yellow-billed Tit-Tyrant** *Anairetes flavirostris* Good views at Abra Gavilan, an uncommon species in northern Perú.

**Tufted Tit-Tyrant** *Anairetes parulus* Nice views at Cruz Conga.

**Unstreaked Tit-Tyrant** ♦ *Uromyias agraphia* Endemic. Great views at San Lorenzo Ridge.

**Torrent Tyrannulet** *Serpophaga cinerea* Seen at Abra Patricia, Utcubamba Valley and Leymebamba area.

**Tumbesian Tyrannulet** ♦ *Nesotriccus tumbezanus* Good views at Rafan and Casupe Road.

**Maranon Tyrannulet** ♦ *Nesotriccus maranonicus* Seen at Jaen and Balsas area.

**Southern Mouse-colored Tyrannulet** *Nesotriccus murinus* Good views in the first part of the morning at Bellavista, along the margins of the Huallaga River.

**Rufous-headed Pygmy Tyrant** *Pseudotriccus ruficeps* Best views at Abra Patricia, also at San Lorenzo Ridge.

**Fulvous-crowned Scrub Tyrant** *Euscarthmus meloryphus* Fairly common, seen at different localities like Chaparri, Jaen, Balsas and San Marcos.

**Grey-and-white Tyrannulet** ♦ *Pseudelaenia leucospodia* Good views at Chaparri.

**Mishana Tyrannulet** ♦ *Zimmerius villarejoi* Endemic. Seen well at Waqanki, Plataforma Road and Quebrada Upaquihoa.

**Peruvian Tyrannulet** ♦ *Zimmerius viridiflavus* First seen at Abra Patricia, but also at Plataforma and Alto Mayo Road.

**Marble-faced Bristle Tyrant** *Pogonotriccus ophthalmicus* One bird seen well at Alto Mayo Road.

**Mottle-cheeked Tyrannulet** *Phylloscartes ventralis* A pair was seen at Abra Patricia.

**Ecuadorian Tyrannulet** *Phylloscartes gualaquizeae* Seen on the way back in the Alto Mayo Road.

**Streak-necked Flycatcher** *Mionectes striaticollis* Seen at Abra Patricia area.

**Olive-striped Flycatcher** *Mionectes galbinus* First seen at Carlos Ridge, also at Plataforma and Escalera Ridge.

**Ochre-bellied Flycatcher** *Mionectes oleagineus* Seen at Morro de Calzada.

**Sepia-capped Flycatcher** *Leptopogon amaurocephalus* Good views on the road to Plataforma.

**Slaty-capped Flycatcher** *Leptopogon superciliosus* Seen well at Alto Mayo Road on both occasions that we pass by that road.

**Inca Flycatcher** ♦ *Leptopogon taczanowskii* Endemic. Seen at Abra Patricia.

**Flavescent Flycatcher** *Myiophobus flavicans* (LO) Seen by leader our second afternoon at Abra Patricia with the group who didn't go for the Owllet.

**Olive-chested Flycatcher** *Myiophobus cryptoxanthus* Seen well at Plataforma.

**Mouse-grey Flycatcher** ♦ *Myiophobus crypterythrus* First seen at Chaparri, also our morning in Jaen.

**Ornate Flycatcher** *Myiotriccus ornatus* Good views at Alto Mayo Road.

**Many-colored Rush Tyrant** *Tachuris rubrigastra* Seen at Playa Santa Rosa.

**Pearly-vented Tody-Tyrant** *Hemitriccus margaritaceiventer* (H) Heard only at Quebrada Upaquihoa, also in the margins of Huallaga River.

**Black-throated Tody-Tyrant** *Hemitriccus granadensis* Good views at Abra Patricia.

**Cinnamon-breasted Tody-Tyrant** ♦ *Hemitriccus cinnamomeipectus* Excellent views at Fundo Alto Nieva.

**Buff-throated Tody-Tyrant** ♦ *Hemitriccus rufularis* (H) Heard only at Plataforma.

**White-bellied Pygmy Tyrant** *Myiornis albiventris* Seen briefly at Waqanki.

**Short-tailed Pygmy Tyrant** *Myiornis ecaudatus* Good views at Morro de Calzada.

**Scale-crested Pygmy Tyrant** *Lophotriccus pileatus* (H) Heard only at Carlos Ridge.

**Lulu's Tody-Flycatcher** ♦ *Poecilatriccus luluae* Endemic. Excellent views at Abra Patricia.

**Common Tody-Flycatcher** *Todirostrum cinereum* Seen at Rioja, Plataforma Road, and Plataforma.

**Yellow-browed Tody-Flycatcher** *Todirostrum chrysocrotaphum* (H) Heard only at Waqanki.

**Fulvous-breasted Flatbill** *Rhynchocyclus fulvipectus* Good views joining a mix-species flock below Abra Patricia.

**Yellow-olive Flatbill** *Tolmomyias sulphurescens* Seen at Plataforma and Escalera Ridge.

**Yellow-margined Flatbill** *Tolmomyias assimilis* A pair was seen in the lower sections of Alto Mayo Road.

**Olive-faced Flatbill** *Tolmomyias viridiceps* First seen at Morro de Calzada, also in the Plataforma Road and ACONABIKH.

**White-throated Spadebill** *Platyrinchus mystaceus* Seen at Carlos Ridge, heard only at Plataforma.

**Yellow-throated Spadebill** ◊ *Platyrinchus flavigularis* Good views at Plataforma, one adult and a young bird.

**Cinnamon Flycatcher** *Pyrrhomyias cinnamomeus* Common species in Abra Patricia.

**Cliff Flycatcher** *Hirundinea ferruginea* Good views at Escalera Ridge.

**Euler's Flycatcher** *Lathrotriccus euleri* Seen by Charles and me when we stay longer at the site of Cordillera Azul Antbird, at Plataforma.

**Grey-breasted Flycatcher** ◊ *Lathrotriccus griseipectus* Finally we got a responsive pair at Casupe Road.

**Black Phoebe** *Sayornis nigricans*

**Olive Tufted Flycatcher** ◊ *Mitrephanes olivaceus* Good views at Abra Patricia.

**Smoke-colored Pewee** *Contopus fumigatus* First seen at Casupe Road, also at San Lorenzo Ridge and Leymebamba area.

**Tumbes Pewee** ◊ *Contopus punensis* Seen at Chaparri.

**Blackish Pewee** ◊ *Contopus nigrescens* Seen in two consecutive days in Plataforma, a rare and local species.

**Vermilion Flycatcher** *Pyrocephalus obscurus* Common in the first days of the tour.

**Rufous-naped Ground Tyrant** *Muscisaxicola rufivertex* Four individuals were seen at Cruz Conga.

**Rufous-tailed Tyrant** ◊ *Knipolegus poecilurus* Seen at Carlos Ridge, uncommon species.

**Rufous-webbed Bush Tyrant** ◊ *Cnemarchus rufipennis* Several individuals were seen at Cruz Conga.

**Smoky Bush Tyrant** *Myiotheretes fumigatus* (H) Heard only at Abra Barro Negro.

**Black-billed Shrike-Tyrant** *Agriornis montanus* Seen at Cruz Conga.

**Tumbes Tyrant** ◊ *Tumbezia salvini* One bird seen at Chaparri.

**Jelski's Chat-Tyrant** ◊ *Silvicultrix jelskii* Endemic. Good views of a pair near Celendin, also brief views at Cruz Conga.

**Maroon-belted Chat-Tyrant** ◊ *Ochthoeca thoracica* Best views at Leymebamba area.

**Rufous-breasted Chat-Tyrant** *Ochthoeca rufipectoralis* Seen at San Lorenzo Ridge.

**Brown-backed Chat-Tyrant** *Ochthoeca fumicolor* Seen at Abra Barro Negro.

**Piura Chat-Tyrant** ◊ *Ochthoeca piurae* Endemic. Good views at Abra Porculla.

**Long-tailed Tyrant** *Colonia colonus* Seen at Plataforma and Carlos Ridge.

**Short-tailed Field Tyrant** ◊ *Muscigralla brevicauda* Good views at Chaparri.

**Piratic Flycatcher** *Legatus leucophaeus* (H) Heard only at Morro de Calzada and Escalera Ridge.

**Social Flycatcher** *Myiozetetes similis*

**Dusky-chested Flycatcher** *Myiozetetes luteiventris* Seen at Escalera Ridge, by the Tarapoto Tunnel. A write-in for the tour.

**Great Kiskadee** *Pitangus sulphuratus*

**Lemon-browed Flycatcher** ◊ *Conopias cinchoneti* Seen at Alto Mayo Road.

**Baird's Flycatcher** ◊ *Myiodynastes bairdii* Seen at Chaparri and Casupe Road.

**Streaked Flycatcher** *Myiodynastes maculatus* Seen at Waqanki, Plataforma and Tarapoto area.

**Boat-billed Flycatcher** *Megarynchus pitangua*

**Variegated Flycatcher** *Empidonomus varius* One bird seen at the road to Plataforma.

**Crowned Slaty Flycatcher** (A) *Griseotyrannus aurantioatrocristatus* Seen on the Plataforma Road, also at the Escalera Ridge.

**Snowy-throated Kingbird** *Tyrannus niveigularis* Two birds were seen at Chaparri.

**Tropical Kingbird** *Tyrannus melancholicus*

**Greyish Mourner** *Rhytipterna simplex* Good views at Plataforma.

**Rufous Flycatcher** ♦ *Myiarchus semirufus* Endemic. Excellent views at Rafan, also at Bosque Pomac.

**Dusky-capped Flycatcher** *Myiarchus tuberculifer* A pair was seen at Abra Porculla.

**Pale-edged Flycatcher** *Myiarchus cephalotes* Seen at Abra Patricia and Alto Mayo Road.

**Sooty-crowned Flycatcher** ♦ *Myiarchus phaeocephalus* Seen at Casupe Road, also at Chaparri.

**Brown-crested Flycatcher** *Myiarchus tyrannulus* Seen at Jaen, also at Quebrado Upaquihoa.

**Scarlet-breasted Fruiteater** ♦ *Pipreola frontalis* Good views at Plataforma.

**Masked Fruiteater** *Pipreola pulchra* Endemic. Excellent views at Carlos Ridge.

**Green-and-black Fruiteater** *Pipreola riefferii* Seen on different occasions at Abra Patricia.

**Grey-tailed Piha** ♦ *Snowornis subalaris* Good views at Plataforma.

**Andean Cock-of-the-rock** *Rupicola peruvianus* A female was seen at Alto Mayo, heard only at Escalera Ridge and Arenas Blancas.

**Peruvian Plantcutter** ♦ *Phytotoma raimondii* Endemic. Excellent views of a pair at Rafan.

**Red-crested Cotinga** *Ampelion rubrocristatus* Several seen at Abra Barro Negro.

**Sulphur-bellied Tyrant-Manakin** ♦ *Neopelma sulphureiventer* Seen at Quebrada Upaquihoa, but not everyone managed to see it.

**Jet Manakin** ♦ *Chloropipo unicolor* Two individuals at Abra Patricia, also was seen at Plataforma.

**Yungas Manakin** *Chiroxiphia boliviana* Good views at Plataforma.

**Blue-rumped Manakin** ♦ (Milky-rumped M) *Lepidothrix [isidorei] leucopygia* Several sights at Plataforma.

**Painted Manakin** ♦ *Machaeropterus eckelberryi* Endemic. We struggled to find this one, finally we got to see a male at Morro de Calzada, where most of the group got to see it.

**Fiery-capped Manakin** ♦ *Machaeropterus pyrocephalus* Seen at ACONABIKH, heard only at Arenas Blancas.

**White-crowned Manakin** *Pseudopipra pipra* Brief looks at Carlos Ridge.

**Golden-headed Manakin** *Ceratopipra erythrocephala* Excellent views at the active lek at ACONABIKH.

**Black-tailed Myiobius** *Myiobius atricaudus* Seen by Mark at Quebrada Upaquihoa.

**Masked Tityra** *Tityra semifasciata*

**Foothill Schiffornis** *Schiffornis aenea* Good views at Plataforma.

**Yellow-cheeked Becard** *Pachyramphus xanthogenys* Seen at Jaen.

**Barred Becard** *Pachyramphus versicolor* Seen at Abra Patricia.

**Chestnut-crowned Becard** *Pachyramphus castaneus* Good views at Plataforma. Write-in for the tour!

**White-winged Becard** *Pachyramphus polychropterus* One bird seen at Bellavista in the margins of Huallaga River.

**Black-and-white Becard** *Pachyramphus albogriseus* First seen at Chaparri, also at Abra Patricia and Leymebamba area.

**Rufous-browed Peppershrike** *Cyclarhis gujanensis* First seen at Casupe Road, as well in another localities.

**Slaty-capped Shrike-Vireo** *Vireolanius leucotis* One bird seen bellow Plataforma.

**Olivaceous Greenlet** *Hylophilus olivaceus* (H) Heard only at Carlos Ridge and Alto Mayo Road.

**Chivi Vireo** *Vireo chivi* First seen at Jaen, also in different localities after that.

**Brown-capped Vireo** *Vireo leucophrys* Seen at Abra Patricia area and Leymebamba.

**White-collared Jay** *Cyanolyca viridicyanus* Seen at Leymebamba.



**Violaceous Jay** *Cyanocorax violaceus* Seen at ACONABIKH.

**White-tailed Jay** ♦ *Cyanocorax mystacalis* A stunner! Seen at Chaparri.

**Inca Jay** *Cyanocorax yncas*

**Tumbes Swallow** ♦ *Tachycineta stolzmanni* Great views at close distance in Bosque Pomac.

**White-winged Swallow** *Tachycineta albiventer* Seen in one random stop somewhere near Rioja.

**White-banded Swallow** *Atticora fasciata* Seen at Huallaga River, also at Escalera Ridge.

**Blue-and-white Swallow** *Pygochelidon cyanoleuca*

**Brown-bellied Swallow** *Orochelidon murina* Seen at Abra Barro Negro.

**Southern Rough-winged Swallow** *Stelgidopteryx ruficollis*

**Grey-breasted Martin** *Progne chalybea*

**Chestnut-collared Swallow** ♦ *Petrochelidon rufocollaris* Big numbers at the villages near Tinajones Lake.

**Black-capped Donacobius** *Donacobius atricapilla* Good views at Rioja rice fields.

**Fasciated Wren** *Campylorhynchus fasciatus* Good views at Rafan, Chaparri, Jaen, and Balsas.

**Thrush-like Wren** *Campylorhynchus turdinus* Seen at Plataforma.

**Grey-mantled Wren** ♦ *Odontorchilus branickii* Excellent views at Alto Mayo Road.

**Sepia-brown Wren** ♦ *Cinnycerthia olivascens* A single bird seen at Abra Patricia.

**Grass Wren** *Cistothorus platensis* Seen at Abra Barro Negro.

**Plain-tailed Wren** ♦ (Grey-browed W) *Pheugopedius [euophrys] schulenbergi* Seen at San Lorenzo Ridge.

**Coraya Wren** *Pheugopedius coraya* Most of the group just heard it, but some managed to see it on the Plataforma Road.

**Speckle-breasted Wren** ♦ *Pheugopedius [sclateri] paucimaculatus* Seen at Casupe Road.

**Speckle-breasted Wren** ♦ (Maranon W) *Pheugopedius [sclateri] sclateri* Seen at Jaen.

**Buff-breasted Wren** *Cantorchilus leucotis* (H) Heard only at Quebrada Upaquihoa, also at the margins of Huallaga River.

**Superciliated Wren** ♦ *Cantorchilus superciliaris* Good views at Tinajones Lake and Chaparri area.

**House Wren (Southern H W)** *Troglodytes [aedon] musculus*

**Mountain Wren** *Troglodytes solstitialis* First seen at San Lorenzo Ridge, also at Abra Patricia.

**Grey-breasted Wood Wren** *Henicorhina leucophrys*

**Bar-winged Wood Wren** ♦ *Henicorhina leucoptera* Excellent views at Fundo Alto Nieva.

**Southern Nightingale-Wren (Scaly-breasted W)** *Microcerculus marginatus* (H) Heard only at Morro de Calzada, Plataforma and Escalera Ridge.

**Chestnut-breasted Wren** *Cyphorhinus thoracicus* Good views at Abra Patricia area.

**Chattering Gnatwren** *Ramphocaenus sticturus* Seen at Quebrada Upaquihoa, an uncommon and local species in Peru.

**Tropical Gnatcatcher** ♦ (Maranon G) *Polioptila [plumbea] maior* Seen at Jaen, Balsas and San Marcos. Each of these localities are part of the Marañon River drainage.

**White-browed Gnatcatcher** *Polioptila bilineata* Seen at Rafan, Casupe, Chaparri and Pomac.

**Long-tailed Mockingbird** *Mimus longicaudatus*

**Andean Solitaire** *Myadestes ralloides* Seen at Abra Patricia.

**Speckled Nightingale-Thrush** *Catharus maculatus* With persistence and a bit of strategy we got to see it at Plataforma.

**Slaty-backed Nightingale-Thrush** *Catharus fuscater* (H) Heard only at Abra Patricia.

**Pale-eyed Thrush** *Turdus leucops* (LO) Seen by leader at Fundo Alto Nieva.

**Plumbeous-backed Thrush** ◊ *Turdus reevei* Good views at Casupe Road and Abra Porculla.

**Chiguanco Thrush** *Turdus chiguanco*

**Glossy-black Thrush** *Turdus serranus* Seen at Abra Patricia, heard only at Fundo Alto Nieva.

**Great Thrush** *Turdus fuscater*

**Maranon Thrush** ◊ *Turdus maranonicus* Seen at Utcubamba Valley.

**Black-billed Thrush** *Turdus ignobilis* Seen at Waqanki, and Rioja rice fields.

**White-necked Thrush** *Turdus albicollis* Seen at ACONABIKH.

**Pale-breasted Thrush** *Turdus leucomelas* Seen at Waqanki.

**White-capped Dipper** *Cinclus leucocephalus* Excellent views at Leymebamba.

**House Sparrow (introduced)** *Passer domesticus*

**Peruvian Pipit** ◊ *Anthus peruvianus* Seen at Playa Santa Rosa.

**Paramo Pipit** *Anthus bogotensis* Seen at Calla Calla Pass (Abra Barro Negro).

**Lesser Goldfinch** *Spinus psaltria* Seen at Balsas.

**Olivaceous Siskin** *Spinus olivaceus* Seen at Abra Patricia.

**Hooded Siskin** *Spinus magellanicus* Seen at Leymebamba and different localities in Cajamarca.

**Golden-rumped Euphonia** *Chlorophonia cyanocephala* Good views at Plataforma and Carlos Ridge.

**Blue-naped Chlorophonia** *Chlorophonia cyanea* Seen at Plataforma.

**Purple-throated Euphonia** *Euphonia chlorotica* Seen at Jaen, Rioja and Balsas.

**White-lored Euphonia** *Euphonia chrysopasta* Seen at Waqanki, Plataforma Road and Escalera Ridge.

**White-vented Euphonia** *Euphonia minuta* One male seen at Waqanki.

**Thick-billed Euphonia** *Euphonia laniirostris* First seen at Casupe Road and Chaparri, also at Waqanki and other localities too.

**Orange-bellied Euphonia** *Euphonia xanthogaster* First seen at Abra Patricia, also at other localities.

**Bronze-green Euphonia** *Euphonia mesochrysa* Seen at Alto Mayo and Plataforma.

**Yellow-throated Bush Tanager** *Chlorospingus flavigularis* Seen at Plataforma and Alto Mayo Road.

**Ashy-throated Bush Tanager** *Chlorospingus canigularis* Seen in both times that we pass the Alto Mayo Road.

**Common Bush Tanager** *Chlorospingus flavopectus* Common bird at Abra Patricia.

**Tumbes Sparrow** ◊ *Rhynchospiza stolzmanni* Seen well at Chaparri, but it was a bit harder than usual.

**Yellow-browed Sparrow** *Ammodramus aurifrons* A few seen in the east, the first at Fundo Alto Nieva.

**Grey-browed Brushfinch** *Arremon assimilis* Excellent views at Abra Porculla, also at Leymebamba area.

**Black-capped Sparrow** *Arremon abeillei* Good views at Casupe Road.

**Black-capped Sparrow** ◊ (Maranon S) *Arremon [abeillei] nigriceps* Seen well descending the Marañon canyon at Balsas area.

**Chestnut-capped Brushfinch** *Arremon brunneinucha* Good views at Plataforma.

**Rufous-collared Sparrow** *Zonotrichia capensis*

**White-headed Brushfinch** ◊ *Atlapetes albiceps* Seen at Chaparri.

**Yellow-breasted Brushfinch (Northern Rufous-naped B)** *Atlapetes latinuchus* This one we saw it very well at San Lorenzo Ridge and Abra Patricia.

**Yellow-breasted Brushfinch** ♢ (Baron's B) *Atlapetes [latinuchus] baroni* We saw *A. latinuchus baroni* at Leymebamba, as well in Cruz Conga. But we also saw a different subspecies at Abra Gavilán which is *A. latinuchus chugurensis* that has a distribution in the Pacific slope of Cajamarca in north-western Peru.

**White-winged Brushfinch** *Atlapetes leucopterus* Good views at Casupe Road and Abra Porculla.

**Bay-crowned Brushfinch** ♢ *Atlapetes seebohmi* Seen well at Abra Porculla.

**Peruvian Meadowlark** *Leistes bellicosus* Best views at Chaparri and Pomac, also seen in locations of the Marañon Valley.

**Yellow-billed Cacique** *Amblycercus holosericeus* Seen at San Lorenzo Ridge.

**Russet-backed Oropendola** *Psarocolius angustifrons* Bigger numbers at ACONABIKH, scattered sights in Waqanki and Plataforma area.

**Crested Oropendola** *Psarocolius decumanus* One individual seen at Plataforma.

**Olive Oropendola** *Psarocolius bifasciatus* Seen on the road to Plataforma.

**Yellow-rumped Cacique** *Cacicus cela* Common in the eastern section of the tour.

**Subtropical Cacique** *Cacicus uropygialis* Good views at Fundo Alto Nieva and Alto Mayo Road.

**Northern Mountain Cacique** *Cacicus leucoramphus* First seen at Abra Patricia, latter at Leymebamba area.

**Yellow-tailed Oriole** *Icterus mesomelas* Seen on different occasions at Jaen area, also at Bagua.

**White-edged Oriole** ♢ *Icterus graceannae* Good views at Casupe Road.

**Orange-backed Troupial** *Icterus croconotus* Good views at Rioja.

**Epaulet Oriole** *Icterus cayanensis* Seen at Plataforma, also coming to fruit feeders at Arenas Blancas Reserve.

**Giant Cowbird** *Molothrus oryzivorus* Seen at Bellavista rice fields area on both occasions that we pass there.

**Shiny Cowbird** *Molothrus bonariensis* First one was a young bird near Olmos. Big groups at Rioja rice fields.

**Scrub Blackbird** ♢ *Dives waczewiczi* Common around villages along the Pacific coast, also in the dry areas of Cajamarca.

**Oriole Blackbird** *Gymnomystax mexicanus* Two individuals seen at Rioja rice fields.

**Pale-eyed Blackbird** ♢ *Agelasticus xanthophthalmus* 3 individuals seen well at Rioja rice fields, maybe the best place on earth to see this rare and local species.

**Black-lored Yellowthroat** ♢ (Maranon Y) *Geothlypis [auricularis] peruviana* Good views at Hacienda Limon in the Marañon Valley.

**Tropical Parula** *Setophaga pitiayumi* Common at Casupe and Chaparri [*pacifica*], also common in the east side [*alarum*].

**Citrine Warbler** *Myiothlypis luteoviridis* Seen at San Lorenzo Ridge.

**Black-crested Warbler** *Myiothlypis nigrocristata* Seen at several locations like Abra Porculla, Pomacochas, Leymebamba and Cajamarca.

**Grey-and-gold Warbler** ♢ *Myiothlypis fraseri* At least 4 individuals at Casupe Road, but a bit challenging to see it this time.

**Russet-crowned Warbler** *Myiothlypis coronata* Seen at Abra Patricia and Leymebamba area.

**Three-banded Warbler** ♢ *Basileuterus trifasciatus* Common at Casupe Road and Abra Porculla.

**Three-striped Warbler** *Basileuterus tristriatus* A regular bird in the mix-species flocks in places like Fundo Alto Nieva, Alto Mayo Road, Carlos Ridge and Plataforma.

**Slate-throated Whitestart** *Myioborus miniatus*

**Spectacled Whitestart** *Myioborus melanocephalus* Seen at Abra Patricia, Leymebamba and Cruz Conga.

**Tooth-billed Tanager** *Piranga lutea* First seen at Casupe Road, also at Utcubamba Valley and Cajamarca area.

**White-winged Tanager** *Piranga leucoptera* Seen each day at Plataforma.

**Red-crowned Ant Tanager** *Habia rubica* Good views at Waqanki.

**Olive Tanager** *Chlorothraupis frenata* Seen at Escalera Ridge, heard only along the Plataforma road.

**Golden Grosbeak (Southern Yellow G)** *Pheucticus chrysogaster* Good views at Casupe Road, Abra Porculla and San Marcos.

**White-capped Tanager** *Sericossypha albocristata* Excellent views at Abra Patricia, also at Leymebamba.

**Grey-winged Inca Finch** ♦ *Incaspiza ortizi* Endemic. Good views at Hacienda Limon, in the Marañon Valley.

**Buff-bridled Inca Finch** ♦ *Incaspiza laeta* Endemic. The easiest Inca Finch, performed really well at Balsas.

**Little Inca Finch** ♦ *Incaspiza watkinsi* Endemic. Finally, we managed good views at Bagua.

**Green Honeycreeper** *Chlorophanes spiza* Common in the eastern lowlands and Plataforma.

**Golden-collared Honeycreeper** *Iridophanes pulcherrimus* A few seen at Plataforma.

**Yellow-backed Tanager** *Hemithraupis flavicollis* One individual seen at the restaurant at Escalera Ridge.

**Guira Tanager** *Hemithraupis guira* A pair seen at Waqanki.

**Swallow Tanager** *Tersina viridis* Not as common this time, just 2 at Waqanki and 2 at the Plataforma Road.

**Purple Honeycreeper** *Cyanerpes caeruleus* First one at Rioja, also at Morro de Calzada and Escalera Ridge.

**Short-billed Honeycreeper** *Cyanerpes nitidus* Good views of a couple at Escalera Ridge.

**Blue Dacnis** *Dacnis cayana* Several sights on the eastern side of the tour.

**Black-faced Dacnis** *Dacnis lineata* Seen at Waqanki, Plataforma and ACONABIKH.

**Bluish-grey Saltator** *Saltator coerulescens* Seen at Rioja, heard only at Plataforma.

**Streaked Saltator** *Saltator striatipectus* Three different subspecies were seen on the trip, the ones at Rafán [*immaculatus*], at Chaparri and Casupe [*flavidicollis*], and the ones in the regions of Marañon Valley like Jaen and Balsas [*peruvianus*].

**Buff-throated Saltator** *Saltator maximus* A few sights in Plataforma and along the Plataforma Road.

**Black-cowled Saltator** ♦ *Saltator nigriceps* Good views at Abra Porculla of a single bird.

**Golden-billed Saltator** *Saltator aurantiirostris* Seen at Abra Gavilán, Cajamarca.

**Bananaquit** *Coereba flaveola* At least three different subspecies seen on the tour: northwest [*pacifica*], Marañon Valley [*magnirostris*], east [*dispar*], possibly another subspecies at Escalera Ridge [*intermedia*].

**Dull-colored Grassquit** *Aemospiza obscura* Seen at different localities of the Marañon Valley like Jaen, Balsas and San Marcos.

**Blue-black Grassquit** *Volatinia jacarina* Seen at different localities like Chaparri, Jaen, and Bellavista.

**Rufous-crested Tanager** *Creurgops verticalis* Very good views bellow Abra Patricia.

**White-shouldered Tanager** *Loriotus luctuosus* Seen at Quebrada Upaquihoa.

**Red Pileated Finch** *Coryphospingus cucullatus* Locally common at Jaen area.

**White-lined Tanager** *Tachyphonus rufus* One male seen at Rioja rice fields.

**Red-shouldered Tanager** *Tachyphonus phoenicius* A pair was seen in the rocky outcrops at Waqanki.

**Fulvous Shrike-Tanager** *Lanio fulvus* Excellent views of one male at ACONABIKH.

**Huallaga Tanager** ♦ *Ramphocelus melanogaster* Endemic. Seen at Rioja, Waqanki and Arenas Blancas.

**Silver-beaked Tanager** *Ramphocelus carbo* First seen at Jaen, also at Plataforma and Escalera Ridge.

**Yellow-bellied Seedeater** *Sporophila nigricollis* A single male was seen at Pomacochas Lake.

**Chestnut-bellied Seed Finch** *Sporophila angolensis* A single male at Rioja.

**Black-billed Seed Finch** ♦ *Sporophila atrirostris* Nice views of one male at Rioja. A rare and local species.

**Parrot-billed Seedeater** ♦ *Sporophila peruviana* Good views at Chaparri.

**Drab Seedeater** ◊ *Sporophila simplex* A few scattered sights at Rafán, Chaparri and Jaén.

**Chestnut-bellied Seedeater** *Sporophila castaneiventris* Common in the eastern lowlands.

**Cinereous Finch** ◊ *Piezorina cinerea* Endemic. Three birds were seen at Rafán.

**Grey-hooded Bush Tanager** *Cnemoscopus rubrirostris* Seen at Abra Patricia with mix-species flocks.

**Drab Hemispingus** *Pseudospingus xanthophthalmus* Seen at Barro Negro and Leymebamba.

**Collared Warbling Finch** ◊ *Poospiza hispaniolensis* Just two individuals were seen our last day in Chaparri.

**White-browed Hemispingus** *Kleinotheraupis auricularis* Endemic. Excellent views at San Lorenzo Ridge.

**Oleaginous Hemispingus** *Sphenopsis frontalis* Just seen at Abra Patricia, for the group who tried again the Owllet.

**Buff-bellied Tanager** ◊ *Thlypopsis inornata* Seen at Jaén, also descending the Marañon canyon at Balsas.

**Superciliaried Hemispingus** ◊ (White-bellied H) *Thlypopsis [superciliaris] leucogastra* Seen at Leymebamba and Barro Negro.

**Rufous-chested Tanager** *Thlypopsis ornata* Seen at Leymebamba area, at Rangra Wasi.

**Black-goggled Tanager** *Trichothraupis melanops* A write-in for the tour, rare species in northern Peru. Seen at Carlos Ridge.

**Plain-tailed Warbling Finch** ◊ *Microspingus alticola* Endemic. Good views of a pair at Cruz Conga.

**Capped Conebill** *Conirostrum albifrons* Just seen in one of the mix-species flocks at Leymebamba.

**Blue-backed Conebill** *Conirostrum sitticolor* Seen at San Lorenzo Ridge and Abra Barro Negro.

**Cinereous Conebill** *Conirostrum cinereum* Good views at Chonta.

**Sulphur-throated Finch** ◊ *Sicalis taczanowskii* Huge numbers (1000+) on fields on the way to Rafan, and just a few at Chaparri.

**Saffron Finch** *Sicalis flaveola*

**Grassland Yellow Finch** *Sicalis luteola* Seen at Pomacochas Lake.

**Peruvian Sierra Finch** *Phrygilus punensis* Seen at Cruz Conga.

**Ash-breasted Sierra Finch** *Geospizopsis plebejus* Several individuals were seen at Abra Porculla.

**Plumbeous Sierra Finch** *Geospizopsis unicolor* Seen at Calla Calla pass (Barro Negro).

**Streaked Dacnis** ◊ *Xenodacnis petersi* One female seen at Cruz Conga.

**Band-tailed Seedeater** *Catamenia analis* A single bird at Chonta.

**Plain-colored Seedeater** *Catamenia inornata* Seen at Abra Barro Negro.

**Golden-eyed Flowerpiercer** *Diglossa glauca* Good views of one bird bellow Abra Patricia.

**Bluish Flowerpiercer** *Diglossa caerulescens* Seen at Abra Patricia and Leymebamba (Rangra Wasi).

**Masked Flowerpiercer** *Diglossa cyanea* Best views at Barro Negro, also a single bird at Abra Patricia.

**Rusty Flowerpiercer** *Diglossa sittoides* Good views at Abra Porculla.

**Moustached Flowerpiercer** *Diglossa mystacalis* Regular bird at Abra Barro Negro.

**White-sided Flowerpiercer** *Diglossa albilatera* Common around Abra Patricia.

**Black-throated Flowerpiercer** *Diglossa brunneiventris* Seen at Cruz Conga.

**Vermilion Tanager** ◊ *Calochaetes coccineus* Excellent views at Alto Mayo Road.

**Yellow-throated Tanager** *Iridosornis analis* Good views at Fundo Alto Nieva, Alto Mayo Road and Carlos Ridge.

**Yellow-scarfed Tanager** ◊ *Iridosornis reinhardti* Endemic. Excellent views at Abra Patricia.

**Fawn-breasted Tanager** *Pipraeidea melanonota* Seen at Leymebamba (Rangra Wasi).

**Streak-crowned Mountain Tanager** *Dubusia stictocephala* Endemic. A recent split from Buff-breasted Mountain Tanager. We saw a single bird at Abra Barro Negro on the Marañon side.

**Hooded Mountain Tanager** *Buthraupis montana* Several groups were seen at Abra Patricia and Barro Negro.

**Blue-capped Tanager** *Sporathraupis cyanocephala* Seen at Leymebamba area.

**Grass-green Tanager** *Chlorornis riefferii* Good views at Abra Patricia.

**Blue-winged Mountain Tanager** *Anisognathus somptuosus* First seen at Fundo Alto Nieva, also at Plataforma.

**Scarlet-bellied Mountain Tanager** *Anisognathus igniventris* A few were seen at Abra Barro Negro.

**Orange-eared Tanager** *Chlorochrysa calliparaea* Just seen by leaders and one participant at Alto Mayo Road.

**Magpie Tanager** *Cissopis leverianus* Common bird at Plataforma and Plataforma Road.

**Black-faced Tanager** *Schistochlamys melanopis* Seen at Fundo Alto Nieva and Moyobamba area.

**Red-capped Cardinal** *Paroaria gularis* Several were seen at Rioja rice fields and Bellavista.

**Dotted Tanager** ♦ *Ixothraupis varia* Three birds were seen at Escalera Ridge.

**Spotted Tanager** *Ixothraupis punctata* Several were seen at Alto Mayo Road, Carlos Ridge and Plataforma.

**Yellow-bellied Tanager** *Ixothraupis xanthogastra* A single one at Waqanki, also seen at Plataforma.

**Golden-naped Tanager** *Chalcothraupis ruficervix* Several were seen at Plataforma area.

**Blue-grey Tanager** *Thraupis episcopus* Two different forms were seen on the tour: on the west in villages outside Chaparri [*quaesita*], in the eastern areas [*caerulea*].

**Palm Tanager** *Thraupis palmarum* Common in the eastern side, mostly in degraded habitats.

**Silver-backed Tanager** *Stilpnia viridicollis* First seen at Abra Porculla, also at Huembo and Abra Patricia.

**Straw-backed Tanager** *Stilpnia argyrofenges* Best views at Plataforma, brief looks at Alto Mayo Road.

**Blue-necked Tanager** *Stilpnia cyanicollis* Common in the eastern side.

**Masked Tanager** *Stilpnia nigrocincta* Seen at Waqanki, heard only at Morro de Calzada.

**Blue-and-black Tanager** *Tangara vassorii* Seen at Abra Barro Negro.

**Beryl-spangled Tanager** *Tangara nigroviridis* A few were seen at San Lorenzo Ridge, Abra Patricia and Leymebamba.

**Blue-browed Tanager** *Tangara cyanotis* Good views at Plataforma.

**Metallic-green Tanager** *Tangara labradorides* Good views at Fundo Alto Nieva.

**Bay-headed Tanager** *Tangara gyrola* Common in the eastern foothills.

**Golden-eared Tanager** *Tangara chrysotis* Best views at Alto Mayo Road, another sight at Plataforma.

**Saffron-crowned Tanager** *Tangara xanthocephala* Common at Abra Patricia, also seen at Huembo and Plataforma.

**Flame-faced Tanager** *Tangara parzudakii* Regular at Abra Patricia and Plataforma.

**Green-and-gold Tanager** *Tangara schrankii* Regular in the eastern lowlands and foothills forest.

**Golden Tanager** *Tangara arthus* A few, at Alto Mayo road, Plataforma, and Escalera Ridge.

**Turquoise Tanager** *Tangara mexicana* The one that is not Turquoise or Mexican, a few at Waqanki, Morro de Calzada and Plataforma Road.

**Paradise Tanager** *Tangara chilensis* I noticed that some individuals at Plataforma area had yellow-rumped, which is a subspecies of the upper Huallaga Valley [*chlorocorys*], other ones like in ACONABICK or Alto Mayo had red rumped which is the widespread form [n nominate form *chilensis*].

**Opal-crowned Tanager** *Tangara callophrys* Seen on the road to Plataforma.

## MAMMALS

**Sechuran Fox** *Lycalopex sechurae* A very acrobatic fox that managed to climb to the roof of Chaparri buildings.

**South American Sea Lion *Otaria flavescens*** A death animal at Playa Santa Rosa.

**Eastern Lowland Olingo *Bassaricyon alleni*** Great views of two individuals at Plataforma.

**Tayra *Eira barbara*** Good views of one that crossed the Alto Mayo Road twice, when we were driving slowly.

**Collared Peccary *Pecari tajacu* (LO)** Leader only, on the way to my room at Chaparri.

**Saddle-back Tamarin *Saguinus fuscicollis*** Best views at Arenas Blancas, some managed to see it at Waqanki as well.

**Andean Night Monkey (Andean N M) *Aotus miconax*** Some were lucky to see them at Abra Patricia.

**San Martin Titi Monkey *Plecturocebus oenanthe*** Excellent views at Quebrada Upaquihoa. Critically endangered.

**Peruvian Yellow-tailed Woolly Monkey *Lagothrix flavicauda*** A group seen at the distance at Alto Mayo Road, but good views with the telescope. Critically endangered species.

**Black Agouti *Dasyprocta fuliginosa* (LO)** One crossed the Alto Mayo Road very quickly, just seen by leaders and Mario.

**Amazon Dwarf Squirrel *Microsciurus flaviventer*** One came to the Tinamous-Wood-Quails hide at Arenas Blancas. Moving very quickly true the tree trunks and the ground. Maybe it came to feed on the food but I can't confirm that, certainly we got close views of it.

**Northern Amazon Red Squirrel *Sciurus igniventris*** Brief views at Plataforma.

**Dolphin sp.** We got some views of some dolphins from the shore at Playa Santa Rosa, but no idea what species could be.



*Yellow-throated Spadebill (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Yellow-scarfed Tanager (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*White-throated Screech Owl (image by Leo Garrigues)*





*White-tailed Jay (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*White-capped Tanager (image by Leo Garrigues)*



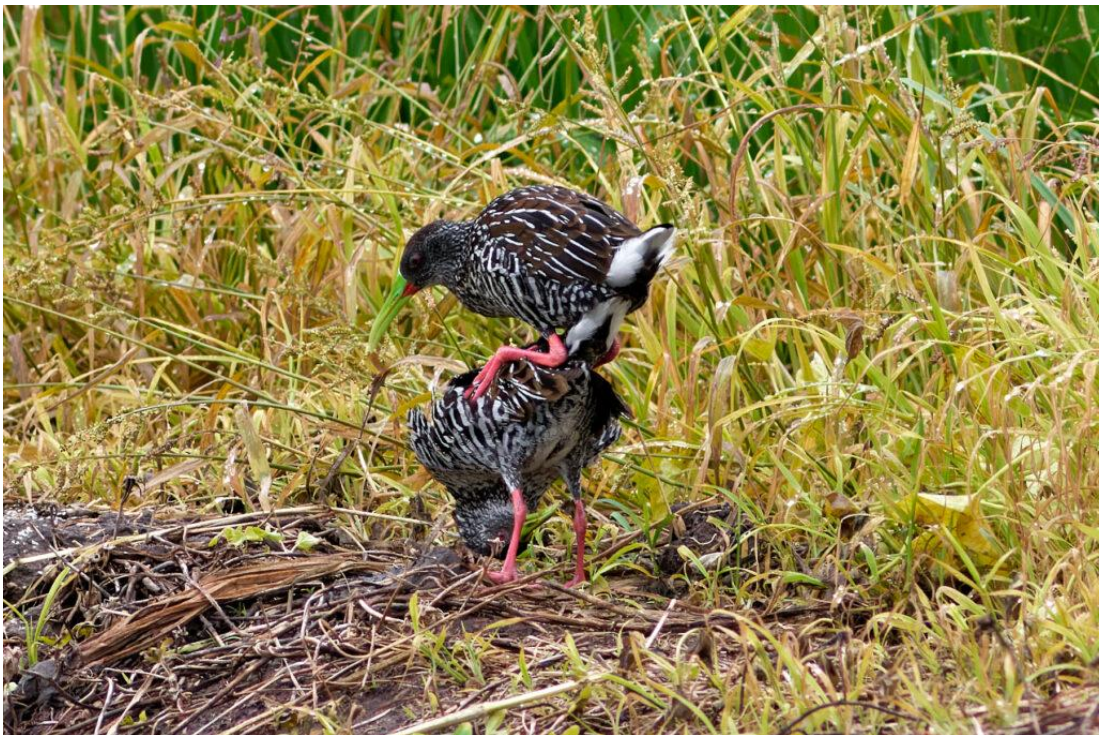
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*Tumbes Tyrant (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Spotted Rail (image by Leo Garrigues)*



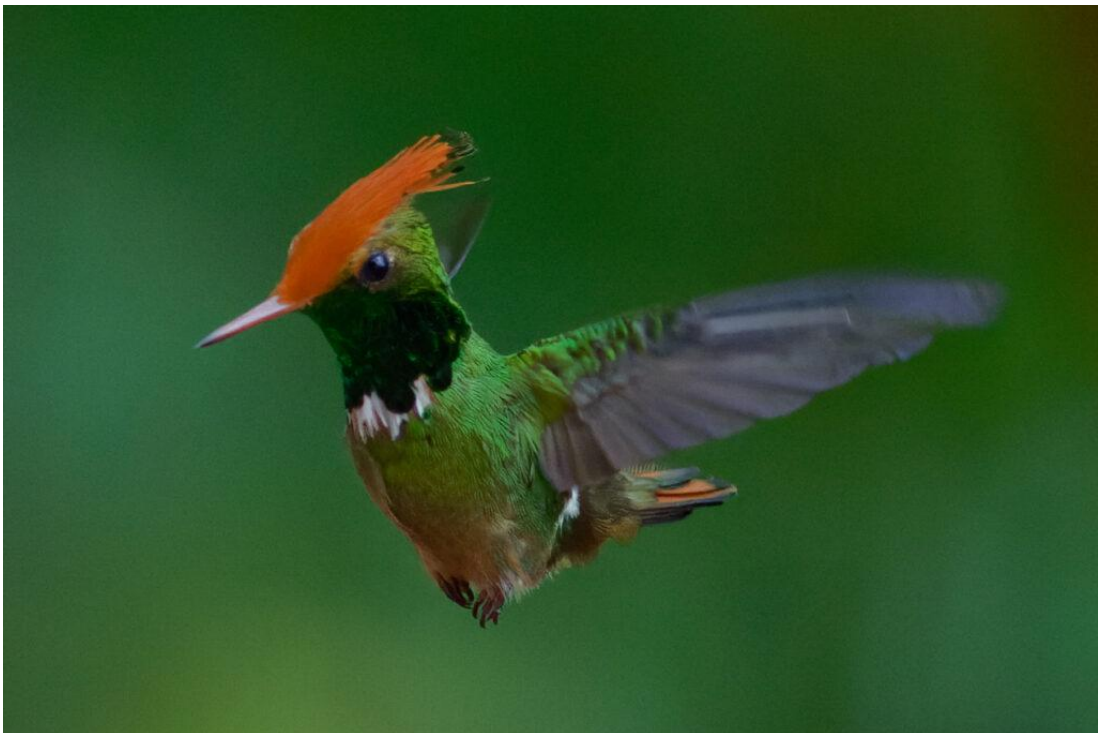
*Scarlet-banded Barbet (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*San Martin Titi Monkey (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Rusty-tinged Antpitta (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Rufous-crested Coquette (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Rufous-breasted Wood Quail (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Royal Sunangel (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Piura Chat-Tyrant (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Peruvian Warbling Antbird (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Peruvian Racket-tail (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Parrot-billed Seedeater (image by Leo Garrigues)*





*Pale-billed Antpitta (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Northern (Marañon) Slaty Antshrike (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Neblina Tapaculo (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Masked Fruiteater (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Marvelous Spatuletail (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Lulu's Tody-Flycatcher (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Long-whiskered Owlet (image by Brendan Ryan)*



*Little Tinamou (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Koepcke's Screech Owl (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Jelski's Chat-Tyrant (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*The group with a nice pet peccary (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Grey-mantled Wren (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Greenish Puffleg (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Golden-headed Quetzal (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Golden-eared Tanager (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Elegant Crescentchest (image by Leo Garrigues)*





*Ecuadorian Piculet (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Crested Quetzal (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Cinnamon Screech Owl (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Chinchipe Spinetail (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Chestnut-crowned Gnateater (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Chestnut-collared Swallow (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Chestnut-backed Thornbird (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Chapman's Antshrike (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Cajamarca Antpitta (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Buff-bridled Inca Finch (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Bar-winged Wood Wren (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Band-bellied Owl (image by Leo Garrigues)*



*Ash-throated Antwren (image by Leo Garrigues)*