



PERU'S IQUITOS & THE UPPER AMAZON TOUR REPORT 2026

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On this short, intense tour we explored the different lowland rainforest types that surround the town of Iquitos in northeastern Peru. Varzea, terra firme, varillal, oxbow lakes and younger and older river islands were all thoroughly examined. The impact of El Niño was very obvious as it was hotter and much drier than it should have been, resulting in very little bird song and disappointing response to taping. Despite this, we still managed to record a good collection of bird and mammal species. The highlights were without a doubt the two Curassow species that needed quite hard work to locate. The unusual Nocturnal Curassow was only seen on the fourth night of intense searching and then allowed excellent scope views. We only found a single male Wattled Curassow, but managed great views of this rare species. The river islands gave us a superb suite of specialities like Olive-spotted Hummingbird, Plain-breasted Piculet, Festive Amazon, Lesser Wagtail-Tyrant, Brownish Elaenia, Riverside Tyrant, Black-and-white Antbird, Leaden Antwren, Castelnau's Antshrike, Ash-breasted and Black-tailed Antbirds, Zimmer's Woodcreeper, Bay and Lesser Horneros, Parker's, White-bellied and Red-and-white Spinetails and Pearly-breasted Conebill. In the low stature forest on sandy soil (varillal) we connected with the very localized Allpahuayo Antbird and Ancient Antwren. Other much appreciated species included White-throated Tinamou, Horned Screamer, Hoatzin, Sungrebe, Black-banded Crake, Buff-breasted Sandpiper, Boat-billed Heron, Great and Common Potoos, Fiery Topaz, Gould's Jewelfront, Black-banded Owl, Green-and-rufous Kingfisher, Great, White-eared, Yellow-billed, Blue-necked and Purplish Jacamars, Spotted Puffbird, Lanceolated Monklet, Golden-collared Toucanet, Ringed Woodpecker, Tui and White-winged Parakeets, Short-tailed Parrot, Plum-throated Cotinga, White-browed Purpletuft, Orange-eyed Flatbill, Black Bushbird, Pearly Antshrike, White-cheeked and White-shouldered Antbirds, Point-tailed Palmcreeper, Varzea Thrush, the localized Band-tailed Cacique and Short-billed Honeycreeper. Furthermore, we observed a good variety of interesting mammals like Kinkajou, Amazon River Dolphin, Tucuxi, Southern Pygmy Marmoset, Red-mantled

Saddle-back and Black-mantled Tamarins, Nancy Ma's Night Monkey, Yellow-handed Titi, Monk Saki and Amazon Dwarf Squirrel. We also encountered three impressive species of Tarantula and the enormous Smoky Jungle Frog. 374 species of birds and 21 mammals were recorded. We stayed in well located lodges offering warm hospitality in the middle of the rainforest and enjoyed one of the most impressive canopy walkways of South America.

The tour started at the harbour of Iquitos, where we boarded a speedboat that took us along the already mighty Amazon downstream to a quiet side stream where we explored a stretch of varzea forest. Here we saw Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture, Snail Kite, Scarlet-crowned Barbet, Black-throated and not very cooperative Black-tailed Antbirds and some lovely Orange-fronted Plushcrows. Sandbanks along the river held Southern Lapwing, Wattled Jacana, Pectoral Sandpiper, Black Skimmer, Yellow-billed and many Large-billed Terns, Neotropic Cormorant, Snowy and Great Egrets, Striated Heron and from the boat we picked up several Tucuxi (Grey Dolphin). Around midday we arrived at the famous Explorama lodge and along the entrance track we added a gorgeous White-eared Jacamar, Plumbeous Antbird and a pair of very well-behaved Bay Horneros to the tally. After lunch and a bout of rain we birded the surroundings of our accommodation and obtained good looks at a Dark-billed Cuckoo, Plumbeous Kite, White-chinned Jacamar, Blue-and-yellow Macaw, Bare-necked Fruitcrow, Black-crowned and Black-tailed Tityras, Violaceous Jay and Turquoise Tanager. We also found Grey-fronted Dove, Fork-tailed Palm Swift, White-bearded Hermit, Black-collared and Slate-coloured Hawks, Ringed and Amazon Kingfishers, Black-fronted Nunbird, Chestnut-eared Aracari, Chestnut and Little Woodpeckers, Yellow-headed Caracara, Short-tailed Parrot, Mealy Amazon, Dusky-headed Parakeet, Spotted Tody-Flycatcher, Boat-billed Flycatcher, Olivaceous, Buff-throated and Long-billed Woodcreepers, Pale-legged Hornero, Brown-chested Martin, White-banded Swallow, Thrush-like Wren, Russet-backed and Crested Oropendolas, Yellow-rumped Cacique, Yellow-browed Sparrow and Chestnut-bellied Seedeater. We also obtained cracking views of several Brown-throated Three-toed Sloths, Ecuadorean squirrel Monkeys and lovely Red-mantled Saddle-back Tamarin. At dusk a Short-tailed Nighthawk flew past the lodge clearing and after dinner a Tropical Screech Owl performed very well.

The next morning a lovely Ringed Woodpecker and a skittish Varzea Thrush were found near the lodge and then we explored a nearby river island, where we first visited an older stretch of vegetation, consisting mainly of well-developed cecropias. Here we found goodies like Pauraque, Plain-breasted Piculet, Cream-coloured Woodpecker, Festive Amazon, Varzea Schiffornis, Olive-faced Flatbill, Yellow-crowned Elaenia, Cinnamon Attila, Leaden Antwren and Zimmer's Woodcreeper. We also picked up more widespread species like Muscovy Duck, Collared Plover, Spotted Sandpiper, Blue-headed Parrot and Straight-billed Woodcreeper. A short boat ride took us to the much younger part of the river island where willow-like Tessaria and Gynerium cane grass held new birds like Sand-coloured Nighthawk, Olive-spotted Hummingbird, Spot-breasted Woodpecker, Black-and-white Antbird, Parker's, White-bellied and Red-and-white Spinetails and Oriole Blackbird. In late morning we returned to the lodge, locating Orange-eyed Flatbill on the way. After lunch we boarded our fast boat, which took us via the Rio Napo to the Explornapo Lodge. A lone Cocoi Heron was the only bird of note. As the water levels were so very low, we had to walk to the famous ACTS (Amazonian Conservatory of Tropical Studies) Lodge. We proceeded slowly and added White-necked Jacobin, Green-backed Trogon, Purplish Jacamar (glimpse only), Eastern Wood Pewee and Cinereous Antshrike to the tally. We checked into our rooms and in late afternoon climbed the amazing canopy walkway, which gave us Paradise Jacamar, yelping White-throated Toucans, Crimson-crested Woodpecker and fantastic views over the surrounding canopy. We stayed till dusk but didn't hear any nightbirds at all. In the late evening, we were all set for the Nocturnal Curassow experience. Our guides went out to listen and try to locate this marvellous gamebird, but they didn't hear a sniff during their three hour walk through the forest.

We spent the first hours of our full day at the ACTS on the fantastic canopy walkway. We choose a strategic tree, where all of us could fit together and from where we had an excellent view over the surrounding canopy and into the crowns of the nearby forest giants. A close fruiting tree helped matters also, obviously. A smart-looking Lemon-throated Barbet and a gorgeous Yellow-throated Woodpecker paid us a visit. A party of gaudy Orange-cheeked Parrots showed quite well as did the tiny Dugand's Antwren. Other interesting species seen from the walkway included Pale-rumped Swift, Greater Yellow-headed Vulture, Double-toothed Kite, White-fronted Nunbird, White-necked Puffbird, Gilded Barbet, Ivory-billed Aracari, Maroon-tailed Parakeet, Spangled Cotinga, White-browed Purpletuft, Chestnut-crowned and Pink-throated Becards, Amazonian Elaenia, Dusky-chested Flycatcher, Duida Woodcreeper, Chivi Vireo, Swallow Tanager, Green, Short-billed and Purple Honeycreepers, Black-faced and Blue Dacnes and Paradise and Opal-crowned Tanagers. We heard the distinctive calls of a Black-necked Red Cotinga in the mid-canopy, but it didn't want to show itself. In mid-morning it really started to warm up, and the sweat bees were getting a bit annoying, so we opted to walk the extensive trail system. A cracking Yellow-billed Jacamar performed nicely, a terrific Spotted Puffbird was scoped, a pair of lovely Yellow-browed Antbirds sat up, a male Spot-winged Antshrike sang away in the mid-canopy, a Collared Gnatwren gave itself up and a Musician Wren appeared briefly. In the afternoon we continued exploring trails near the lodge and found White-bearded Manakin, a shy Black Bushbird, Common Scale-backed Antbird, Black-faced

Antbird, A very well-behaved Rufous-capped Antthrush, Olive-backed Foliage-gleaner, Slate-coloured Grosbeak and several smart-looking Black-mantled Tamarins. After dinner some of us joined our two local guides to search for the much-wanted Nocturnal Curassow. We waited and listened and listened and waited and finally heard the distinctive song in the distance. It sang for a few minutes, so we tried to get closer, but we never heard it again... very frustrating.

At dawn we started our return walk through beautiful varzea and terra firme forest to the Explornapo Lodge. A pair of Lanceolated Monkeys allowed exquisite scope studies, a male Blue-backed Manakin sat up for great looks, a Dot-backed Antbird showed well, a pair of localized White-shouldered Antbirds gave superb views and a couple of Yellow-handed Titis were noted. We also found Blue-capped Manakin, White-flanked Antwren, Dusky-throated Antshrike, Sooty Antbird and Amazonian Barred Woodcreeper. After a scrumptious late breakfast, we explored the surroundings of our lodge, where we obtained excellent looks at low flying Pale-rumped Swifts, a gorgeous male Green-and-rufous Kingfisher and several magnificent Masked Crimson Tanagers, while Short-tailed Swift, Cobalt-winged Parakeet, Orange-bellied Euphonia, Epaulet Oriole and Green-and-gold and Yellow-bellied Tanagers were also seen. In the afternoon we visited an older river island not too far away, where we continued our good luck with members of the antbird family. We obtained good views of Castelnau's Antshrike, a male Riparian Antbird and a fantastic male Black-tailed Antbird. We also connected with Osprey, Swallow-winged Puffbird, Varzea Thrush and Giant Cowbird. After dinner we enjoyed a boat trip on the nearby black water river and had good looks at Greater Bulldog Bats (Fishing Bats) and at a well-behaved Boat-billed Heron.

The following morning we visited a medium old river island in the Napo River. There were good stands of cecropias where we soon found the marvellous Ashy-breasted Antbird. A male showed brilliantly. We also located a lovely Pearly-breasted Conebill here. Other good birds included Little Cuckoo, Red-bellied Macaw, Brownish Elaenia, Dark-breasted Spinetail, Bicoloured Conebill and Orange-headed Tanager. After this successful visit we returned to the lodge and birded a nearby trail where several gaudy male Wire-tailed Manakins vied for attention. After lunch we made a boat trip on one of the Napo's side rivers where we concentrated on finding the rare Band-tailed Cacique. It took a bit of searching, but eventually we located this speciality as it flew between two canopies and perched up. A great bird!!! We also connected with Sungrebe, Rufescent Tiger Heron, Black Caracara, Bat Falcon and Black-headed Parrot. In the evening, while having dinner, a good-sized Pink-legged Bird Spider fell on one of the dining room tables and was soon admired and photographed by all. Later we took a short walk behind the lodge to try to see a Tawny-bellied Screech Owl. We heard one sing in the distance and found a Northern Black-eared Opossum. Then our local guide appeared with the excellent news that they had found a perched up Nocturnal Curassow nearby. We made our way to the spot and obtained cracking scope views of this mega bird. This magnificent, rarely-observed species showed off its fine eyebrow and intricate facial markings! What a fantastic end of the day.

Next morning we birded some of the many excellent trails in the surroundings of the Explornapo Lodge. We spotted another splendid Sungrebe. We had good looks at a male Fiery Topaz and a male Gould's Jewelfront, but for both the sunlight hit the bird at a wrong angle, so the magnificent colours didn't really show. We managed to scope a female Purplish Jacamar in the subcanopy and Blue-capped and Golden-headed Manakins performed very well. We also found a Sulphury Flycatcher. A lot of time was spent staring into the undergrowth to get to grips with skulking little brown jobs and came away with excellent sightings of goodies like Plain-throated Antwren, Peruvian Warbling Antbird, Slate-coloured Antbird, Plain-brown Woodcreeper and Chestnut-winged Hookbill. After a break in the heat of the day we explored a stretch of varzea forest along the Rio Napo where a pair of Great Jacamars showed beautifully. We also found an American Golden Plover, Black-crowned Night Heron, White-headed Marsh Tyrant, Barred Antshrike, Black-chinned Antbird and Cinnamon-throated Woodcreeper. An after-dinner stroll in the forest behind the lodge produced a roosting White-throated Tinamou, several nice Kinkajous, an impressive Yellow-crowned Brush-tailed Rat and a huge Black Bird Spider.

A travelling morning followed whereby we first transferred by speedboat to busy Iquitos, from where a bus and a speedboat took us to the comfortable Muyuna Lodge. The final stretch of the boat trip gave us lots of Horned Screamers, Black-necked Stilt and a good selection of already seen waterbirds. In the afternoon we birded the trail leading through dense varzea forest behind the lodge and manage to scope a cracking Blue-necked Jacamar, a well-behaved Double-toothed Kite and a Short-tailed Parrot. There were good numbers of Large-headed Capuchins about, but best of all were the adorable Southern Pygmy Marmosets that posed so very well for us... Great stuff!!

The main target at the Muyuna Lodge for us was the rarely-seen, critically endangered (check) Wattled Curassow. Muyuna is the only accessible spot in Amazonia (in the world), where one has a chance to get to grips with this near mythical species. While the sun was still struggling with the horizon, we were already slowly cruising about one of the better areas for it. We heard the soft calls in the distance, but no more. We checked another area, where we explored the varzea on foot and found recent proof of foraging, so we became doubly

alert. We again heard the calls from the other side of a creek and after a bout of searching, a splendid male was spotted and scoped for excellent looks. What a bird. The swollen red wattle at the base of the bill stood out, as did the white belly... marvellous!!! While searching for this gem we also encountered many Horned Screammers, Black-bellied Whistling Duck, Lesser and Greater Yellowlegs, many Black-collared Hawks, Great Black Hawk, Yellow-crowned Amazon, a beautiful male Plum-throated Cotinga, Red-breasted Meadowlark (displaying), Solitary Black cacique, Yellow-hooded Blackbird and Hooded Tanager. Our man on the spot took us to a breeding Common Potoo, which showed so very well on its nest only c3 meters high. A walk near the camp produced Black-tailed Trogon and a couple of cracking Cinnamon-rumped Foliage-gleaners. After the lunch break, we boarded our boat again and explored a number of canals. Additions to the list included Anhinga, Green Ibis, Capped Heron, Bluish-fronted Jacamar, Riparian Parrotlet, lots of Lesser Kiskadees, Fasciated Antshrike and Black-capped Donacobius. Mammals were represented by a couple of Nancy Ma's Night Monkeys and a shy Geoffroy's Monk Saki. At the camp a Jaguarundi was seen and an after dinner walk in the nearby forest gave us a superb Black-banded Owl, a Northern Black-eared Opossum and a large Pink-footed Bird Spider.

Next morning found us on a fairly young river island in the Amazon, where we checked the dense cane grass and the cecropia patches. We admired a secretive male Riverside Tyrant, a pair of lovely Lesser Wagtail Tyrants and several Lesser Horneros. A stop in a rice field gave us a sneaky Black-banded Crake and in a quiet stretch of the river we found c20 Tucuxis and several gorgeous Pink River Dolphins. In the afternoon we visited a marsh surrounded by forest and dotted with giant arum plants, where we were hoping to observe the bizarre Hoatzins. They played hide and seek, probably because of the extreme heat, and after quite a bit of searching we did manage to scope a single bird hiding amongst the foliage. We could discern the strange hairdo and the blue facial skin. A troop of Colombian Red Howlers were resting in the canopy of a forest giant. After dinner we took a boatride along the canals and observed a couple of Great Potoos, two families of Capybaras and several smart-looking Spectacled Caimans. A late evening walk along the river only gave us two Yellow-crowned Brush-tailed Rats.

On the final morning of our stay at Muyuna we decided to explore the varzea forest thoroughly, but it turned out to be extremely quiet. Persistence and a bit of patience paid off on our long walk and gave us Common Squirrel Cuckoo, Reddish Hermit, Glittering-throated Emerald, Amazonian and Collared Trogons, Red-necked Woodpecker, a showy Dwarf Tyrant-Manakin, Yellow-browed Tody-Flycatcher, Euler's Flycatcher, Bluish-slate Antshrike, Grey Antbird, Dusky-capped Greenlet and Yellow-bellied Dacnis. We heard the distinctive calls of a Collared Puffbird, but it wouldn't show, sadly. After lunch we returned to Iquitos by boat and bus and we enjoyed a delightful 30 minutes birding at a viewpoint near our hotel just before dusk. Common Gallinule, Little Blue Heron, lots of Black-crowned Night Herons, several Pectoral Sandpipers, a Snail Kite and Shiny Cowbird found their way to the list, but best of all were the many White-winged Parakeets flying over.

Our first visit to the habitat called "varillal"(lower stature forest on sandy soil) was quite productive. We explored a nice trail and found goodies like Yellow-billed Nunbird, the adorable Rufous-backed Stipple-throat, the canopy-loving Ancient Antwren and several exquisite White-cheeked Antbirds at an army ant swarm. We also saw Fork-tailed Woodnymph, Lettered and Many-banded Aracaris, Variable Woodpecker, White-crowned Manakin, Ruddy-tailed Flycatcher, Slender-footed Tyrannulet, Rufous-tailed Flatbill, Grey-capped Flycatcher, Common Scale-backed Antbird and Ocellated Woodcreeper. In the afternoon we drove further afield, where our local expert knew of two territories of the very localized and much-wanted Allpahuayo Antbird. We were there in the heat of the day, but luckily, we fairly soon heard the characteristic vocalizations of this Peruvian endemic. After a bit of strategic positioning, we all obtained excellent looks at this cracking species, which was only described in 2001. The only other bird of interest here was a Magpie Tanager.

Another full day in the Allpahuayo-Mishana Reserve produced several new birds. It was extremely hot and humid, so after the first hour of the day the forest became almost totally silent. Scanning treetops became totally useless as nothing was sitting up anymore. We visited several sites where the little-known Iquitos Gnatcatcher had been seen in the past, but to no avail. We obtained nice views of Plumbeous Pigeons, scoped an Amazonian Motmot, admired six Black-headed Parrots at a nest hole, found a party of well-behaved Maroon-tailed Parakeets in a fruiting tree, saw two modestly-clad Screaming Pihas, observed a Cinnamon Neopipo (but all too briefly), studied a Yellow-browed Tody-Flycatcher high up in the canopy, got perfect looks at a Double-banded Pygmy Tyrant, located a hide and seek playing White-lored Tyrannulet, managed fair looks at a Pearly Antshrike, obtained eye-ball to eye-ball looks at a male Mouse-coloured Antshrike and approved of a well-performing Point-tailed Palmcreeper.

A pre breakfast stint at the viewpoint near our Iquitos hotel produced two new birds for the tour: a Solitary Sandpiper and a couple of Lined seedeaters. White-winged Parakeets were flying all over the place and so ended our 13 days of intense exploration of the lowland rainforests of the Iquitos area.

BIRDS OF THE TOUR

1st Nocturnal Curassow & Wattled Curassow

2nd Paradise Tanager

3rd Wire-tailed Manakin

4rd Allpahuayo Antbird

SYSTEMATIC LIST OF SPECIES RECORDED DURING THE TOUR

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 **AviList v2025** (AviList Core Team 2025. *AviList: The Global Avian Checklist, v2025*); 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.

The species names and taxonomy used in the mammal list follow the mammal list on the iGoTerra website (www.igoterra.com). This list largely follows IUCN (International Union for Conservation of Nature) taxonomy with just a few modifications. It is listed in family order, alphabetically by genera within families. Some alternative names are given in parentheses.

BIRDS

Great Tinamou *Tinamus major* Heard-only. Regularly heard at several venues.

White-throated Tinamou *Tinamus guttatus* Fantastic looks at a roosting bird on a night walk near the Explornapo Lodge.

Cinereous Tinamou *Crypturellus cinereus* Heard-only.

Undulated Tinamou *Crypturellus undulatus* Heard-only.

Horned Screamer *Anhima cornuta* Amazingly common and approachable in the surroundings of the Muyuna Lodge.

Black-bellied Whistling Duck *Dendrocygna autumnalis*

Muscovy Duck *Cairina moschata* Regular encounters with "really wild" birds.

Wattled Curassow ◊ *Crax globulosa* One of the **BIRDS of the TOUR**. Good scope views of a male in the Muyuna Lodge area. A great bird!!

Nocturnal Curassow ◊ *Nothocrax urumutum* The other **BIRD of the TOUR**. Cracking scope views at night of this unusual cracid in the Explornapo Lodge area. It took quite a bit of effort to find it, as they were not singing. It was only found on the fourth night of trying!!

Speckled Chachalaca *Ortalis guttata*

Greater Ani *Crotophaga major* Regular observations.

Smooth-billed Ani *Crotophaga ani*

Little Cuckoo *Coccyua minuta* Great looks on two occasions.

Common Squirrel Cuckoo *Piaya cayana*

Dark-billed Cuckoo *Coccyzus melacoryphus* Good looks at this austral migrant near the Explorama Lodge.

Blue Ground Dove *Claravis pretiosa*

Ruddy Ground Dove *Columbina talpacoti*

White-tipped Dove *Leptotila verreauxi*

Grey-fronted Dove *Leptotila rufaxilla*

Pale-vented Pigeon *Patagioenas cayennensis*

Plumbeous Pigeon *Patagioenas plumbea* Often heard and good scope looks, eventually, in the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Ruddy Pigeon *Patagioenas subvinacea* Heard-only.

Rock Dove (introduced) *Columba livia*

Hoatzin *Opisthocomus hoazin* Strangely enough, only a single bird was found at one of their regular haunts in the Muyuna Lodge area. A truly unusual species.

Limpkin *Aramus guarauna*

Sungrebe *Heliornis fulica* Four excellent observations of this attractive and much-wanted species.

Common Gallinule *Gallinula galeata* Several showed well at Iquitos.

Black-banded Crake ♦ *Rufirallus fasciatus* Fair looks at this secretive species in a ricefield near the Muyuna Lodge.

Black-necked Stilt *Himantopus mexicanus*

American Golden Plover *Pluvialis dominica* A single bird, still partly in breeding attire was found near the Explornapo Lodge.

Southern Lapwing *Vanellus chilensis*

Collared Plover *Anarhynchus collaris* Regular sightings of this lovely wader in the Muyuna Lodge area. A family with chicks offered excellent looks.

Wattled Jacana *Jacana jacana*

Spotted Sandpiper *Actitis macularius*

Solitary Sandpiper *Tringa solitaria* A single bird was found in Iquitos on the final morning of the tour.

Lesser Yellowlegs *Tringa flavipes*

Greater Yellowlegs *Tringa melanoleuca*

Buff-breasted Sandpiper *Calidris subruficollis* Exquisite looks at two of these attractive waders in the Muyuna Lodge area.

Pectoral Sandpiper *Calidris melanotos* Regular near the Muyuna Lodge and at Iquitos.

Black Skimmer *Rynchops niger* Fairly common along the Amazon and the Napo rivers.

Yellow-billed Tern (Amazonian T) *Sternula superciliaris* Fairly common along the Amazon and the Napo rivers.

Large-billed Tern *Phaetusa simplex* Common along the Amazon and the Napo rivers.

Wood Stork *Mycteria americana*

Anhinga *Anhinga anhinga* A single sighting near the Muyuna Lodge.

Neotropic Cormorant (Olivaceous C) *Nannopterum brasilianum* Very common in the Muyuna Lodge area, where whole trees were festooned by hundreds. The green eyes are wonderful to watch.

Green Ibis *Mesembrinibis cayennensis* A single bird in the Muyuna Lodge area.

Rufescent Tiger Heron *Tigrisoma lineatum* Both adults and an immature of this smart-looking species were seen.

Boat-billed Heron *Cochlearius cochlearius* A single bird was found at night in the Explornapo Lodge area.

Capped Heron *Pilherodius pileatus* A single bird showed all too briefly near the Muyuna Lodge.

Little Blue Heron *Egretta caerulea*

Snowy Egret *Egretta thula*

Black-crowned Night Heron *Nycticorax nycticorax*

Striated Heron *Butorides striata*

Great Egret (American E) *Ardea [alba] egretta*

Western Cattle Egret *Ardea ibis*

Cocoi Heron (White-necked H) *Ardea cocoi*

Short-tailed Nighthawk (Semi-collared N) *Lurocalis semitorquatus* Good looks just before dusk at the Explornapo and Muyuna Lodges.

Pauraque (Common P) *Nyctidromus albicollis*

Sand-colored Nighthawk *Chordeiles rupestris* Regular encounters along the Amazon and Napo rivers.

Great Potoo *Nyctibius grandis* Excellent encounters, by day and by night, in the Muyuna Lodge area. We also heard the distinctive calls.

Common Potoo *Nyctibius griseus* A brooding bird showed extremely well near the Muyuna Lodge. We also heard the characteristic song.

Pale-rumped Swift ♦ *Chaetura egregia* Several nice encounters from the canopy walkway at the ACTS.

Short-tailed Swift *Chaetura brachyura*

Fork-tailed Palm Swift (Fork-tailed P S) *Tachornis squamata*

White-necked Jacobin *Florisuga mellivora*

Fiery Topaz *Topaza pyra* A male showed very well at the Explornapo Lodge.

White-bearded Hermit *Phaethornis hispidus*

Reddish Hermit *Phaethornis ruber*

Gould's Jewelfront *Heliodoxa aurescens* A male showed all too briefly along one of the Explornapo trails.

Fork-tailed Woodnymph *Thalurania furcata*

Olive-spotted Hummingbird *Talaphorus chlorocercus* Several observations of this unobtrusive river island specialist.

Glittering-throated Emerald *Chionomesa fimbriata*

Burrowing owl *Athene cunicularia* A pair with four fledglings could be admired south of Iquitos.

Ferruginous Pygmy Owl *Glaucidium brasilianum* Good looks near the Muyuna Lodge.

Tropical Screech Owl *Megascops choliba* Great looks at this cutie near the Explorama Lodge.

Tawny-bellied Screech Owl ♦ (Northern T-b S O) *Megascops [watsonii] watsonii* Heard-only.

Tawny-bellied Screech Owl ♦ (Southern T-b S O) *Megascops [watsonii] usta* Heard-only.

Spectacled Owl *Pulsatrix perspicillata* Heard-only.

Black-banded Owl *Strix huhula* Excellent looks at this magnificent nightbird near the Muyuna Lodge.

Black Vulture *Coragyps atratus*

Turkey Vulture *Cathartes aura*

Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture *Cathartes burrovianus* Some great encounters.

Greater Yellow-headed Vulture *Cathartes melambrotus*

Osprey *Pandion haliaetus* Seven sightings of this northern migrant.

Grey-headed Kite *Leptodon cayanensis* Heard-only.

Double-toothed Kite *Harpagus bidentatus* After finding a distant bird from the canopy walkway, we obtained cracking close up scope looks near the Muyuna Lodge.

Plumbeous Kite *Ictinia plumbea*

Black-collared Hawk *Busarellus nigricollis* Common and approachable in the Muyuna area.

Snail Kite *Rostrhamus sociabilis*

Slate-colored Hawk *Buteogallus schistaceus* Regular encounters with this smart-looking bird of prey all along our route.

Great Black Hawk *Buteogallus urubitinga*

Roadside Hawk *Rupornis magnirostris*

Black-tailed Trogon *Trogon melanurus* Three females showed well in the Muyuna Lodge area.

Green-backed Trogon (Amazonian White-tailed T) *Trogon viridis* The most regularly recorded trogon of the tour.

Amazonian Trogon (A Violaceous T) *Trogon ramonianus* Good looks in the Muyuna Lodge area.

Blue-crowned Trogon *Trogon curucui* Heard-only.

Collared Trogon *Trogon collaris* A female showed well in the Muyuna Lodge area.

Amazonian Motmot *Momotus momota* Scope views of this beauty at the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Ringed Kingfisher *Megaceryle torquata* Common and full of character.

Amazon Kingfisher *Chloroceryle amazona* Regular.

Green Kingfisher *Chloroceryle americana* Regular.

Green-and-rufous Kingfisher *Chloroceryle inda* Excellent looks at a male near the Explonapo Lodge.

Great Jacamar *Jacamerosops aureus* Scope views of a pair near the Explonapo Lodge. Always a delight to observe.

White-eared Jacamar *Galbalcyrhynchus leucotis* Regular all along our route. So good looking!!

Yellow-billed Jacamar ♦ (Cerise-crowned J) *Galbula [albirostris] chacocephala* Very nice looks at this smart-looking species near the Explonapo Lodge.

Blue-necked Jacamar ♦ (Blue-cheeked J) *Galbula cyanicollis* This species showed very well in the Muyuna Lodge area.

White-chinned Jacamar *Galbula tombacea* A single bird showed beautifully near the Explorama Lodge.

Bluish-fronted Jacamar *Galbula cyanescens* A couple performed very nicely in the Muyuna Lodge area.

Purplish Jacamar ♦ *Galbula chalcothorax* It took a while, but eventually we managed to scope a female of this canopy-loving species near the Explonapo Lodge.

Paradise Jacamar *Galbula dea* A single bird was scoped from the canopy walkway at ACTS.

Spotted Puffbird *Bucco tamatia* Exquisite looks at this beauty at ACTS.

Collared Puffbird *Bucco capensis* Heard-only. We heard one briefly at close range on a walk in varzea near the Muyuna Lodge, but we were unable to localize it, sadly.

Swallow-winged Puffbird (Swallow-wing) *Chelidoptera tenebrosa*

Black-fronted Nunbird *Monasa nigrifrons* Regular.

White-fronted Nunbird *Monasa morphoeus* Two were seen from the canopy walkway at ACTS.

Yellow-billed Nunbird *Monasa flavirostris* Nice sightings at the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Rufous-capped Nunlet ♦ *Nonnula ruficapilla* Non-leader.

Lanceolated Monklet ♦ *Micromonacha lanceolata* Two birds performed very well in the ACTS area. A gorgeous little bird!!

White-necked Puffbird *Notharchus hyperrhynchus* This species showed very well from the canopy walkway at ACTS.

Lemon-throated Barbet *Eubucco richardsoni* Exquisite encounters in the Explornapo Lodge area.

Scarlet-crowned Barbet ♦ *Capito aurovirens* Regular.

Gilded Barbet *Capito auratus* Regular.

White-throated Toucan (W-breasted T, Red-billed T) *Ramphastos tucanus* The “yelper” was regularly heard, but only one or two were seen.

Channel-billed Toucan *Ramphastos vitellinus* Heard-only.

Lettered Aracari *Pteroglossus incriptus* A single bird showed well at the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Chestnut-eared Aracari *Pteroglossus castanotis* Regular.

Many-banded Aracari *Pteroglossus pluricinctus* Several observations.

Ivory-billed Aracari *Pteroglossus azara* Three showed well from the canopy walkway at ACTS.

Golden-collared Toucanet *Selenidera reinwardtii* Cracking views of a smart-looking male from the canopy walkway at ACTS.

Plain-breasted Piculet ♦ *Picumnus castelnau* Three encounters with this unobtrusive species on river islands.

Lineated Woodpecker *Dryocopus lineatus*

Ringed Woodpecker *Celeus torquatus* This lovely species performed very well at the Explorama Lodge.

Variable Woodpecker (Scaly-breasted W) *Celeus [undatus] grammicus* Good looks at one at the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Cream-colored Woodpecker *Celeus flavus* This adorable species showed well in the Explorama Lodge area.

Chestnut Woodpecker *Celeus elegans* Several nice observations.

Yellow-throated Woodpecker *Piculus flavigula* Excellent looks at this species from the canopy walkway.

Spot-breasted Woodpecker (S-b Flicker) *Colaptes punctigula* Several encounters on river islands.

Red-necked Woodpecker *Campephilus rubricollis* Good looks at two in the Muyuna Lodge varzea.

Crimson-crested Woodpecker *Campephilus melanoleucos*

Yellow-tufted Woodpecker *Melanerpes cruentatus* Only a handful of encounters of this usually common species.

Little Woodpecker *Veniliornis passerinus* Four sightings of this unobtrusive species.

Laughing Falcon *Herpetotheres cachinnans* Heard-only.

Collared Forest-Falcon *Micrastur semitorquatus* Heard-only.

Slaty-backed Forest Falcon *Micrastur mirandollei* Heard-only.

Lined Forest Falcon *Micrastur gilvicollis* Heard-only.

Red-throated Caracara *Ibycter americanus* Heard-only.

Yellow-headed Caracara *Daptrius chimachima* Common.

Black Caracara *Daptrius ater* Just a handful of observations.

Bat Falcon *Falco ruficularis* Excellent looks at this smart-looking bird in the Explornapo Lodge area.

Riparian Parrotlet ♦ *Forpus crassirostris* Nice views of this diminutive species near the Muyuna Lodge.

Tui Parakeet *Brotogeris sanctithomae* Only seen near the Muyuna Lodge.

White-winged Parakeet *Brotogeris versicolurus* Common in the Iquitos area.

Cobalt-winged Parakeet *Brotogeris cyanopectus* Regular.

Orange-cheeked Parrot *Pyrilia barrabandi* Good looks from the canopy walkway. A truly great looking bird.

Short-tailed Parrot *Graydidascalus brachyurus* Regular along the Amazon river.

Blue-headed Parrot *Pionus menstruus*

Festive Amazon ♦ (Southern F A) *Amazona [festiva] festiva* One of the specialties of this tour. Great encounters both at Explorama and at Muyuna.

Yellow-crowned Amazon (Y-c Parrot) *Amazona ochrocephala*

Mealy Amazon (S M Parrot) *Amazona farinosa* Common.

Orange-winged Amazon (O-w Parrot) *Amazona amazonica*

Black-headed Parrot *Pionites melanocephalus* Scope views of several around a nesting hole at the Allpahuayo-Mishana Lodge.

Maroon-tailed Parakeet *Pyrhura melanura* Scope views of foraging birds in a fruiting tree at the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Dusky-headed Parakeet *Aratinga weddellii* Regular.

Red-bellied Macaw *Orthopsittacus manilatus* Regular.

Blue-and-yellow Macaw *Ara ararauna* This unique species was only seen at the Explorama Lodge.

White-eyed Parakeet *Psittacara leucophthalmus*

Dwarf Tyrant-Manakin *Tyranneutes stolzmanni* Excellent looks at this diminutive species in the Muyuna Lodge area.

Blue-backed Manakin *Chiroxiphia pareola* Scope looks at a male near ACTS.

Blue-capped Manakin *Lepidothrix coronata*

White-bearded Manakin *Manacus manacus*

Wire-tailed Manakin *Pipra filicauda* Males and females performed ever so well at different venues. A gorgeous species.

Striolated Manakin ♦ (Western Striped M) *Machaeropterus striolatus* Heard-only.

White-crowned Manakin *Pseudopipra pipra*

Golden-headed Manakin *Ceratopipra erythrocephala* Displaying males could be admired on the Explornapo Lodge trails.

Black-necked Red Cotinga ♦ *Phoenicircus nigricollis* Heard-only. We heard a male call below us from the canopy walkway... frustrating.

Purple-throated Fruitcrow *Querula purpurata*

Bare-necked Fruitcrow *Gymnoderus foetidus* Regular in the Explorama Lodge area.

Plum-throated Cotinga ♦ *Cotinga maynana* A male showed well near the Muyuna Lodge.

Spangled Cotinga *Cotinga cayana* A male was scope from the canopy walkway at ACTS.

Screaming Piha *Lipaugus vociferans* Good looks at two in the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Varzea Schiffornis (Greater S, V Mourner) *Schiffornis major* Nice views near the Explorama Lodge.

White-browed Purpletuft *Iodopleura isabellae* Several showed well from the canopy walkway at ACTS.

Black-tailed Tityra (Western B-t T) *Tityra [cayana] cayana* A handful of observations.

Black-crowned Tityra *Tityra inquisitor* Scope looks at a male at the Explorama Lodge.

Chestnut-crowned Becard *Pachyramphus castaneus*

Pink-throated Becard *Pachyramphus minor* Male and female showed well from the canopy walkway.

Ruddy-tailed Flycatcher *Terentriacus erythrurus* This tiny species performed nicely in the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Wing-barred Piprites (W-b Manakin) *Piprites chloris* Heard-only.

Cinnamon Neopipo ♦ (C Tyrant) *Neopipo cinnamomea* Brief looks at one at the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Ochre-bellied Flycatcher *Mionectes oleagineus*

Western Olivaceous Flatbill *Rhynchocyclus aequinoctialis* Heard-only.

Yellow-olive Flatbill (Y-o Flycatcher) *Tolmomyias sulphurens*

Orange-eyed Flatbill ♦ (O-e Flycatcher) *Tolmomyias traylori* This speciality showed very well in the Explorama area.

Grey-crowned Flatbill (G-c Flycatcher) *Tolmomyias poliocephalus*

Olive-faced Flatbill (O-f Flycatcher) *Tolmomyias viridiceps*

Spotted Tody-Flycatcher *Todirostrum maculatum*

Yellow-browed Tody-Flycatcher *Todirostrum chrysocrotaphum* Scope views of this tiny gem at the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Double-banded Pygmy Tyrant *Lophotriacus vitiosus* Good looks at the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Slender-footed Tyrannulet *Zimmerius gracilipes* Nice looks at two at the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Lesser Wagtail-Tyrant ♦ *Stigmatura napensis* A pair performed very well on a river island near the Explornapo Lodge.

White-lored Tyrannulet *Ornithion inermis* This canopy species played hard to get at the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet *Tyrannulus elatus*

Amazonian Elaenia *Myiopagis cinerea* Good looks from the canopy walkway at ACTS.

Yellow-crowned Elaenia *Myiopagis flavivertex* A single bird showed very well at the Explorama Lodge.

Brownish Elaenia ♦ *Elaenia pelzelni* Fair looks on a river island near the Explornapo Lodge. A river island speciality.

Rufous-tailed Flatbill *Ramphotrigon ruficauda* Good looks on the Muyuna Lodge trails.

Short-crested Flycatcher *Myiarchus ferox*

Piratic Flycatcher *Legatus leucophaeus*

Cinnamon Attila *Attila cinnamomeus* Scope studies of this vocal species on the Explorama Lodge trails.

Citron-bellied Attila ♦ *Attila citriniventris* Heard-only.

Bright-rumped Attila *Attila spadiceus* Heard-only.

Lesser Kiskadee *Philohydor lictor* Common along the Muyuna Lodge waterways.

Great Kiskadee *Pitangus sulphuratus*

Social Flycatcher *Myiozetetes similis*

Grey-capped Flycatcher *Myiozetetes grandensis* Only seen in the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Dusky-chested Flycatcher *Myiozetetes luteiventris* Several showed well from the canopy walkway at ACTS.

Streaked Flycatcher ♦ *Myiodynastes maculatus*

Sulphury Flycatcher *Tyrannopsis sulphurea* A single bird was noted at the Explornapo Lodge.

Boat-billed Flycatcher *Megarynchus pitangua*

Tropical Kingbird *Tyrannus melancholicus*

White-headed Marsh Tyrant *Arundinicola leucocephala*

Drab Water Tyrant *Ochthornis littoralis*

Euler's Flycatcher *Lathrotriccus euleri* Seen well along one of the Muyuna Lodge trails.

Eastern Wood Pewee *Contopus virens*

Riverside Tyrant *Knipolegus [orenocensis] sclateri* This sneaky species showed well, eventually, on a river island near the Explornapo Lodge.

Spot-winged Antshrike *Pygiptila stellaris* A male gave good looks at the ACTS.

Black-throated Antbird *Myrmophylax atrothorax*

Black Bushbird ♦ *Neotantes niger* A male performed all too briefly in the dense forest at ACTS.

Rufous-backed Stipplethroat *Epinecrophylla haematonota* Very nice looks at a pair in the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Black-and-white Antbird ♦ *Myrmochanes hemileucus* A nice performance of male and female on a river island near the Explorama Lodge. A river island specialist.

Pygmy Antwren *Myrmotherula brachyura*

Moustached Antwren *Myrmotherula ignota*

White-flanked Antwren *Myrmotherula axillaris*

Leaden Antwren ♦ *Myrmotherula assimilis* This localized species showed well near the Explorama Lodge.

Plain-throated Antwren *Isleria hauxwelli*

Dusky-throated Antshrike *Thamnomanes ardesiacus*

Saturnine Antshrike *Thamnomanes saturninus* Non-leader.

Cinereous Antshrike *Thamnomanes caesi*

Bluish-slate Antshrike *Thamnomanes schistogynus*

Pearly Antshrike *Megastictus margaritatus* Male and female performed quite well in the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve. A delightful species.

Fasciated Antshrike *Cymbilaimus lineatus*

Great Antshrike *Taraba major*

Dugand's Antwren ♦ *Herpsilochmus dugandi* Good looks from the canopy walkway.

Ancient Antwren ♦ *Herpsilochmus gentryi* This very localized canopy species required some neck stretching at the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Barred Antshrike *Thamnophilus doliatus*

Plain-winged Antshrike (Black-capped A) *Thamnophilus schistaceus*

Mouse-colored Antshrike *Thamnophilus murinus*

Castelnau's Antshrike *Thamnophilus cryptoleucus* Good looks at this island specialist on an island near Explornapo.

Common Scale-backed Antbird *Willisornis poecilinotus*

White-cheeked Antbird *Gymnopithys leucaspis* A fantastic experience being able to admire this marvelous species at close range at a small army ant swarm at the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Grey Antbird *Cercomacra cinerascens* Scope views of this widespread, but hard-to-see-well canopy species at the Muyuna Lodge.

Black Antbird *Cercomacroides serva* Heard-only.

Riparian Antbird *Cercomacroides fuscicauda* A male performed well near the Explornapo Lodge.

Peruvian Warbling Antbird *Hypocnemis peruviana*

Yellow-browed Antbird *Hypocnemis hypoxantha* Excellent views of two in the forest of the ACTS.

Black-chinned Antbird *Hypocnemoides melanopogon*

Dot-backed Antbird *Hylophylax punctulatus* This cutie showed very well near the ACTS Lodge.

Slate-colored Antbird ♦ *Myrmelastes schistaceus* This shy species gave us a hard time on the Explornapo trails.

Plumbeous Antbird *Myrmelastes hypertythrus*

Ash-breasted Antbird ♦ *Myrmoborus lugubris* Great looks at this river island specialist on a river island near the Explornapo Lodge.

Black-faced Antbird *Myrmoborus myotherinus* Regular excellent encounters.

Black-tailed Antbird ♦ *Myrmoborus melanurus* Magnificent views of male and female on a river island near the Explorama Lodge. A river island specialist.

White-shouldered Antbird *Akletos melanoceps* This localized species allowed excellent views near the ACTS Lodge.

Allpahuayo Antbird ♦ *Percnostola arenarum* One of the best birds of the tour. Two males performed ever so well in the Iquitos area. It was only described in 2001.

Sooty Antbird *Hafferia fortis*

Rusty-belted Tapaculo *Liosceles thoracicus* Heard-only.

Rufous-capped Antthrush *Formicarius colma* Fantastic looks on the ACTS trails.

Wedge-billed Woodcreeper *Glyphorynchus spirurus*

Olivaceous Woodcreeper *Sittasomus griseicapillus*

Plain-brown Woodcreeper *Dendrocincla fuliginosa*

Long-billed Woodcreeper *Nasica longirostris* A couple of excellent encounters with this attractive woodcreeper.

Cinnamon-throated Woodcreeper *Dendrexetastes rufigula* Regularly heard and seen well on two occasions.

Amazonian Barred Woodcreeper *Dendrocolaptes certhia*

Ocellated Woodcreeper *Xiphorhynchus ocellatus* Seen well in the Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Elegant Woodcreeper ♦ *Xiphorhynchus elegans* Heard-only.

Buff-throated Woodcreeper *Xiphorhynchus guttatus*

Zimmer's Woodcreeper ♦ *Dendroplex kienerii* This island specialist showed well near the Explorama Lodge.

Straight-billed Woodcreeper *Dendroplex picus*

Duida Woodcreeper *Lepidocolaptes duidae* Marvelous looks at several from the canopy walkway at ACTS.

Point-tailed Palmcreeper *Berlepschia rikeri* This fine furnariid showed well in its favourite Mauritia palms near Iquitos.

Cinnamon-rumped Foliage-gleaner *Philydor pyrrhodes* Unusual extended views of two in riverine growth close to the Muyuna Lodge.

Chestnut-winged Hookbill *Ancistrops strigilatus*

Olive-backed Foliage-gleaner *Automolus infuscatus*

Pale-legged Hornero *Furnarius leucopus*

Bay Hornero ♦ (Pale-billed H) *Furnarius torridus* This shy and usually hard-to-see-well species performed exceptionally well near the Explorama Lodge.

Lesser Hornero ♦ *Furnarius minor* Nice sightings of several on a river island near the Muyuna Lodge.

Orange-fronted Plushcrown ♦ *Metopothrix aurantiaca* Three gave great views near the Explorama Lodge.

Speckled Spinetail *Thripophaga gutturata* Brief views for some of this canopy species at the Muyuna Lodge.

Parker's Spinetail ♦ *Craniouleuca vulpecula* Perfect looks at this river island specialist near the Explorama Lodge.

White-bellied Spinetail ♦ *Mazaria propinqua* Perfect looks at this river island specialist near the Explorama Lodge.

Red-and-white Spinetail ♦ *Certhiaxis mustelinus* Good looks at this river island specialist near the Explorama Lodge and perfect views near the Muyuna Lodge.

Plain-crowned Spinetail *Synallaxis gujanensis* Heard-only.

Dark-breasted Spinetail *Synallaxis albigularis* Perfect looks near the Explornapo Lodge.

Ruddy Spinetail *Synallaxis rutilans*

Rufous-browed Peppershrike *Cyclarhis gujanensis* Non-leader.

Grey-chested Greenlet ♦ *Hylophilus semicinereus* Non-leader.

Dusky-capped Greenlet *Pachysylvia hypoxantha*

Chivi Vireo *Vireo chivi*

Violaceous Jay *Cyanocorax violaceus* A single bird was noted at the Explorama Lodge.

Black-capped Donacobius *Donacobius atricapilla* Regular in the Muyuna Lodge area.

Sand Martin *Riparia riparia*

White-winged Swallow *Tachycineta albiventer*

Grey-breasted Martin *Progne chalybea*

Brown-chested Martin *Progne tapera*

Southern Rough-winged Swallow *Stelgidopteryx ruficollis*

White-banded Swallow *Atticora fasciata* This attractive species showed well on several occasions.

Barn Swallow *Hirundo rustica*

Collared Gnatwren *Microbates collaris* Fair views of one on the ACTS trails.

Trilling Gnatwren *Ramphocaenus melanurus* Heard-only.

Tropical Gnatcatcher *Polioptila plumbea*

Southern Nightingale-Wren (Scaly-breasted W) *Microcerculus marginatus* Heard-only.

Thrush-like Wren *Campylorhynchus turdinus* This very vocal species showed well on several occasions.

Southern House Wren *Troglodytes musculus* Heard-only.

Coraya Wren *Pheugopedius coraya*

Buff-breasted Wren *Cantorchilus leucotis*

Musician Wren *Cyphorhinus arada* This amazing vocalist gave us a hard time on the ACTS trails, but was eventually seen by most of us.

Swainson's Thrush *Catharus ustulatus* Non-leader.

Black-billed Thrush (Floodplain T) *Turdus [ignobilis] debilis*

Lawrence's Thrush *Turdus lawrencii* Heard-only. We heard the astounding imitations in the ACTS forest.

Varzea Thrush ♦ *Turdus sanchezorum*

Purple-throated Euphonia *Euphonia chlorotica*

White-lored Euphonia (Golden-bellied E) *Euphonia chrysopasta* A nest-building pair showed at close range on the canopy walkway.

Orange-bellied Euphonia *Euphonia xanthogaster*

Yellow-browed Sparrow *Ammodramus aurifrons*

Red-breasted Meadowlark *Leistes militaris* Displaying birds performed beautifully near the Muyuna Lodge.

Russet-backed Oropendola *Psarocolius angustifrons* Very common.

Crested Oropendola *Psarocolius decumanus*

Solitary Cacique (S Black C) *Cacicus solitarius* Two observations of this unobtrusive icterid.

Yellow-rumped Cacique *Cacicus cela*

Band-tailed Cacique ♦ *Cacicus latirostris* Excellent views of a single bird in the Explornapo area. One of the specialities of this tour!

Epaulet Oriole (Moriche O) *Icterus [cayanensis] chrysocephalus* Nice looks near the Explornapo Lodge.

Orange-backed Troupial *Icterus croconotus* This beauty showed very well on a river island near the Muyuna Lodge.

Shiny Cowbird *Molothrus bonariensis*

Giant Cowbird *Molothrus oryzivorus*

Oriole Blackbird *Gymnomystax mexicanus*

Yellow-hooded Blackbird *Chrysomus icterocephalus*

Buff-rumped Warbler *Myiothlypis fulvicauda* Heard-only.

Amazonian Grosbeak *Cyanoloxia rothschildii* Heard-only.

Red-crowned Ant Tanager *Habia rubica* Heard-only.

Summer Tanager *Piranga rubra*

Hooded Tanager *Nemosia pileate* Male and female gave good looks in the Muyuna Lodge area.

Swallow Tanager *Tersina viridis* Excellent views from the canopy walkway.

Short-billed Honeycreeper *Cyanerpes nitidus* Male and female were seen very well from the canopy walkway.

Purple Honeycreeper *Cyanerpes caeruleus*

Black-faced Dacnis *Dacnis lineata*

Yellow-bellied Dacnis *Dacnis flaviventer* Scope views along the Muyuna Lodge trails.

Blue Dacnis *Dacnis cayana*

Green Honeycreeper *Chlorophanes spiza*

Yellow-backed Tanager *Hemithraupis flavicollis*

Blue-black Grassquit *Volatinia jacarina*

Grey-headed Tanager *Eucometis penicillata* Good looks at several in the Muyuna Lodge area.

Flame-crested Tanager *Loriotus cristatus*

Fulvous Shrike-Tanager *Lanio fulvus* Heard-only.

Silver-beaked Tanager *Ramphocelus carbo*

Masked Crimson Tanager *Ramphocelus nigrogularis* Exquisite looks at this beauty at the Explornapo Lodge and also in the

Allpahuayo-Mishana reserve.

Bicolored Conebill *Conirostrum bicolor* Several encounters on river islands.

Pearly-breasted Conebill ♦ *Conirostrum margaritae* This river island specialist gave outstanding views near the Explornapo Lodge.

Bluish-grey Saltator *Saltator coerulescens*

Slate-colored Grosbeak (Slaty G) *Saltator grossus*

Lined Seedeater *Sporophila lineola* Non-leader.

Chestnut-bellied Seedeater *Sporophila castaneiventris*

Chestnut-bellied Seed Finch *Sporophila angolensis*

Orange-headed Tanager *Thlypopsis sordida* Two showed well on a river island near the Explornapo Lodge.

Bananaquit *Coereba flaveola*

Magpie Tanager *Cissopis leverianus*

Red-capped Cardinal *Paroaria gularis* Regular observations of this smart-looking species.

Turquoise Tanager *Tangara mexicana* Several encounters with this beauty.

Paradise Tanager *Tangara chilensis* Regular encounters with this magnificent species. It scored very well in the Bird of the Tour game.

Opal-crowned Tanager *Tangara callophrys* Another cracker that showed really well from the canopy walkway.

Green-and-gold Tanager *Tangara schrankii* Good looks in the Explornapo Lodge area.

Blue-grey Tanager *Thraupis episcopus*

Palm Tanager *Thraupis palmarum*

Yellow-bellied Tanager *Ixothraupis xanthogastra*

MAMMALS

Northern Black-eared Opossum (Black-eared O) *Didelphis marsupialis* Good looks at individuals near the Explornapo and Muyuna Lodges.

Brown-throated Three-toed Sloth *Bradypus variegatus* Six encounters with this marvelous and unusual animal.

Kinkajou *Potos flavus* Three were found on a nightwalk at the Explornapo Lodge.

Amazon River Dolphin (Pink R D, Boto) *Inia geoffrensis* Several of these amazing dolphins showed well in the Amazon river near the Muyuna Lodge.

Tucuxi (Grey Dolphin) *Sotalia fluviatilis* Regular.

Jaguarundi *Herpailurus yagouaroundi* Non-leader.

Greater Bulldog Bat (G Fishing B) *Noctilio leporinus* Regularly seen hunting over the rivers at night.

Ecuadorean Squirrel Monkey *Saimiri macrodon* Common.

Large-headed Capuchin *Sapajus macrocephalus* Several nice observations in the Muyuna area.

Southern Pygmy Marmoset *Cebuella niveiventris* Several of these attractive animals showed extremely well in the Muyuna area.

Red-mantled Saddle-back Tamarin *Saguinus lagonotus* Several showed very well in the Explorama Lodge area.

Black-mantled Tamarin *Saguinus nigricollis* Common in the Explornapo Lodge area.

Nancy Ma's Night Monkey *Aotus nancymae* Good looks at two in the Muyuna Lodge area.

Monk Saki *Pithecia monachus* A single animal showed all too briefly near the Muyuna Lodge.

Yellow-handed Titi *Cheracebus lucifer* Two were seen well near the ACTS Lodge.

Colombian Red Howler *Alouatta seniculus* Seen and heard well at the Muyuna Lodge.

Greater Capybara *Hydrochoerus hydrochaeris* Two families were seen at night in the Muyuna Lodge area.

Yellow-crowned Brush-tailed Rat *Isothrix bistrata* This attractive creature was observed at the Explornapo Lodge and also at the Muyuna Lodge.

Amazon Bamboo Rat *Dactylomys dactylinus* Heard-only.

Amazon Dwarf Squirrel *Microsciurus flaviventer* A single animal was seen near the ACTS Lodge.

Northern Amazon Red Squirrel *Sciurus igniventris* Non-leader.

REPTILES & AMPHIBIANS

Green Iguana *Iguana iguana* Several encounters.

Spectacled Caiman *Caiman crocodylus* Several on our nocturnal boat trips at Muyuna.

Olive Whipsnake *Chironius fuscus* One in the Explornapo Lodge area.

Common Whipsnake *Chironius exoletus* One in the ACTS Lodge area.

Smoky Jungle Frog *Leptodactylus pentadactylus* Several of these enormous frogs in the Muyuna Lodge area.

ARACHNIDS

Pink-legged Tarantula *Avicularia avicularia* Seen in the Explornapo Lodge area.

Peruvian Red-rumped Tarantula *Thrixopelma ockerti* Seen in the Explornapo Lodge area.

Black Tarantula *Pamphobeteus antinous* Seen in the Explornapo Lodge area



Yellow-throated Woodpecker (image by Mark Van Beirs)



Orange-backed Troupial (image by Mark Van Beirs)



Common Potoo (image by Mark Van Beirs)



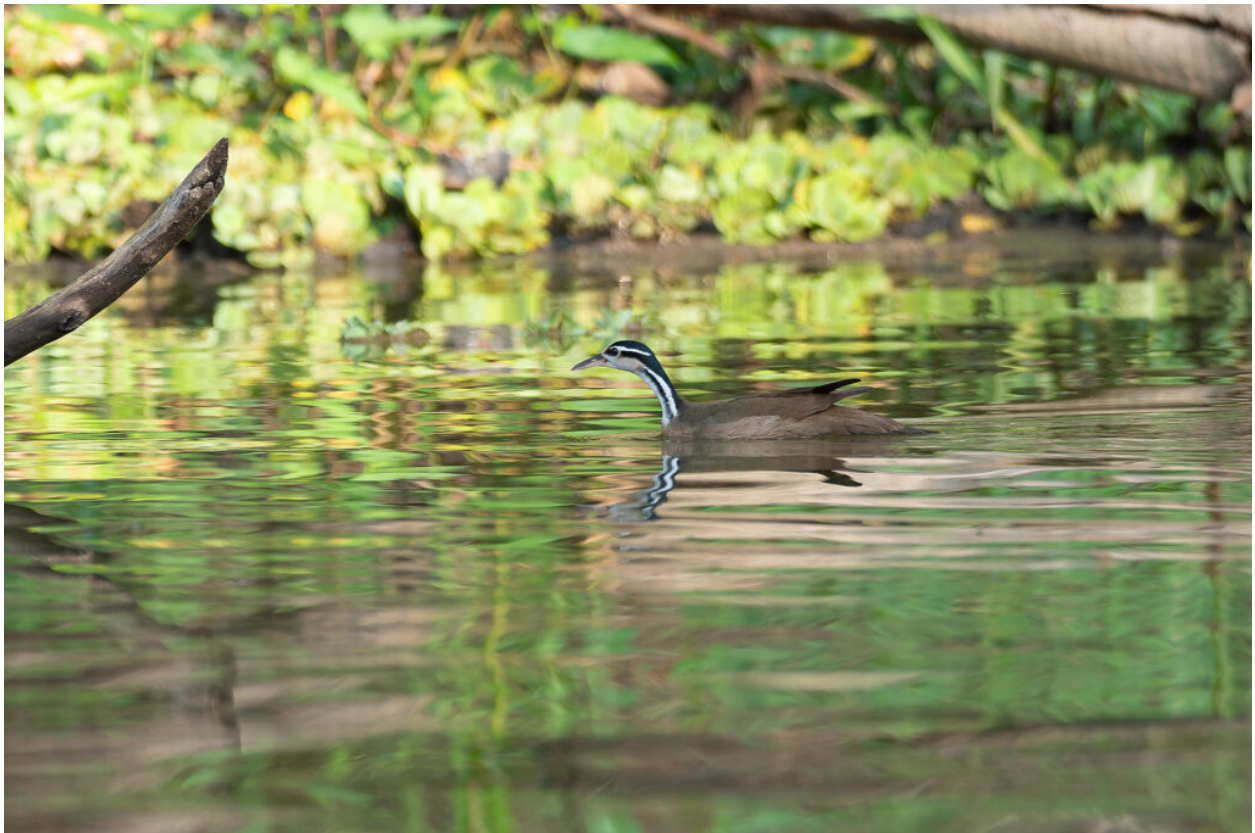
Black-capped Donacobius (image by Mark Van Beirs)



Burrowing Owls (image by Mark Van Beirs)



Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture (image by Mark Van Beirs)



Sungrebe (image by Mark Van Beirs)



Smoky Jungle Frog (image by Mark Van Beirs)



Lemon-throated Barbet (image by Mark Van Beirs)



Bluish-fronted Jacamar (image by Mark Van Beirs)



Green Kingfisher (image by Mark Van Beirs)



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Nocturnal Curassow Iquitos (image by Mark Van Beirs)



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Horned Screamers (image by Mark Van Beirs)



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Black-collared Hawk (image by Mark Van Beirs)



Great Black Hawk (image by Mark Van Beirs)



Plain-breasted Piculet (image by Mark Van Beirs)



White-cheeked Antbird (image by Mark Van Beirs)



Nancy Ma's Night Monkey (image by Mark Van Beirs)



Cinnamon-rumped Foliage-gleaner (image by Mark Van Beirs)



Bicoloured Conebill (image by Mark Van Beirs)



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Boat-billed Heron (image by Mark Van Beirs)



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Southern Pygmy Marmoset (image by Mark Van Beirs)



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