



Field Guides Tour Report

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Can views of a Jaguar get any better than this? Highlight of the tour without a doubt! Check out the video at the end of the list for more Jaguar action! (Photo by guide Marcelo Padua)

Writing about a tour is always difficult for me, as English is not my first language and I am always afraid that I will not portray the experience we had properly, but some tours are harder than others to write about, and this particular tour has been one of the hardest. How can I condense so many great moments in a few words? Where to start?

Maybe the best way to start would be by describing the fabulous encounters we had with Jaguars -- that we saw more than one, including an amazingly rare black Jaguar, which we saw extremely well on our way to Cristalino, though not nearly as well as the female we watched hunting for a really long time. But I have great video of that and you can check it out on the trip list below. So perhaps I should write about the fabulous birding experiences we had, like seeing a male Horned Sungem in the scope for several minutes, or the fantastic looks we had at Razor-billed Curassow as we cruised the Cristalino River, or the time we spent watching the Royal Flycatcher building its nest just a few feet away from us as if we had always been there, or even the more than 160 species of birds we saw in one single day in an effort to raise money for conservation on Daphne's Big Day!

But I think all of these moments would not have been nearly as precious if we did not have a group that seemed like old time friends by the second day of the tour. It seemed as if we had been traveling the world together for a long time and we all enjoyed having fun as much as we loved birding. Even a muddy and slippery road that resulted from a totally unexpected rain turned into another fun moment for all of us. Yes, that is the memory I will treasure the most of this 2013 Alta Floresta & Pantanal and as for the writing, I think I will only need one line: "Good fun, great birding and wonderful people!" Yep, I think that does it! 'til we meet again,

--Marcelo

KEYS FOR THIS LIST

One of the following keys may be shown in brackets for individual species as appropriate: * = heard only, I = introduced, E = endemic, N = nesting, a = austral migrant, b = boreal migrant

BIRDS

Rheidae (Rheas)

GREATER RHEA (*Rhea americana*) – Seen a number of times in the Pantanal!

Tinamidae (Tinamous)

UNDULATED TINAMOU (*Crypturellus undulatus*) [*]

VARIEGATED TINAMOU (*Crypturellus variegatus*) [*]

TATAUPA TINAMOU (*Crypturellus tataupa*) [*]

Anhimidae (Screamers)

SOUTHERN SCREAMER (*Chauna torquata*) – Seen and heard several times during our tour, but it was especially fun to see a pair of them with three chicks!

Anatidae (Ducks, Geese, and Waterfowl)

WHITE-FACED WHISTLING-DUCK (*Dendrocygna viduata*) – A large group sitting by a pond on our way to Cristalino!

BLACK-BELLIED WHISTLING-DUCK (*Dendrocygna autumnalis*) – A lot of them in the Pantanal!

MUSCOVY DUCK (*Cairina moschata*) – Even though its latin name suggests very different origins for this bird, they are native from South America and it was nice to see them in their native habitat.

BRAZILIAN TEAL (*Amazonetta brasiliensis*) – Although a lot less common than the other ducks in the areas we visited, we were treated to many nice looks at these handsome Teal.

Cracidae (Guans, Chachalacas, and Curassows)

CHACO CHACHALACA (*Ortalis canicollis*) – Loud and abundant in the Pantanal. There is just no way to miss them!

SPIX'S GUAN (*Penelope jacquacu*) – A group of them was flushed by our group on one of our afternoon walks, and then we got some nice looks at them!

CHESTNUT-BELLIED GUAN (*Penelope ochrogaster*) – This handsome Guan is something of a specialty of the Northern Pantanal and we were treated to excellent looks at it on our second day in the Pantanal.

BLUE-THROATED PIPING-GUAN (*Pipile cumanensis*) – The ones we saw in the Pantanal!

RED-THROATED PIPING-GUAN (*Pipile cujubi*) – Seeing them leap of the trees and do their display flights over the forest was a real treat!

RAZOR-BILLED CURASSOW (*Mitu tuberosum*) – The first time we saw them was a bit disappointing, but we managed to find another pair of birds that sat nicely for us to have good looks at them!

BARE-FACED CURASSOW (*Crax fasciolata*) – Common around the Cabins at Cristalino and in the Pantanal. We had great looks at them!

Odontophoridae (New World Quail)

MARBLED WOOD-QUAIL (*Odontophorus gujanensis*) [*]

Ciconiidae (Storks)

MAGUARI STORK (*Ciconia maguari*) – Holly spotted a nice group of them during our stay in the pantanal. They were present in much larger numbers this year than last year.

JABIRU (*Jabiru mycteria*) – They are common in the Pantanal, but seeing one fly into a nest right over our heads with nesting material was a real treat.

WOOD STORK (*Mycteria americana*) – Common in the Pantanal.

Phalacrocoracidae (Cormorants and Shags)

NEOTROPIC CORMORANT (*Phalacrocorax brasilianus*) – We had a lot of fun watching one of these birds juggling a catfish around until he got it lined up to go down the hatch head first!

Anhingidae (Anhingas)

ANHINGA (*Anhinga anhinga*) – The vast majority of the birds in the Pantanal are females, a fact that is intriguing and unexplained.

Ardeidae (Herons, Egrets, and Bitterns)

LEAST BITTERN (*Ixobrychus exilis*) [*]

RUFESCENT TIGER-HERON (*Tigrisoma lineatum*) – Seen several times in the pantanal including several juvenile birds.

COCOI HERON (*Ardea cocoi*)

GREAT EGRET (*Ardea alba*)

SNOWY EGRET (*Egretta thula*)

LITTLE BLUE HERON (*Egretta caerulea*)

CATTLE EGRET (*Bubulcus ibis*) – A huge flock of birds flying in the horizon at Chapada was an impressive sight.

STRIATED HERON (*Butorides striata*) – This small heron is very common in the Pantanal and we had great looks at several of them.

WHISTLING HERON (*Syrigma sibilatrix*) – Our first one was spotted by Philip, but most people did not get on the bird. Fortunately they are common in Pantanal and we all got great looks eventually.

CAPPED HERON (*Pilherodius pileatus*) – One of Bernie's most wanted birds and we made sure there was no shortage of them, as we all appreciated great looks at this spectacular heron.

BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON (*Nycticorax nycticorax*) – Many adults and several juveniles during our time in the Pantanal.

Threskiornithidae (Ibises and Spoonbills)

WHITE-FACED IBIS (*Plegadis chihi*) – This is the least common of Ibises in the northern Pantanal, but we managed to see them on two days in the Pantanal.

GREEN IBIS (*Mesembrinibis cayennensis*) – Great looks in perfect light along the rivers at Cristalino.

BARE-FACED IBIS (*Phimosus infuscatus*) – Present in huge numbers in the pantanal.

PLUMBEOUS IBIS (*Theristicus caerulescens*)

BUFF-NECKED IBIS (*Theristicus caudatus*)

ROSEATE SPOONBILL (*Platalea ajaja*) – Some really spiffy looking adults this year!

Cathartidae (New World Vultures)

BLACK VULTURE (*Coragyps atratus*)

TURKEY VULTURE (*Cathartes aura*)

LESSER YELLOW-HEADED VULTURE (*Cathartes burrovianus*)

GREATER YELLOW-HEADED VULTURE (*Cathartes melambrotus*)

KING VULTURE (*Sarcoramphus papa*) – Five individuals soaring high when we were at Cristalino.

Accipitridae (Hawks, Eagles, and Kites)

PEARL KITE (*Gampsonyx swainsonii*) – This minute Kite was present in much bigger numbers than usual this year. What a treat!

SWALLOW-TAILED KITE (*Elanoides forficatus*) – A few birds seen from Alta Floresta.

CRESTED EAGLE (*Morphnus guianensis*) – A distant bird seen from the Tower at Cristalino, but it was quite distinguishable in the scope.

BLACK HAWK-EAGLE (*Spizaetus tyrannus*) – One bird soaring over the road on our way out of Cristalino.

BLACK-AND-WHITE HAWK-EAGLE (*Spizaetus melanoleucus*) – Seen a couple of times during our stay at Cristalino.

BLACK-COLLARED HAWK (*Busarellus nigricollis*) – It's portuguese name translates into beautiful hawk, and I have no problem seeing why that is.

SNAIL KITE (*Rostrhamus sociabilis*) – A group of hundreds of them migrating was spotted by Bernie from the Tower. We later saw them really well in the Pantanal.

DOUBLE-TOOTHED KITE (*Harpagus bidentatus*) – Seen more than once while we were at Cristalino, including a very confusing all gray bird that had us thinking about it for quite a while.

RUFOUS-THIGHED KITE (*Harpagus diodon*)

TINY HAWK (*Accipiter superciliosus*) – Great looks at one of them right around Alta Floresta.

CRANE HAWK (BANDED) (*Geranospiza caerulescens gracilis*) – A couple of birds seen from Chapada then we had a nice look at one on our last morning in the Pantanal.

SAVANNA HAWK (*Buteogallus meridionalis*)

GREAT BLACK-HAWK (*Buteogallus urubitinga*) – Great looks at a pair of birds on our first morning in the Pantanal.

ROADSIDE HAWK (*Rupornis magnirostris*) – The most common hawk in the throughout the tour.

WHITE-TAILED HAWK (*Geranoaetus albicaudatus*) – A group of birds on a field that had been recently harvested.

WHITE-BROWED HAWK (*Leucopternis kuhli*) – Great scope studies of one bird from the tower.

GRAY-LINED HAWK (*Buteo nitidus*) – Seen flying low over the road outside of Alta Floresta.

Eurypygidae (Sunbittern)

SUNBITTERN (*Eurypyga helias*)

Rallidae (Rails, Gallinules, and Coots)

GRAY-BREASTED CRAKE (*Laterallus exilis*) [*]

GRAY-NECKED WOOD-RAIL (*Aramides cajaneus*) – Very common in the Pantanal.

PURPLE GALLINULE (*Porphyrio martinicus*) – A couple of juveniles seen in the Pantanal.

Aramidae (Limpkin)

LIMPKIN (*Aramus guarauna*)

Charadriidae (Plovers and Lapwings)

PIED LAPWING (*Vanellus cayanus*) – Several looks at this stunning lapwing, but we really got great looks from the boat on the Cuiaba river.

SOUTHERN LAPWING (*Vanellus chilensis*)

Recurvirostridae (Stilts and Avocets)

BLACK-NECKED STILT (WHITE-BACKED) (*Himantopus mexicanus melanurus*)

Jacanidae (Jacanas)

WATTLED JACANA (*Jacana jacana*) – Many individuals, adult and young.

Scolopacidae (Sandpipers and Allies)

SOUTH AMERICAN SNIPE (*Gallinago paraguaiiae*) – Seen right behind the cabins at Porto Jofre, a real treat.

Laridae (Gulls, Terns, and Skimmers)

YELLOW-BILLED TERN (*Sternula superciliaris*) – It was nice to see this small tern perched right next to a Large-billed for size comparison.

LARGE-BILLED TERN (*Phaetusa simplex*)

BLACK SKIMMER (*Rynchops niger*) – We saw many of them foraging and we found a few banded birds. I have submitted a report of our sighting to the research institute that banded it and they have informed me that the bird we saw was banded as a nestling about 80 kilometers away from the place we saw it and 1710 days before our sighting.

Columbidae (Pigeons and Doves)

ROCK PIGEON (*Columba livia*)

PALE-VENTED PIGEON (*Patagioenas cayennensis*)

SCALED PIGEON (*Patagioenas speciosa*) – A handsome pigeon which we saw really well at Cristalino.

PICAZURO PIGEON (*Patagioenas picazuro*) – The most common Pigeon throughout the tour.

PLUMBEOUS PIGEON (*Patagioenas plumbea*) – Scope views at Cristalino.

RUDDY PIGEON (*Patagioenas subvinacea*)

EARED DOVE (*Zenaida auriculata*)

RUDDY GROUND-DOVE (*Columbina talpacoti*)

SCALED DOVE (*Columbina squammata*) – This dove is closely related to the Inca Dove from the US and they are common around lodges in the Pantanal.

PICUI GROUND-DOVE (*Columbina picui*)

BLUE GROUND-DOVE (*Claravis pretiosa*) – We heard a lot more of them than we saw, but we managed to see a few of them at Cristalino.

LONG-TAILED GROUND-DOVE (*Uropelia campestris*) – We had great looks at these ornate Ground-doves in the Pantanal.

WHITE-TIPPED DOVE (*Leptotila verreauxi*)

Cuculidae (Cuckoos)

LITTLE CUCKOO (*Coccyzua minuta*) – Seen briefly on a couple of occasions on the tour.

SQUIRREL CUCKOO (*Piaya cayana*)

BLACK-BELLIED CUCKOO (*Piaya melanogaster*) – A pair of birds perched on a dead tree after some rain at Cristalino.

PEARLY-BREASTED CUCKOO (*Coccyzus euleri*) – Holly spotted one of them from the tower at Cristalino. There are few records of them for the lodge and it was quite nice to see it that well.

GUIRA CUCKOO (*Guira guira*) – It was especially nice to watch a family group foraging one day.

STRIPED CUCKOO (*Tapera naevia*) [*]

SMOOTH-BILLED ANI (*Crotophaga ani*)

Strigidae (Owls)

TROPICAL SCREECH-OWL (*Megascops choliba*) – We had one individual missing one eye. Curiously it seemed to be doing quite well despite the fact that it only had one eye. I wonder how it has adapted to survive like that.

TAWNY-BELLIED SCREECH-OWL (AUSTRAL) (*Megascops watsonii usta*) – Great looks at this subspecies that is considered by some a species.

CRESTED OWL (*Lophotrix cristata*) – I heard a bird call near us and I put the light up to look for it, and there was a pair of them.

GREAT HORNED OWL (*Bubo virginianus*)

AMAZONIAN PYGMY-OWL (*Glaucidium hardyi*) – After hearing several of them we finally saw one on our last morning at Cristalino.

FERRUGINOUS PYGMY-OWL (*Glaucidium brasilianum*)

BURROWING OWL (*Athene cunicularia*)

MOTTLED OWL (*Ciccaba virgata*) – Found a roosting bird and we had a great look at it.

Caprimulgidae (Nightjars and Allies)

SHORT-TAILED NIGHTHAWK (*Lurocalis semitorquatus*) – Seen several times at Cristalino.

NACUNDA NIGHTHAWK (*Chordeiles nacunda*) – We saw these massive Nighthawks flying over the lights in town at Chapada Dos Guimaraes. What a treat.

BAND-TAILED NIGHTHAWK (*Nyctiprogne leucopyga*) – These are the nighthawks that we saw flying over the rivers at dusk in the Pantanal.

COMMON PAURAUQUE (*Nyctidromus albicollis*) – They are as common as their name suggests it.

BLACKISH NIGHTJAR (*Caprimulgus nigrescens*) – Easily seen right around the cabins at Cristalino.

LADDER-TAILED NIGHTJAR (*Hydropsalis climacocerca*) – Great looks at a roosting male.

Nyctibiidae (Potoos)

GREAT POTOO (*Nyctibius grandis*) – A pair of birds roosting right around our rooms in the Pantanal.

Apodidae (Swifts)

AMAZONIAN SWIFT (*Chaetura viridipennis*)

SHORT-TAILED SWIFT (*Chaetura brachyura*) – Seen a few times, especially on the drive to Cristalino.

GRAY-RUMPED SWIFT (*Chaetura cinereiventris*)

PALE-RUMPED SWIFT (*Chaetura egregia*)

FORK-TAILED PALM-SWIFT (*Tachornis squamata*) – These Mauritia Palm specialists were not easy to see this year and we only had brief looks at them.

Trochilidae (Hummingbirds)

WHITE-NECKED JACOBIN (*Florisuga mellivora*)

LONG-TAILED HERMIT (*Phaethornis superciliosus*) – One individual buzzed us for a while at Cristalino.

REDDISH HERMIT (*Phaethornis ruber*)

BUFF-BELLIED HERMIT (*Phaethornis subochraceus*) – Seen a couple of times in the Pantanal, but never a perched bird.

WHITE-VENTED VIOLETEAR (*Colibri serrirostris*)

HORNED SUNGEM (*Heliactin bilophus*) – One of the true highlights of the tour was seeing a pair of males displaying then having a perched one in the scope for about five minutes. What a treat.

BLACK-EARED FAIRY (*Heliathryx auritus*) – Seen once mobbing a pigmy owl.

WHITE-TAILED GOLDENTHROAT (*Polytmus guainumbi*) – Seen a couple of times in the pantanal.

BLACK-THROATED MANGO (*Anthracothorax nigricollis*)

LONG-BILLED STARHROAT (*Heliomaster longirostris*)

AMETHYST WOODSTAR (*Calliphlox amethystina*) – Great looks at an adult male.

GLITTERING-BELLIED EMERALD (*Chlorostilbon lucidus*)

GRAY-BREASTED SABREWING (*Campylopterus largipennis*)

SWALLOW-TAILED HUMMINGBIRD (*Eupetomena macroura*)

FORK-TAILED WOODNYMPH (*Thalurania furcata*)

GLITTERING-THROATED EMERALD (*Amazilia fimbriata*) – The most common hummer in the Pantanal.

RUFOUS-THROATED SAPPHIRE (*Hylocharis sapphirina*)

GILDED HUMMINGBIRD (*Hylocharis chrysura*)

Trogonidae (Trogons)

PAVONINE QUETZAL (*Pharomachrus pavoninus*) – This species is not common around Cristalino and we were very lucky to see it well in the scope for a long time.

BLACK-TAILED TROGON (*Trogon melanurus*) [*]

GREEN-BACKED TROGON (*Trogon viridis*) – This is the one that used to be called White-tailed.

BLUE-CROWNED TROGON (*Trogon curucui*) – This is the trogon we saw really well in the Pantanal.

COLLARED TROGON (*Trogon collaris*) – We had great looks at one during our stay at Cristalino.

Momotidae (Motmots)

AMAZONIAN MOTMOT (*Momotus momota*) – A great spot by Daphne on our first day.

BROAD-BILLED MOTMOT (*Electron platyrhynchum*) [*]

Alcedinidae (Kingfishers)

RINGED KINGFISHER (*Megaceryle torquata*)

AMAZON KINGFISHER (*Chloroceryle amazona*)

GREEN KINGFISHER (*Chloroceryle americana*)

GREEN-AND-RUFOUS KINGFISHER (*Chloroceryle inda*) – Great looks at this shy Kingfisher that spends most of its time inside the forest.

AMERICAN PYGMY KINGFISHER (*Chloroceryle aenea*) – This was the last one we saw. Making our tour a clean sweep of all the kingfishers that occur in South America.

Bucconidae (Puffbirds)

WHITE-NECKED PUFFBIRD (*Notharchus hyperrhynchus*)

BROWN-BANDED PUFFBIRD (*Notharchus ordii*) – This is one of the hardest ones to see, but we got great looks at them after some work.

PIED PUFFBIRD (*Notharchus tectus*)

SPOTTED PUFFBIRD (*Bucco tamatia*)

STRIOLATED PUFFBIRD (*Nystalus striolatus torridus*) – What a great spot by Ruth. This bird was just buried in leaves, but after Ruth spotted it we had great scope views.

WHITE-EARED PUFFBIRD (*Nystalus chacuru*)

SPOT-BACKED PUFFBIRD (*Nystalus maculatus*)

RUFOUS-NECKED PUFFBIRD (*Malacoptila rufa*) – We had great scope views of this handsome and shy understory puffbird.

BLACK-FRONTED NUNBIRD (*Monasa nigrifrons*)

WHITE-FRONTED NUNBIRD (*Monasa morphoeus*) [*]

SWALLOW-WINGED PUFFBIRD (*Chelidoptera tenebrosa*)

Galbulidae (Jacamars)

BLUE-CHEEKED JACAMAR (*Galbula cyanicollis*) – Close up views of this colorful Jacamar.

RUFOUS-TAILED JACAMAR (*Galbula ruficauda*)

BRONZY JACAMAR (*Galbula leucogastra*) – Just after the rain it jumped right into view for us. What a nice sight.

PARADISE JACAMAR (*Galbula dea*)

GREAT JACAMAR (*Jacamerops aureus*) – This one really made us work for it, but in the end we were rewarded with amazing looks at it.

Capitonidae (New World Barbets)

BLACK-GIRDLED BARBET (*Capito dayi*) – Really close looks at this southern Amazonian endemic from the tower at Cristalino.

Ramphastidae (Toucans)

LETTERED ARACARI (*Pteroglossus inscriptus*) – Scope views of these tiny Aracaris around Chapada dos Guimaraes.

CHESTNUT-EARED ARACARI (*Pteroglossus castanotis*) – The most common Aracari in this tour route and we saw them repeated times.

CHURL-CRESTED ARACARI (*Pteroglossus beauharnaesii*) – We had fantastic looks at these odd birds, but this year it took some work to finally find them.

RED-NECKED ARACARI (*Pteroglossus bitorquatus*)

GOULD'S TOUCANET (*Selenidera gouldii*) – Another great spot by Daphne!

TOCO TOUCAN (*Ramphastos toco*)

WHITE-THROATED TOUCAN (*Ramphastos tucanus cuvieri*) – Yelpers!

CHANNEL-BILLED TOUCAN (*Ramphastos vitellinus*) – Croakers!

Picidae (Woodpeckers)

WHITE-WEDGED PICULET (*Picumnus albosquamatus*)

WHITE WOODPECKER (*Melanerpes candidus*) – Seeing a family group of these woodpeckers doing aerial displays was a real treat.

YELLOW-TUFTED WOODPECKER (*Melanerpes cruentatus*)

CHECKERED WOODPECKER (*Veniliornis mixtus*) – This is a hard one to get, but Lisa spotted one of them and we pulled it into view for the whole group.

LITTLE WOODPECKER (*Veniliornis passerinus*)

RED-STAINED WOODPECKER (*Veniliornis affinis*)

YELLOW-THROATED WOODPECKER (*Piculus flavigula*)

GOLDEN-GREEN WOODPECKER (*Piculus chrysochloros*) – This is the one we saw from the river at Porto Jofre.

GREEN-BARRED WOODPECKER (*Colaptes melanochloros*) – A nice spot by Bill who saw this bird from the bus, so we decided to step out and look around, only to find another 30 species or more. Talk about a bonus!

CAMPO FLICKER (*Colaptes campestris*) [*]

PALE-CRESTED WOODPECKER (*Ceuleus lugubris*)

CREAM-COLORED WOODPECKER (*Ceuleus flavus*) – We knew just where to knock and they were certainly home. Great looks!

RINGED WOODPECKER (*Ceuleus torquatus*) [*]

LINEATED WOODPECKER (*Dryocopus lineatus*)

RED-NECKED WOODPECKER (*Campephilus rubricollis*)

CRIMSON-CRESTED WOODPECKER (*Campephilus melanoleucos*)

Cariamidae (Seriemas)

RED-LEGGED SERIEMA (*Cariama cristata*) – I have to say I have never seen so many seriemas in one tour in my life. We found a total of 21 individuals on the tour and this is a bird we even miss on some years. I guess Daphne is really lucky, since this was her most wanted bird.

Falconidae (Falcons and Caracaras)

CRYPTIC FOREST-FALCON (*Micrastur mintoni*) [*]

SLATY-BACKED FOREST-FALCON (*Micrastur mirandollei*) [*]

COLLARED FOREST-FALCON (*Micrastur semitorquatus*) – Very nice looks at one of these guys near Chapada.

BLACK CARACARA (*Daptrius ater*)

RED-THROATED CARACARA (*Ibycter americanus*) – These loud and strange falcons specialize in eating wasps.

SOUTHERN CARACARA (*Caracara plancus*)

LAUGHING FALCON (*Herpetotheres cachinnans*) [*]

AMERICAN KESTREL (*Falco sparverius*)

APLOMADO FALCON (*Falco femoralis*)

BAT FALCON (*Falco ruficularis*) – Seeing these guys hunting over the Cristalino river at dusk is always a treat.

Psittacidae (Parrots)

CRIMSON-BELLIED PARAKEET (*Pyrrhura perlata*) – After hearing this species so many times we finally connected with some of them on our last days at Cristalino with wonderful scope views!

PAINTED PARAKEET (PAINTED) (*Pyrrhura picta microtera*) – Seen well from the granite outcrops at Cristalino.

MONK PARAKEET (*Myiopsitta monachus*) – This widespread and invasive species is native in the pantanal and it is a lot of fun to watch these birds building their nest under the massive nests of Jabiru.

BLUE-CROWNED PARAKEET (*Aratinga acuticaudata*) – Seen briefly in the Pantanal where they fly around in large flocks.

WHITE-EYED PARAKEET (*Aratinga leucophthalma*)

PEACH-FRONTED PARAKEET (*Aratinga aurea*) – Seen well at Chapada dos Guimaraes.

HYACINTH MACAW (*Anodorhynchus hyacinthinus*) – Undoubtedly, the great star of the Pantanal and we were treated to repeated good looks at this charismatic parrots.

CHESTNUT-FRONTED MACAW (*Ara severus*)

RED-AND-GREEN MACAW (*Ara chloropterus*) – Seen many times on the tour, but that pair that flew right over our heads on our first morning at Chapada was certainly memorable.

SCARLET MACAW (*Ara macao*) – Standing on a tower at Cristalino and seeing these birds fly over the carpet of forest beneath them as the sun rises is something I look forward to every year.

BLUE-AND-YELLOW MACAW (*Ara ararauna*) – 5 birds on one palm tree. It does not get much better than this.

RED-BELLIED MACAW (*Orthopsittaca manilata*)

BLUE-WINGED MACAW (*Primolius maracana*)

RED-SHOULDERED MACAW (*Diopsittaca nobilis*)

DUSKY-BILLED PARROTLET (*Forpus modestus*) – Seen right around the clearing of the lodge at Cristalino.

YELLOW-CHEVRONED PARAKEET (*Brotogeris chiriri*)

GOLDEN-WINGED PARAKEET (*Brotogeris chrysoptera*)

WHITE-BELLIED PARROT (*Pionites leucogaster*)

ORANGE-CHEEKED PARROT (*Pyrilia barrabandi*) – Absolutely incredible views of this colorful parrot from the tower at Cristalino.

BLUE-HEADED PARROT (*Pionus menstruus*) – This the most common parrot at Cristalino.

SCALY-HEADED PARROT (*Pionus maximiliani*) – The scaly-headed parrot Parrot replaces the Blue-headed in the Pantanal and the sub species present in the pantanal is Siy which has a very prominent white eye ring.

TURQUOISE-FRONTED PARROT (*Amazona aestiva*) – This is the most common Amazona parrot in the Pantanal!

KAWALL'S PARROT (*Amazona kawalli*)

ORANGE-WINGED PARROT (*Amazona amazonica*)

MEALY PARROT (*Amazona farinosa*) – Excellent looks at a pair of birds nesting in Alta Floresta!

YELLOW-CROWNED PARROT (*Amazona ochrocephala*)

RED-FAN PARROT (*Derotyus accipitrinus*) – Great looks at this fantastic parrot right on the grounds of the hotel in Alta Floresta.

Thamnophilidae (Typical Antbirds)

FASCIATED ANTSHRIKE (*Cymbilaimus lineatus*)

GREAT ANTSHRIKE (*Taraba major*) – Seen at Chapada and in the Pantanal

GLOSSY ANTSHRIKE (*Sakesphorus luctuosus*) – This riverside specialist is a stunning bird once you get a look as good as we did at it!

BARRED ANTSHRIKE (*Thamnophilus doliatus*) – Even though this is one of the most widespread antbirds there is, people are always blown away by the beautiful pattern of this lovely bird!

RUFOUS-WINGED ANTSHRIKE (*Thamnophilus torquatus*) – Close looks at this cerrado specialist near Chapada do Guimaraes!

CHESTNUT-BACKED ANTSHRIKE (*Thamnophilus palliatus*) – Seen with quite a bit of work on our last day at Cristalino. But it was worth it!

NATTERER'S SLATY-ANTSHRIKE (*Thamnophilus stictocephalus*) – Great looks in the dry habitats at Cristalino!

PLANALTO SLATY-ANTSHRIKE (*Thamnophilus pelzelni*) – The pantanal representative of the Slaty-antshrike group which is composed of five species.

WHITE-SHOULDERED ANTSHRIKE (*Thamnophilus aethiops*) – We managed to get some decent looks at this shy Antshrike. A rare treat!

AMAZONIAN ANTSHRIKE (*Thamnophilus amazonicus*) – Another one that only came through on our last day at Cristalino, but we had great looks at it.

PLAIN ANTVIREO (*Dysithamnus mentalis*)

SATURNINE ANTSHRIKE (*Thamnomanes saturninus*) – Seen with a mixed species flock!

CINEREOUS ANTSHRIKE (*Thamnomanes caesius*) – This close relative of the Saturnine Antshrike is the nuclear species of understory flocks and we had good looks at it!

PLAIN-THROATED ANTWREN (*Isleria hauxwelli*) – This handsome antwren was until recently placed in the genus *myrmotherula*, but had the genus changed to *Isleria* as it is very distinctive from the other *Myrmotherula* antwrens.

SPOT-WINGED ANTSHRIKE (*Pygiptila stelleris*) [*]

WHITE-EYED ANTWREN (*Epinecrophylla leucophthalma*)

ORNATE ANTWREN (*Epinecrophylla ornata*)

PYGMY ANTWREN (*Myrmotherula brachyura*) [*]

SCLATER'S ANTWREN (*Myrmotherula sclateri*) – Seen a few times on the tour, but this is a canopy specialist and it is not easy to get a lot of details on it.

AMAZONIAN STREAKED-ANTWREN (*Myrmotherula multostriata*)

LONG-WINGED ANTWREN (*Myrmotherula longipennis*) – Another species that is almost always present in the understory mixed species flocks.

GRAY ANTWREN (*Myrmotherula menetriesii*)

LARGE-BILLED ANTWREN (*Herpsilochmus longirostris*) – Seen well in the Pantanal!

RUFOUS-WINGED ANTWREN (*Herpsilochmus rufimarginatus*) – After hearing it quite a bit at Cristalino, we finally managed to get a look at one.

DOT-WINGED ANTWREN (*Microrhopias quixensis bicolor*)

BLACK-BELLIED ANTWREN (*Formicivora melanogaster*)

RUSTY-BACKED ANTWREN (*Formicivora rufa*) – This handsome antwren was seen really well in the Pantanal and Chapada.

STRIATED ANTBIRD (*Drymophila devillei*) – This bamboo specialist is becoming scarce at Cristalino as a lot of the bamboo has died out. But we managed to get great looks at one of them.

GRAY ANTBIRD (*Cercomacra cinerascens*) – This was the hardest of the *Cercomacra* Antbirds for us to see as it stayed high and was always in dense vine tangles.

BLACKISH ANTBIRD (*Cercomacra nigrescens*)

MATO GROSSO ANTBIRD (*Cercomacra melanaria*) – The only bird in the genus in the Pantanal and we saw it extremely well.

MANU ANTBIRD (*Cercomacra manu*) – Unfortunately this bamboo specialist was not very cooperative and not everyone got to see it well.

WHITE-BACKED FIRE-EYE (*Pyriglena leuconota*) [*]

WHITE-BROWED ANTBIRD (*Myrmoborus leucophrys*)

SPIX'S WARBLING-ANTBIRD (*Hypocnemis striata*)

BAND-TAILED ANTBIRD (*Hypocnemoides maculicauda*) – Excellent views along riverine forest in the Pantanal.

SILVERED ANTBIRD (*Sclateria naevia argentata*)

RUFOUS-FACED ANTBIRD (*Schistocichla rufifacies*) [*]

BARE-EYED ANTBIRD (*Rhegmatorhina gymnops*) [*]

SPOT-BACKED ANTBIRD (*Hylophylax naevius*)

DOT-BACKED ANTBIRD (*Hylophylax punctulatus*) – We managed to see both the Spot-backed Antbird and the Dot-backed Antbird in the same morning. An excellent opportunity to compare these similar birds.

Melanopareiidae (Crescentchests)

COLLARED CRESCENTCHEST (*Melanopareia torquata*) [*]

Conopophagidae (Gnateaters)

CHESTNUT-BELTED GNATEATER (*Conopophaga aurita snethlageae*) – Very nice looks at this handsome gnateater!

Grallariidae (Antpittas)

ALTA FLORESTA ANTPITTA (*Hylopezus whittakeri*) – This species was recently split from Spotted Antpitta. [*]

THRUSH-LIKE ANTPITTA (*Myrmothera campanisona*) [*]

Furnariidae (Ovenbirds and Woodcreepers)

SPOT-THROATED WOODCREEPER (*Certhiasomus stictolaemus*)

OLIVACEOUS WOODCREEPER (*Sittasomus griseicapillus*)

LONG-TAILED WOODCREEPER (*Deconychura longicauda*) [*]

PLAIN-BROWN WOODCREEPER (*Dendrocincla fuliginosa*)

WEDGE-BILLED WOODCREEPER (*Glyphorhynchus spirurus*)

CINNAMON-THROATED WOODCREEPER (*Dendrexetastes rufigula*) [*]

LONG-BILLED WOODCREEPER (*Nasica longirostris*) – We had amazing looks at this amazing woodcreeper that is a monotypic genus.

AMAZONIAN BARRED-WOODCREEPER (*Dendrocolaptes certhia concolor*)

PLANALTO WOODCREEPER (*Dendrocolaptes platyrostris*)

GREAT RUFOUS WOODCREEPER (*Xiphocolaptes major*) – We were treated to a few excellent studies of this massive woodcreeper in the Pantanal!

STRIPED WOODCREEPER (*Xiphorhynchus obsoletus*)

SPIX'S WOODCREEPER (*Xiphorhynchus spixii*)

BUFF-THROATED WOODCREEPER (*Xiphorhynchus guttatus*)

BUFF-THROATED WOODCREEPER (DUSKY-BILLED) (*Xiphorhynchus guttatus eytoni*)

STRAIGHT-BILLED WOODCREEPER (*Dendroplex picus*)

RED-BILLED SCYTHEBILL (*Campylorhamphus trochilirostris*) – What bizar and wonderful creatures Scythebills are. The cream of birding!

NARROW-BILLED WOODCREEPER (*Lepidocolaptes angustirostris*)

LINEATED WOODCREEPER (*Lepidocolaptes albolineatus*) – Seen just by Daphne and Me!

PLAIN XENOPS (*Xenops minutus*)

STREAKED XENOPS (*Xenops rutilans*)

POINT-TAILED PALMCREEPER (*Berlepschia rikeri*) – We called the bird in, but unfortunately not all the people got on it before it flew.

RUFOUS HORNERO (*Furnarius rufus*) – The Rufous Hornero is the national bird of Argentina, a piece of information that seems to puzzle people all the time. It is not until you spend some time watching it like we did, that you realize that they are fascinating creatures.

RUFOUS-TAILED FOLIAGE-GLEANER (*Philydor ruficaudatum*)

RUFOUS-RUMPED FOLIAGE-GLEANER (*Philydor erythrocercum*) [*]

PARA FOLIAGE-GLEANER (*Automolus paraensis*) [*]

GREATER THORNBIRD (*Phacellodomus ruber*) – Watching them work on their massive stick nests is always a delight!

RUSTY-BACKED SPINETAIL (*Cranioleuca vulpina*)

RUFOUS CACHOLOTE (*Pseudoseisura unirufa*)

CHOTOY SPINETAIL (*Schoeniophylax phryganophilus*) – This fabulous spinetail is the only member of its genus and we had great looks at it!

YELLOW-CHINNED SPINETAIL (*Certhiaxis cinnamomeus*)

SOOTY-FRONTED SPINETAIL (*Synallaxis frontalis*)

PALE-BREASTED SPINETAIL (*Synallaxis albescens*)

CINEREOUS-BREASTED SPINETAIL (*Synallaxis hypospodia*)

WHITE-LORED SPINETAIL (*Synallaxis albiflora*) – I have to say, I have been looking for that lore for quite some time and still have not found it. I guess you have to get creative when naming spinetails!

Tyrannidae (Tyrant Flycatchers)

SOUTHERN BEARDLESS-TYRANULET (*Camptostoma obsoletum*)

SUIRIRI FLYCATCHER (*Suiriri suiriri affinis*)

CHAPADA FLYCATCHER (*Suiriri islerorum*) – It was looking tense for a while, but we finally managed to pull one of these at the last minute. It was certainly nice to see it in its type locality!

YELLOW-CROWNED TYRANULET (*Tyrannulus elatus*)

FOREST ELAENIA (*Myiopagis gaimardii*)

YELLOW-BELLIED ELAENIA (*Elaenia flavogaster*)

LARGE ELAENIA (*Elaenia spectabilis*)

SMALL-BILLED ELAENIA (*Elaenia parvirostris*)

PLAIN-CRESTED ELAENIA (*Elaenia cristata*) – A very distinctive elaenia that features a pointy crest which is not portrayed on most field guides!

SEPIA-CAPPED FLYCATCHER (*Leptopogon amaurocephalus*)

SLENDER-FOOTED TYRANULET (*Zimmerius gracilipes*)

SOUTHERN SCRUB-FLYCATCHER (*Sublegatus modestus*)

PLAIN TYRANULET (*Inezia inornata*)

AMAZONIAN TYRANULET (*Inezia subflava*) – Now that is a cooperative Tyrannulet!

SOUTHERN ANTPITIT (*Corythopis delalandi*) – This is one that we don't get on every tour, but we nailed this time. What a treat!

SHORT-TAILED PYGMY-TYRANT (*Myiornis ecaudatus*) – These little guys need to watch out for Bernie, she has a thing for them!

HELMETED PYGMY-TYRANT (*Lophotriccus galeatus*)

WHITE-EYED TODY-TYRANT (*Hemitriccus zosterops*)
PEARLY-VENTED TODY-TYRANT (*Hemitriccus margaritaceiventer*)
ZIMMER'S TODY-TYRANT (*Hemitriccus minimus*) [*]
RUSTY-FRONTED TODY-FLYCATCHER (*Poecilatriccus latirostris*) – Another cute little bird that was high on Bernie's Menu... I mean list!
SPOTTED TODY-FLYCATCHER (*Todirostrum maculatum*)
COMMON TODY-FLYCATCHER (*Todirostrum cinereum*)
YELLOW-BROWED TODY-FLYCATCHER (*Todirostrum chrysocrotaphum*)
YELLOW-OLIVE FLYCATCHER (*Tolmomyias sulphurescens*)
YELLOW-MARGINED FLYCATCHER (*Tolmomyias assimilis*)
GRAY-CROWNED FLYCATCHER (*Tolmomyias poliocephalus*) [*]
GOLDEN-CROWNED SPADEBILL (*Platyrinchus coronatus*) [*]
WHITE-CRESTED SPADEBILL (*Platyrinchus platyrhynchos*)
ROYAL FLYCATCHER (*Onychorhynchus coronatus*) – One of the highlights of the tour for me was watching this bird building its nest as if 10 people were not standing there. A real treat for me!
BRAN-COLORED FLYCATCHER (*Myiophobus fasciatus*)
FUSCOUS FLYCATCHER (*Cnemotriccus fuscatus*)
VERMILION FLYCATCHER (*Pyrocephalus rubinus*)
DRAB WATER TYRANT (*Ochthornis littoralis*)
GRAY MONJITA (*Xolmis cinereus*)
WHITE-RUMPED MONJITA (*Xolmis velatus*)
BLACK-BACKED WATER-TYRANT (*Fluvicola albiventer*)
WHITE-HEADED MARSH TYRANT (*Arundinicola leucocephala*)
CATTLE TYRANT (*Machetornis rixosa*) – This bird is very under rated. Seeing it display is always fun for me!
LARGE-HEADED FLATBILL (*Ramphotrigon megacephalum*) [*]
RUFOUS-TAILED FLATBILL (*Ramphotrigon ruficauda*)
BRIGHT-RUMPED ATTILA (*Attila spadiceus*) [*]
SIRYSTES (*Sirystes sibilator*)
RUFOUS CASIORNIS (*Casiornis rufus*)
GRAYISH MOURNER (*Rhytipterna simplex*)
SHORT-CRESTED FLYCATCHER (*Myiarchus ferox*) – The most common *Myiarchus* along our route, especially in the Pantanal!
BROWN-CRESTED FLYCATCHER (*Myiarchus tyrannulus*)
LESSER KISKADEE (*Pitangus lictor*)
GREAT KISKADEE (*Pitangus sulphuratus*)
BOAT-BILLED FLYCATCHER (*Megarynchus pitangua*)
RUSTY-MARGINED FLYCATCHER (*Myiozetetes cayanensis*)
DUSKY-CHESTED FLYCATCHER (*Myiozetetes luteiventris*)
CROWNED SLATY FLYCATCHER (*Empidonomus aurantioatrocristatus*) – This migrant from the south holds the title for the the longest Latin name of any species. What a mouthful!
WHITE-THROATED KINGBIRD (*Tyrannus albogularis*)
TROPICAL KINGBIRD (*Tyrannus melancholicus*)

Cotingidae (Cotingas)

AMAZONIAN UMBRELLABIRD (*Cephalopterus ornatus*) – Some great looks at these odd bids at Cristalino!
SPANGLED COTINGA (*Cotinga cayana*)
SCREAMING PIHA (*Lipaugus vociferans*)
POMPADOUR COTINGA (*Xipholena punicea*)
BARE-NECKED FRUITCROW (*Gymnoderus foetidus*)

Pipridae (Manakins)

DWARF TYRANT-MANAKIN (*Tyrannetes stolzmanni*)
FIERY-CAPPED MANAKIN (*Machaeropterus pyrocephalus*) [*]
SNOW-CAPPED MANAKIN (*Lepidothrix nattereri*) – Manakins Rule! and this one was certainly the icing o on the cake!
BLUE-BACKED MANAKIN (*Chiroxiphia pareola regina*) [*]
FLAME-CROWNED MANAKIN (*Heterocercus linteatus*)
BAND-TAILED MANAKIN (*Pipra fasciicauda*)
RED-HEADED MANAKIN (*Pipra rubrocapilla*)
WING-BARRED PIPRITES (*Piprites chloris*)

Tityridae (Tityras and Allies)

BLACK-TAILED TITYRA (*Tityra cayana*)
BLACK-CROWNED TITYRA (*Tityra inquisitor*)
MASKED TITYRA (*Tityra semifasciata*) – Seen right on the grounds of the hotel in Alta Floresta!

BROWN-WINGED SCHIFFORNIS (*Schiffornis turdina*) – Formerly know as Thrush-like Schiffornis, this taxon got split into several species and this is the one occurring at Cristalino.

CINEREOUS MOURNER (*Laniocera hypopyrra*) [*]

WHITE-BROWED PURPLETUFT (*Iodopleura isabellae*)

WHITE-NAPED XENOPSARIS (*Xenopsaris albinucha*) – This austral migrant showed up in the pantanal with a mob to a pigmy owl!

GREEN-BACKED BECARD (*Pachyramphus viridis*)

WHITE-WINGED BECARD (*Pachyramphus polychopterus*)

Vireonidae (Vireos)

RED-EYED VIREO (MIGRATORY CHIVI) (*Vireo olivaceus chivi*)

GRAY-CHESTED GREENLET (*Hylophilus semicinereus*) – Constantly heard along the rivers. We saw this one a couple of times and had really good looks at it!

ASHY-HEADED GREENLET (*Hylophilus pectoralis*)

TAWNY-CROWNED GREENLET (*Hylophilus ochraceiceps*)

SLATY-CAPPED SHRIKE-VIREO (*Vireolanius leucotis*) [*]

RUFOUS-BROWED PEPPERSHRIKE (*Cyclarhis gujanensis*)

Corvidae (Crows, Jays, and Magpies)

PURPLISH JAY (*Cyanocorax cyanomelas*)

CURL-CRESTED JAY (*Cyanocorax cristatellus*)

Hirundinidae (Swallows)

WHITE-BANDED SWALLOW (*Atticora fasciata*) – A handsome Swallow easily found along the Cristalino!

SOUTHERN ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW (*Stelgidopteryx ruficollis*)

GRAY-BREASTED MARTIN (*Progne chalybea*)

BROWN-CHESTED MARTIN (TAPERA) (*Progne tapera tapera*)

WHITE-WINGED SWALLOW (*Tachycineta albiventer*)

Troglodytidae (Wrens)

TOOTH-BILLED WREN (*Odontorchilus cinereus*) – This canopy wren is restricted to southern amazonia!

HOUSE WREN (*Troglodytes aedon*)

THRUSH-LIKE WREN (*Campylorhynchus turdinus hypostictus*)

THRUSH-LIKE WREN (*Campylorhynchus turdinus unicolor*)

MOUSTACHED WREN (*Pheugopedius genibarbis*)

BUFF-BREASTED WREN (*Cantorchilus leucotis*) [*]

FAWN-BREASTED WREN (*Cantorchilus guarayanus*)

MUSICIAN WREN (*Cyphorhinus arada*) – Not a great looking bird, but when you sound like that you don't really need the looks!

Poliophtilidae (Gnatcatchers)

LONG-BILLED GNATWREN (*Ramphocaenus melanurus*)

MASKED GNATCATCHER (*Poliophtila dumicola*)

Donacobiidae (Donacobius)

BLACK-CAPPED DONACOBIOUS (*Donacobius atricapilla*)

Turdidae (Thrushes and Allies)

PALE-BREASTED THRUSH (*Turdus leucomelas*)

HAUXWELL'S THRUSH (*Turdus hauxwelli*) [*]

RUFOUS-BELLIED THRUSH (*Turdus rufiventris*) – Most people are surprised to find out that Brazil with so many wonderful birds has chosen this species as the national bird. However even as I write this report I hear one singing out of my window, and this is why it was chosen. It is a bird that people know and has a beautiful song!

WHITE-NECKED THRUSH (*Turdus albicollis*)

Mimidae (Mockingbirds and Thrashers)

CHALK-BROWED MOCKINGBIRD (*Mimus saturninus*)

Motacillidae (Wagtails and Pipits)

YELLOWISH PIPIT (*Anthus lutescens*) [*]

Parulidae (New World Warblers)

TROPICAL PARULA (*Setophaga pitiayumi*)

GOLDEN-CROWNED WARBLER (WHITE-BELLIED) (*Basileuterus culicivorus hypoleucus*)

FLAVESCENT WARBLER (*Myiothlypis flaveola*)

Thraupidae (Tanagers and Allies)

RED-CAPPED CARDINAL (*Paroaria gularis*)

YELLOW-BILLED CARDINAL (*Paroaria capitata*) – Fortunately this gorgeous little bird is a common sight in the pantanal, where it is one of the the most abundant birds in feeders!

WHITE-BANDED TANAGER (*Neothraupis fasciata*)
RED-BILLED PIED TANAGER (*Lamprospiza melanoleuca*)
HOODED TANAGER (*Nemosia pileata*)
ORANGE-HEADED TANAGER (*Thlypopsis sordida*)
WHITE-RUMPED TANAGER (*Cypsnagra hirundinacea*) – Watching this cerrado specialist displaying is always a crowd pleaser, and this time it was not different.
GRAY-HEADED TANAGER (*Eucometis penicillata*)
FLAME-CRESTED TANAGER (*Tachyphonus cristatus*)
WHITE-SHOULDERED TANAGER (*Tachyphonus luctuosus*)
WHITE-LINED TANAGER (*Tachyphonus rufus*)
SILVER-BEAKED TANAGER (*Ramphocelus carbo*)
BLUE-GRAY TANAGER (*Thraupis episcopus*)
SAYACA TANAGER (*Thraupis sayaca*) – The Sayaca Tanager is the replacement of the Blue-gray Tanager in the Pantanal.
PALM TANAGER (*Thraupis palmarum*)
BURNISHED-BUFF TANAGER (*Tangara cayana*)
MASKED TANAGER (*Tangara nigrocincta*)
BLUE-NECKED TANAGER (*Tangara cyanicollis*)
SPOTTED TANAGER (*Tangara punctata*)
TURQUOISE TANAGER (*Tangara mexicana*)
PARADISE TANAGER (*Tangara chilensis*)
OPAL-RUMPED TANAGER (*Tangara velia*)
BAY-HEADED TANAGER (*Tangara gyrola*)
SWALLOW TANAGER (*Tersina viridis*)
BLACK-FACED DACNIS (*Dacnis lineata*)
BLUE DACNIS (*Dacnis cayana*)
GUIRA TANAGER (*Hemithraupis guira*) – We came across this fabulous tanager in the pantanal.
CHESTNUT-VENTED CONEBILL (*Conirostrum speciosum*)
STRIPE-TAILED YELLOW-FINCH (*Sicalis citrina*)
SAFFRON FINCH (*Sicalis flaveola*)
WEDGE-TAILED GRASS-FINCH (*Emberizoides herbicola*)
BLUE-BLACK GRASSQUIT (*Volatinia jacarina*)
PLUMBEOUS SEEDEATER (*Sporophila plumbea*)
RUSTY-COLLARED SEEDEATER (*Sporophila collaris*) – This seedeater is common in the pantanal, where it is rusty. Oddly the nominate subspecies of this bird does not have any rusty on it.
WHITE-BELLIED SEEDEATER (*Sporophila leucoptera*)
TAWNY-BELLIED SEEDEATER (*Sporophila hypoxantha*)
CHESTNUT-BELLIED SEED-FINCH (*Oryzoborus angolensis*)
COAL-CRESTED FINCH (*Charitospiza eucosma*) – This is a nomadic species and therefore is not present every year during the time of our tour. But we had great looks this year!
RED-CRESTED FINCH (*Coryphospingus cucullatus*)
BANANAQUIT (*Coereba flaveola*)
BLACK-THROATED SALTATOR (*Saltator atricollis*)
GRAYISH SALTATOR (*Saltator coerulescens*)
SLATE-COLORED GROSBEAK (*Saltator grossus*) [*]

Emberizidae (Buntings and New World Sparrows)

PECTORAL SPARROW (*Arremon taciturnus*) – Unfortunately they were a little less responsive this year than on previous years, so not everyone got on it!
SAFFRON-BILLED SPARROW (*Arremon flavirostris*)
GRASSLAND SPARROW (*Ammodramus humeralis*)

Cardinalidae (Cardinals and Allies)

HEPATIC TANAGER (*Piranga flava*) – A female showed up at Chapada!
RED-CROWNED ANT-TANAGER (*Habia rubica*)
ROSE-BREADED CHAT (*Granatellus pelzelni*) – What a handsome bird! And fortunately for us we had multiple good looks at them.

Icteridae (Troupials and Allies)

SCARLET-HEADED BLACKBIRD (*Amblyramphus holosericeus*)
UNICOLORED BLACKBIRD (*Agelasticus cyanopus*)
BAY-WINGED COWBIRD (*Agelaioides badius*)
SHINY COWBIRD (*Molothrus bonariensis*)
GIANT COWBIRD (*Molothrus oryzivorus*)

EPAULET ORIOLE (*Icterus cayanensis*) – Clements has split this bird into two species. Both of which we saw on the tour. The Epaulet Oriole and the Variable oriole.

VARIABLE ORIOLE (*Icterus pyrrhopterus*)

ORANGE-BACKED TROUPIAL (*Icterus croconotus*)

SOLITARY BLACK CACIQUE (*Cacicus solitarius*)

YELLOW-RUMPED CACIQUE (*Cacicus cela*)

CRESTED OROPENDOLA (*Psarocolius decumanus*)

OLIVE OROPENDOLA (*Psarocolius bifasciatus yuracares*) – Excellent looks at this species that is the largest of member of the genus!

Fringillidae (Siskins, Crossbills, and Allies)

PURPLE-THROATED EUPHONIA (*Euphonia chlorotica*)

THICK-BILLED EUPHONIA (*Euphonia laniirostris*)

GOLDEN-BELLIED EUPHONIA (*Euphonia chrysopasta*)

RUFOUS-BELLIED EUPHONIA (*Euphonia rufiventris*)

Passeridae (Old World Sparrows)

HOUSE SPARROW (*Passer domesticus*)

MAMMALS

LONG-NOSED BAT (*Rhynchonycteris naso*)

GREATER BULLDOG BAT (*Noctilio leporinus*)

SILVERY MARMOSET (*Callithrix argentata*)

DUSKY TITI MONKEY (*Callicebus moloch*) [*]

RED HOWLER MONKEY (*Alouatta seniculus*)

RED-HANDED HOWLER MONKEY (*Alouatta belzebul*)

BLACK HOWLER MONKEY (*Alouatta caraya*)

WHITE-NOSED BEARDED SAKI MONKEY (*Chiropotes albinasus*)

BROWN CAPUCHIN (*Cebus apella*)

WHITE-WHISKERED SPIDER MONKEY (*Ateles marginatus*)

BRAZILIAN RABBIT (*Sylvilagus brasiliensis*)

CAPYBARA (*Hydrochaeris hydrochaeris*)

AZARA'S AGOUTI (*Dasyprocta azarae*)

CRAB-EATING FOX (*Cerdocyon thous*)

GIANT OTTER (*Pteronura brasiliensis*)

JAGUAR (*Panthera onca*) – Certainly the stars of the tour were the Black Jaguar and the female Jaguar we saw hunting. How lucky were we?

COLLARED PECCARY (*Tayassu tajacu*)

MARSH DEER (*Blastocerus dichotomus*)

RED BROCKET DEER (*Mazama americana*)

BROWN BROCKET DEER (*Mazama gouazoubira*)

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

We also saw an Anaconda killing a Caiman and Holly had a pretty close encounter with a B.A.B!

Other relevant species included:

Speckled Caiman

Paraguayan Caiman

Green Iguana

Tegu Lizzard

Totals for the tour: 478 bird taxa and 20 mammal taxa