



*Field Guides Tour Report*

**Chile 2018**

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*We visited so many interesting habitats on our tour through Chile. Here is our group on the Altiplano, an amazing landscape of lakes and volcanoes. Photo by guide Willy Perez.*

Chile is a vast country with the most spectacular landscape and super unique birds and wildlife. This tour covers almost all the possible habitats that this long and narrow country can offer. We went from the bottom to the top, enjoying every single place but more importantly every single bird that came across our journey. Starting in the vast flat land of Patagonia, crossing the Strait of Magellan to the Isla Grande. Admiring the impressive peaks of Torres del Paine, and feeling very small, close to the big and old Alerce (Patagonian Cypress) tree in Los Lagos province. Watching the fumaroles and the strong smell of sulphur in the Nevados De Chillan was the best feeling that the earth is alive in that part of the world. We also ventured to the Pacific Ocean to feel the strong and rich Humboldt current, with birds everywhere. The super colorful turquoise water with snow capped mountains behind in El Yeso valley. We even experienced the contrast going from the Atacama desert (sea level) where nothing is growing to 15.000 feet, to the Altiplano with stunning mountains and lakes, in just a few hours. The itinerary was full and the birds were superb. Looking at my notes I can see what some of the super cool memories were.

Some people had different birds that made their trip more memorable. It seems that for some of you, the size was important, and we had big birds like the Magellanic Woodpecker, Andean Condors and Royal Albatross; they were so big that we couldn't miss them ...right? Other birds were admired for their names that sound unreal; Moustached Turca, Crag Chilia, Des Murs's Wiretail were the most unusual ones. We had to work a bit, but yes we saw them well. We had very colorful ones too. The best were the Many-colored Rush-Tyrant, but also the super unique Diademed Sandpiper-Plover that we saw in two different spots.

The night birding gave some people very unexpected experiences, especially the two Rufous-legged Owls that surprised us with their hoot, but the best one was the Band-winged Nightjar that almost landed on my arm. Chile has also the most fancy ducks in the world. What about the Spectacled Duck in Torres del Paine, and the strong Torrent Ducks that we saw swimming in the rushing waters? Some of you liked those, too. The hummingbirds were one of the top priorities and our special journey paid off when we found the Chilean Woodstar nesting. Rodrigo even found a couple of lifers: Pied-crested Tit-Tyrant and Short-tailed Field-Tyrant. They are flycatchers but very nice ones.

There are a lot of stunning birds that deserve a recognition, Cormorants, Penguins, Rheas, Cinclodes, etc, but for me the winner of all is my best friend RUFU that was everywhere, saving the moment.

Just to finish I would like to say thank you to all of you who came to do this trip with us. Rodrigo and I certainly enjoyed it and we hope that we will see you again birding somewhere.

All the best and keep birding.

Willy.

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#### 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

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## BIRDS

### *Rheidae (Rheas)*

**LESSER RHEA (PUNA)** (*Rhea pennata tarapacensis*) – This is the subspecies that we saw in the north, some scientists call it Puna Rhea.

**LESSER RHEA (DARWIN'S)** (*Rhea pennata pennata*) – These ones are the ones in the Patagonia.

### *Tinamidae (Tinamous)*

**ORNATE TINAMOU** (*Nothoprocta ornata*)

**CHILEAN TINAMOU** (*Nothoprocta perdicaria*) – Thanks to Karen, we managed to see this bird very well during our visit to Farellones. [E]

### *Anatidae (Ducks, Geese, and Waterfowl)*

**BLACK-NECKED SWAN** (*Cygnus melancoryphus*)

**COSCOROBA SWAN** (*Coscoroba coscoroba*)

**ANDEAN GOOSE** (*Oressochen melanopterus*)

**UPLAND GOOSE** (*Chloephaga picta*) – The most common goose on our trip.

**ASHY-HEADED GOOSE** (*Chloephaga poliocephala*)

**RUDDY-HEADED GOOSE** (*Chloephaga rubidiceps*) – This very rare goose is decreasing in numbers all the time. We saw a pair the first day in the south of Punta Arenas.

**FLYING STEAMER-DUCK** (*Tachyeres patachonicus*)

**CRESTED DUCK** (*Lophonetta specularioides*)

**SPECTACLED DUCK** (*Speculanus specularis*)

**TORRENT DUCK** (*Merganetta armata berlepschi*) – Joan found a pair when we were looking for the Aplomado Falcon on our way to Lauca National Park

**TORRENT DUCK** (*Merganetta armata armata*) – A pair of these wonderful ducks were with babies at the Maipo river.

**SILVER TEAL** (*Spatula versicolor*)

**PUNA TEAL** (*Spatula puna*)

**CINNAMON TEAL** (*Spatula cyanoptera*)

**RED SHOVELER** (*Spatula platalea*)

**CHILOE WIGEON** (*Mareca sibilatrix*)

**WHITE-CHEEKED PINTAIL** (*Anas bahamensis*)

**YELLOW-BILLED PINTAIL** (*Anas georgica*)

**YELLOW-BILLED TEAL (FLAVIROSTRIS)** (*Anas flavirostris flavirostris*) – These ones are darker overall and we saw them in the south and central areas.

**YELLOW-BILLED TEAL (OXYPTERA)** (*Anas flavirostris oxyptera*) – These are the ones in the Altiplano and they are paler gray that contrast more with the dark head.

**ROSY-BILLED POCHARD** (*Netta peposaca*)

**RUDDY DUCK (ANDEAN)** (*Oxyura jamaicensis ferruginea*)

**LAKE DUCK** (*Oxyura vittata*)

### *Odontophoridae (New World Quail)*

**CALIFORNIA QUAIL** (*Callipepla californica*) [I]

### *Podicipedidae (Grebes)*

**WHITE-TUFTED GREBE** (*Rollandia rolland*)

**PIED-BILLED GREBE** (*Podilymbus podiceps*)

**GREAT GREBE** (*Podiceps major*)

**SILVERY GREBE (ANDEAN)** (*Podiceps occipitalis juninensis*) – The ones in the Chungara lake with all black on their heads.

**SILVERY GREBE (PATAGONIAN)** (*Podiceps occipitalis occipitalis*) – We had great looks at this subspecies that has the golden color on the face.

### *Phoenicopteridae (Flamingos)*

**CHILEAN FLAMINGO** (*Phoenicopus chilensis*) – The most numerous of the three species; we saw them several times.

**ANDEAN FLAMINGO** (*Phoenicoparrus andinus*) – The big flamingos that we scoped in the Chungara lake.

**JAMES'S FLAMINGO** (*Phoenicoparrus jamesi*) – Few of them were together with the other two species but we could see the facial and bill pattern very well.

*Spheniscidae (Penguins)*

**KING PENGUIN** (*Aptenodytes patagonicus patagonicus*) – It is great to know that the colony of these penguins is increasing. We managed to see some babies and many adults.

**HUMBOLDT PENGUIN** (*Spheniscus humboldti*)

*Diomedidae (Albatrosses)*

**BULLER'S ALBATROSS** (*Thalassarche bulleri*) – At least a couple of them were seen during our pelagic trip in Valparaiso.

**SALVIN'S ALBATROSS** (*Thalassarche salvini*)

**BLACK-BROWED ALBATROSS** (*Thalassarche melanophris*)

**ROYAL ALBATROSS (NORTHERN)** (*Diomedea epomophora sanfordi*) – We had spectacular views of this big bird during our pelagic trip.

*Procellariidae (Shearwaters and Petrels)*

**SOUTHERN GIANT-PETREL** (*Macronectes giganteus*)

**SOUTHERN FULMAR** (*Fulmarus glacialis*)

**WHITE-CHINNED PETREL** (*Procellaria aequinoctialis*)

**WESTLAND PETREL** (*Procellaria westlandica*)

**PINK-FOOTED SHEARWATER** (*Ardenna creatopus*)

**SOOTY SHEARWATER** (*Ardenna grisea*)

**PERUVIAN DIVING-PETREL** (*Pelecanoides garnotii*) – Found on the coast of Peru and Chile, this small plump sea bird flies like a dove. We had great views along the way.

**MAGELLANIC DIVING-PETREL** (*Pelecanoides magellani*)

*Hydrobatidae (Storm-Petrels)*

**WILSON'S STORM-PETREL (FUEGIAN)** (*Oceanites oceanicus chilensis*)

**ELLIOT'S STORM-PETREL** (*Oceanites gracilis*)

*Sulidae (Boobies and Gannets)*

**PERUVIAN BOOBY** (*Sula variegata*)

*Phalacrocoracidae (Cormorants and Shags)*

**RED-LEGGED CORMORANT** (*Phalacrocorax gaimardi*)

**NEOTROPIC CORMORANT** (*Phalacrocorax brasilianus*)

**MAGELLANIC CORMORANT** (*Phalacrocorax magellanicus*)

**GUANAY CORMORANT** (*Phalacrocorax bougainvillii*)

**IMPERIAL CORMORANT** (*Phalacrocorax atriceps atriceps*) – The one with more black on the face that we saw in Punta Arenas.

**IMPERIAL CORMORANT** (*Phalacrocorax atriceps albiventer*) – This has more white, less black on the face.

*Pelecanidae (Pelicans)*

**PERUVIAN PELICAN** (*Pelecanus thagus*)

*Ardeidae (Herons, Egrets, and Bitterns)*

**STRIPE-BACKED BITTERN** (*Ixobrychus involucris*) – This small bittern was one of the favorites of the trip, certainly it was fantastic.

**COCOI HERON** (*Ardea cocoi*)

**GREAT EGRET** (*Ardea alba*)

**SNOWY EGRET** (*Egretta thula*)

**BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON (AMERICAN)** (*Nycticorax nycticorax hoactli*) – This subspecies is the one that we saw in Arica.

**BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON (DUSKY)** (*Nycticorax nycticorax obscurus*) – This is the one that we saw in the Santiago area.

*Threskiornithidae (Ibises and Spoonbills)*

**WHITE-FACED IBIS** (*Plegadis chihi*)

**PUNA IBIS** (*Plegadis ridgwayi*)

**BLACK-FACED IBIS** (*Theristicus melanopis*)

*Cathartidae (New World Vultures)*

**BLACK VULTURE** (*Coragyps atratus*)

**TURKEY VULTURE** (*Cathartes aura*)

**ANDEAN CONDOR** (*Vultur gryphus*) – Many along the way but the best place was on our way to Torres del Paine.

*Accipitridae (Hawks, Eagles, and Kites)*

**WHITE-TAILED KITE** (*Elanus leucurus*)

**CINEREOUS HARRIER** (*Circus cinereus*)

**HARRIS'S HAWK** (*Parabuteo unicinctus*)

**VARIABLE HAWK** (*Geranoaetus polyosoma*)

**BLACK-CHESTED BUZZARD-EAGLE** (*Geranoaetus melanoleucus*)

**WHITE-THROATED HAWK** (*Buteo albigula*) – We had great views of this nice hawk in Las Termas de Chillan.

*Rallidae (Rails, Gallinules, and Coots)*

**SPOT-FLANKED GALLINULE** (*Porphyriops melanops*)

**PLUMBEOUS RAIL** (*Pardirallus sanguinolentus*)

**COMMON GALLINULE (AMERICAN)** (*Gallinula galeata pauxilla*)

**RED-GARTERED COOT** (*Fulica armillata*)

**RED-FRONTED COOT** (*Fulica rufifrons*)

**GIANT COOT** (*Fulica gigantea*)

**SLATE-COLORED COOT** (*Fulica ardesiaca*)

**WHITE-WINGED COOT** (*Fulica leucoptera*)

*Pluvianellidae (Magellanic Plover).*

**MAGELLANIC PLOVER** (*Pluvianellus socialis*) – We all enjoyed watching its pink legs.

*Burhinidae (Thick-knees).*

**PERUVIAN THICK-KNEE** (*Burhinus superciliosus*) – We had to work a bit for this very well camouflaged bird but at the end we had very close sightings of two of them.

*Recurvirostridae (Stilts and Avocets).*

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

**ANDEAN AVOCET** (*Recurvirostra andina*)

*Haematopodidae (Oystercatchers).*

**AMERICAN OYSTERCATCHER** (*Haematopus palliatus*)

**BLACKISH OYSTERCATCHER** (*Haematopus ater*)

**MAGELLANIC OYSTERCATCHER** (*Haematopus leucopodus*)

*Charadriidae (Plovers and Lapwings).*

**AMERICAN GOLDEN-PLOVER** (*Pluvialis dominica*)

**TAWNY-THROATED DOTTEREL** (*Oreopholus ruficollis*)

**SOUTHERN LAPWING (CHILENSIS/FRETENSIS)** (*Vanellus chilensis chilensis*)

**ANDEAN LAPWING** (*Vanellus resplendens*)

**PUNA PLOVER** (*Charadrius alticola*)

**TWO-BANDED PLOVER** (*Charadrius falklandicus*)

**KILLDEER** (*Charadrius vociferus*)

**DIADEMED SANDPIPER-PLOVER** (*Phegornis mitchellii*)

*Thinocoridae (Seedsnipes).*

**RUFOUS-BELLIED SEEDSNIPE** (*Attagis gayi*) – There was a group of 16 birds that we enjoyed watching during our visit to Lauca National Park.

**GRAY-BREASTED SEEDSNIPE** (*Thinocorus orbignyianus*) – Several males and females were seen along the way.

**LEAST SEEDSNIPE** (*Thinocorus rumicivorus*) – The smallest of the 3 species, these were present in the south.

*Scolopacidae (Sandpipers and Allies).*

**WHIMBREL (HUDSONIAN)** (*Numenius phaeopus hudsonicus*)

**HUDSONIAN GODWIT** (*Limosa haemastica*)

**RUDDY TURNSTONE** (*Arenaria interpres*)

**SURFBIRD** (*Calidris virgata*)

**BAIRD'S SANDPIPER** (*Calidris bairdii*)

**SOUTH AMERICAN SNIPE (MAGELLANIC)** (*Gallinago paraguaiiae magellanica*)

**RED PHALAROPE** (*Phalaropus fulicarius*) – There were many of them during our pelagic in Valparaiso.

**SPOTTED SANDPIPER** (*Actitis macularius*)

**GREATER YELLOWLEGS** (*Tringa melanoleuca*)

**LESSER YELLOWLEGS** (*Tringa flavipes*)

*Stercorariidae (Skuas and Jaegers).*

**CHILEAN SKUA** (*Stercorarius chilensis*)

**PARASITIC JAEGER** (*Stercorarius parasiticus*) – There were a couple of birds of this species during our pelagic trip in Arica.

*Laridae (Gulls, Terns, and Skimmers).*

**ANDEAN GULL** (*Chroicocephalus serranus*)

**BROWN-HOODED GULL** (*Chroicocephalus maculipennis*)

**DOLPHIN GULL** (*Leucophaeus scoresbii*)

**GRAY GULL** (*Leucophaeus modestus*)

**FRANKLIN'S GULL** (*Leucophaeus pipixcan*) – There were thousands of them, especially in Arica. [b]

**BELCHER'S GULL** (*Larus belcheri*)

**KELP GULL** (*Larus dominicanus*)

**INCA TERN** (*Larosterna inca*) – The most attractive tern on our trip, they were just outside of our hotel in Vina.

**COMMON TERN** (*Sterna hirundo*)

**SOUTH AMERICAN TERN** (*Sterna hirundinacea*)

**SNOWY-CROWNED TERN** (*Sterna trudeaui*)



**ELEGANT TERN** (*Thalasseus elegans*) – Few in Arica but nice to see.

**BLACK SKIMMER (CINERASCENS)** (*Rynchops niger cinerascens*)

*Columbidae (Pigeons and Doves)*

**ROCK PIGEON** (*Columba livia*)

**SPOT-WINGED PIGEON (ALBIPENNIS)** (*Patagioenas maculosa albipennis*)

**CHILEAN PIGEON** (*Patagioenas araucana*)

**CROAKING GROUND-DOVE** (*Columbina cruziana*)

**BARE-FACED GROUND-DOVE** (*Metriopelia ceciliae*) – This small dove with a very unique face color was seen near our hotel in Putre.

**BLACK-WINGED GROUND-DOVE** (*Metriopelia melanoptera*)

**WEST PERUVIAN DOVE** (*Zenaida meloda*)

**EARED DOVE** (*Zenaida auriculata*)

*Strigidae (Owls)*

**GREAT HORNED OWL (MAGELLANIC)** (*Bubo virginianus magellanicus*) – Super views of this big owl on our way to Farellones.

**AUSTRAL PYGMY-OWL** (*Glaucidium nana*) – It was so nice to see this very small owl going in and coming out of a hole when we were at Chillan.

**BURROWING OWL** (*Athene cunicularia*) – Ron found one when we were just coming out of the airport in Arica, that was the only one that we saw.

**RUFOUS-LEGGED OWL** (*Strix rufipes*)

**SHORT-EARED OWL** (*Asio flammeus*) – Great looks when one came and landed near the bus on our way back from Torres del Paine.

*Caprimulgidae (Nightjars and Allies)*

**BAND-WINGED NIGHTJAR** (*Systellura longirostris*)

*Trochilidae (Hummingbirds)*

**GREEN-BACKED FIRECROWN** (*Sephanoides sephanioides*) – Few of them showed us why they are called firecrown; wow what a color!

**ANDEAN HILLSTAR** (*Oreotrochilus estella*)

**WHITE-SIDED HILLSTAR** (*Oreotrochilus leucopleurus*)

**GIANT HUMMINGBIRD** (*Patagona gigas peruviana*) – We saw this subspecies in Putre.

**GIANT HUMMINGBIRD** (*Patagona gigas gigas*) – Many of them were nesting, they were the ones near Vina. [N]

**CHILEAN WOODSTAR** (*Eulidia yarrellii*) – This hummingbird is getting harder and harder to see and it is because the habitat is disappearing. We managed to see them nesting but I hope that the few trees will be there for ever.

**OASIS HUMMINGBIRD** (*Rhodopis vesper*)

**PERUVIAN SHEARTAIL** (*Thaumastura cora*) – Some males show off nicely for great views.

*Alcedinidae (Kingfishers)*

**RINGED KINGFISHER (PATAGONIAN)** (*Megaceryle torquata stellata*)

*Picidae (Woodpeckers)*

**STRIPED WOODPECKER** (*Veniliornis lignarius*)

**CHILEAN FLICKER** (*Colaptes pitius*)

**ANDEAN FLICKER** (*Colaptes rupicola*) – This is a highland species of flicker that doesn't need trees, they prefer rocks and that is where we saw them.

**MAGELLANIC WOODPECKER** (*Campephilus magellanicus*)

*Falconidae (Falcons and Caracaras)*

**MOUNTAIN CARACARA** (*Phalcoboenus megalopterus*)

**WHITE-THROATED CARACARA** (*Phalcoboenus albogularis*) – Rodrigo spotted one on our way to the King Penguin colony.

**SOUTHERN CARACARA** (*Caracara plancus*)

**CHIMANGO CARACARA** (*Milvago chimango*)

**AMERICAN KESTREL** (*Falco sparverius*)

**APLOMADO FALCON** (*Falco femoralis*)

*Psittacidae (New World and African Parrots)*

**AUSTRAL PARAKEET** (*Enicognathus ferrugineus*)

**SLENDER-BILLED PARAKEET** (*Enicognathus leptorhynchus*) – These Chilean endemic parakeets are associated with *Nothofagus* and *Arcauria* trees and are restricted to the temperate forest where we saw them. [E]

*Rhinocryptidae (Tapaculos)*

**CHESTNUT-THROATED HUET-HUET** (*Pteroptochos castaneus*) – It was great to see all the tapaculos on the list. That doesn't happen often on trips, but Chile is the place to see them. We saw this bird several times crossing the trail at Chillan.

**BLACK-THROATED HUET-HUET** (*Pteroptochos tarnii*) – Parque Nielol in the city of Temuco is the place to see this bird but some people saw one before on the nice walk that we did in Lahuen Nadi.

**MOUSTACHED TURCA** (*Pteroptochos megapodius*) – Several fantastic views of this unique bird, Larry pointed out the species name megapodius, which means big feet. Definitely they have big feet..... ! [E]

**WHITE-THROATED TAPACULO** (*Scelorchilus albicollis*) – Another Chilean endemic that showed up nicely for us..... remember that this is a tapaculo. [E]

**CHUCAO TAPACULO** (*Scelorchilus rubecula*) – We had to work hard for this but eventually scope views were super. What a nice bird!

**OCHRE-FLANKED TAPACULO** (*Eugralla paradoxa*) – I have to say that the views of this were not the best but some people saw it better than others. We saw them a few times.

**MAGELLANIC TAPACULO** (*Scytalopus magellanicus*) – Nice looks of this tiny gray looking bird at Lahuen Nadi.

**DUSKY TAPACULO** (*Scytalopus fuscus*) – This really came out of the bushes even for photos. [E]

*Furnariidae (Ovenbirds and Woodcreepers).*

**COMMON MINER (PATAGONIAN)** (*Geositta cucularia cucularia*)

**PUNA MINER** (*Geositta punensis*)

**RUFOUS-BANDED MINER** (*Geositta rufipennis fasciata*)

**CREAMY-RUMPED MINER** (*Geositta isabellina*) – With no snow in the mountains we thought that we will never see this bird until one came to beg for crumbs at Farellones.

**WHITE-THROATED TREERUNNER** (*Pygarrhichas albogularis*)

**STRAIGHT-BILLED EARTHCREEPER** (*Ochetorhynchus ruficaudus*)

**CRAG CHILIA** (*Ochetorhynchus melanurus*) – Love this bird! What a name but also unique behavior. A pair was seen on our way to El Yeso. [E]

**WREN-LIKE RUSHBIRD** (*Phleocryptes melanops*)

**PATAGONIAN FOREST EARTHCREEPER** (*Upucerthia saturator*)

**SCALE-THROATED EARTHCREEPER** (*Upucerthia dumetaria*)

**WHITE-THROATED EARTHCREEPER** (*Upucerthia albigula*)

**BUFF-BREASTED EARTHCREEPER** (*Upucerthia validirostris*)

**BUFF-WINGED CINCLODES** (*Cinclodes fuscus*)

**CREAM-WINGED CINCLODES** (*Cinclodes albiventris albiventris*)

**GRAY-FLANKED CINCLODES** (*Cinclodes oustaleti*)

**WHITE-WINGED CINCLODES** (*Cinclodes atacamensis*)

**DARK-BELLIED CINCLODES** (*Cinclodes patagonicus*)

**SEASIDE CINCLODES** (*Cinclodes nigrofumosus*) – Always close to the sea, this Chilean endemic was seen several times, specially at Vina del Mar. [E]

**THORN-TAILED RAYADITO** (*Aphrastura spinicauda*)

**DES MURS'S WIRETAIL** (*Sylviorthorhynchus desmursii*)

**PLAIN-MANTLED TIT-SPINETAIL (BERLEPSCHI)** (*Leptasthenura aegithaloides berlepschi*) – We saw this slender bird at Chungara lake during our lunch time.

**PLAIN-MANTLED TIT-SPINETAIL (AEGITHALOIDES)** (*Leptasthenura aegithaloides aegithaloides*) – This one around Santiago area.

**PLAIN-MANTLED TIT-SPINETAIL (PALLIDA)** (*Leptasthenura aegithaloides pallida*) – At least a pair was seen before we saw the Magellanic Plover.

**STREAKED TIT-SPINETAIL** (*Leptasthenura striata*) – Few times seen close to our hotel in Putre.

**CREAMY-BREASTED CANASTERO (DARK-WINGED)** (*Asthenes dorbignyi arequipae*)

**CORDILLERAN CANASTERO** (*Asthenes modesta*)

**SHARP-BILLED CANASTERO** (*Asthenes pyrrholeuca*)

**CANYON CANASTERO** (*Asthenes pudibunda*)

**DUSKY-TAILED CANASTERO** (*Pseudasthenes humicola*) [E]

*Tyrannidae (Tyrant Flycatchers)*

**PIED-CRESTED TIT-TYRANT** (*Anairetes reguloides reguloides*) – A very handsome looking flycatcher that is hard to see in Chile.

**YELLOW-BILLED TIT-TYRANT** (*Anairetes flavirostris*)

**TUFTED TIT-TYRANT** (*Anairetes parulus*)

**WHITE-CRESTED ELAENIA (CHILEAN)** (*Elaenia albiceps chilensis*) – The wide spread subspecies that we saw in the south and central Chile.

**WHITE-CRESTED ELAENIA (PERUVIAN)** (*Elaenia albiceps modesta*) – Only in the north especially around Arica and valleys.

**MANY-COLORED RUSH TYRANT** (*Tachuris rubrigastra*)

**BRAN-COLORED FLYCATCHER (RUFESCENT)** (*Myiophobus fasciatus rufescens*)

**VERMILION FLYCATCHER** (*Pyrocephalus rubinus*)

**AUSTRAL NEGRITO** (*Lessonia rufa*)

**ANDEAN NEGRITO** (*Lessonia oreas*)

**SPECTACLED TYRANT** (*Hymenops perspicillatus*) – We had some nice males that were displaying for us several times along the way.

**PUNA GROUND-TYRANT** (*Muscisaxicola juninensis*)

**CINEREOUS GROUND-TYRANT** (*Muscisaxicola cinereus*)

**WHITE-FRONTED GROUND-TYRANT** (*Muscisaxicola albifrons*)

**OCHRE-NAPED GROUND-TYRANT** (*Muscisaxicola flavinucha*)

**WHITE-BROWED GROUND-TYRANT** (*Muscisaxicola albifrons*)

**CINNAMON-BELLIED GROUND-TYRANT** (*Muscisaxicola capistratus*) –

**BLACK-FRONTED GROUND-TYRANT** (*Muscisaxicola frontalis*)

**BLACK-BILLED SHRIKE-TYRANT** (*Agriornis montanus*)

**GRAY-BELLIED SHRIKE-TYRANT (MICROPTERUS)** (*Agriornis micropterus micropterus*)

**FIRE-EYED DIUCON** (*Xolmis pyrope*) – This very striking flycatcher is closely related to the monjitas. There were few nice sightings along the way.

**CHOCOLATE-VENTED TYRANT** (*Neoxolmis rufiventris*)

**WHITE-BROWED CHAT-TYRANT** (*Ochthoeca leucophrys*)

**PATAGONIAN TYRANT** (*Colorhamphus parvirostris*)

**SHORT-TAILED FIELD TYRANT** (*Muscigralla brevicauda*) – A very rare sight in Chile, that we saw in Arica.

*Cotingidae (Cotingas).*

**RUFOUS-TAILED PLANTCUTTER** (*Phytotoma rara*)

*Hirundinidae (Swallows).*

**BLUE-AND-WHITE SWALLOW (PERUVIANA)** (*Pygochelidon cyanoleuca peruviana*) – Only in the north, especially in the Arica valleys.

**BLUE-AND-WHITE SWALLOW (PATAGONICA)** (*Pygochelidon cyanoleuca patagonica*) – Seen a lot in the central and south of Chile.

**ANDEAN SWALLOW** (*Orochelidon andecola*)

**CHILEAN SWALLOW** (*Tachycineta leucopyga*)

**BARN SWALLOW (AMERICAN)** (*Hirundo rustica erythrogaster*)

*Troglodytidae (Wrens).*

**HOUSE WREN (SOUTHERN)** (*Troglodytes aedon tecellatus*) – We had sightings of some in the Arica area.

**HOUSE WREN (SOUTHERN)** (*Troglodytes aedon chilensis*) – Many times along the trip except in the Arica area.

**SEDGE WREN (AUSTRAL)** (*Cistothorus platensis hornensis*)

*Turdidae (Thrushes and Allies).*

**AUSTRAL THRUSH** (*Turdus falcklandii*)

**CHIGUANCO THRUSH (CHIGUANCO)** (*Turdus chiguanco chiguanco*)

*Mimidae (Mockingbirds and Thrashers).*

**CHILEAN MOCKINGBIRD** (*Mimus thenca*) [E]

**PATAGONIAN MOCKINGBIRD** (*Mimus patagonicus*)

*Motacillidae (Wagtails and Pipits).*

**CORRENDERA PIPIT** (*Anthus correndera*)

*Thraupidae (Tanagers and Allies).*

**BLUE-AND-YELLOW TANAGER (GREEN-MANTLED)** (*Pipraeidea bonariensis darwini*)

**CINEREOUS CONEBILL** (*Conirostrum cinereum*)

**BLACK-THROATED FLOWERPIERCER** (*Diglossa brunneiventris*)

**BLACK-HOODED SIERRA-FINCH** (*Phrygilus atriceps*) – We had some during our lunch in Chungara lake.

**GRAY-HOODED SIERRA-FINCH** (*Phrygilus gayi*)

**PATAGONIAN SIERRA-FINCH** (*Phrygilus patagonicus*)

**MOURNING SIERRA-FINCH** (*Phrygilus fruticeti*)

**BAND-TAILED SIERRA-FINCH** (*Phrygilus alaudinus*)

**WHITE-WINGED DIUCA-FINCH** (*Idiopsar speculifer*)

**COMMON DIUCA-FINCH** (*Diuca diuca*)

**WHITE-BRIDLED FINCH** (*Melanodera melanodera*) – Restricted to the Patagonian steppe, we saw this colorful finch along the ruta Pampa Larga on our way to Puerto Natales.

**PLUMBEOUS SIERRA-FINCH** (*Geospizopsis unicolor*)

**ASH-BREASTED SIERRA-FINCH** (*Geospizopsis plebejus*)

**SLENDER-BILLED FINCH** (*Xenospingus concolor*) – This doesn't look like a finch and is very slender all over, very common at Arica.

**GREATER YELLOW-FINCH** (*Sicalis auriventris*)

**GREENISH YELLOW-FINCH** (*Sicalis olivascens*)

**PATAGONIAN YELLOW-FINCH** (*Sicalis lebruni*)

**GRASSLAND YELLOW-FINCH (GRASSLAND)** (*Sicalis luteola luteiventris*)

**BLUE-BLACK GRASSQUIT** (*Volatinia jacarina*)

**CHESTNUT-THROATED SEEDEATER** (*Sporophila telasco*) – Few males were around near Arica and the hummingbird garden.

**BAND-TAILED SEEDEATER** (*Catamenia analis*)

**GOLDEN-BILLED SALTATOR** (*Saltator aurantiirostris*)

*Passerellidae (New World Buntings and Sparrows).*

**RUFOUS-COLLARED SPARROW** (*Zonotrichia capensis*)

*Icteridae (Troupials and Allies).*

**PERUVIAN MEADOWLARK** (*Sturnella bellicosa*)

**LONG-TAILED MEADOWLARK** (*Sturnella loyca*)

**SHINY COWBIRD** (*Molothrus bonariensis*)

**AUSTRAL BLACKBIRD** (*Curaeus curaeus*)

**YELLOW-WINGED BLACKBIRD** (*Agelasticus thilius*)

*Fringillidae (Finches, Euphonias, and Allies).*

**HOODED SISKIN** (*Spinus magellanicus bolivianus*)

**BLACK SISKIN** (*Spinus atratus*)

**YELLOW-RUMPED SISKIN** (*Spinus uropygialis*) – Big flock of them were seen on our way back from El Yeso.

**BLACK-CHINNED SISKIN** (*Spinus barbatus*)

*Passeridae (Old World Sparrows).*

**HOUSE SPARROW** (*Passer domesticus*) [H]

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## MAMMALS

**OLD WORLD RABBIT** (*Oryctolagus cuniculus*) [I]

**EUROPEAN BROWN HARE** (*Lepus europaeus*) [I]

**MUSKRAT** (*Ondatra zibethica*) [I]

**NORTHERN MOUNTAIN VISCACHA** (*Lagidium peruanum*)

**SHORT-BEAKED COMMON DOLPHIN** (*Delphinus delphis*)

**DUSKY DOLPHIN** (*Lagenorhynchus obscurus*)

**COMMERSON'S DOLPHIN** (*Cephalorhynchus commersonii*)

**SOUTHERN GRAY FOX** (*Pseudalopex griseus*)

**CULPEO FOX** (*Pseudalopex culpaeus*)

**LITTLE GRISON** (*Galictis cuja*)

**PATAGONIAN HOG-NOSED SKUNK** (*Conepatus humboldti*)

**MARINE OTTER** (*Lontra felina*)

**SOUTHERN SEA LION** (*Otaria byronia*)

**GUANACO** (*Lama guanicoe*)

**LLAMA** (*Lama glama*)

**ALPACA** (*Lama pacos*)

**VICUNA** (*Vicugna vicugna*)

**ANDEAN DEER** (*Hippocamelus antisensis*) – A couple of groups were seen at Putre.

### *Herps*

**THIN TREE LIZARD** (*Lagarta esbelta*)

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## ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

We also saw a lizard in Chillan and it was a:

*Liolaemus chillanensis* (*Lagartija de Chillan*)

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**Totals for the tour: 273 bird taxa and 18 mammal taxa**