

## Field Guides Tour Report

# Peruvian Rainforests of the Tambopata: Macaw Lick Extraordinare 2019

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It is nice to know that there are still some truly wild, untouched areas in the world. Southeast Peru is one of those places. It's also an area where one can understand the difficulties of trying to balance human-growth (and needs) with trying to make biodiversity and conservation a priority. We experience these issues on tour by seeing first-hand subsistence living on the small farmer level (chacras with corn and papaya plots), the invaciones of Puerto Maldonado, large lumber extraction at Forestal Otorongo, and illegal gold mining along the Tambopata. We also got to witness the other side: communities like Infierno directly involved in lodge management, local guides making a living from ecotourism, and ecotourism directly contributing to local economies (hotels in Puerto Maldonado, transportation, etc.). "La Lucha" will be in the balance of all these things, but this tour (more than many others) shows just how we might make it all work.

It was a really fun group and an excellent tour. In summary, we recorded over 300 species of birds and an amazing 14 species of mammals, half of which were primates! Ahmet estimated that we saw near 200 species of butterflies! Indeed, SE Peru has the highest biodiversity of anywhere in the world. On this trip, we



The ccolpa or clay lick at Tambopata Research Center is one of the amazing spectacles of nature. Five species of macaws were visiting the lick the morning we visited. Here are Red-and-green Macaws enjoying the clay. Photo by participant Bill Byers.

spent time north of Puerto Maldonado on several forest concessions that offered access to tall terra firme forest and Guadua bamboo patches. Later, we visited three different ecolodges along the Rio Tambopata, the furthest at Tambopata Research Center (TRC), a full 6-hour boat ride upstream from the dock at Infierno. Each lodge offers something different, whether it's a canopy tower (Posada Amazonas), a ccolpa (or clay lick) at TRC, or a Harpy Eagle nest (Refugio Amazonas), but also lots of trails for exploring and immersing oneself in the Amazonian rainforest. In particular this year, a few experiences stood out for this group. EVERYBODY loved the boat rides up and down the Tambopata. This is truly the way to experience the vast protected forest, plus we had at least one memorable moment on the boat which involved a Gray-bellied Hawk and an unfortunate Undulated Tinamou! The clay lick (or ccolpa) morning sticks in everyone's mind. The swirling colors (five species of macaws present) and raucous sounds will easily make you want to kick yourself (I am definitely not in Kansas anymore!). Speaking of colors, what about five species of daggerwing butterflies (Marpesia spp.) in one puddle?! Favorite birds, you ask? Where to begin, but let's start with Banded Antbird, Musician Wren, Hoatzin, that Gray-bellied Hawk, Lemon-throated Barbet, Curl-crested Aracari, Screaming Piha (can you still hear it?), Paradise Jacamar, Ocellated Poorwill, and the list goes on and on... (On a side note, nobody remembers how cold it can get in the Amazon, right?)

I want to thank my group for making this a great trip. I also want to thank you for choosing Field Guides Inc. We owe a big (BIG) "thank you" and a round of cervezas to our fabulous local guides, Jair and Fernando. Also, to all our support staff: lodge cooks, boat drivers, 4x4 drivers, etc., all who helped to make our trip safe and fun. I look forward to seeing you again soon.

All the best for the remaining 2019 season,

Jesse aka (Motmot) from Lima, Peru

#### 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**

<u>Tinamidae (Tinamous)</u>

GREAT TINAMOU (Tinamus major) [\*]
WHITE-THROATED TINAMOU (Tinamus guttatus) [\*]
CINEREOUS TINAMOU (Crypturellus cinereus) [\*]
LITTLE TINAMOU (Crypturellus soui) [\*]

**UNDULATED TINAMOU** (Crypturellus undulatus) – This was the most common tinamou heard on tour, "Compre pan!" It was also the unfortunate victim of a Gray-bellied Hawk meal.

BARTLETT'S TINAMOU (Crypturellus bartletti) [\*]

Anatidae (Ducks, Geese, and Waterfowl)

ORINOCO GOOSE (Oressochen jubatus) - Pairs were seen most days on Tambopata River.

MUSCOVY DUCK (Cairina moschata)

Cracidae (Guans, Chachalacas, and Curassows)

SPECKLED CHACHALACA (Ortalis guttata)

SPIX'S GUAN (Penelope jacquacu)

BLUE-THROATED PIPING-GUAN (Pipile cumanensis) – Good numbers at TRC.

RAZOR-BILLED CURASSOW (Mitu tuberosum) – Nice looks at this large cracid at TRC and on Isla Colorado.

Odontophoridae (New World Quail)

STARRED WOOD-QUAIL (Odontophorus stellatus) [\*]

Columbidae (Pigeons and Doves)

ROCK PIGEON (Columba livia) [I]

PALE-VENTED PIGEON (Patagioenas cayennensis)

PLUMBEOUS PIGEON (Patagioenas plumbea) [\*]

RUDDY PIGEON (Patagioenas subvinacea) [\*]

RUDDY GROUND-DOVE (Columbina talpacoti)

BLUE GROUND-DOVE (Claravis pretiosa)

GRAY-FRONTED DOVE (Leptotila rufaxilla) [\*]

WEST PERUVIAN DOVE (Zenaida meloda) – One at the Lima airport parking lot.

Cuculidae (Cuckoos)

SMOOTH-BILLED ANI (Crotophaga ani)

STRIPED CUCKOO (Tapera naevia) [\*]

**RUFOUS-VENTED GROUND-CUCKOO** (Neomorphus geoffroyi) – A once-in-a-lifetime experience with a very vocal bird (booms and bill clacks) on the TRC trail. It even climbed a tree for brief scope views. A lifer for at least one guide! ;-)

SQUIRREL CUCKOO (Piaya cayana)

Caprimulgidae (Nightjars and Allies)

SAND-COLORED NIGHTHAWK (Chordeiles rupestris) - Lovely moment near dusk when a large group rose off the sandbar and danced around us.

LADDER-TAILED NIGHTJAR (Hydropsalis climacocerca) – One day-roosting on large rocks in the river near Posada Amazonas.

OCELLATED POORWILL (Nyctiphrynus ocellatus) - Fantastic looks at a very close bird on the bamboo trail at TRC.

Nyctibiidae (Potoos)

GREAT POTOO (Nyctibius grandis) [\*]

Apodidae (Swifts)

WHITE-COLLARED SWIFT (Streptoprocne zonaris)

SHORT-TAILED SWIFT (Chaetura brachyura)

PALE-RUMPED SWIFT (Chaetura egregia)

FORK-TAILED PALM-SWIFT (Tachornis squamata)

Trochilidae (Hummingbirds)

WHITE-NECKED JACOBIN (Florisuga mellivora)

WHITE-BEARDED HERMIT (Phaethornis hispidus)

**REDDISH HERMIT** (Phaethornis ruber)

LONG-BILLED STARTHROAT (Heliomaster longirostris) – One was teed-up on a tall snag in the clearing at Refugio Amazonas. A widespread species, but low-density and always a bit unpredictable.

FORK-TAILED WOODNYMPH (Thalurania furcata)

WHITE-CHINNED SAPPHIRE (Hylocharis cyanus)

Opisthocomidae (Hoatzin)

**HOATZIN** (Opisthocomus hoazin) – A bird that could easily have existed since the time of the dinosaurs. Seen well along the shores of Tres Chimbadas.

Rallidae (Rails, Gallinules, and Coots)

RUFOUS-SIDED CRAKE (Laterallus melanophaius) [\*]

GRAY-BREASTED CRAKE (Laterallus exilis) - Some folks saw this species pretty well in the marsh grass at Tres Chimbadas.

<u>Psophiidae (Trumpeters)</u>

PALE-WINGED TRUMPETER (Psophia leucoptera) – Folks were happy to see several small groups well on the trails at TRC. One of the better places in Peru to see this species.

Charadriidae (Plovers and Lapwings)

PIED LAPWING (Vanellus cayanus)

SOUTHERN LAPWING (Vanellus chilensis)

COLLARED PLOVER (Charadrius collaris)

Jacanidae (Jacanas)

WATTLED JACANA (Jacana jacana)

Laridae (Gulls, Terns, and Skimmers)

YELLOW-BILLED TERN (Sternula superciliaris)

LARGE-BILLED TERN (Phaetusa simplex)

<u>Eurypygidae (Sunbittern)</u>

SUNBITTERN (Eurypyga helias) – One was seen pretty well working the edge of the small pond on Isla Colorado. It distracted us for just a few moments from the ccolpa.

Ciconiidae (Storks)

WOOD STORK (Mycteria americana)

Anhingidae (Anhingas)

ANHINGA (Anhinga anhinga)

Phalacrocoracidae (Cormorants and Shags)

NEOTROPIC CORMORANT (Phalacrocorax brasilianus)

Ardeidae (Herons, Egrets, and Bitterns)

RUFESCENT TIGER-HERON (Tigrisoma lineatum)

COCOI HERON (Ardea cocoi)

**GREAT EGRET** (Ardea alba)

SNOWY EGRET (Egretta thula)

LITTLE BLUE HERON (Egretta caerulea)

**CATTLE EGRET** (Bubulcus ibis)

**CAPPED HERON** (Pilherodius pileatus)

Cathartidae (New World Vultures)

KING VULTURE (Sarcoramphus papa)

BLACK VULTURE (Coragyps atratus)

TURKEY VULTURE (Cathartes aura)

GREATER YELLOW-HEADED VULTURE (Cathartes melambrotus)

Accipitridae (Hawks, Eagles, and Kites)

HARPY EAGLE (Harpia harpyja) – Those that stayed on the tower at Refugio Amazonas until late afternoon, were treated to a three-year adult/immature perched in a distant tree. The old nest has now been dismantled by the adults, but this youngster is still around. Maybe, he will nest here now?

BLACK HAWK-EAGLE (Spizaetus tyrannus)

BLACK-COLLARED HAWK (Busarellus nigricollis) - One dashed by at Tres Chimbabas.

**DOUBLE-TOOTHED KITE** (Harpagus bidentatus)

PLUMBEOUS KITE (Ictinia plumbea)

**GRAY-BELLIED HAWK** (Accipiter poliogaster) – Incredible experience. One of the highlights for the tour for many folks. We watched one pursue, kill, and eat an unfortunate Undulated Tinamou. Awesome nature!

GREAT BLACK HAWK (Buteogallus urubitinga)

ROADSIDE HAWK (Rupornis magnirostris)

GRAY-LINED HAWK (Buteo nitidus)

Strigidae (Owls)

TAWNY-BELLIED SCREECH-OWL (AUSTRAL) (Megascops watsonii usta) – Heard at all the lodges, but we finally caught up with seeing one at Refugio Amazonas.

CRESTED OWL (Lophostrix cristata) - A pair of day-roosting birds at Tres Chimbadas had folks initially scratching their heads.

AMAZONIAN PYGMY-OWL (Glaucidium hardyi)

FERRUGINOUS PYGMY-OWL (Glaucidium brasilianum) [\*]

MOTTLED OWL (Ciccaba virgata) [\*]

<u>Trogonidae (Trogons)</u>

BLACK-TAILED TROGON (Trogon melanurus)

GREEN-BACKED TROGON (Trogon viridis)

BLUE-CROWNED TROGON (Trogon curucui)

COLLARED TROGON (Trogon collaris)

<u>Momotidae (Motmots)</u>

AMAZONIAN MOTMOT (Momotus momota)

RUFOUS MOTMOT (Baryphthengus martii) - Three species of motmot wasn't bad! It's always a good day when you see a motmot. ;-)

BROAD-BILLED MOTMOT (Electron platyrhynchum)

Alcedinidae (Kingfishers)

AMAZON KINGFISHER (Chloroceryle amazona)

AMERICAN PYGMY KINGFISHER (Chloroceryle aenea)

**GREEN KINGFISHER** (Chloroceryle americana)

Bucconidae (Puffbirds)

WHITE-NECKED PUFFBIRD (Notharchus hyperrhynchus) – Awesome looks in the scope at Forestal Otorongo.

CHESTNUT-CAPPED PUFFBIRD (Bucco macrodactylus)

WESTERN STRIOLATED-PUFFBIRD (Nystalus obamai) – Described by our very own Bret Whitney, and named after President Barack Obama. We finally caught up with it at TRC.

RUFOUS-CAPPED NUNLET (Nonnula ruficapilla) - One conveniently popped into view while we were looking for an antibird.

BLACK-FRONTED NUNBIRD (Monasa nigrifrons)

WHITE-FRONTED NUNBIRD (Monasa morphoeus)

SWALLOW-WINGED PUFFBIRD (Chelidoptera tenebrosa)

Galbulidae (Jacamars)

**PURUS JACAMAR** (Galbalcyrhynchus purusianus) – We swept all five jacamars, this one being by far the most difficult, but ironic because it was our first just outside Puerto Maldonado!

WHITE-THROATED JACAMAR (Brachygalba albogularis)

**BLUISH-FRONTED JACAMAR** (Galbula cyanescens)

PARADISE JACAMAR (Galbula dea)

GREAT JACAMAR (Jacamerops aureus)

Capitonidae (New World Barbets)

**GILDED BARBET** (Capito auratus)

LEMON-THROATED BARBET (Eubucco richardsoni)

SCARLET-HOODED BARBET (Eubucco tucinkae) – Only brief (mostly flight) views of this difficult barbet on Isla Colorado. It prefers second-growth and river edge which you would think would make it more common!

Ramphastidae (Toucans)

SOUTHERN EMERALD-TOUCANET (BLACK-THROATED) (Aulacorhynchus albivitta atrogularis)

LETTERED ARACARI (Pteroglossus inscriptus)

CHESTNUT-EARED ARACARI (Pteroglossus castanotis)

CURL-CRESTED ARACARI (Pteroglossus beauharnaesii) – We couldn't get over this one's hair choice. Sort of an 70's afro-perm!

GOLDEN-COLLARED TOUCANET (Selenidera reinwardtii) – Always good to see this one. A pair was seen very well from the tower at Posada Amazonas.

WHITE-THROATED TOUCAN (CUVIER'S) (Ramphastos tucanus cuvieri)

CHANNEL-BILLED TOUCAN (YELLOW-RIDGED) (Ramphastos vitellinus culminatus)

<u>Picidae (Woodpeckers)</u>

RUFOUS-BREASTED PICULET (Picumnus rufíventris) – This bamboo specialist was seen on Isla Colorado. Good looks while it pecked around on bamboo.

YELLOW-TUFTED WOODPECKER (Melanerpes cruentatus)

LITTLE WOODPECKER (Dryobates passerinus)

**RED-STAINED WOODPECKER** (Dryobates affinis)

**RED-NECKED WOODPECKER** (Campephilus rubricollis) – Amazing looks at a pair of birds that perched for a long period on a dead tree at Posada Amazonas.

CRIMSON-CRESTED WOODPECKER (Campephilus melanoleucos)

LINEATED WOODPECKER (Dryocopus lineatus)

**SCALE-BREASTED WOODPECKER** (Celeus grammicus) – Finally, a Celeus woodpecker! One of our last new birds seen at Refugio Amazonas. Made a top trip bird by at least one person.

WHITE-THROATED WOODPECKER (Piculus leucolaemus) – A lovely male was associating with a large mixed-species flock in Forestal Otorongo.

SPOT-BREASTED WOODPECKER (Colaptes punctigula)

Falconidae (Falcons and Caracaras)

BARRED FOREST-FALCON (Micrastur ruficollis)

LINED FOREST-FALCON (Micrastur gilvicollis) – Amazing encounter with this shy forest raptor at TRC. Seen well in the scope, plus we heard several different calls.

**COLLARED FOREST-FALCON** (Micrastur semitorquatus)

BUCKLEY'S FOREST-FALCON (Micrastur buckleyi) [\*]

BLACK CARACARA (Daptrius ater)

**RED-THROATED CARACARA** (Ibycter americanus)

**SOUTHERN CARACARA** (Caracara plancus)

LAUGHING FALCON (Herpetotheres cachinnans)

**BAT FALCON** (Falco rufigularis)

Psittacidae (New World and African Parrots)

SCARLET-SHOULDERED PARROTLET (Touit huetii) - A group of about 10 birds were seen in flight over Tres Chimbadas. Rarely encountered.

COBALT-WINGED PARAKEET (Brotogeris cyanoptera)

ORANGE-CHEEKED PARROT (Pyrilia barrabandi)

**BLUE-HEADED PARROT** (Pionus menstruus)

YELLOW-CROWNED PARROT (Amazona ochrocephala)

MEALY PARROT (Amazona farinosa)

WHITE-BELLIED PARROT (Pionites leucogaster) – Just a few (maybe four) at the clay lick. These were our only ones.

**BLACK-CAPPED PARAKEET** (Pyrrhura rupicola)

DUSKY-HEADED PARAKEET (Aratinga weddellii)

**RED-BELLIED MACAW** (Orthopsittaca manilatus) – Nice looks at the coolpa. This is where we made comparisons with Chestnut-fronted Macaw.

BLUE-HEADED MACAW (Primolius couloni) - Only in flight, but we saw two different groups. The most difficult of the macaws to encounter.

BLUE-AND-YELLOW MACAW (Ara ararauna)

SCARLET MACAW (Ara macao)

**RED-AND-GREEN MACAW** (Ara chloropterus)

CHESTNUT-FRONTED MACAW (Ara severus)

WHITE-EYED PARAKEET (Psittacara leucophthalmus)

Thamnophilidae (Typical Antbirds)

FASCIATED ANTSHRIKE (Cymbilaimus lineatus)

**BAMBOO ANTSHRIKE** (Cymbilaimus sanctaemariae) – One of our targets in the bamboo north of Puerto Maldonado. It gave us fits, staying high, but most folks saw it.

GREAT ANTSHRIKE (Taraba major) [\*]

BARRED ANTSHRIKE (Thamnophilus doliatus) [\*]

PLAIN-WINGED ANTSHRIKE (Thamnophilus schistaceus) – Heard at all our lodges. Seen a few times; by far the most common Thamnophilus on this tour.

WHITE-SHOULDERED ANTSHRIKE (Thamnophilus aethiops kapouni) [\*]

**DUSKY-THROATED ANTSHRIKE** (Thamnomanes ardesiacus ardesiacus)

BLUISH-SLATE ANTSHRIKE (Thamnomanes schistogynus)

PLAIN-THROATED ANTWREN (Isleria hauxwelli)

SPOT-WINGED ANTSHRIKE (Pygiptila stellaris) – Always tough since it likes mid-story vine tangles.

WHITE-EYED ANTWREN (Epinecrophylla leucophthalma)

MADEIRA ANTWREN (Epinecrophylla amazonica) [\*]

PYGMY ANTWREN (Myrmotherula brachyura)

SCLATER'S ANTWREN (Myrmotherula sclateri)

WHITE-FLANKED ANTWREN (Myrmotherula axillaris)

LONG-WINGED ANTWREN (Myrmotherula longipennis)

IHERING'S ANTWREN (BAMBOO) (Myrmotherula iheringi oreni) - This local bamboo specialist showed well near our Rufous Twistwing spot.

GRAY ANTWREN (Myrmotherula menetriesii menetriesii)

**BANDED ANTBIRD** (Dichrozona cincta) – Favorite Bird of the Trip, as voted on by the group! Indeed, pretty cute and we had a great, close experience with a singing bird.

STRIATED ANTBIRD (Drymophila devillei)

YELLOW-BREASTED WARBLING-ANTBIRD (Hypocnemis subflava collinsi)

RIPARIAN ANTBIRD (Cercomacroides fuscicauda)

MANU ANTBIRD (Cercomacra manu) – We caught up with one in the bamboo at TRC.

**GRAY ANTBIRD** (Cercomacra cinerascens)

WHITE-BROWED ANTBIRD (Myrmoborus leucophrys)

**BLACK-FACED ANTBIRD** (Myrmoborus myotherinus)

WHITE-LINED ANTBIRD (Myrmoborus lophotes)

SILVERED ANTBIRD (Sclateria naevia) – A pair was working the edges at Tres Chimbadas.

CHESTNUT-TAILED ANTBIRD (Sciaphylax hemimelaena) – The next three antbird species were all seen, but much more common by voice.

GOELDI'S ANTBIRD (Akletos goeldii)

BLACK-THROATED ANTBIRD (Myrmophylax atrothorax)

WHITE-THROATED ANTBIRD (Oneillornis salvini)

BLACK-SPOTTED BARE-EYE (Phlegopsis nigromaculata) [\*]

Formicariidae (Antthrushes)

RUFOUS-CAPPED ANTTHRUSH (Formicarius colma) - Fantastic views of this striking antthrush in the forest at TRC. It approached very close.

BLACK-FACED ANTTHRUSH (Formicarius analis)

STRIATED ANTTHRUSH (Chamaeza nobilis)

Furnariidae (Ovenbirds and Woodcreepers)

OLIVACEOUS WOODCREEPER (Sittasomus griseicapillus)

LONG-TAILED WOODCREEPER (Deconychura longicauda) – Seems to call quite a lot at dawn and dusk. We had one in the scope for nice looks.

WEDGE-BILLED WOODCREEPER (Glyphorynchus spirurus)

CINNAMON-THROATED WOODCREEPER (Dendrexetastes rufigula)

AMAZONIAN BARRED-WOODCREEPER (JURUA) (Dendrocolaptes certhia juruanus)

BLACK-BANDED WOODCREEPER (Dendrocolaptes picumnus)

**ELEGANT WOODCREEPER** (Xiphorhynchus elegans juruanus) – This bird also sat for a long time in the scope one late afternoon near dusk at TRC. It had settled in for the night!

**BUFF-THROATED WOODCREEPER (LAFRESNAYE'S)** (Xiphorhynchus guttatus guttatoides) – By far the most common woodcreeper on this tour. Encountered everyday.

**RED-BILLED SCYTHEBILL** (Campylorhamphus trochilirostris) – Seen a couple of times in the bamboo at TRC.

**INAMBARI WOODCREEPER** (Lepidocolaptes fatimalimae) – Seen well in the clearing at Forestal Otorongo. This used to be a subspecies of Lineated Woodcreeper (L. albolineatus). Differs by voice and morphology.

PLAIN XENOPS (Xenops minutus)

RUFOUS-TAILED XENOPS (Microxenops milleri)

PALE-LEGGED HORNERO (Furnarius leucopus)

CHESTNUT-WINGED FOLIAGE-GLEANER (Philydor erythropterum)

CHESTNUT-WINGED HOOKBILL (Ancistrops strigilatus) - Seen in the canopy flock at Refugio Amazonas.

CHESTNUT-CROWNED FOLIAGE-GLEANER (Automolus rufipileatus) - Often calling at dawn and dusk. Seen once or twice, too.

**BROWN-RUMPED FOLIAGE-GLEANER** (Automolus melanopezus) – Seen a couple of times in the bamboo at TRC. One of the more difficult Automolus to see.

**BUFF-THROATED FOLIAGE-GLEANER** (Automolus ochrolaemus)

**OLIVE-BACKED FOLIAGE-GLEANER (OLIVE-BACKED)** (Automolus infuscatus infuscatus) – Fairly common in the understory of tall forest at TRC.

PLAIN-CROWNED SPINETAIL (Synallaxis gujanensis)

RUDDY SPINETAIL (Synallaxis rutilans)

Tyrannidae (Tyrant Flycatchers)

WHITE-LORED TYRANNULET (Ornithion inerme) - Good looks at this tiny canopy flycatcher at the forest edge in Forestal Otorongo.

SOUTHERN BEARDLESS-TYRANNULET (Camptostoma obsoletum) [\*]

YELLOW-CROWNED TYRANNULET (Tyrannulus elatus) [\*]

FOREST ELAENIA (Myiopagis gaimardii)

**GRAY ELAENIA** (Myiopagis caniceps)

SEPIA-CAPPED FLYCATCHER (Leptopogon amaurocephalus)

RINGED ANTPIPIT (Corythopis torquatus) [\*]

FLAMMULATED PYGMY-TYRANT (Hemitriccus flammulatus) [\*]

WHITE-BELLIED TODY-TYRANT (Hemitriccus griseipectus)

JOHANNES'S TODY-TYRANT (Hemitriccus iohannis) - This small flycatcher (Hemitriccus) was seen in the bamboo at the Rufous Twistwing site.

RUSTY-FRONTED TODY-FLYCATCHER (Poecilotriccus latirostris)

**SPOTTED TODY-FLYCATCHER** (Todirostrum maculatum)

YELLOW-BROWED TODY-FLYCATCHER (Todirostrum chrysocrotaphum) – Heard at many sites, but this cute bird was seen well at Puente Nino. Some folks (Charlotte!) managed good photos, too. Loud voice, small bird.

**RUFOUS TWISTWING** (Cnipodectes superrufus) – Wowzer! Described to science by our own Dan Lane in 2007, there are very few (are we the first?) tour groups who have seen this species. You are an elite group!

**OLIVACEOUS FLATBILL** (Rhynchocyclus olivaceus)

**GRAY-CROWNED FLYCATCHER** (Tolmomyias poliocephalus)

YELLOW-BREASTED FLYCATCHER (Tolmomyias flaviventris)

ROYAL FLYCATCHER (AMAZONIAN) (Onychorhynchus coronatus castelnaui)

RUDDY-TAILED FLYCATCHER (Terenotriccus erythrurus)

BRAN-COLORED FLYCATCHER (Myiophobus fasciatus)

**VERMILION FLYCATCHER** (Pyrocephalus rubinus)

LITTLE GROUND-TYRANT (Muscisaxicola fluviatilis)

LARGE-HEADED FLATBILL (Ramphotrigon megacephalum) - Heard in the bamboo near Alerta, but finally seen at TRC.

RUFOUS-TAILED FLATBILL (Ramphotrigon ruficauda)

**DULL-CAPPED ATTILA** (Attila bolivianus)

BRIGHT-RUMPED ATTILA (Attila spadiceus)

WHITE-RUMPED SIRYSTES (Sirystes albocinereus)

**GRAYISH MOURNER** (Rhytipterna simplex)

**DUSKY-CAPPED FLYCATCHER** (Myiarchus tuberculifer)

SWAINSON'S FLYCATCHER (Myiarchus swainsoni)

SHORT-CRESTED FLYCATCHER (Myiarchus ferox)

**GREAT KISKADEE** (Pitangus sulphuratus) [\*]

**BOAT-BILLED FLYCATCHER** (Megarynchus pitangua)

RUSTY-MARGINED FLYCATCHER (Myiozetetes cayanensis)

**SOCIAL FLYCATCHER** (Myiozetetes similis)

**GRAY-CAPPED FLYCATCHER** (Myiozetetes granadensis)

STREAKED FLYCATCHER (Myiodynastes maculatus)

**CROWNED SLATY FLYCATCHER** (Empidonomus aurantioatrocristatus) – This is an uncommon austral migrant (May-Oct). We saw it at Forestal Otorongo and again at TRC.

TROPICAL KINGBIRD (Tyrannus melancholicus)

Cotingidae (Cotingas)

PURPLE-THROATED FRUITCROW (Querula purpurata)

**SCREAMING PIHA** (Lipaugus vociferans) – We...finally...saw...it!!!

**BARE-NECKED FRUITCROW** (Gymnoderus foetidus) – One was seen perched (a bit distant) from the tower at Posada Amazonas.

Pipridae (Manakins)

**DWARF TYRANT-MANAKIN** (Tyranneutes stolzmanni) – Probably my best views yet of this normally mid-canopy manakin that is tiny and likes to stay hidden. We had one perched nearly at eye-level in Forestal Otorongo.

BAND-TAILED MANAKIN (Pipra fasciicauda)

FIERY-CAPPED MANAKIN (Machaeropterus pyrocephalus) [\*]

RED-HEADED MANAKIN (Ceratopipra rubrocapilla)

ROUND-TAILED MANAKIN (Ceratopipra chloromeros)

WING-BARRED PIPRITES (Piprites chloris)

Tityridae (Tityras and Allies)

BLACK-TAILED TITYRA (Tityra cayana)

BLACK-CROWNED TITYRA (Tityra inquisitor)

MASKED TITYRA (Tityra semifasciata)

CINEREOUS MOURNER (Laniocera hypopyrra) – Nice looks in the forest at TRC where we had direct comparisons with the similar, Grayish Mourner.

WHITE-WINGED BECARD (Pachyramphus polychopterus)

Vireonidae (Vireos, Shrike-Babblers, and Erpornis)

RUFOUS-BROWED PEPPERSHRIKE (Cyclarhis gujanensis) [\*]

**DUSKY-CAPPED GREENLET** (Pachysylvia hypoxantha)

CHIVI VIREO (Vireo chivi) - Now split from Red-eyed Vireo, this is the resident form in South America (of which there are several subspecies).

Corvidae (Crows, Jays, and Magpies)

PURPLISH JAY (Cyanocorax cyanomelas) - Far less common than the next species, found mostly along waterways (like the Tambopata).

VIOLACEOUS JAY (Cyanocorax violaceus)

Hirundinidae (Swallows)

WHITE-BANDED SWALLOW (Atticora fasciata)

SOUTHERN ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW (Stelgidopteryx ruficollis)

GRAY-BREASTED MARTIN (Progne chalybea)

WHITE-WINGED SWALLOW (Tachycineta albiventer)

Troglodytidae (Wrens)

**SCALY-BREASTED WREN** (Microcerculus marginatus)

HOUSE WREN (SOUTHERN) (Troglodytes aedon musculus) [\*]

THRUSH-LIKE WREN (Campylorhynchus turdinus)

MOUSTACHED WREN (Pheugopedius genibarbis)

MUSICIAN WREN (Cyphorhinus arada) – This was a target for several people. Its song is incredible, so the name fits. We managed good looks for most in the group as it dashed around us in the understory at Refugio Amazonas.

<u>Donacobiidae (Donacobius)</u>

BLACK-CAPPED DONACOBIUS (Donacobius atricapilla)

<u>Turdidae (Thrushes and Allies)</u>

WHITE-NECKED THRUSH (Turdus albicollis)

LAWRENCE'S THRUSH (Turdus lawrencii) [\*]

Fringillidae (Finches, Euphonias, and Allies)

THICK-BILLED EUPHONIA (Euphonia laniirostris)

GOLDEN-BELLIED EUPHONIA (Euphonia chrysopasta) - Excellent looks along the side road at Puente Nino.

WHITE-VENTED EUPHONIA (Euphonia minuta)

**RUFOUS-BELLIED EUPHONIA** (Euphonia rufiventris) – A nice bird to see so well. We had one singing and nest building (?) in a small clearing at Refugio Amazonas.

Passerellidae (New World Sparrows)

YELLOW-BROWED SPARROW (Ammodramus aurifrons)

<u>Icteridae (Troupials and Allies)</u>

RUSSET-BACKED OROPENDOLA (Psarocolius angustifrons)

CRESTED OROPENDOLA (Psarocolius decumanus)

OLIVE OROPENDOLA (Psarocolius bifasciatus)

YELLOW-RUMPED CACIQUE (Cacicus cela)

**CASQUED CACIQUE** (Cacicus oseryi) – One was with a group of Purplish Jays in the forest at TRC.

**EPAULET ORIOLE** (Icterus cayanensis)

**GIANT COWBIRD** (Molothrus oryzivorus)

Mitrospingidae (Mitrospingid Tanagers)

**RED-BILLED PIED TANAGER** (Lamprospiza melanoleuca) – Rare in tall forest of the Amazon where they move with mixed-species flocks. We had one at Forestal Otorongo.

Cardinalidae (Cardinals and Allies)

RED-CROWNED ANT-TANAGER (Habia rubica)

Thraupidae (Tanagers and Allies)

MAGPIE TANAGER (Cissopis leverianus)

FLAME-CRESTED TANAGER (Tachyphonus cristatus) – A pair were in the large mixed-species flock at Refugio Amazonas.

WHITE-SHOULDERED TANAGER (Tachyphonus luctuosus)

WHITE-WINGED SHRIKE-TANAGER (Lanio versicolor) – Also, in the big flock with the Flame-crested.

SILVER-BEAKED TANAGER (Ramphocelus carbo)

BLUE-GRAY TANAGER (Thraupis episcopus)

PALM TANAGER (Thraupis palmarum)

MASKED TANAGER (Tangara nigrocincta)

TURQUOISE TANAGER (Tangara mexicana)

PARADISE TANAGER (Tangara chilensis)

**OPAL-RUMPED TANAGER** (Tangara velia) – Opal-rumped was seen in the big flock at Refugio Amazonas, while Opal-crowned was in the big flock at Forestal Otorongo. Both are good species to find!

**OPAL-CROWNED TANAGER** (Tangara callophrys)

GREEN-AND-GOLD TANAGER (Tangara schrankii)

**SWALLOW TANAGER** (Tersina viridis)

**BLACK-FACED DACNIS** (Dacnis lineata)

BLUE DACNIS (Dacnis cayana)

GREEN HONEYCREEPER (Chlorophanes spiza)

YELLOW-BACKED TANAGER (Hemithraupis flavicollis)

SAFFRON FINCH (Sicalis flaveola)

YELLOW-SHOULDERED GROSBEAK (Parkerthraustes humeralis) – We lucked out running into this species a couple of times north of Puerto Maldonado.

**BUFF-THROATED SALTATOR** (Saltator maximus)

SLATE-COLORED GROSBEAK (Saltator grossus) [\*]

# **MAMMALS**

SADDLEBACK TAMARIN (Saguinus fuscicollis)

EMPEROR TAMARIN (Saguinus imperator)

**COMMON SQUIRREL MONKEY** (Saimiri sciureus)

**DUSKY TITI MONKEY** (Callicebus moloch)

**RED HOWLER MONKEY** (Alouatta seniculus)

BROWN CAPUCHIN (Cebus apella)

**BLACK SPIDER MONKEY** (Ateles paniscus)

SOUTHERN AMAZON RED SQUIRREL (Sciurus spadiceus)

**CAPYBARA** (Hydrochaeris hydrochaeris)

BROWN AGOUTI (Dasyprocta variegata)

KINKAJOU (Potos flavus)

TAYRA (Eira barbara)

**GIANT OTTER** (Pteronura brasiliensis)

BROWN BROCKET DEER (Mazama gouazoubira)

<u>Herps</u>

SPECTACLED CAIMAN (Caiman crocodilus)

BLACK CAIMAN (Melanosuchus niger)

YELLOW-SPOTTED RIVER TURTLE (Podocnemis unifilis)

## ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Totals for the tour: 308 bird taxa and 14 mammal taxa