



*Field Guides Tour Report*

**BRAZIL'S RIO ROOSEVELT: BIRDING THE RIVER OF DOUBT 2013**

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*The view of Pousada Rio Roosevelt (on the sand crescent at the left side of the frame) as the plane comes in for a landing. Santa Rita rapids is visible to the right of the pousada as a white streak in the river. The region is heavily forested, just as it was in 1914, when the Roosevelt-Rondon Expedition passed through on the survey of the rio da Duvida, or River of Doubt. Photo copyright Bret Whitney.*

Our second May/June Rio Roosevelt tour was a great time with lots of superb birds -- rare endemics and recently described species as well as many more widespread ones -- sighted along the way. We were fortunate with weather, too, enjoying clear skies for most of the time, following record-breaking rains that flooded the dining room(!) briefly in April. Thus, the Roosevelt and Madeirinha were unusually high, which had its ups and downs with regard to the overall birding experience.

We started the tour at Porto Velho, capital of the state of Rondonia, with a sunset riverboat cruise on the great Rio Madeira, then kicked off serious birding the next morning as we ferried across the river for the drive along the west bank to the old town of Humaita. Two days and a morning over there was highly productive despite the increasing forest clearing happening in that region. Among highlights were fine views of Ash-throated Crake (heard-only Ocellated Crake this year, darn it!), Azure Gallinule, the newly described Western Striolated-Puffbird, White-eared Puffbird, Curl-crested and Ivory-billed aracaris, Golden-collared Toucanet, Bar-breasted Piculet (thanks, Chuck!), Scale-breasted and Red-necked woodpeckers, White-shouldered Antshrike, Predicted Antwren and Inambari Woodcreeper (both newly described species!), Point-tailed Palmcreeper, Cinereous-breasted Spinetail, Sharp-tailed Tyrant, Yellow-browed Tody-Flycatcher, the newly described (and very rarely seen!) Inambari Gnatcatcher, White-rumped Tanagers, and Tawny-bellied Seedeater. Habitats around Humaita, especially the extensive enclaves of Amazonian cerrados, were fascinating to bird. It is clear, however, that the wonderful forest area our tours have visited for the past several years that has sometimes yielded a number of additional good birds has now reached "the point of no return," and we will have to scout new venues.

Our charter flight to the Rio Roosevelt was a beauty and the pilots performed a nice swing around the region of the pousada and Santa Rita rapids to allow us make photos. It was exhilarating to step off the plane onto the dirt-and-grass runway, and walk to the lodge under a tall rainforest canopy along the portage path originally opened by the Roosevelt-Rondon expedition -- gives me goosebumps every time! The lodge was fantastic, a perfect base for a week of birding, the staff very friendly and efficient, and the food great -- and, as always, we had the place to ourselves!

Among birding highlights were Razor-billed Curassow (good spot, Barb!), a fabulous adult Harpy Eagle perched atop a huge tree on the bank of the Roosevelt (yahooo -- but we couldn't get it to fly!), a nice view of a Sungrebe (lucky when water is that high), several good views of bizarre Hoatzins, a close Pavonine Cuckoo, handsome Sand-colored Nighthawks, a couple of Black-bellied Thorntails from the canopy tower, excellent views of several

species of trogons, very close Pied Puffbirds and Paradise Jacamars from the tower, fabulous scope studies of the rarely seen Natterer's Striolated-Puffbird, wonderful views of a pair of Collared Puffbirds (at about the last minute!), good looks at Brown, Blue-cheeked, and Bronzy jacamars, Black-girdled Barbet, Red-necked Aracari (nice spotting by Kent), Gould's Toucanet (to match the Golden-collared from the other side of the Madeira), glowing Crimson-bellied and Santarem parakeets, Chestnut-fronted, Scarlet, Red-and-green, and Blue-and-yellow macaws (always!), and great views of Orange-cheeked Parrots and Kawai's Parrots at the clay lick.

Among passerine specialties were Glossy Antshrike (what a knockout it was!), Natterer's Slaty-Antshrike, Pearly Antshrike, Roosevelt Stipple-throated Antwren, Manicore Warbling-Antbird, Aripuana Antwren (these last three all described to science just in June of this year!), Ornate Antwren, great looks at Pygmy and Sclater's antwrens, Ihering's Antwren (now considered endemic to the Madeira-Tapajós interfluvium), a fantastic Banded Antbird, the distinctive local population of Chestnut-tailed Antbird, and Spot-backed and Dot-backed antbirds. Special accolades go to a couple of central Amazonian endemics always high on everyone's "want list": White-breasted Antbird and the gorgeous Black-bellied Gnateater; a fine male allowed us really tremendous views. Chestnut-bellied Gnateater also performed really well for us. Best among a host of woodcreepers were Spot-throated, Hoffmann's, Uniform, and Strong-billed. Rufous-tailed Xenops was seen nicely, and we got good views of Rufous-rumped, Chestnut-winged, and Para Foliage-gleaners. The roster of flycatchers was headed by the newly described Chico's Tyrannulet, which really put on a show this year (after almost skunking us in 2012), and all enjoyed seeing it so well, even if it is a little green flycatcher! Also great were Buff-cheeked Tody-Flycatcher and Zimmer's Tody-Tyrant, a female Black-necked Red-Cotinga, Spangled Cotinga (wow!), White-browed Purple-tuft (far away, but neat in the scope), an elusive Musician Wren that we heard and finally did see really well, White-winged Shrike-Tanager, Paradise Tanager, several fine views of Short-billed Honeycreepers and relatives from the tower (great flowering tree up there!), and a dapper pair of Rose-breasted Chats.

Our biggest misses were Dark-winged Trumpeter and Zigzag Heron (first time for both; we heard a Zigzag fairly close but couldn't get it to budge from the swamp), and Pale-breasted Antbird continues to be very scarce (and ant swarms were almost non-existent this time around). Manakins and raptors were also disappointing except, of course, for the Harpy!

Mammalian highlights were Prince Bernard's Titi-Monkey, Neotropical Pygmy-Squirrel (rarely seen anywhere), a very close, exciting encounter with a big group of Giant Otters (amazing animals, one taking it easy and eating a fish while the others complained about our close presence), a huge Brazilian Tapir swimming across a branch of the Roosevelt (check out the video!), and Red Brocket Deer at the clay lick. Amazingly, we did not encounter Common Woolly Monkeys or White-nosed Bearded Sakis (these heard far off one time), which is highly unusual, probably due to fruiting trees being different from the usual distribution this year.

Ours was a fun and interesting group of people, and I very much enjoyed birding with all of you, every day! I am sorry this list is getting out to you several months post-tour; thanks for your patience, I hope it pulls up lots of good memories, as it did for me putting it together.

Grandes abraços, Brette

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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

### Tinamidae (Tinamous)

**GREAT TINAMOU** (*Tinamus major*) [\*]

**WHITE-THROATED TINAMOU** (*Tinamus guttatus*) [\*]

**CINEREOUS TINAMOU** (*Crypturellus cinereus*) – We found a nest immediately beside a trail on the Madeirinha. It was really neat to see the head of the adult peeking through vegetation, then watch it blast off as we continued by!

**LITTLE TINAMOU** (*Crypturellus soui*) [\*]

**UNDULATED TINAMOU** (*Crypturellus undulatus*) – One was seen by a few folks

**BRAZILIAN TINAMOU** (*Crypturellus strigulosus*) [\*]

**VARIEGATED TINAMOU** (*Crypturellus variegatus*) – We were fairly close to one bird that sang loudly, but could not get it to budge. [\*]

**SMALL-BILLED TINAMOU** (*Crypturellus parvirostris*) [\*]

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

**MUSCOVY DUCK** (*Cairina moschata*)

**BRAZILIAN TEAL** (*Amazonetta brasiliensis*)

### Cracidae (Guans, Chachalacas, and Curassows)

**SPIX'S GUAN** (*Penelope jacquacu*)

**RED-THROATED PIPING-GUAN** (*Pipile cujubi*) [\*]

**RAZOR-BILLED CURASSOW** (*Mitu tuberosum*)

### Ciconiidae (Storks)

**WOOD STORK** (*Mycteria americana*) – Four seen near Humaita, and three over the Roosevelt

### Anhingidae (Anhingas)

**ANHINGA** (*Anhinga anhinga*)

### Ardeidae (Herons, Egrets, and Bitterns)

**RUFESCENT TIGER-HERON** (*Tigrisoma lineatum*)

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

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

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

**CATTLE EGRET** (*Bubulcus ibis*)

**STRIATED HERON** (*Butorides striata*)

**CAPPED HERON** (*Pilherodius pileatus*)

*Threskiornithidae (Ibises and Spoonbills)*

**GREEN IBIS** (*Mesembrinibis cayennensis*)

*Cathartidae (New World Vultures)*

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

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

**GREATER YELLOW-HEADED VULTURE** (*Cathartes melambrotus*)

**KING VULTURE** (*Sarcoramphus papa*) – Nice spot, Kent! Three adults.

*Accipitridae (Hawks, Eagles, and Kites)*

**PEARL KITE** (*Gampsonyx swainsonii*)

**HOOK-BILLED KITE** (*Chondrohierax uncinatus*)

**GRAY-HEADED KITE** (*Leptodon cayanensis*)

**HARPY EAGLE** (*Harpia harpyja*)

**SNAIL KITE** (*Rostrhamus sociabilis*)

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

**CRANE HAWK** (*Geranospiza caerulescens*)

**GREAT BLACK-HAWK** (*Buteogallus urubitinga*)

**ROADSIDE HAWK** (*Rupornis magnirostris*)

**WHITE-TAILED HAWK** (*Geranoaetus albicaudatus*)

**SHORT-TAILED HAWK** (*Buteo brachyurus*)

*Rallidae (Rails, Gallinules, and Coots)*

**OCELLATED CRAKE** (*Micropygia schomburgkii*) [\*]

**GRAY-BREASTED CRAKE** (*Laterallus exilis*) – Wow, one allowed us to actually SEE it along the airstrip at the Roosevelt!

**RUSSET-CROWNED CRAKE** (*Anurolimnas viridis*) [\*]

**ASH-THROATED CRAKE** (*Porzana albicollis*)

**PURPLE GALLINULE** (*Porphyrio martinicus*)

**AZURE GALLINULE** (*Porphyrio flavirostris*)

*Heliornithidae (Finfoots)*

**SUNGREBE** (*Heliornis fulica*)

*Charadriidae (Plovers and Lapwings)*

**PIED LAPWING** (*Vanellus cayanus*) – Handsome birds, always present on the sandy beach in front of the pousada.

**SOUTHERN LAPWING** (*Vanellus chilensis*)

*Jacanidae (Jacanas)*

**WATTLED JACANA** (*Jacana jacana*)

*Laridae (Gulls, Terns, and Skimmers)*

**YELLOW-BILLED TERN** (*Sternula superciliaris*)

**LARGE-BILLED TERN** (*Phaetusa simplex*)

**BLACK SKIMMER** (*Rynchops niger*)

*Columbidae (Pigeons and Doves)*

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

**PALE-VENTED PIGEON** (*Patagioenas cayennensis*)

**SCALED PIGEON** (*Patagioenas speciosa*)

**PLUMBEOUS PIGEON** (*Patagioenas plumbea*)

**RUDDY PIGEON** (*Patagioenas subvinacea*) – One did a spectacular display flight high over the canopy, witnessed from the tower!

**COMMON GROUND-DOVE** (*Columbina passerina*)

**PLAIN-BREASTED GROUND-DOVE** (*Columbina minuta*)

**RUDDY GROUND-DOVE** (*Columbina talpacoti*)

**BLUE GROUND-DOVE** (*Claravis pretiosa*) [\*]

**WHITE-TIPPED DOVE** (*Leptotila verreauxi*) [\*]

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

**RUDDY QUAIL-DOVE** (*Geotrygon montana*)

Opisthocomidae (Hoatzin)

**HOATZIN** (*Opisthocomus hoazin*)

Cuculidae (Cuckoos)

**SQUIRREL CUCKOO** (*Piaya cayana*)

**BLACK-BELLIED CUCKOO** (*Piaya melanogaster*) – A nice view of this gorgeous bird.

**PAVONINE CUCKOO** (*Dromococcyx pavoninus*) – One came in from a looong way off and perched directly overhead, where it was hard to view (check out the video >>>>), but we eventually moved it into position for good scope views.

**SMOOTH-BILLED ANI** (*Crotophaga ani*)

Strigidae (Owls)

**TAWNY-BELLIED SCREECH-OWL** (*Megascops watsonii*) [\*]

**AMAZONIAN PYGMY-OWL** (*Glaucidium hardyi*) [\*]

**BURROWING OWL** (*Athene cunicularia*)

Caprimulgidae (Nightjars and Allies)

**SHORT-TAILED NIGHTHAWK** (*Lurocalis semitorquatus*)

**LEAST NIGHTHAWK** (*Chordeiles pusillus*)

**SAND-COLORED NIGHTHAWK** (*Chordeiles rupestris*)

**COMMON PAURAUQUE** (*Nyctidromus albicollis*)

**BLACKISH NIGHTJAR** (*Caprimulgus nigrescens*) – Harriett found one for us -- obrigado!

**LADDER-TAILED NIGHTJAR** (*Hydropsalis climacocerca*) – Good views along the river edge.

Apodidae (Swifts)

**AMAZONIAN SWIFT** (*Chaetura viridipennis*) – Fine study of four birds from the tower

**SHORT-TAILED SWIFT** (*Chaetura brachyura*)

**GRAY-RUMPED SWIFT** (*Chaetura cinereiventris*)

**PALE-RUMPED SWIFT** (*Chaetura egregia*)

**LESSER SWALLOW-TAILED SWIFT** (*Panyptila cayennensis*)

**FORK-TAILED PALM-SWIFT** (*Tachornis squamata*)

Trochilidae (Hummingbirds)

**WHITE-NECKED JACOBIN** (*Florisuga mellivora*)

**NEEDLE-BILLED HERMIT** (*Phaethornis philippii*) [\*]

**LONG-TAILED HERMIT** (*Phaethornis superciliosus*)

**REDDISH HERMIT** (*Phaethornis ruber*)

**BLACK-EARED FAIRY** (*Heliothryx auritus*)

**FORK-TAILED WOODNYMPH** (*Thalurania furcata*)

**RUFOUS-THROATED SAPPHIRE** (*Hylocharis sapphirina*)

**WHITE-CHINNED SAPPHIRE** (*Hylocharis cyanus*)

Trogonidae (Trogons)

**BLACK-TAILED TROGON** (*Trogon melanurus*) – Several called up for good measure.

**GREEN-BACKED TROGON** (*Trogon viridis*)

**AMAZONIAN TROGON** (*Trogon ramonianus*) [\*]

**BLUE-CROWNED TROGON** (*Trogon curucui*)

**BLACK-THROATED TROGON** (*Trogon rufus*)

**COLLARED TROGON** (*Trogon collaris*)

Momotidae (Motmots)

**RUFOUS MOTMOT** (*Baryphthengus martii*) [\*]

**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*) [\*]

Bucconidae (Puffbirds)

**WHITE-NECKED PUFFBIRD** (*Notharchus hyperrhynchus hyperrhynchus*)

**BROWN-BANDED PUFFBIRD** (*Notharchus ordii*) – Darn, could not get it to show... [\*]

**PIED PUFFBIRD** (*Notharchus tectus*)

**COLLARED PUFFBIRD** (*Bucco capensis*)

**NATTERER'S STRIOLATED-PUFFBIRD** (*Nystalus striolatus*)

**WESTERN STRIOLATED-PUFFBIRD** (*Nystalus obamai*) – Superb studies of both of these striolated-puffbirds, a tour first.



**WHITE-EARED PUFFBIRD** (*Nystalus chacuru*)  
**BLACK-FRONTED NUNBIRD** (*Monasa nigrifrons*)  
**WHITE-FRONTED NUNBIRD** (*Monasa morphoeus*) [\*]  
**SWALLOW-WINGED PUFFBIRD** (*Chelidoptera tenebrosa*)

*Galbulidae (Jacamars)*

**BROWN JACAMAR** (*Brachygalba lugubris melanosterna*)  
**BLUE-CHEEKED JACAMAR** (*Galbula cyanicollis*)  
**RUFIOUS-TAILED JACAMAR** (*Galbula ruficauda*) [\*]  
**BRONZY JACAMAR** (*Galbula leucogastra*)  
**PARADISE JACAMAR** (*Galbula dea*)  
**GREAT JACAMAR** (*Jacamerops aureus*) [\*]

*Capitonidae (New World Barbets)*

**BLACK-GIRDLED BARBET** (*Capito dayi*)  
**GILDED BARBET** (*Capito auratus*) [\*]

*Ramphastidae (Toucans)*

**IVORY-BILLED ARACARI** (*Pteroglossus azara*)  
**CURL-CRESTED ARACARI** (*Pteroglossus beauharnaesii*) – Wow, what a BIRD!  
**RED-NECKED ARACARI** (*Pteroglossus bitorquatus*)  
**GOLDEN-COLLARED TOUCANET** (*Selenidera reinwardtii*)  
**GOULD'S TOUCANET** (*Selenidera gouldii*)  
**WHITE-THROATED TOUCAN** (*Ramphastos tucanus*)  
**CHANNEL-BILLED TOUCAN** (*Ramphastos vitellinus*)

*Picidae (Woodpeckers)*

**BAR-BREASTED PICULET** (*Picumnus aurifrons*)  
**YELLOW-TUFTED WOODPECKER** (*Melanerpes cruentatus*)  
**RED-STAINED WOODPECKER** (*Veniliornis affinis*)  
**YELLOW-THROATED WOODPECKER** (*Piculus flavigula*)  
**GOLDEN-GREEN WOODPECKER** (*Piculus chrysoclorus*) [\*]  
**SCALE-BREASTED WOODPECKER** (*Ceelus grammicus*) – Nice spot, Chuck!  
**CREAM-COLORED WOODPECKER** (*Ceelus flavus*) [\*]  
**LINEATED WOODPECKER** (*Dryocopus lineatus*)  
**RED-NECKED WOODPECKER** (*Campephilus rubricollis*)

*Falconidae (Falcons and Caracaras)*

**BARRED FOREST-FALCON** (*Micrastur ruficollis*) – Forest-falcons seemed to be practically non-existent this time around! [\*]  
**BLACK CARACARA** (*Daptrius ater*)  
**RED-THROATED CARACARA** (*Ibycter americanus*)  
**SOUTHERN CARACARA** (*Caracara plancus*)  
**YELLOW-HEADED CARACARA** (*Milvago chimachima*)  
**LAUGHING FALCON** (*Herpetotheres cachinnans*)  
**BAT FALCON** (*Falco rufigularis*)

*Psittacidae (Parrots)*

**CRIMSON-BELLIED PARAKEET** (*Pyrrhura perlata*)  
**SANTAREM PARAKEET (MADEIRA)** (*Pyrrhura amazonum snethlageae*) – Fly-bys west of Madeira, several good views on the Roosevelt.  
**WHITE-EYED PARAKEET** (*Aratinga leucophthalma*)  
**DUSKY-HEADED PARAKEET** (*Aratinga weddellii*)  
**PEACH-FRONTED PARAKEET** (*Aratinga aurea*) [\*]  
**CHESTNUT-FRONTED MACAW** (*Ara severus*)  
**RED-AND-GREEN MACAW** (*Ara chloropterus*)  
**SCARLET MACAW** (*Ara macao*)  
**BLUE-AND-YELLOW MACAW** (*Ara ararauna*)  
**RED-BELLIED MACAW** (*Orthopsittaca manilata*) – Many around the Mauritia flexuosa palm stands near Humaita  
**RED-SHOULDERED MACAW** (*Diopsittaca nobilis*)  
**GOLDEN-WINGED PARAKEET** (*Brotogeris chrysoptera*)  
**ORANGE-CHEEKED PARROT** (*Pyrilia barrabandi*)  
**BLUE-HEADED PARROT** (*Pionus menstruus*) – Very few  
**KAWALL'S PARROT** (*Amazona kawalli*) – Not many around this time, but seen well a couple of times; described to science only in 1989!  
**MEALY PARROT** (*Amazona farinosa*)  
**YELLOW-CROWNED PARROT** (*Amazona ochrocephala*)

Thamnophilidae (Typical Antbirds)

**FASCIATED ANTSHRIKE** (*Cymbilaimus lineatus*)  
**GLOSSY ANTSHRIKE** (*Sakesphorus luctuosus*)  
**BARRED ANTSHRIKE** (*Thamnophilus doliatus*)  
**PLAIN-WINGED ANTSHRIKE** (*Thamnophilus schistaceus*)  
**MOUSE-COLORED ANTSHRIKE** (*Thamnophilus murinus*) [\*]  
**NATTERER'S SLATY-ANTSHRIKE** (*Thamnophilus stictocephalus*)  
**WHITE-SHOULDERED ANTSHRIKE** (*Thamnophilus aethiops*)  
**AMAZONIAN ANTSHRIKE** (*Thamnophilus amazonicus*)  
**PEARLY ANTSHRIKE** (*Megastictus margaritatus*)  
**SATURNINE ANTSHRIKE** (*Thamnomanes saturninus*)  
**CINEREOUS ANTSHRIKE** (*Thamnomanes caesius*)  
**PLAIN-THROATED ANTWREN** (*Isleria hauxwelli*)  
**SPOT-WINGED ANTSHRIKE** (*Pygiptila stellaris*)  
**WHITE-EYED ANTWREN** (*Epinecrophylla leucophthalma*)  
**STIPPLE-THROATED ANTWREN** (*Epinecrophylla haematonota*)  
**ROOSEVELT STIPPLE-THROATED ANTWREN** (*Epinecrophylla dentei*)  
**ORNATE ANTWREN** (*Epinecrophylla ornata*)  
**PYGMY ANTWREN** (*Myrmotherula brachyura*)  
**SCLATER'S ANTWREN** (*Myrmotherula sclateri*)  
**AMAZONIAN STREAKED-ANTWREN** (*Myrmotherula multostriata*) [\*]  
**WHITE-FLANKED ANTWREN** (*Myrmotherula axillaris*) [\*]  
**LONG-WINGED ANTWREN** (*Myrmotherula longipennis*)  
**IHERING'S ANTWREN** (*Myrmotherula iheringi*)  
**GRAY ANTWREN** (*Myrmotherula menetriesii*)  
**BANDED ANT BIRD** (*Dichrozona cincta*)  
**RUFIOUS-WINGED ANTWREN** (*Herpsilochmus rufimarginatus*) [\*]  
**ARIPUANA ANTWREN** (*Herpsilochmus stotzi*)  
**PREDICTED ANTWREN** (*Herpsilochmus praedictus*) – Good scope views, after a fair amount of patience!  
**DOT-WINGED ANTWREN** (*Microrhopias quixensis*)  
**WHITE-FRINGED ANTWREN** (*Formicivora grisea*)  
**RUSTY-BACKED ANTWREN** (*Formicivora rufa*) [\*]  
**CHESTNUT-SHOULDERED ANTWREN** (*Terenura humeralis*) [\*]  
**GRAY ANT BIRD** (*Cercomacra cinerascens*)  
**BLACKISH ANT BIRD** (*Cercomacra nigrescens*) [\*]  
**BLACK-FACED ANT BIRD** (*Myrmoborus myotherinus*)  
**PERUVIAN WARBLING-ANT BIRD** (*Hypocnemis peruviana*) – West of Madeira only  
**MANICORE WARBLING-ANT BIRD** (*Hypocnemis rondoni*) – Nice, close studies of both sexes; left bank Roosevelt only (includes Madeirinha, of course).  
**SPIX'S WARBLING-ANT BIRD** (*Hypocnemis striata implicata*) – Also seen nicely, this one just east of the Roosevelt (pousada side of the river).  
**BLACK-CHINNED ANT BIRD** (*Hypocnemoides melanopogon*)  
**SILVERED ANT BIRD** (*Sclateria naevia*)  
**RUFIOUS-FACED ANT BIRD** (*Schistocichla rufifacies*) – An excellent view of a pair, especially the adult male.  
**[CHESTNUT-TAILED] ANT BIRD** (*Myrmeciza [hemimelaena]* taxon novum)  
**BLACK-THROATED ANT BIRD** (*Myrmeciza atrothorax*) [\*]  
**WHITE-THROATED ANT BIRD** (*Gymnopithys salvini*) – Most folks got to see a male out of Humaita.  
**WHITE-BREASTED ANT BIRD** (*Rhegmatorhina hoffmannsi*)  
**SPOT-BACKED ANT BIRD** (*Hylophylax naevius*)  
**DOT-BACKED ANT BIRD** (*Hylophylax punctulatus*)  
**COMMON SCALE-BACKED ANT BIRD** (*Willisornis poecilinotus*)

Conopophagidae (Gnateaters)

**CHESTNUT-BELTED GNATEATER** (*Conopophaga aurita*) – Seen twice, adult males very nicely both times!  
**BLACK-BELLIED GNATEATER** (*Conopophaga melanogaster*) – Just one, but he was fabulous!

Grallariidae (Antpittas)

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

Rhinocryptidae (Tapaculos)

**RUSTY-BELTED TAPACULO** (*Liosceles thoracicus*) [\*]

Furnariidae (Ovenbirds and Woodcreepers)

**SPOT-THROATED WOODCREEPER** (*Certhiasomus stictolaemus*)  
**OLIVACEOUS WOODCREEPER** (*Sittasomus griseicapillus*)  
**WHITE-CHINNED WOODCREEPER** (*Dendrocincla merula*)  
**WEDGE-BILLED WOODCREEPER** (*Glyphorhynchus spirurus*)  
**AMAZONIAN BARRED-WOODCREEPER** (*Dendrocolaptes certhia*) – Perhaps to be split, with names Plain-colored Woodcreeper, *D. concolor*.  
**HOFFMANN'S WOODCREEPER** (*Dendrocolaptes hoffmannsi*)  
**RED-BILLED WOODCREEPER (UNIFORM)** (*Hylexetastes perrotii uniformis*)  
**STRONG-BILLED WOODCREEPER** (*Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchus*)  
**STRIPED WOODCREEPER** (*Xiphorhynchus obsoletus*)  
**ELEGANT WOODCREEPER** (*Xiphorhynchus elegans*)  
**BUFF-THROATED WOODCREEPER (DUSKY-BILLED)** (*Xiphorhynchus guttatus eytoni*)  
**STRAIGHT-BILLED WOODCREEPER** (*Dendroplex picus*)  
**NARROW-BILLED WOODCREEPER** (*Lepidocolaptes angustirostris*)  
**INAMBARI WOODCREEPER** (*Lepidocolaptes fatimalimae*) – West of Madeira only; one seen well, spotted in a canopy flock by Dom Kentinho!  
**SLENDER-BILLED XENOPS** (*Xenops tenuirostris*) [\*]  
**STREAKED XENOPS** (*Xenops rutilans*)  
**POINT-TAILED PALMCREEPER** (*Berlepschia rikeri*)  
**RUFIOUS-TAILED XENOPS** (*Microxenops milleri*)  
**RUFIOUS-RUMPED FOLIAGE-GLEANER** (*Philydor erythrocerum*)  
**CHESTNUT-WINGED FOLIAGE-GLEANER** (*Philydor erythropterum*)  
**CINNAMON-RUMPED FOLIAGE-GLEANER** (*Philydor pyrrhodes*)  
**STRIPED WOODHAUNTER** (*Hyloctistes subulatus*) [\*]  
**BUFF-THROATED FOLIAGE-GLEANER** (*Automolus ochrolaemus*) [\*]  
**PARA FOLIAGE-GLEANER** (*Automolus paraensis*)  
**YELLOW-CHINNED SPINETAIL** (*Certhiaxis cinnamomeus*)  
**PALE-BREASTED SPINETAIL** (*Synallaxis albescens*) [\*]  
**CINEREOUS-BREASTED SPINETAIL** (*Synallaxis hypospodia*)

*Tyrannidae (Tyrant Flycatchers)*

**SOUTHERN BEARDLESS-TYRANNULET** (*Camptostoma obsoletum*)  
**YELLOW-CROWNED TYRANNULET** (*Tyrannulus elatus*)  
**FOREST ELAENIA** (*Myiopagis gaimardii*)  
**GRAY ELAENIA** (*Myiopagis caniceps*)  
**YELLOW-BELLIED ELAENIA** (*Elaenia flavogaster*)  
**LESSER ELAENIA** (*Elaenia chiriquensis*)  
**OCHRE-BELLIED FLYCATCHER** (*Mionectes oleagineus*)  
**SEPIA-CAPPED FLYCATCHER** (*Leptopogon amaurocephalus*)  
**CHICO'S TYRANNULET** (*Zimmerius chicomendesi*)  
**SLENDER-FOOTED TYRANNULET** (*Zimmerius gracilipes*) – One good view out of Humaitá  
**GUIANAN TYRANNULET** (*Zimmerius acer*) – As split from Guianan, heard on the Roosevelt [\*]  
**AMAZONIAN SCRUB-FLYCATCHER** (*Sublegatus obscurior*) – Excellent views of a pair out of Humaitá  
**SHARP-TAILED TYRANT** (*Culicivora caudacuta*)  
**SHORT-TAILED PYGMY-TYRANT** (*Myiornis ecaudatus*) – It was really fun to watch a pair feeding young in a nest, near Humaitá.  
**SNETHLAGE'S TODY-TYRANT** (*Hemitriccus minor*) – Seen well, both sides of Madeira (will be considered separate species in near future).  
**STRIPE-NECKED TODY-TYRANT** (*Hemitriccus striaticollis*) [\*]  
**ZIMMER'S TODY-TYRANT** (*Hemitriccus minimus*)  
**BUFF-CHEEKED TODY-FLYCATCHER** (*Poecilatriccus senex*)  
**SPOTTED TODY-FLYCATCHER** (*Todirostrum maculatum*)  
**YELLOW-BROWED TODY-FLYCATCHER** (*Todirostrum chrysocrotaphum*)  
**YELLOW-MARGINED FLYCATCHER** (*Tolmomyias assimilis*)  
**GRAY-CROWNED FLYCATCHER** (*Tolmomyias poliocephalus*)  
**WHITE-CRESTED SPADEBILL** (*Platyrinchus platyrhynchus*) – Nice view of one  
**ROYAL FLYCATCHER** (*Onychorhynchus coronatus*) [\*]  
**RUDDY-TAILED FLYCATCHER** (*Terenotriccus erythrurus*)  
**FUSCOUS FLYCATCHER** (*Cnemotriccus fuscatus*) [\*]  
**VERMILION FLYCATCHER** (*Pyrocephalus rubinus*)  
**DRAB WATER TYRANT** (*Ochthornis littoralis*)  
**WHITE-HEADED MARSH TYRANT** (*Arundinicola leucocephala*)  
**RUFIOUS-TAILED FLATBILL** (*Ramphotrigon ruficauda*) [\*]  
**BRIGHT-RUMPED ATTILA** (*Attila spadiceus*)

**GRAYISH MOURNER** (*Rhytipterna simplex*) [\*]  
**PALE-BELLIED MOURNER** (*Rhytipterna immunda*) – Unfortunately, we couldn't get it to come in for a view. [\*]  
**SWAINSON'S FLYCATCHER** (*Myiarchus swainsoni*)  
**BROWN-CRESTED FLYCATCHER** (*Myiarchus tyrannulus*)  
**LESSER KISKADEE** (*Pitangus lictor*)  
**GREAT KISKADEE** (*Pitangus sulphuratus*)  
**RUSTY-MARGINED FLYCATCHER** (*Myiozetetes cayanensis*)  
**SOCIAL FLYCATCHER** (*Myiozetetes similis*)  
**YELLOW-THROATED FLYCATCHER** (*Conopias parvus*) – Fine views a couple of times.  
**VARIEGATED FLYCATCHER** (*Empidonomus varius*)  
**CROWNED SLATY FLYCATCHER** (*Empidonomus aurantioatrocristatus*)  
**SULPHURY FLYCATCHER** (*Tyrannopsis sulphurea*)  
**WHITE-THROATED KINGBIRD** (*Tyrannus albogularis*)  
**TROPICAL KINGBIRD** (*Tyrannus melancholicus*)  
**FORK-TAILED FLYCATCHER** (*Tyrannus savana*)

#### *Cotingidae (Cotingas)*

**BLACK-NECKED RED-COTINGA** (*Phoenicircus nigricollis*)  
**SPANGLED COTINGA** (*Cotinga cayana*) – Only a couple, but seen well.  
**SCREAMING PIHA** (*Lipaugus vociferans*)  
**POMPADOUR COTINGA** (*Xipholena punicea*) – Females/imm males a couple of times.  
**BARE-NECKED FRUITCROW** (*Gymnoderus foetidus*)

#### *Pipridae (Manakins)*

**DWARF TYRANT-MANAKIN** (*Tyrannus stolzmanni*)  
**SNOW-CAPPED MANAKIN** (*Lepidothrix nattereri*) – This lower Amazonian endemic was seen a couple of times.  
**BLUE-BACKED MANAKIN** (*Chiroxiphia pareola regina*) [\*]  
**BLACK MANAKIN** (*Xenopipo atronitens*) [\*]  
**BAND-TAILED MANAKIN** (*Pipra fasciicauda*) [\*]  
**GOLDEN-HEADED MANAKIN** (*Pipra erythrocephala*) [\*]  
**RED-HEADED MANAKIN** (*Pipra rubrocapilla*) [\*]  
**WING-BARRED PIPRITES** (*Piprites chloris*) [\*]

#### *Tityridae (Tityras and Allies)*

**BLACK-TAILED TITYRA** (*Tityra cayana*) – Good spotting, Dennis!  
**BROWN-WINGED SCHIFFORNIS** (*Schiffornis turdina*) – Nice views near the pousada  
**WHITE-BROWED PURPLETUFT** (*Iodopleura isabellae*)

#### *Vireonidae (Vireos)*

**RED-EYED VIREO (RED-EYED)** (*Vireo olivaceus olivaceus*)  
**LEMON-CHESTED GREENLET** (*Hylophilus thoracicus*) [\*]  
**GRAY-CHESTED GREENLET** (*Hylophilus semicinereus*)  
**BUFF-CHEEKED GREENLET** (*Hylophilus muscicapinus*)  
**SLATY-CAPPED SHRIKE-VIREO** (*Vireolanus leucotis*) [\*]  
**RUFIOUS-BROWED PEPPERSHRIKE** (*Cyclarhis gujanensis*)

#### *Hirundinidae (Swallows)*

**BLACK-COLLARED SWALLOW** (*Pygochelidon melanoleuca*) – Quite a few near Gloria rapids, but many fewer than usual (owing to especially high water).  
**WHITE-BANDED SWALLOW** (*Atticora fasciata*)  
**SOUTHERN ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW** (*Stelgidopteryx ruficollis*)  
**GRAY-BREASTED MARTIN** (*Progne chalybea*)  
**BROWN-CHESTED MARTIN** (*Progne tapera*)  
**WHITE-WINGED SWALLOW** (*Tachycineta albiventer*)

#### *Troglodytidae (Wrens)*

**TOOTH-BILLED WREN** (*Odontorchilus cinereus*) – We never managed to get very close to one, not even from the tower. [\*]  
**HOUSE WREN** (*Troglodytes aedon*)  
**MOUSTACHED WREN** (*Pheugopedius genibarbis*) [\*]  
**BUFF-BREASTED WREN** (*Cantororchilus leucotis*)  
**MUSICIAN WREN** (*Cyphorhinus arada*)

#### *Poliophtilidae (Gnatcatchers)*

**LONG-BILLED GNATWREN** (*Ramphocaenus melanurus*)



**INAMBARI GNATCATCHER** (*Polioptila attenboroughi*) – Our video of this one can be viewed at the Internet Bird Collection website.

*Turdidae (Thrushes and Allies)*

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

**WHITE-NECKED THRUSH** (*Turdus albicollis*)

*Thraupidae (Tanagers and Allies)*

**RED-CAPPED CARDINAL** (*Paroaria gularis*)

**BLACK-FACED TANAGER** (*Schistochlamys melanopis*)

**RED-BILLED PIED TANAGER** (*Lamprospiza melanoleuca*)

**WHITE-RUMPED TANAGER** (*Cypsnagra hirundinacea*)

**FLAME-CRESTED TANAGER** (*Tachyphonus cristatus*)

**FULVOUS-CRESTED TANAGER** (*Tachyphonus surinamus*)

**WHITE-SHOULDERED TANAGER** (*Tachyphonus luctuosus*)

**WHITE-LINED TANAGER** (*Tachyphonus rufus*)

**RED-SHOULDERED TANAGER** (*Tachyphonus phoenicius*)

**WHITE-WINGED SHRIKE-TANAGER** (*Lanio versicolor*)

**SILVER-BEAKED TANAGER** (*Ramphocelus carbo*)

**BLUE-GRAY TANAGER** (*Thraupis episcopus*)

**PALM TANAGER** (*Thraupis palmarum*)

**MASKED TANAGER** (*Tangara nigrocincta*)

**DOTTED TANAGER** (*Tangara varia*) [\*]

**TURQUOISE TANAGER** (*Tangara mexicana*)

**PARADISE TANAGER** (*Tangara chilensis*)

**OPAL-RUMPED TANAGER** (*Tangara velia*) – Good spot, Barb, from the tower

**SWALLOW TANAGER** (*Tersina viridis*)

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

**YELLOW-BELLIED DACNIS** (*Dacnis flaviventer*)

**BLUE DACNIS** (*Dacnis cayana*)

**SHORT-BILLED HONEYCREEPER** (*Cyanerpes nitidus*)

**PURPLE HONEYCREEPER** (*Cyanerpes caeruleus*)

**RED-LEGGED HONEYCREEPER** (*Cyanerpes cyaneus*)

**GREEN HONEYCREEPER** (*Chlorophanes spiza*)

**YELLOW-BACKED TANAGER** (*Hemithraupis flavicollis*)

**WEDGE-TAILED GRASS-FINCH** (*Emberizoides herbicola*)

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

**PLUMBEOUS SEEDEATER** (*Sporophila plumbea*)

**TAWNY-BELLIED SEEDEATER** (*Sporophila hypoxantha*)

**CHESTNUT-BELLIED SEEDEATER** (*Sporophila castaneiventris*)

**BANANAQUIT** (*Coereba flaveola*)

**YELLOW-SHOULDERED GROSBEAK** (*Parkerthraustes humeralis*) – One high in a canopy flock was hard to identify for most, but did provide a couple of definitive views.

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

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

*Emberizidae (Buntings and New World Sparrows)*

**GRASSLAND SPARROW** (*Ammodramus humeralis*)

**YELLOW-BROWED SPARROW** (*Ammodramus aurifrons*)

*Cardinalidae (Cardinals and Allies)*

**RED-CROWNED ANT-TANAGER** (*Habia rubica*)

**ROSE-BREASTED CHAT** (*Granatellus pelzelni*)

**BLUE-BLACK GROSBEAK** (*Cyanocompsa cyanoides*) [\*]

*Icteridae (Troupials and Allies)*

**RED-BREASTED BLACKBIRD** (*Sturnella militaris*)

**GIANT COWBIRD** (*Molothrus oryzivorus*)

**YELLOW-RUMPED CACIQUE** (*Cacicus cela*)

**GREEN OROPENDOLA** (*Psarocolius viridis*)

**OLIVE OROPENDOLA** (*Psarocolius bifasciatus*)

*Fringillidae (Siskins, Crossbills, and Allies)*

**GOLDEN-BELLIED EUPHONIA** (*Euphonia chrysopasta*)

**RUFOUS-BELLIED EUPHONIA** (*Euphonia rufiventris*)

**HOUSE SPARROW** (*Passer domesticus*)

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## **MAMMALS**

**LONG-NOSED BAT** (*Rhynchonycteris naso*)

**FREE-TAILED BAT SP.** (*Tadarida* sp.)

**[SILVERY] MARMOSET** (*Callithrix [argentata]* sp.) – A couple of these small, whitish marmosets were seen late in our stay on the Roosevelt.

**SADDLEBACK TAMARIN** (*Saguinus fuscicollis*) – Seen well out of Humaita.

**PRINCE BERNARD'S TITI MONKEY** (*Callicebus bernhardi*)

**RED HOWLER MONKEY** (*Alouatta seniculus*)

**WHITE-FRONTED CAPUCHIN** (*Cebus albifrons*)

**BROWN CAPUCHIN** (*Cebus apella*)

**WHITE-BELLIED SPIDER MONKEY** (*Ateles belzebuth chamek*)

**NEOTROPICAL PYGMY SQUIRREL** (*Sciurillus pusillus*)

**RED-RUMPED AGOUTI** (*Dasyprocta agouti*) – Red out of Humaita, black on the Roosevelt

**AMAZON RIVER DOLPHIN** (*Inia geoffrensis*) – From the ferry on the Madeira!

**GIANT OTTER** (*Pteronura brasiliensis*)

**BRAZILIAN TAPIR** (*Tapirus terrestris*)

**RED BROCKET DEER** (*Mazama americana*)

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## **ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**

Special mention for a couple of the big fish caught/seen/eaten must include the Peacock Bass, or tucunare; that enormous Pirapitinga the guys caught at dusk one day; and of course the wonderful ones served daily at the pousada!

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**Totals for the tour: 372 bird taxa and 15 mammal taxa**