

# CLASSIC COSTA RICA SYSTEMATIC LIST



The stunning Golden-browed Chlorophonia was seen exceptionally well on our 2024 tour © Colin Bushell

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# **Systematic List**

The taxonomy and English names used in this systematic list for the birds generally follows the recommendations of the IOC's *World Bird List* with revisions made where an alternative name/taxonomy is considered more appropriate.

For mammals, we have largely adopted the treatment proposed in the *Handbook of Mammals* of the World series by Lynx Editions.

## **Birds**

#### Great Tinamou Tinamus major

One seen very well from the trails at La Selva 12 February.

## Black-bellied Whistling Duck Dendrocygna autumnalis

A few at Tarcoles 4 February, San Isidro water treatment works 5 February and Lago Angostura (near Rancho Naturalista) 10 February.

## Muscovy Duck Cairina moschata

Several at Tarcoles 4 February and Lago Angostura 10 February.

#### Blue-winged Teal Anas discors

Small flocks at the San Isidro water treatment works 5 February, between Ujarras and CATIE 9 February and Lago Angostura 10 February.

#### Lesser Scaup Aythya affinis

A flock of 47 near Ujarras 9 February and 75 at Lago Angostura the following day.

## Grey-headed Chachalaca Ortalis cinereiceps

Small numbers near Villa Lapas, then regularly encountered on the Caribbean slope near Rancho Naturalista and at La Selva.

#### Crested Guan Penelope purpurescens

Ones and twos near Villa Lapas 5 February and near Rancho Naturalista 11 February and La Selva 12 February.

#### Black Guan Chamaepetes unicolor

Singles at Savegre 7 February along the river near our lodge, Rio Macho 8 February and close up at Cinchona on our final day in Costa Rica.

## **Spotted Wood Quail Odontophorus guttatus**

Heard on our arrival at Savegre 5 February, but we had unbelievable views of three on the

lodge patio there the next day. Four were present around the cabins at Savegre 7 February in the early morning.

## Black-breasted Wood Quail Odontophorus leucolaemus

Heard at Rio Macho 8 February and seen briefly by just a few at Cinchona 13 February when a small party fed below the platform.

#### **Lesser Nighthawk Chordeiles acutipennis**

At least one over the Tarcoles at dusk at the end of our boat trip 4 February.

#### Pauraque Nyctidromus albicollis H

Heard at Villa Lapas 4 February and La Quinta 12 February.

#### **Dusky Nightjar Caprimulgus saturatus**

One seen in the upper Savegre valley in the evening of 6 February.

#### **Great Potoo Nyctibius grandis**

One at roost CATIE 9 February.

## **Common Potoo Nyctibius griseus**

Amazing views of an adult and juvenile on a post at Los Quepos 5 February.

## White-collared Swift Streptoprocne rutila

Inexplicably scarce with records on just two dates. A single was seen at Savegre 6 February and a flock over a distant, largely cloud-covered hillside near Ujarras 9 February were our only sightings.

## Costa Rican Swift Chaetura fumosa

Seen on two dates near Carara 3 February and enroute to Londres de Quepos 5 February.

#### Vaux's Swift Chaetura vauxi

Small flocks seen on 9 February at Orosi and La Selva 12 February.

#### White-necked Jacobin Florisuga mellivora

After a brief sighting at Villa Lapas 4 February, most of the group had to wait until we reached the Caribbean slope to see this distinctive hummingbird. Easily seen at Rancho Naturalista and in the La Quinta and La Selva area.

#### Stripe-throated Hermit Phaethornis striigularis

Seen on six dates at Villa Lapas, Cope's, Rancho Naturalista, La Quinta and La Selva.

## Green Hermit Phaethornis guy

This 'foothill hummer' was found at Rio Macho, Rancho Naturalista, Rio Tuis, Cinchona and La Paz Waterfall Gardens.

## Long-billed Hermit Phaethornis longirostris

Seen on four dates at Villa Lapas, Cope's and La Selva.

## Green-fronted Lancebill Doryfera Iudovicae

Great views at Hotel Quelitales on a perch above the rushing river on 8 February.

## Brown Violetear Colibri delphinae

One at Rio Macho 8 February was the sole record for the tour.

## Lesser Violetear Colibri cyanotus

Common (at least by voice) in the Savegre valley, with many seen over a three-day period.

## Purple-crowned Fairy Heliothryx barroti

One at Rio Tuis 10 February.

#### Green-breasted Mango Anthracothorax prevostii

Singles at the Cerro Lodge Road 2 February and at Playalita 5 February were rather isolated records compared to the number of birds seen on the Caribbean slope at Cope's feeders and around Rancho Naturalista towards the end of the tour.

#### Green Thorntail Discosura conversii

Singles at Rio Tuis and Rancho Bajo on 10 February. We saw a couple on the last day around Cinchona and La Paz Waterfall Gardens as we returned to the airport.

## Black-crested Coquette Lophornis helenae

This species can be tricky to see and easily missed, so we were lucky to see a male, albeit briefly, at Rancho Bajo on 10 February.

## Green-crowned Brilliant Heliodoxa jacula

Seen at the feeders at Hotel Quelitales 8 February and in the Caribbean foothills of Cinchona and La Paz Waterfall Gardens.

#### Talamanca Hummingbird Eugenes spectabilis

Common in the highlands around Savegre and Paraiso de los Quetzales.

#### Fiery-throated Hummingbird Panterpe insignis

Seen well at Miriam's Café on the feeders 6 February and also at Paraiso de los Quetzales the next day.

## Plain-capped Starthroat Heliomaster constantii

One along the Guacimo Road 4 February.

## White-bellied Mountaingem Lampornis hemileucus

A poor showing this year, but seen at Hotel Quelitales 8 February.

#### Purple-throated Mountaingem Lampornis calolaemus

Found at Rio Macho 8 February.

## Grey-tailed Mountaingem Lampornis cinereicauda

Seen in the Savegre area 6-7 February, mainly around Miriam's Café and Paraiso de los Quetzales.

## Ruby-throated Hummingbird Archilochus colubris

One at our lunch restaurant 2 February near the Cerro Lodge Road was well watched. We then saw more along the Guacimo Road 4 February and at Ujarras 9 February.

## Volcano Hummingbird Selasphorus flammula

Seen on two dates in the highlands, mainly around Miriam's Café (Savegre) 6 February and Cerro de la Muerte the following day.

## Scintillant Hummingbird Selasphorus scintilla

Common in the Savegre area, with records on two dates.

#### Garden Emerald Chlorostilbon assimilis

Seen at Rancho Bajo 10 February. A lovely looking hummingbird, that on any other day would be the centre of everyone's attention, except when your competition is Snowcap and coquettes.

## Violet-headed Hummingbird Klais guimeti

Regularly seen at Rancho Naturalista and Rancho Bajo.

## **Violet Sabrewing Campylopterus hemileucurus**

Seen at Hotel Quelitales 9 February and at Cinchona and La Paz Waterfall Gardens 13 February.

## Bronze-tailed Plumleteer Chalybura urochrysia

First seen at Rancho Naturalista 9 February and recorded there regularly over the next couple of days.

## Crowned Woodnymph Thalarania columbica

One of the most regularly seen hummingbirds on the Caribbean slope from Rancho Naturalista, Cope's feeders, La Quinta and La Selva.

#### Snowcap Microchera albocoronata

A good tour for this species, although admittedly all sightings were on one day with several at the Verbena bushes at Rancho Bajo.

## Coppery-headed Emerald Elvira cupreiceps

Seen on the final day at Cinchona. Endemic to Costa Rica.

#### Stripe-tailed Emerald Eupherusa exima

Quite numerous in the Savegre area, but only seen 6 February.

#### Black-bellied Hummingbird Eupherusa nigriventris

Seen at Hotel Quelitales 8 February and attending feeders at Cinchona and La Paz Waterfall Gardens on our final day in the field.

## Scaly-breasted Hummingbird Phaeochroa cuvierri

Singles on two dates at Villa Lapas were rather poorly seen, however, we saw it really well at Cope's place 11 February.

## Blue-vented Hummingbird Amazilia hoffmanni

Seen at Cerro Lodge 2 February, Villa Lapas and Carara NP 3 February and along the Guacimo Road the following day. Our last sighting of the tour was at Ujarras 9 February.

## Cinnamon Hummingbird Amazilia rutila

This dry country hummer was seen on the Cerro Lodge Road and arid scrub of the Gaucimo Road on two dates at the start of the tour.

#### Rufous-tailed Hummingbird Amazilia tzacatl

The most frequently encountered hummingbird of the tour and recorded on ten dates.

## Mangrove Hummingbird Amazilia boucardi

Seen well on our boat trip in the mangroves at Tarcoles 4 February.

## Blue-chested Hummingbird Amazilia amablis

One seen at La Selva 12 February.

#### Blue-throated Sapphire Crotophaga sulcirostris

Seen at Villa Lapas and Carara NP at the beginning of the trip.

#### Groove-billed Ani Crotophaga sulcirostris

Seen from the bus 2 February as we travelled to the Pacific coast from Heridea and around Lago Angostura 10 February.

#### Smooth-billed Ani Crotophaga ani

One or two seen 5 February near Playalita.

## **Lesser Ground Cuckoo Morococcyx erythropygus**

One that started calling 4 February in the arid scrub of the Guacimo Road, was found in a thick tussock and gave brief views. It later relocated into a tree nearer the road, where it was video recorded and photographed. Incredibly, the bird reappeared as we were about to leave, hopping across the road and then began dustbathing before a very lucky birding group. Eventually it skulked off into the undergrowth because of an approaching car. Amazing!

#### Squirrel Cuckoo Piaya cayana

Seen on three dates at Carara 3 February, Rancho Naturalista 9 February and La Selva 12 February.

#### Feral Rock Dove Columba livia

Encountered in most suburban areas.

#### Band-tailed Pigeon Patagioenas fasciata

Common in the Savegre Valley and around Paraiso de los Quetzales.

## Pale-vented Pigeon Patagioenas cayennensis

Seen at Cope's Garden 11 February and heard at La Selva the following day.

## Red-billed Pigeon Patagioenas flavirostris

Seen on seven dates spread throughout the tour.

#### Ruddy Pigeon Patagioenas subvinacea H

Heard on two dates at Savegre and above Rancho Naturalista.

## Short-billed Pigeon Patagioenas nigrirostris H

Heard at La Selva and Rancho Naturalista.

#### Inca Dove Columbina inca

Seen on our first few days along the Pacific coast.

#### Ruddy Ground Dove Columbina talpacoti

Widespread with sightings of small numbers on seven dates during the tour.

#### Blue Ground Dove Claravis pretiosa H

Heard at La Selva 12 February.

#### White-tipped Dove Leptotila verreauxi

Seen at Villa Lapas, Guacimo Road and Cerro Lodge Road at the start of the tour. On the Caribbean slope, we encountered it on three dates at Rancho Naturalista and near La Selva.

#### Grey-chested Dove Leptotila cassinii

One at La Selva 12 February.

#### Chriqui Quail Dove Geotrygon chiriquensis H

Heard at Rio Macho 8 February.

#### White-winged Dove Zenaida asiatica

Seen on ten dates and one of the first birds of the tour in the garden of the Hotel Bougainvillea.

## Russet-naped Wood Rail Aramides albiventris

A brief roadside glimpse as we were arriving at Rancho Naturalista 10 February, but much better views at Cope's the following day.

#### American Coot Fulica americana

Two at Lago Angostura 10 February were a 'year tick' for Herman and he was first to my 'scope!

#### Purple Gallinule Porphyrio martinicus

Seen at Playalita 5 February and many at Lago Angostura 10 February.

## White-throated Crake Laterallus albigularis H

Calling, but not seen, at Lago Angostura 10 February.

## Limpkin Aramus guarauna

Two at Lago Angostura 10 February.

## Least Grebe Tachybaptus dominicus

Seen at the San Isidro water treatment works 5 February.

## Pied-billed Grebe Podilymbus podiceps

One at Lago Angostura 10 February.

## **Double-striped Thick-knee** Burhinus bistriatus

Rather distant, shimmery views of one at the Guacimo Road 2 February.

## Black-necked Stilt Himantopus mexicanus

Several were seen on three dates at the start of the tour on the Pacific coast.

#### **Southern Lapwing Vanellus chilensis**

Seen on six dates in open country.

## Grey Plover Pluvialis squatarola

Several on the Tarcoles mudflats 4 February.

#### Semipalmated Plover Charadrius semipalmatus

A few on the Tarcoles 4 February and some at Playalita.

#### Wilson's Plover Charadrius wilsonia

Three or four on the Tarcoles mudflats 4 February.

#### Killdeer Charadrius vociferus

Four at a small reservoir near Ujarras 9 February.

#### **Collared Plover Charadrius collaris**

Another rather shimmery bird seen in the intense heat at Playalita 5 February.

#### Northern Jacana Jacana spinosa

Seen at the two main wetland sites we visited: San Isidro water treatment works and Lago Angostura.

#### **Hudsonian Whimbrel Numenius hudsonicus**

Several at the Tarcoles estuary and Playalita.

## **Ruddy Turnstone** *Arenaria interpres*

A small flock of four or five seen on the Tarcoles 4 February.

#### Sanderling Calidris alba

A small flock was seen at the Tarcoles river 4 February and a single on the beach at Playalita the next day.

#### Least Sandpiper Calidris minutilla

Several flocks on the Tarcoles during our boat trip 4 February and smaller numbers on a pool at Playalita the next day.

## Semipalmated Sandpiper Calidris pusila

A flock of around 20 on the Tarcoles mudflats 4 February.

#### Western Sandpiper Calidris mauri

At least one with the 'semi-p's' on the Tarcoles.

## **Spotted Sandpiper Actitis macularius**

Recorded on four dates on lagoons, rivers and estuaries.

#### Willet Tringa semipalmatus

Numerous around the Tarcoles and mangrove lagoons along the Guacimo Road at the start of the tour. A few were also seen at Playalita 5 February.

## Laughing Gull Leucophaeus atricilla

Many on the mudflats of the Tarcoles 4 February.

#### Royal Tern Thalasseus maximus

Seen on the Tarcoles and at Playalita along the Pacific coast at the start of the tour.

#### Sunbittern Eurypyga helias

A key bird which was seen at Rio Tuis 10 February, with great views of at least three individuals.

#### Wood Stork Mycteria americana

Seen mostly around Tarcoles with others from the bus and at Lago Angostura.

#### Magnificent Frigatebird Fregata magnificens

Common on the Pacific coast.

## Anhinga Anhinga anhinga

Recorded at Tarcoles and Lago Angostura.

## Neotropic Cormorant Phalacrocorax brasilianus

Seen along the Tarcoles and Lago Angostura with a couple of sightings from the bus on two other dates.

## **Green Ibis** *Mesembrinibis cayennensis*

Two in the forest near Cope's place 11 February were nice to see as they were our only sighting.

#### American White Ibis Eudocimus albus

Recorded on four dates at the start of the tour, mostly on the Tarcoles, but there was a regular flight (to roost?) over the trail at Villa Lapas on two evenings.

#### Roseate Spoonbill Platalea ajaja

Three or four on the Tarcoles 4 February.

#### Bare-throated Tiger Heron Tigrisoma mexicanum

Seen on three dates at the beginning of the tour, along the river at Villa Lapas (sometimes from the restaurant) and on the Tarcoles.

#### **Boat-billed Heron Cochlearius cochlearius**

Several at CATIE 10 February.

#### Yellow-crowned Night Heron Nyctanassa violacea

Seen along the Tarcoles 4 February and at Playalita the next day.

#### Green Heron Butoroides virescens

Seen on three dates. A few were along the Tarcoles and at Playalita and one was seen at Lago Angostura.

#### Western Cattle Egret Bubulcus ibis

Seen on ten dates.

#### Great Blue Heron Ardea herodias

Seen on five dates, mainly around the Tarcoles, but ones and twos seen in most suitable habitats.

## Great Egret Ardea alba

Small numbers on six dates with most recorded as we travelled by bus between birding sites.

#### Tricolored Heron Egretta tricolor

A few around the Rio Tarcoles on our boat trip, but also seen on three other dates with most at Lago Angostura.

## Little Blue Heron Egretta caerulea

Found on five dates including our boat trip and at Lago Angostura and on mangrove lagoons along the Guacimo Road.

#### Snowy Egret Egretta thula

Only seen on four dates, primarily at Lago Angostura and Rio Tarcoles.

#### Brown Pelican Pelecanus occidentalis

Recorded on three dates along the Pacific coast.

## King Vulture Sarcoramphus papa

A distant individual was seen as we travelled up the Pacific slope 5 February was bettered considerably the next day by a soaring bird over the Savegre hillsides.

## **Black Vulture Coragyps atratus**

Recorded daily.

#### **Turkey Vulture Cathartes aura**

Seen daily during the tour.

#### **Osprey Pandion haliaetus**

Seen at the Tarcoles, Playalita and La Selva.

#### White-tailed Kite Elanus leucurus

Seen on five dates, mainly from the bus. A bird soaring over Rancho Naturalista was rather unusual behaviour for this species.

## Grey-headed Kite Leptodon cayanensis

Singles seen along the Guacimo Road 4 February, Los Quepos 5 February and heard at La Selva 12 February.

#### Hook-billed Kite Chondrohierax uncinatus

One over the ridge top at Ujarras 9 February.

## **Swallow-tailed Kite Elanoides forficatus**

Seen on two dates; the first rather predictably over the Pacific coastal forests 5 February. The other was at Paraiso de los Quetzales 7 February.

## Black Hawk-eagle Spizaetus tyrannus

One calling and soaring over the forest at Rio Macho 8 February was a splendid sight and sound.

#### Plumbeous Kite Ictinia plumbea

One seen from the boat along the Tarcoles was our only sighting this year.

#### Snail Kite Rostrhamus sociabilis

At least one at Lago Angostura 10 February.

## Crane Hawk Geranospiza caerulescens

One at the Guacimo Road 4 February.

## Common Black Hawk Buteogallus anthracinus

A few in the mangroves along the Tarcoles 4 February.

## Roadside Hawk Rupornis magnirostris

Seen on just three dates, mainly travel days, but one showed well along the Guacimo Road 2 February.

#### Grey Hawk Buteo plagiatus

Seen on five dates spread throughout the tour. Many roadside birds were logged from the bus.

## **Broad-winged Hawk Buteo platypterus**

We had to wait until we reached Paraiso de los Quetzales to find this species. After that, we encountered it fairly regularly on the Caribbean slope until the end of the tour.

## Short-tailed Hawk Buteo brachyurus

Seen on four dates (all pale phase birds).

## Striped Owl Pseudoscops clamator

Brilliant views through the 'scope of a perched bird near Jaco 3 February. The post-dinner excursion was very successful with Spectacled Owl also found and a return to base before 10pm!

#### Unspotted Saw-whet Owl Aegolius ridgewayi H

Herman located a calling bird in the upper Savegre valley 6 February and although he glimpsed it in flight, we missed it. It called back a couple of times, but for the rest of us, unfortunately, that was as good as it got!

## Costa Rican Pygmy Owl Glaucidium costaricanum H

Heard at Los Robles, Savegre.

#### Ferruginous Pygmy Owl Glaucidium brasilianum

One of the first birds we saw in the garden of the Hotel Bougainvillea on our first morning, was soon joined by a second bird. Also heard along the Guacimo Road.

## Bare-shanked Screech Owl Megascops clarkii

A roosting bird along a trail at Los Robles, Savegre 6 February, allowed close scrutiny with the 'scopes.

## Tropical Screech Owl Megascops choliba

Great views of two roosting birds in the plaza of Paraiso 7 February.

#### Pacific Screech Owl Megascops cooperi

This tiny owl was seen along the approach road to Cerro Lodge in the afternoon of 2 February. Such incredible camouflage, it could easily be passed off as the bark of a tree!

## Middle American Screech Owl Megascops guatemalae H

Heard at La Selva 12 February.

#### Spectacled Owl Pulsatrix perspicillata

One seen at night (a bit of a novelty for this tour!) at Jaco, just after the Striped Owl 3 February. Two at daytime roost near Cope's house were well appreciated, especially by those who couldn't make the Jaco trip.

## Crested Owl Lophostrix cristata

Two at a roost site near the Spectacled Owls at Cope's patch of forest.

#### Mottled Owl Strix virgata

Our second owl of the trip, with fantastic views of a roosting bird in the gardens of the Hotel Bougainvillea.

## Black-and-white Owl Strix nigrolineata

Great views of two roosting birds at Tarcoles just before we boarded the boats for the trip into the mangroves 4 February.

#### Resplendent Quetzal Pharomachrus mocinno

Probably the 'poster bird' of the tour, so we went for a quick look for one as soon as we arrived at Savegre. There was no sign, but we made up for it on our first morning in the area, when we had cracking views of at least three birds not far from the hotel. On that day (6 February), we saw up to six Resplendent Quetzals in the Savegre area. We also heard one the following day at Paraiso de los Quetzales.

## Slaty-tailed Trogon Trogon massena

One at Villa Lapas 3 February.

#### Northern Black-headed Trogon Trogon tenellus

Two seen at Villa Lapas 3 February.

#### **Gartered Trogon Trogon caligatus**

Recorded on five dates at Villa Lapas, Cerro Lodge, Rancho Naturalista and La Selva.

## Black-throated Trogon Trogon rufus H

Heard at La Selva at dusk 12 February.

## **Collared Trogon Trogon collaris**

Two on the trail below Los Robles, Savegre 6 February.

## Amazon Kingfisher Chloroceryle amazona

Seen at Villa Lapas, on the Tarcoles and Savegre.

## American Pygmy Kingfisher Chloroceryle aenea

Seen from the boats along the Tarcoles 4 February and at Cope's place 11 February.

## **Green Kingfisher Chloroceryle americana**

Recorded on four dates with sightings at Villa Lapas, Tarcoles, Rio Tuis, La Quinta and finally, one from the bus near Virgen de Socorro on the way to Cinchona.

#### Ringed Kingfisher Megaceryle torquata

We saw this at Villa Lapas, Carara and on the Tarcoles.

## Belted Kingfisher Megaceryle alcyon

One on the Tarcoles 4 February.

#### Lesson's Motmot Momotus lessonii

Recorded on two dates at Rancho Naturalista, often from the balcony.

#### Rufous Motmot Barypthengus martii

Seen at Rio Tuis 10 February and heard the following day at nearby Rancho Naturalista.

#### **Broad-billed Motmot** *Electron platyryhynchum*

One seen from the bridge at La Selva 12 February.

#### Turquoise-browed Motmot Eumomota superciliosa

Seen regularly at the start of the tour on the Pacific coast, mainly at Villa Lapas.

## Rufous-tailed Jacamar Galbula ruficauda

One seen well along the trail at Villa Lapas 3 February.

#### Pied Puffbird Notharcus tectus

One at La Selva 12 February, perched high on a dead tree in the clearing.

#### White-whiskered Puffbird Malacoptila panamensis

Seen at Carara 3 February and at La Selva 12 February.

#### Red-headed Barbet Eubucco bourcierii

A female at Rio Macho 8 February was our only record.

#### Prong-billed Barbet Semnornis frantzii

Our first was at Rio Macho 8 February, then we saw them again at the feeding station at Cinchona on our final morning in Costa Rica.

#### Blue-throated Toucanet Aulacorhynchus caeruleogularis

Seen at Savegre 6 February, Rio Macho 8 February and Cinchona 13 February.

#### Collared Araçari Pteroglossus torquatus

Quite common on the Caribbean slope with records from five dates towards the end of the tour.

#### Fiery-billed Araçari Pteroglossus frantzii

'Scope views at Villa Lapas, with records from four dates at the start of the tour on the Pacific side.

## Keel-billed Toucan Ramphastos sulfuratus

Quite common on the Caribbean slope and seen on five dates.

## Yellow-throated Toucan Ramphastos ambiguus

Seen on six dates on both the Caribbean and Pacific slopes. We had great views of both the large toucans at Cope's place this year.

## Acorn Woodpecker Melanerpes formicivorus

This highland woodpecker was common around Savegre and particularly ubiquitous at Miriam's café feeders.

## Black-cheeked Woodpecker Melanerpes pucherani

Common on the Caribbean slope with particularly good views at Cope's feeders and at La Quinta.

## Red-crowned Woodpecker Melanerpes rubricapillus

One at Playalita 5 February was our only record.

## Hoffman's Woodpecker Melanerpes hoffmannii

First seen in the grounds of the Hotel Bougainvillea, on our first morning of the tour. We saw it regularly at Pacific coast sites and again in the Caribbean lowlands at La Quinta.

## Hairy Woodpecker Leuconotopicus villosus

Seen at Miriam's Café 6 February and heard at Paraiso de los Quetzales the following day.

## Golden-olive Woodpecker Colaptes rubiginosus H

Heard at Savegre 6 February.

## **Cinnamon Woodpecker Celeus Ioricatus**

Two in the clearing at La Selva 12 February.

## **Lineated Woodpecker Drycopus lineatus**

Seen in the Hotel Bougainvillea gardens on our first morning and again at Villa Lapas over the following two days. Also heard at Rancho Naturalista.

#### Pale-billed Woodcreeper Campephilus guatemalensis

Seen on two dates at Villa Lapas, at one time next to Lineated Woodpecker – a very useful comparison of similar species.

#### Crested Caracara Caracara cheriway

Seen on eight dates, mostly from the bus as we travelled between birding sites, but a few seen well along the Guacimo Road.

## Yellow-headed Caracara Milvago chimachima

Seen on four dates with some 'scoped on the Guacimo Road.

## Laughing Falcon Herpetotheres cachinnans

One at Villa Lapas 2 February was seen by a few of the group and was probably the individual heard nearby the following afternoon. We saw one well at Rio Tuis 10 February and another was seen briefly from the bus as we left Cope's place the next day.

#### Barred Forest Falcon Micrastur ruficollis H

Heard at Villa Lapas 4 February.

#### Bat Falcon Falco rufigularis

Two seen perched at Rio Macho 8 February.

## Orange-chinned Parakeet Brotogeris jugularis

Recorded on six dates, but only really seen well at Cope's place 11 February.

## Brown-hooded Parrot Pionopsitta haematotis

Seen well at Ujarras 9 February and at Rancho Naturalista 11 February.

#### White-crowned Parrot *Pionus senilis*

Recorded on six dates and seen well at Villa Lapas and Rancho Naturalista where birds were 'scoped.

#### White-fronted Amazon Amazona albifrons

Seen only along the Guacimo Road 4 February.

#### **Red-lored Amazon** Amazona autumnalis

A couple near La Selva 12 February while we were watching the Great Green Macaws.

## Yellow-naped Amazon Amazona auropalliata H

Heard at the Tarcoles while we were in the depths of the mangroves.

## Mealy Parrot Amazona farinosa

Very few recorded with the only one seen in the 'scopes above Villa Lapas on our final morning in the area.

## Sulphur-winged Parakeet Pyrrhura hoffmanni

Seen well around Savegre 6 February and Rio Tuis 10 February.

#### Great Green Macaw Ara ambiguous

Superb views of at least three near La Selva 12 February plus a couple seen fleetingly along the river later that afternoon.

#### Scarlet Macaw Ara macao

Rather common in the Villa Lapas and Carara areas at the start of the tour.

#### Finsch's Parakeet Aratinga finschi

Common and widespread throughout the tour.

## Olivaceous Woodcreeper Sittasomus griseicapillus

One at Rio Tuis 10 February.

## Wedge-billed Woodcreeper Glyphorynchus spirirus

Heard 11 February at Rancho Naturalista and seen the next day at La Selva.

## Cocoa Woodcreeper Xiphorhynchus susurrans

Recorded on four dates, but only seen at Carara 3 February and Rancho Naturalista 10 February.

## Streak-headed Woodcreeper Lepidocolaptes souleyetii

Our most regularly recorded woodcreeper (seven dates) and seen at most sites we visited on both the Pacific and Caribbean slopes.

## **Spot-crowned Woodcreeper Lepidocolaptes affinis**

Seen in the highlands of Savegre 6 February.

#### Plain Xenops Xenops minutus

One at La Selva 12 February.

#### Fawn-throated Foliage-gleaner Automolus cervinigularis

One at Rancho Naturalista in the morning of 11 February when we visited the moth trap.

#### Spotted Barbtail Premnoplex brunnescens H

Heard at Rio Macho 8 February.

#### Ruddy Treerunner Margarornis rubiginosus

Several seen at Savegre, mainly at Los Robles 6 February.

## Red-faced Spinetail Craniolleuca erythrops H

Heard at Rio Macho 8 February.

## Slaty Spinetail Synallaxis brachyura H

Heard at Lago Angostura 10 February.

## **Russet Antshrike Thamnistes anabatinus**

One seen well at Rio Tuis 10 February.

#### **Dot-winged Antwren Microrhopias quixensis**

A pair at Carara 3 February.

#### Slaty Antwren Myrmotherula schisticolor

A male seen at Rio Macho 8 February.

#### Barred Antshrike Thamnophilus doliatus H

Heard at Villa Lapas on two dates.

#### Black-hooded Antshrike Thamnophilus bridgesi

Two at Carara 3 February.

## Fasciated Antshrike Cymbilaimus lineatus H

Heard at La Selva 12 February.

#### Chestnut-backed Antbird Myrmeciza exsul

Seen well at Villa Lapas 3 February along the trail beyond the cabins. We heard them there the following day and also at La Selva 12 February.

## Zeledon's Antbird Hafferia zeledoni H

Heard at Rio Macho 8 February.

#### Black-faced Antthrush Formicarius analis

One seen at Carara 3 February.

## Scaled Antpitta Gallaria guatimalensis

Great views of two, a young bird and an adult, at Hotel Quelitales on 8 February. Bird of the tour for one of the leaders!

## Silver-fronted Tapaculo Scytalopus argentifrons

One seen well (for a tapaculo!) 8 February along the Rio Macho.

#### Yellow-bellied Elaenia Elaenia flavogaster H

Heard at Ujarras 9 February.

#### Mountain Elaenia Elaenia frantzii

Regularly encountered throughout our three day stay in the highlands.

#### Northern Beardless Tyrannulet Camptostoma imberbe

One seen at the Guacimo Road 2 February.

## Southern Beardless Tyrannulet Camptostoma obsoletum

One above Villa Lapas 5 February.

## Torrent Tyrannulet Serpophaga cinerea

Seen on the rushing rivers near our hotel in Savegre during our stay there.

## Mistletoe Tyrannulet Zimmereus parvus

Recorded on seven dates at most sites we visited.

#### Olive-striped Flycatcher Mionectes olivaceus

Seen at Rio Macho and Hotel Quelitales 8 February.

#### Ochre-bellied Flycatcher *Mionectes oleagineus*

Seen on three dates in Carara 3 February and twice at Rancho Naturalista.

#### Slaty-capped Flycatcher Leptopogon superciliaris

Seen at Rio Macho 8 February.

#### Northern Bentbill Oncostoma cinereigulare

Found at Villa Lapas 3 February.

## Scale-crested Pygmy Tyrant Lophotriccus pileatus H

Heard at Rio Macho 8 February.

#### Common Tody-flycatcher Todirostrum cinereum

Seen on four dates around Villa Lapas, Rancho Naturalista and La Selva.

## Yellow-olive Flatbill Tolmomyias sulphurescens

Seen on two dates on the Pacific slope: Carara 2 February and Guacimo Road 4 February.

## Golden-crowned Spadebill Playrinchus coronatus H

Heard along the Guacimo Road 4 February.

#### Black Phoebe Sayornis nigricans

Seen on two dates. Rio Tuis is always a good site for this species and one was seen as we drove past Virgen de Socorro 13 February.

#### Northern Tropical Pewee Contopus cinereus

One at Tarcoles 4 February.

#### Yellow-bellied Flycatcher Empidonax flaviventris

We saw three: at Guacimo Road 4 February, CATIE 9 February and Rio Tuis 10 February,

#### Yellowish Flycatcher Empidonax flavescens

Seen regularly in the forests during our three day stay in the highlands in the middle of the tour.

## Black-capped Flycatcher Empidonax atriceps

Another highland *Empidonax* which was seen well. We enjoyed great views of three during the 'purple patch' at the bottom of the hill below Paraiso de los Quetzales 7 February.

## Long-tailed Tyrant Colonia colonus

One at La Selva 12 February.

#### Piratic Flycatcher Legatus leucophaius

Recorded on six dates at most sites visited.

## Social Flycatcher Myiozetetes similis

Seen on ten dates. Common away from highland sites.

#### **Grey-capped Flycatcher** *Myiozetetes granadensis*

Another locally common (particularly at La Selva) lowland flycatcher albeit seen on just three dates.

#### **Great Kiskadee Pitangus sulphuratus**

Seen daily. Common and ubiquitous.

## White-ringed Flycatcher Conopias albovittatus

One at La Selva 12 February.

## Golden-bellied Flycatcher Myiodynastes hemichrysus

Two seen pre-breakfast at Rio Macho on 8 February.

## Streaked Flycatcher Myiodynastes maculatus

Seen at Carara 3 February and the following day at Villa Lapas.

## Boat-billed Flycatcher Megarhynchus pitangua

Seen on nine dates throughout the tour.

## **Tropical Kingbird Tyrannus melancholicus**

Widespread and common and noted on ten dates.

#### Scissor-tailed Flycatcher Tyrannus forficatus

One in the arid country along the Guacimo Road 2 February.

## Rufous Mourner Rhytipterna holerythra

One at Rio Macho 8 February.

#### Dusky-capped Flycatcher Myiarchus tuberculifer

Recorded on six dates, mainly by voice and only seen 5 February at Villa Lapas.

#### **Great Crested Flycatcher Myiarchus crinitus**

Singles seen at Villa Lapas 3 February, Guacimo Road 4 February and La Selva 12 February.

## **Brown-crested Flycatcher Myiarchus tyrannulus**

Seen along the Guacimo Road and Cerro Lodge approach road on our first day in the field.

## Bright-rumped Attila Attila spadiceus

Recorded on five dates, but they can take a bit of seeing! We managed to get views at Villa Lapas and at La Selva.

## **Rufous Piha Lipaugus unirufus**

One seen well and 'scoped at Carara 3 February.

#### Turquoise Cotinga Cotinga ridgwayi

At least two males near the Police Station at Perez Celedon 5 February. Absolute stunners!

#### Long-tailed Manakin Chiroxiphia linearis H

Heard at Villa Lapas. Unfortunately, they just wouldn't come down from the dense forest.

#### White-ruffed Manakin Corapipo altera

A female was seen at Hotel Quelitales 8 February, followed by males at Rio Tuis 10 February and a female at Rancho Naturalista the following day.

#### White-collared Manakin Manacus candei

Frequently encountered on the Caribbean slope once we arrived at Rancho Naturalista. Also seen at La Selva on our last full day in the field.

## **Tropical Royal Flycatcher Onychorhynchus coronatus**

One seen after quite a bit of work at Villa Lapas 3 February.

## Sulphur-rumped Myiobius sulphureipygius

One seen in the same spot two days running at Villa Lapas and another at Carara.

## Ruddy-tailed flycatcher Terenotriccus erythrurus

One at Carara 3 February.

## Black-crowned Tityra Tityra inquisitor

At least one at La Selva 12 February.

## Masked Tityra Tityra semifasciata

Seen on three dates on the Caribbean slope at Rancho Naturalista and La Selva.

## Cinnamon Becard Pachyramphus cinnamomeus

One La Selva 12 February.

#### Rose-throated Becard Pachyramphus aglaiae

A female at Villa Lapas on two dates.

## Rufous-browed Peppershrike Cyclarhis gujanensis H

Heard on four dates. One, at Rio Macho toyed with us for some time before disappearing.

## Tawny-crowned Greenlet Tunchiornis ochraceiceps

One at Carara 3 February.

## Lesser Greenlet Pachysylvia decurtate

Seen at Carara 3 February and heard at La Selva 12 February.

#### Philadelphia Vireo Vireo philadelphicus

Seen on a regular basis throughout the tour. Recorded on seven dates.

## Brown-capped Vireo Vireo leucophrys

Seen at Savegre 6 February and Rio Macho 8 February.

#### Yellow-throated Vireo Vireo flavifrons

Seen on four dates near Cerro Lodge 2 February, Carara 3 February, Guacimo Road 4 February and Rio Macho 8 February.

#### Yellow-winged Vireo Vireo carmioli

Seen at Savegre on the two days we birded there.

#### Brown Jay Cyanocorax morio

Widespread and noisy! Seen on seven dates throughout the tour.

#### White-throated Magpie-Jay Calocitta formosa

Seen on both birding trips to the Guacimo Road.

## Black-and-yellow Phainoptila Phainoptila melanoxantha

One at Paraiso de los Quetzales 7 February.

#### Long-tailed Silky-flycatcher Ptilogonys caudatus

Common around Savegre and Paraiso de los Quetzales in the highlands.

## Mangrove Swallow Tachycineta albilinea

Seen on four dates this year, usually near rivers.

## Blue-and-white Swallow Notiochelidon cyanoleuca

Seen on nine dates.

## Northern Rough-winged Swallow Stelgidopteryx serripennis

Seen on four dates on the Caribbean slope, but possibly under recorded.

## Southern Rough-winged Swallow Stelgidopteryx ruficollis

Seen on three dates around Rancho Naturalista and La Selva.

#### Grey-breasted Martin Progne chalybea.

A good showing this year and recorded in small numbers on seven dates.

#### Barn Swallow Hirundo rustica

Only seen on our first day in the field near Guacimo and Cerro Lodge roads.

## Rufous-backed Wren Campyloryhnchus capistratus

Seen well in the gardens of the Hotel Bougainvillea at the start of the tour. Also seen at all sites visited on the Pacific coast.

## Black-throated Wren Pheugopedius fasciatoventris

Heard at Rancho Naturalista 10 February and one seen in vine tangles at La Selva 12 February.

## Rufous-breasted Wren Pheugopedius rutilus H

Heard at Villa Lapas.

## **Banded Wren Thryophilus pleurostictus**

One seen on the Guacimo Road 4 February.

#### Cabanis's Wren Cantorchilus modestus

Seen in the grounds of the Hotel Bougainvillea on the first morning and at Ujarras 9 February.

#### Isthmian Wren Cantorchilus elutus H

Heard at our lunch stop 5 February.

#### Riverside Wren Cantorchilus semibadius H

Heard at Villa Lapas 3 February.

## Bay Wren Cantorchilus nigricapillus H

Heard at Rancho Naturalista 10 February.

## Stripe-breasted Wren Cantorchilus thoracicus

One at La Selva 12 February.

## House Wren Troglodytes aedon

Recorded on seven dates.

## Ochraceous Wren Troglodytes ochraceus

Seen on two dates at Savegre and Rio Macho.

#### Timberline Wren Thryorchilus browni H

Heard near Paraiso de los Quetzales 7 February.

#### White-breasted Wood Wren Henicorhina leucosticta

Heard on five dates on the Caribbean slope and seen on two dates at Rancho Naturalista.

#### **Grey-breasted Wood Wren Henicorhina leucophrys**

Seen at Savegre and Rio Macho.

#### Southern Nightingale-wren Microcerculus marginatus

One seen well at Rio Tuis 10 February.

## **Trilling Gnatwren Ramphocaenus melanurus**

Seen at Carara 3 February and La Selva 12 February.

## White-browed Gnatcatcher Polioptila bilineata

Seen at La Selva 12 February.

## White-lored Gnatcatcher Polioptila albiloris

A dry country species seen on the first day in the field at the Cerro Lodge Road and the Guacimo Road a couple of days later.

## Black-faced Solitaire Myadestes melanops

One at Savegre, seen by a few, as we walked towards the roosting Bare-shanked Screech Owl at Los Robles. Also heard at Rio Macho.

#### Wood Thrush Hylocichla mustelina

A furtive bird along the trail at Carara 3 February.

#### Orange-billed Nightingale-thrush Catharus aurantiirostris H

Heard at Rio Macho.

#### Black-billed Nightingale-Thrush Catharus gracilirostris.

Heard at Savegre and seen well at Paraiso de los Quetzales 7 February.

#### Ruddy-capped Nightingale-Thrush Catharus frantzii

Seen well at Los Robles in the Savegre area.

## Sooty Thrush Turdus nigrescens

Common around Savegre.

## Mountain Thrush Turdus plebejus

Common near Savegre.

#### Clay-coloured Thrush Turdus grayi

Common just about everywhere except in the extreme highlands, but still seen daily. The national bird of Costa Rica.

#### White-throated Thrush Turdus assimilis

One at Hotel Quelitales 8 February.

#### Lesser Goldfinch Spinus psaltria

A few on the lower slopes as we descended from Los Robles 6 February.

#### Yellow-bellied Siskin Spinus xanthogastrus

Some at Savegre in the same area as the above species.

#### Elegant Euphonia Chlorophonia eleganissima H

Heard at Rio Macho.

#### Golden-browed Chlorophonia Chlorophonia callophrys

Heard at Savegre and Rio Macho, but at Paraiso de los Quetzales we had incredible views of a male and females at a fruiting tree. Easily my closest encounter with this stunning bird in over a dozen tours to Costa Rica.

## Scrub Euphonia Euphonia affinis H

Heard along the Guacimo Road and Cerro Lodge Road on our first day.

#### Yellow-crowned Euphonia Euphonia luteicapilla.

Seen at Villa Lapas 3 February and Rancho Naturalista and La Selva towards the end of the tour.

## White-vented Euphonia Euphonia minuta

Seen at Rancho Naturalista on 11 February.

#### Yellow-throated Euphonia Euphonia hirundinacea.

Seen at Villa Lapas, Rio Macho and Rancho Naturalista.

#### Spot-crowned Euphonia Euphonia imitans

Seen at Villa Lapas 3 February.

## Olive-backed Euphonia Euphonia gouldi

Recorded on three dates on the Caribbean slope, with our best view from the balcony at Rancho Naturalista.

## Sooty-capped Bush Tanager Chlorospingus pileatus

Common around the highlands of Savegre.

## Common Bush Tanager Chlorospingus flavopectus

Seen at Rio Macho 8 February.

## Stripe-headed Sparrow Peucaea ruficauda

Up to four seen on both trips to the Guacimo Road.

## Black-striped Sparrow Arremonops conirostris.

Seen regularly in the garden clearing at Rancho Naturalista.

## Orange-billed Sparrow Arremon aurantiirostris

Seen on seven dates and one of the first birds around the restaurant at Villa Lapas as we took coffee in the half light. Easily seen around the edges of the garden at Rancho Naturalista too.

## Chestnut-capped Brushfinch Arremon brunneinucha

Seen at Rio Macho 8 February.

#### Sooty-faced Finch Arremon crassirostris

Seen at La Paz Waterfall Gardens on our final afternoon in Costa Rica.

#### Volcano Junco Junco vulcani

One at Cerro de la Muerte.

#### Rufous-collared Sparrow Zonotricha capensis

One of our first garden birds of the tour at the Hotel Bougainvillea and regularly seen in the highlands.

#### House Sparrow Passer domesticus

Recorded around urban areas.

## Large-footed Finch Pezoptes capitalis

Seen well at Miriam's Café at Savegre and Paraiso de los Quietzales.

#### Cabanis's Ground Sparrow Melozone cabanisi

One at Ujurras coffee plantation on 9 February. Endemic to Costa Rica.

#### Yellow-thighed Brushfinch Atlapetes tibialis

Easily found around Savegre and Paraiso de los Quetzales.

## Chestnut-headed Oropendola Psarocolius wagleri

Regularly seen from Rancho Naturalista and on the Caribbean slope to La Selva.

## Montezuma Oropendola Psarocolius montezuma

Commoner on the Caribbean slope. Recorded on eight dates.

## Streak-backed Oriole Icterus pustulatus

Seen along the Cerro Lodge Road 2 February and at Tarcoles 4 February.

#### **Baltimore Oriole Icterus pustulatus**

Seen on seven dates with many at feeding stations allowing incredible photo opportunities.

#### **Black-cowled Oriole Icterus spurius**

Nesting near the car park at La Selva 12 February.

## Red-winged Blackbird Agelaius phoeniceus

A few briefly at Lago Angostura, but seen well at Cope's.

## **Shiny Cowbird Molothrus bonariensis**

Seen at La Quinta and near La Selva on the final two days in the field.

#### Melodious Blackbird Dives dives.

Heard at the Hotel Bougainvillea, but seen well on flowering trees at Rancho Naturalista.

#### **Great-tailed Grackle Quiscalus mexicanus**

Common and seen most days invariably around urban areas.

## Ovenbird Seiurus aurocapilla

One seen twice in the garden at La Quinta during our stay there.

#### Louisiana Waterthrush Parkesia motacilla

Seen on three dates: at Villa Lapas, Savegre and Rio Macho.

#### Northern Waterthrush Parkesia noveboracensis

Found along the rivers at Carara, Villa Lapas and Savegre.

## Golden-winged Warbler Vermivora chrysoptera

Seen at Rio Macho, Rancho Naturalista and La Selva.

## Black-and-white Warbler Mniotilta varia

Seen at Villa Lapas and Rio Macho.

#### Prothonotary Warbler Protonotaria citrea

Found in the Tarcoles mangroves 4 February.

#### Flame-throated Warbler Oreothlpis gutturalis

This stunning species was seen in many of the flocks at Savegre.

#### Tennessee Warbler Leiothlypis peregrina

Seen on ten dates and the commonest North American warbler during our trip.

## Kentucky Warbler Geothlypis formosa.

One at La Selva 12 February.

#### Tropical Parula Setophaga pitiayumi

One at Rio Macho 8 February and then seen on two dates at Rancho Naturalista.

## Blackburnian Warbler Setophaga fusca

We had to wait until Rio Macho to see this species, but we then recorded them over the next four days in the hills.

## American Yellow Warbler Setophaga aestiva

Seen on four dates at various areas through the tour.

#### Mangrove Warbler Setophaga petechia

At least two seen on the Tarcoles river boat trip 4 February.

## Chestnut-sided Warbler Setophaga pensylvanica

Another North American migrant and seen in good numbers with sightings on six dates.

## Black-throated Green Warbler Setophaga pensylvanica

Regularly seen in the highlands from Savegre to Rio Macho.

## Buff-rumped Warbler Myiothlypis fulvicauda

Found near rivers at Villa Lapas, Hotel Quelitales and La Quinta.

## Chestnut-capped Warbler Basileuterus delattrii

One at Rancho Naturalista 11 February.

## Black-cheeked Warbler Basileuterus melanogenys

One at Los Robles, Savegre 6 February.

#### Golden-crowned Warbler Basileuterus culicivorus

Seen at Rancho Naturalista with the best views near the moth trap.

## Wilson's Warbler Cardellina pusilla

Another common wintering warbler in the highlands of Costa Rica, with most seen around Savegre and Rio Macho.

#### Slate-throated Whitestart Myioborus miniatus

Seen at Rio Macho 8 February.

#### Collared Whitestart Myioborus torquatus

Great views of this species during our time at Savegre.

#### Dusky-faced Tanager Mitrospingus cassinii H

Heard at La Selva 12 February.

#### Flame-coloured Tanager Piranga bidentata

Common around Savegre, giving great views at the feeders at Miriam's Cafe.

## Summer Tanager Piranga rubra

Widespread and recorded on seven dates.

#### Red-throated Ant Tanager Habia fuscicauda

Seen well at Rancho Naturalista, La Quinta and La Selva.

## Black-faced Grosbeak Caryothraustes poliogaster

Seen well at La Selva 12 February.

#### Blue-black Grosbeak Passerina caerulea

One seen along the trail at La Selva 12 February.

## Painted Bunting Passerina ciris

A cracking male at Villa Lapas 3 February.

## Green Honeycreeper Chlorophanes spiza

Most frequently found on the Caribbean slope, but also seen at Villa Lapas at the start of the tour.

#### Red-legged Honeycreeper Cyanerpes cyaneus

Easily seen at Villa Lapas and La Quinta.

#### Shining Honeycreeper Cyanerpes lucidus

Seen at La Selva on 12 February.

#### Scarlet-thighed Dacnis Dacnis venusta

A few at Hotel Quelitales and Rancho Naturalista.

## Blue Dacnis Dacnis cayana

Seen at Villa Lapas on 3 February.

## Cinnamon-bellied Saltator Saltator grandis

Seen in the grounds of Hotel Bougainvillea on our first morning and at La Quinta at the end of the tour.

#### **Buff-throated Saltator Saltator maximus**

Seen on Caribbean and Pacific slopes on seven dates.

#### Black-headed Saltator Saltator atriceps H

Heard at Rancho Naturalista.

#### Bananaguit Coereba flaveola

Our first was at Rancho Bajo 10 February and then we saw small numbers on the Caribbean slope.

#### Yellow-faced Grassquit Tiaris olivaceus.

Seen on four dates at Villa Lapas, Ujarras and Rancho Naturalista.

## White-lined Tanager Tachyphonus rufus.

Seen at Villa Lapas and Rancho Naturalista.

## White-throated Shrike-Tanager Lanio leucothorax

One at Villa Lapas 3 February caused a bit of excitement!

## **Crimson-collared Tanager Ramphocelus sanguinolentus**

This amazing looking tanager was seen most days once we reached the Caribbean slope.

## Scarlet-rumped Tanager Ramphocelus passerinii

Common. Noted on nine dates on both the Pacific and Caribbean slopes.

#### Morelet's Seedeater Sporophila morelleti

Seen at La Selva 12 February.

## Variable Seedeater Sporophila corvina

Seen on six dates in small numbers on the Caribbean and Pacific slopes.

## Peg-billed Finch Acanthidops bairdi

Seen at Cerro de la Muerte and near Paraiso de los Quetzales 7 February.

## Slaty Flowerpiercer Diglossa plumbea

Seen on two dates in the highlands.

## Speckled Tanager Ixothaupis guttata

One seen on the way to Savegre 5 February.

## Blue-grey Tanager Thraupis episcopus

Common in the lowlands and foothills and seen on eleven dates.

#### Yellow-winged Tanager Thraupis abbas

One at Cinchona 13 February. Still a rare bird in Costa Rica with its main range to the north.

## Palm Tanager Thraupis palmarum

Seen on six dates, mainly around fruit feeders.

#### Golden-hooded Tanager Tangara larvata

Seen at Villa Lapas 3 February, but more regularly found on the Caribbean slope during this tour with records from Rio Macho down to La Selva.

#### Spangle-cheeked Tanager Tangara dowii

Seen at Savegre and Rio Macho.

#### Bay-headed Tanager Tangara gyrola

Seen on four dates at Villa Lapas, Rio Macho and Rancho Naturalista.

#### Silver-throated Tanager Tangara icterocephala

Seen on four dates in the foothills and highlands.

## Plain-coloured Tanager Tangara inornata

One of these subtle tanagers at Rio Tuis 10 February.

## **Mammals**

Long-nosed (Proboscis) Bat Rhynchonycteris naso

Honduran White Bat Ectophylla alba

Mantled Howler Monkey Alouatta palliata

Variegated Squirrel Sciurus variegatoides

Red-tailed Squirrel Sciurus granatensis

Central American Agouti Dasyprocta punctata

Dusky Rice Rat Oryzomys caliginosus

White-nosed Coati Nasura narica

Tayra Eira barbara

Neotropical Otter Lutra longicaudis

Collared Peccary Tayassu pecari

Brown-throated (three-toed) Sloth Bradypus variegatus

Hoffman's Two-toed Sloth Chloropus hoffmanni

White-tailed Deer Odocoileus virginianus

Northern Raccoon Procyon lotor

Dice's Cottontail Sylvilagus dicei

Coyote Canis latrans

# **Reptiles and Amphibians**

South American Snapping Turtle Chelydra acutirostris

White-lipped Mud Turtle Kinosternon leucostomum

Central American Crocodile Crocodylus acutus

Green Iguana Iguana iguana

Black Spiny-tailed Iguana Ctenosaura similis

Helmeted Iguana Corytophanes cristatus

Common Basilisk Basiliscus basiliscus

Green Basilisk Basiliscus plumifrons

Green Spiny Lizard Sceloporus malachiticus

Tropical House Gecko Hemidactylus frenatus

Slender Anole Norops limifrons

Jumping Anole Anolis polylepis

Cane Toad Rhinella marina

Smooth Skin Toad Rhaebo haematiticus

Red-eyed Leaf Frog Agalychnis callidryas

Strawberry Poison-dart Frog Dendrobates pumilio