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Guatemala Species List

With guides Keith Hansen, Patricia Briceño, Roland Rumm
as well as local guides.

Participants included:

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Merbie & Tom, Ginger, Laurie, Brent.

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(RE) = Regional Endemic.

(H) = Heard only.

(LO) = Leader only.

(xx) Parentheses following the species names, tally the number of days it was recorded on the trip.

SUMMARY:

We had a fantastic tour to Guatemala, blending nature and culture in a way pleasing to all, on several days there were choices. Birding occurred each day and we were pleased to find regional specialties including White-bellied Chachalaca, Highland Guan, Horned Guan, Green-throated Mountain Gem, Rufous Saberwing, Blue-throated Motmot, Pacific Parakeet, Black-throated Jay, Bushy-crested Jay, Black-capped Swallow, Rufous-browed Wren, Rufous-collared Robin, Blue-and-white Mockingbird, Pink-headed Warbler and Bar-winged Oriole. Finding 20 species of warblers was an added treat, along with 14 types of hummingbirds and 28 species of flycatchers.

BIRDS

Tinamous, Tinamidae (1)

Thicket Tinamou, *Crypturellus cinnamomeus* – (1) One flushed at Tarrales and was seen by a few participants, only briefly. It's haunting and wavering call was heard several times and from quite close.

Ducks, Geese and Swans, Anatidae (1)

Lesser Scaup, *Aythya affinis* – (1) One female plumaged bird seen floating near coots as we boarded the boat to cross Lake Atitlan.

Guan and Curassows, Cracidae (4)

White-bellied Chachalaca, (RE), *Ortalis leucogastra* – (2) This special endemic was well seen at Los Tarrales.

Crested Guan, *Penelope purpurascens* – (1) Two were seen well at Las Tarrales by the entire group where we enjoyed the translucence of its red wattle.

Highland Guan, (RE), *Penelopina nigra* – (3) (HO) Formerly known as the Black Penelopina, this red throated and black Guan was heard but never seen at Los Tarrales and while climbing the Volcan Toliman. Rowland pointed out a distant calling birds with their up-slurred whistle and flight display, "wing rattle".

Horned Guan, (RE), *Oreophasis derbianus* – (1) Likely the highlight of the trip for those who climbed Volcano Toliman! Freddy, one of our local guides peeled off the trail when he heard a bird calling. While the terrain was steep and the soil loose, we all followed as far as we could but soon found ourselves waiting to hear from the guides to see if they had had any luck. We played a call of a male and in perhaps 10 min's a male came in at eye level much to the delight of everyone. It perched for perhaps five min's and then continued back to the six other birds found by the guide.

New World Quail, Odontophoridae (1)

Singing Quail, *Dactylortyx thoracicus* – (2) While heard once before as we climbed Volcano Toliman we had a brief look as three flushed from the side of the road at Finca El Pilar. They were expertly called in by the magic of Roland.

Grebes, Podicipedidae (1)

Least Grebe, *Tachybaptus dominicus* – (1) Two were seen by all at the Laguna at Los Tarrales. Everyone got great looks.

Cormorants, Phalacrocoracidae (1)

Neotropic Cormorant, *Phalacrocorax brasilianus* – (1) One bird with wings extended was briefly seen as it perched with Great Egrets along the shore of Lake Atitlan as we zipped across by boat.

Pelicans, Pelicanidae (1)

Brown Pelican, *Pelecanus occidentalis* – (1) This is perhaps the rarest bird seen on the trip and was seen by those who went with Patricia to San Juan La Laguna. This lost salt water bird was first seen flying and then landed on the water. There are likely very few records for this land locked local.

Hérons and Egrets, Ardeidae (6)

Black-crowned Night Heron, *Nycticorax nycticorax* – (1) Seen at the Laguna where we saw several adults and one beautifully spotted juvenile.

Great Blue Heron, *Ardea herodias* – (1) This bird was spotted by Ralph and was in flight near Los Tarrales.

Great Egret, *Ardea alba* – (4) While seen at several locations, most notable were the 15 or 20 seen on the shore of Lago Atitlan.

Little Blue Heron, *Egretta caerulea* – (1) One “white morph” was seen feeding from the van as we approached Los Tarrales.

Cattle Egret, *Bubulcus ibis* – (3) Seen in numerous areas usually in association... with cattle.

Green Heron, *Butorides virescens* – (2) One heard at dawn at Los Tarrales and one was seen at the Hotel Bamboo at Lago Atitlan.

New World Vultures, Cathartidae (3)

Black Vulture, *Coragyps atratus* – (9) Seen nearly every day, and in good numbers.

Turkey Vulture, *Cathartes aura* – (8) Encountered in slightly smaller numbers than its black cousin, but wide spread.

King Vulture, *Sarcoramphus papa* – (1) Seen two or three times at Los Tarrales, these “King Condors” as I prefer to call them, are more like Condors in every way.

Hawks, Kites and Eagles, Accipitridae (8)

White-tailed Kite, *Elanus leucurus* – (1) One bird was seen hovering at the “CRAZY GAS STATION” at Cocales. Called CRAZY because it was “CRAZY” with birds.

Black Hawk-Eagle, *Spizaetus tyrannus* – (1) Encountered at Los Tarrales, this impressively large bird of prey soared high on warm thermals and vocalized for our group.

Sharp-shinned “White-breasted” Hawk, *Accipiter striatus* – (1) One very brief encounter as one emerged from the forest over the van and was seen by few as we approached Fuentes Georginas Hot Springs.

White Hawk, *Pseudastur albicollis* – (1) One bird perched for well over an hour when we reached the lofty view high above Los Tarrales. Everyone enjoyed this pure white bird of prey.

Gray Hawk, *Buteo plagiatus* – (2) Seen well and several times this beautifully tailored raptor was enjoyed by all as it circled against puffy white clouds and blue skies.

Broad-winged Hawk, *Buteo platypterus* – (1) This brief view of a juvenile was seen by few at Los Tarrales when it simply appeared and disappeared from dense forest.

Short-tailed Hawk, *Buteo brachyurus* – (2) Built in much the same way as the Broad-winged and the Gray, this handsome Hawk comes in two forms being the snappy light form and the “Darth Vader-like” dark form. We enjoyed the good number of dark birds seen at Los Tarrales.

Red-tailed Hawk, *Buteo jamaicensis* – (1) Encountered on our climb as we descended Volcan Tolemanin. It was an adult “hanging” on an updraft.

Rails and Crakes, Rallidae (1)

American Coot, *Fulica americana* – (2) Large numbers were found foraging in groups along the edge of Lago de Atitlan.

Gulls and Terns, Laridae (1)

Laughing Gull, *Leucophaeus atricilla* – (1) Five were seen flying by as we boarded the boat to cross Lago de Atitlan. Their long slender bills and wing pattern were noted.

Pigeons and Doves, Columbidae (8)

Rock Pigeon, *Columba livia* – (7) Seen on several days in urban areas and often in large numbers, typically with toddler “toddling” in wonder amongst carpet of birds.

Red-billed Pigeon, *Patagioenas flavirostris* – (5) (LO) Lone birds made quick passes over the soccer field at Los Tarrales, as well as the Fuentes Hot Springs. Others at Volcan Toliman.

Band-tailed Pigeon, *Patagioenas fasciata* – (3) Numerous flocks were seen at Fuentes Hot Spring as well as during the climb up Volcan Toliman.

Inca Dove, *Columbina inca* – (4) (HO) A single bird and nuzzling pairs were seen at the Hotel at Antigua and the “Crazy Gas Station”

Ruddy Ground-Dove, *Columbina talpacoti* – (1) Only one sighting of this diminutive Dove at the “Crazy Gas” at Cocales.

White-tipped Dove, *Leptotila verreauxi* – (4) Deep, blowing through a bottle “Hoo-Hooing” voice often heard on several days and infrequently seen zipping low over the path. Most sightings are when an observer say’s “There goes a White-tipped Dove” as opposed to “Here comes a White-winged Dove”.

White-winged Dove, *Zenaida asiatica* – (6) Seen on most days, this common dove flies by, high overhead and displays its telltale white wing patches.

Mourning Dove, *Zenaida macroura* – (1) (LO) One encountered by Rowland seen flying from bus on way to the Quetzal spot of San Rafael Tie de Cuesta.

Cuckoos and Allies, Cuculidae (1)

Squirrel Cuckoo, *Piaya cayana* – (1) (HO) A single bird when pointed out by Rowland on the descent from the Horned Guan climb.

Owls, Strigidae (4)

Whiskered Screech-Owl, *Megascops trichopsis* – (1) Numerous birds, perhaps 7 or 8 called predawn as we were climbing the Volcan Toliman. One bird came in close in the dark to give us the going over. 9 hours later as we came back down the Volcano, the bird was still in the same spot, sound asleep.

Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl, *Glaucidium brasilianum* – (2) Seen and heard on two days where it would typically come in the “tape” of the Owl, used to attract other birds, often with birds mobbing it.

Guatemalan Pygmy-Owl, *Glaucidium cobanense* – (1) I spotted this bird completely randomly as I was scanning the conifer and alder branches for a calling Mountain Trogon. This tiny rufous Owl showed up in my bins! I got it in the scope for Rowland and he informed us of this correct species, pointing out the number of white spots in the tail. This was a new bird for most everyone.

Mottled Owl, *Ciccaba virgate* – (1) “Bits and pieces” of one bird was seen perched in giant bamboo at Los Tarrales. It was a known roosting location but the bird was well hidden and did not move.

Nightjars, Caprimulgidae (3)

Lesser Nighthawk, *Chordeiles acutipennis* – (1) Rowland and a few others saw these as

the daylight slipped into twilight at the Bamboo Hotel on the shore of Lago de Atitlan.

Common Parakee, *Nyctudromus albicollis* – (2) This crepuscular Goatsucker was seen predawn as we ventured down the path toward the “Lagoon” (lake) at Los Tarrales.

Rowland put the flashlight on it where we then saw the orange reflection of its eyes.

The predawn climb of Volcan Toliman also produced several heard only birds.

Mexican Whip-poor-will, *Antrostomus arizonae* – (1) (HO) Several birds were predawn as we climbed Volcan Toliman.

Swifts, Apodidae (4)

Chestnut-collared Swift, *Streptoprocne rutila* – (4) Individual birds were seen on several days but it was, as is typical of this species, difficult to see the chestnut. They are dark and larger than the common Vaux’s Swift being about Black Swift size.

White-collared Swift, *Streptoprocne zonaris* – (2) These powerful birds were encountered in large numbers at a few locations most notably, over the soccer field at Los Tarrales.

Vaux’s Swift, *Chaetura vauxi* – (3) Seen at numerous locations especially in the evening over Antigua, also at Los Tarrales flying over the soccer field. Their small size, ash gray throats were noted.

Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift, *Panyptila cayennensis* – (1) (LO) Sadly only the leaders saw this incredible flyer at Los Tarrales.

Hummingbirds, Trochilidae (18)

Mexican “Green” Violetear, *Colibri thalassinus* – (3) (LO) Recently split from the Green Violetear, this photogenic bird posed and was feeding on the small flowers of the cloud forest near Fuentes Georginas Hot Springs.

Green-breasted Mango, *Anthracothorax prevostii* – (1) This single bird was seen at Los Tarrales on an afternoon walk in a tree. This tree was, as they say, “Going Off” with many new birds for the trips list. It was a female who uniquely shows a bold black stripe right up the center of the breast.

Rivoli’s Hummingbird, *Eugenes fulgens* – (3) Formerly, the “Magnificent” Hummingbird, this species ranges from South East Arizona to Northern Nicaragua. The split “Admirable or Talamanca” Hummingbird ranges in the Talamanca mountains of Costa Rica. A male joined the Hummer frenzy at the Fuentes Georginas Hot Springs. Also, seen at El Pilar.

Long-billed Starthroat, *Heliomaster longirostris* – (1) We saw an adult bird at Los Tarrales as we sat at the overlook. It repeatedly came into a large leafless tree showing well it’s white back stripe and... long bill.

Green-throated Mountain-gem, (RE), *Lampornis viridipallens* – (3) This special regional

endemic was seen by part of the group at Fuentes Georginas Hot Spring, and the hike to look for the Quetzal.

Garnet-throated Hummingbird, *Lamprolaima rhami* – (1) This exciting find was sadly very brief but at the “Hummerfest” at the Hot Springs, this multi colored, rufous winged beauty blasted in quickly and departed in the same fashion.

Ruby-throated Hummingbird, *Archilochus colubris* – (3) These visitors from North America allowed us to see the different looking male with an orange, rather than ruby throat. Before they return, they molt the ruby throat in. They worked the small flowers at the lodge at Los Tarrales.

Wine-throated Hummingbird (RE), *Atthis ellioti* – (1) At the Hot Spring Hummer get together, a wonderful male came into view, perching on an exposed twig allowing everyone who wanted to, to photograph this exquisite creature.

Rufous Sabrewing, (RE), *Campylopterus rufus* – (1) While difficult to get in the binoculars, I believe most finally got good views at El Pilar as they came into the feeders. Large and rich cinnamon in color, with scimitar shaped wings, this bird is aptly named.

Violet Sabrewing, *Campylopterus hemileucurus* – (2) Seen at Los Tarreles an adult male was seen near two very cute cabins in the forest at Los Tarrales. Large dark and purple.

White-bellied Emerald, *Amazilia candida* – (1) At Los Tarrales, this bird was seen well but briefly on a few occasions.

Canivet’s Emerald, *Chlorostilbon canivetii* – (1) This single bird was identified by Roland and Freddy when a female came in quickly and perched close by. This was at Los Tarrales near the overlook.

Azure-crowned Hummingbird, *Amazilia cyanocephala* – (4) Rather common. We first encountered this white chested Hummer at the Francisco Morroquin Universidad then “Crazy Gas Station”, Hotel Bamboo, Volcan Toliman and Finca el Pilar outside of Antigua.

Berylline Hummingbird, *Amazilia beryllina* – (1) Numerous birds at Los Tarrales in the cloud forest and then several at El Pilar at the feeders. This dark hummingbird was a challenge to differentiate from the Blue-tailed but shows a pale belly and more rufous in the wing feathers. A wonderful hybrid was found that displayed features from each of the Blue-tailed X Berylline parents.

Blue-tailed Hummingbird, *Amazilia cyanura* – (2) Seen numerous times at Los Tarrales in the cloud forest.

Cinnamon Hummingbird, *Amazilia rutila* – (3) Seen well numerous times at Los Tarrales adjacent to the dining area. Also, seen at the Hot Spring Hummer-a-thon.

Blue-throated Goldentail, *Hylocharis eliciae* – (1) (LO) One seen by Rowland only.

White-eared Hummingbird, *Hylocharis leucotis* – (4) Seen several times with one at

Crazy Gas, several at The Hot Springs and more at the post lunch walk in the pine forest. This red billed show stopper ranges from Southern Arizona to Northern Nicaragua.

Trogons, Trogonidae (4)

Resplendent Quetzal, *Pharomachrus mocinno* – (1) After a long bus ride from Xela to San Rafael Tie de Cuesta where Quetzals are known to breed, we were greeted by friendly park staff leaders that took us on a 3-hour walk. We were very fortunate to see a pair of birds not far from their nest. The view was sadly, quite brief.

Gartered Trogon, *Trogon caligatus* – (2) Split from the Violaceous Trogon, this blue headed, green backed, yellow bellied Trogon with a bold yellow “Cheerio” around its eye, was beautifully scoped at Los Tarrales, not far from the lagoon.

Mountain Trogon, *Trogon mexicanus* – (2) A very close relative to our Elegant Trogon, however with large white tail spots. One was heard at the Hot Springs and one scoped near the Guatemalan Pygmy-Owl on the Volcan Toliman ascent.

Collared Trogon, *Trogon collaris* – (2) Lacking the copper tail of the Elegant, but otherwise very similar, this bird was seen on the post lunch walk at Cabiana Suissa and at El Pilar where it was scoped.

Motmots, Momotidae (5)

Tody Motmot, *Hylomanes momotula* – (1) (HO) This bird was detected by Rowland and shared with all to hear.

Blue-throated Motmot, (RE), *Aspatha gularis* – (3) A very special species we were fortunate enough to see well with the able “scope’s-man-ship” of Rowland at the Quetzal spot. Anthers was found and photographed by Patricia at the Hot Springs. Also, heard at base of Volcan Toliman.

Lesson’s Motmot, *Momotus lessonii* – (1) Formerly called Blue-crowned Motmot, this species has been split into six species. Lesson’s ranges from central Mexico to the Panama Canal. We encountered one cooperative bird right at the dining hall at Los Tarrales.

Turquoise-browed Motmot, *Eumomota superciliosa* – (2) First found at the University walk and the next day at Los Tarrales.

Kingfishers, Alcedinidae (1)

Green Kingfisher, *Chlococeryle americana* – (1) (LO) One seen briefly at the “Laguna” at Los Tarrales. Also, Rowland had one blast by in an odd location, next to the soccer field!

Toucans, Ramphastidae (1)

Northern Emerald-Toucanet, *Aulacorhynchus prasinus* – (3) Heard but not seen well by several people who did see at the start of the Quetzal hike, Volcan Toliman climb and at El Pilar outside of Antigua.

Woodpeckers, Picidae (7)

Acorn Woodpecker, *Melanerpes formicivorus* – (3) Seen on our first day at the Museum, the after lunch walk at Cabiana Suissa and at El Pilar. While this is the same species that occurs in western U.S. it is much darker on the underparts.

Golden-fronted Woodpecker, *Melanerpes aurifrons* – (7) Seen or heard on nearly every day the common bird often formed the back drop with its familiar call. A close relative of the Red-bellied Woodpecker of the east, this species ranges from central Nicaragua up and into central Texas and Oklahoma.

Smoky-brown Woodpecker, *Picoides fumigatus* – (1) (HO) A drumming, (not calling) bird was pointed out by Roland while we were at the overlook.

Hairy Woodpecker, *Picoides villosus* – (1) Seen briefly on the Volcan Toliman climb by Rowland.

Golden-olive Woodpecker, *Colaptes rubiginosus* – (2) This beautiful coppery Woodpecker charmed us with its beauty at the Crazy Gas Station and Los Tarrales and Antigua.

Northern (Guatemalan) Flicker, *Colaptes auratus* – (3) While currently recognized as a part of the “Northern” Flicker complex, it is likely this bird will be split from this grouping and receive full species status where “Guatemalan Flicker” would likely be its name. While similar-to our “Red-shafted”, this bird owns a completely tan crown and nape rather than just the forehead of the Red-shafted. Keep this bird in your bank account for a possible arm chair lifer in the future. We encountered one on the Volcan Toliman descent, the Cabiana Suissa post lunch walk and at El Pilar.

Lineated Woodpecker, *Dryocopus lineatus* – (1) (HO) Heard drumming at Los Tarrales.

Falcons and Caracaras, Falconidae (3)

Crested Caracara, *Caracara cheriway* – (2) Seen first from the van as we drove to Los Tarrales and at the Crazy Gas Station as well as over the soccer field at Los Tarrales.

Laughing Falcon, *Herpetotheres cachinnans* – (2) First heard calling with its maniacal laughter then found and scoped a perched bird at Los Tarrales. Also, encountered on transit to Quetzal spot.

Bat Falcon, *Falco ruficularis* – (1) This single sighting for the trip was a bird blasting over the lodge at Los Tarrales and was seen by few.

Parrots, Psittacidae (5)

Orange-chinned Parakeet, *Brotogeris jugularis* – (2) Many of these small and short tailed Parakeets were enjoyed each morning at Los Tarrales at the soccer field as numerous groups chattered flying overhead.

White-fronted Parrot, *Amazona albifrons* – (1) Likely the Highlight of the *Crazy Gas Station* were these two very-cozy Parrots. Viewed through the scope for all, the initial sighting of this bird led to a continued array of numerous new species for the trip.

Yellow-naped Parrot, *Amazona auropalliata* – (2) Seen the mornings at the Los Tarrales soccer field these large rare parrots flew over with their typical shallow and quivering wingbeats and loud yelping calls. Some fortunately perched for a view.

Orange-fronted Parakeet, *Eupsittula canicularis* – (2) These smallish Parakeets with tails longer than Orange-chinned, were seen in good numbers at the Los Tarrales soccer field as they chattered overhead.

Pacific Parakeet, (RE) *Psittacara strenuous* – (3) For the longest tailed and largest of the three Parakeets is this special regional endemic. Lacking any splash of orange this gregarious psittacine was encountered in rowdy flocks at the soccer field, the University on the first afternoon and the *Crazy Gas Station*.

Antbirds, Thamnophilidae (1)

Barred Antshrike, *Thamnophilus doliatus* – (2) (HO) This skulking female on the edge of dense understory at the road edge coming down from the top of Los Tarrales, gave everyone quite a nice view. With crest raised and rust and black barring she made for a special moment.

Ovenbirds and Woodcreepers, Furnariidae (4)

Tawny-throated Leaf-tosser, *Sclerurus mexicanus* (1) (HO) This bird was picked out by Rowland and shared with all to hear while we were searching for the Quetzal.

Spotted Woodcreeper, *Xiphorhynchus erythropygius* – (1) This bird was seen only momentarily during a flock where several birds were coming and going at the Quetzal quest spot.

Spot-crowned Woodcreeper, *Lepidocolaptes affinis* – (3) Seen on the Volcan Toleman ascent and by all on the trail after our giant lunch at Tecpan, Cabiana Suissa. Also at the Quetzal spot. This was the default Woodcreeper in the areas we visited.

Scaly-throated “Spectacled” Foliage-gleaner, *Anabacerthia variegaticeps* – (1) This bird was seen well, but briefly when it joined the feeding flock at San Rafael Tie de la Cuesta, Quetzal spot. Looking much like a Woodcreeper, it hitched up a mossy tree trunk.

Tyrant Flycatchers, Tyrannidae (22)

Greenish Elaenia, *Myiopagis viridicata* – (2) Seen high in the canopy at Los Tarrales. While generally a “little drab green bird” this Flycatcher comes equipped with a gray crown, a subtle supra-loral stripe, a streaky yellow belly and crisp edges to the tertials.

Guatemalan “Paltry” Tyrannulet, *Zimmerius vilissimus* — (4) (LO) These rather subtle birds were seen on the Volcano climb and one was heard by Rowland. While similar to the Tennessee Warbler, this bird has a shorter bill, bold white eyebrow and crisp feather edges to the wings.

Common Tody-Flycatcher, *Todirostrum cinereum* — (1) This snappy yellow, black and green Flycatcher, a personal favorite, with its “too-much-coffee” staring eye, was seen by one sharp observer named Rowland at a birdy flock at Los Tarrales. Sadly, it was not seen by others. Such is the way of birding.

Eye-ringed Flatbill, *Rhynchocyclus brevirostis* — (1) This was a bird found by Brent and was the only sighting of this unique looking flycatcher.

Belted Flycatcher, *Xenotriccus callizonus* – (1) This bird was a frustratingly difficult species to see and in fact while we saw movements in the thorny trees of its foothill habitat at the base of Volcan Toliman. This bird, is very rare with a tiny range.

Tufted Flycatcher, *Mitrephanes phaeocercus* — (1) Buffy and tufted like a titmouse, this (hard to use any other word than) cute, Flycatcher was seen well at Techpan in the pines before and after our large lunch. At one point, we had three or four foraging next to the road.

Olive-sided Flycatcher, *Contopus cooperi* — (1) Seen at Los Tarrales while we were at the overlook. It perched in the large leafless tree right above us, showing its large pale based bill and vested underparts.

Greater Pewee, *Contopus pertinax* — (6) Heard and seen most days at higher elevations where people got to see its pointed crest and all-pale lower mandible.

Tropical Pewee, *Contopus cinereus* — (2) Seen well several times at Los Tarrales, these birds are nearly identical to our Eastern and Western Wood Pewee except they show a very faint gray square in the lores.

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher, *Empidonax flaviventris* — (2) Single birds were seen in the forest at Los Tarrales where scoped. The field marks of the apple green plumage, bright yellow belly, crisp white eye ring and wing bars, set against the very blackish wings clinched the id.

Least Flycatcher, *Empidonax minimus* – (3) Found at Tarrales, the Quetzal spot and on the Volcan Toliman climb.

Hammond’s Flycatcher, *Empidonax hammondii* — (5) (LO) This bird was spotted on our climb up the volcano and at several other locations, typically in small flocks of mixed

insectivores. Marks include a gray head, greenish back, dull whitish wing bars on dull gray-green wing and tiny dark bill.

Buff-breasted Flycatcher, *Empidonax fulvifrons* – (1) This one very active and perhaps the winner of the most difficult bird to scope, made a bold appearance at the farm at Caleras chichavac. This is our only “buffy” Empidonax.

Black Phoebe, *Sayornis nigricans* – (1) This species was first found by Laurie as she deftly spotted it from the van as we were driving between Xela and Panajachel, then Rowland reported one at the Hotel Bamboo, shortly after we arrived.

Dusky-capped Flycatcher, *Myiarchus tuberculifer* — (4) (HO) Heard far more than seen, the mournful cry of this widespread Myiarchus Flycatcher wafted through all habitat types we visited. I don't think that the bird was ever even viewed.

Brown-crested Flycatcher, *Myiarchus tyrannulus* — (2) Encountered and heard at Los Tarrales, was this large Ash-throated-like Flycatcher. Seen briefly and seen by few.

Great Kiskadee, *Pitangus sulphuratus* — (3) I have NEVER spent this much time south of the border and seen so FEW of these typically common birds. Seen once at the Crazy Gas spot and a few at Los Tarrales. Period! No other highway sightings! Bizarre.

Boat-billed Flycatcher, *Megarynchus pitangua* — (3) Kiskadee-like in pattern but with an unusually large bill, this bird we first saw at the University then at Los Tarrales at the soccer field. One was at The Bamboo Hotel. The slate gray wings and tail are often the best mark, whereas the Kiskadee is bright cinnamon.

Social Flycatcher, *Myiozetetes similis* — (5) Seen at Los Tarrales, and the Hotel Bamboo and El Pilar, this “mini” Kiskadee is tiny billed, usually chattering and... in small social groups.

Tropical Kingbird, *Tyrannus melancholicus* — (3) Seen at the University, this common, telephone wire loving bird was often encountered in more open terrain en route to Los Tarrales.

Western Kingbird, *Tyrannus verticalis* — (2) At the University and Los Tarrales, Rowland teased out this bird, pointing out that when small flocks or groups of more than two are found, they are likely Western and not Tropical. I was impressed that he spotted it as most, (including me) simply shrugged it off as just another Tropical. Good spotting.

Scissor-tailed Flycatcher, *Tyrannus forficatus* – (1) These two individual birds were seen way out across a pasture perched on a telephone wire from the moving van and so were not seen by many.

Manakins, Pipridae (1)

Long-tailed Manakin, *Chiroxiphia linearis* — (1) A wonderful bird seen by many as we had good views at Los Tarrales, with a full adult male!

Tityras and Becards, Tityridae (2)

Masked Tityra, *Tityra semifasciata* — (2) Several of these curious white and black song birds, punctuated by bare red skin around the eyes and bill were seen at Los Tarrales, typically in pairs.

Rose-throated Becard, *Pachyramphus aglaiae* — (4) Seen a few times, best at Los Tarrales and after the lunch-walk at Tecpan, Cabiana Suissa. The slate gray male with the rosy-pink throat sits in contrast to the cinnamon bodied female.

Vireos, Vireonidae (8)

Rufous-browed Peppershrike, *Cyclarhis gujanensis* — (4) (HO) While encountered at Los Tarrales, El Pilar and the Volcan Toliman climb, these birds kept hidden and were heard only.

Chestnut-sided Shrike-Vireo, *Vireolanius melitophrys* — (1) This incredibly patterned creature was glimpsed by the leaders and seen fairly-well by Brent on the climb up Volcan Toliman.

Green Shrike-Vireo, *Vireolanius pulchellus* — (1) (HO) (LO) First heard by Rowland at Los Tarrales when we were sitting high up on the mountain waiting for Tanagers. It was heard by a few others.

White-eyed Vireo, *Vireo griseus* — (1) This was a one sighting only bird at Los Tarrales. Common in eastern North America, this bright-eyed bird is often teased out of multi species flocks.

Hutton's Vireo, *Vireo huttoni* — (2) One bird seen quickly but well at the Hot Springs and one with the bird flock that we encountered after our lunch at Tecpan.

Yellow-throated Vireo, *Vireo flavifrons* — (1) (LO) This lone bird was spotted by Keith at Los Tarrales where it came in quick, looked around once, then departed.

Blue-headed Vireo, *Vireo solitarius* — (3) (LO) First seen on our Quetzal quest as well as the climb up the Volcano typically in mixed species flocks.

Warbling Vireo, *Vireo gilvus* — (6) This subtly plumaged species was seen numerous times and at various locations with flocks or by themselves.

Crows and Jays, Corvidae (4)

White-throated Magpie-Jay, *Calocitta formosa* — (3) Seen well a couple of times at Los Tarrales. This charismatic and long tailed corvid with its curly crest and pied blue and white plumage put on quite a show.

Bushy-crested Jay, (RE) *Cyanocorax melanocyaneus* — (3) Seen often and well at the

University, the Volcan Toliman climb and El Pilar. Noisy and gregarious, these yellow eyed, blue and black Jays move through the canopy as quietly as a bunch of teenage boys coming home from school.

Steller's Jay, *Cyanocitta stelleri* — (3) Seen at the Hot Springs, once at a gas station stop and at the after lunch walk at Cabiana Suissa. This Central American form differs from birds in Western North America by having a small blunt crest and more-white around the eyes.

Unicolored Jay, *Aphelocoma unicolor* — (1) Two of these were seen at the Hot Spring walk and really threw Rowland when they came in to us with the vocalization of the Black-throated Jay. They were in fact Unicolored Jays and in fact sounded like Black-throated Jays!

Swallows and Martins, Hirundinidae (5)

Black-capped Swallow, (RE), *Atticora pileata* — (5) We saw numerous birds on our walk at the Hot Springs, the Quetzal hike, the drive to Panajachel, the post lunch walk and at Finca El Pilar. This unique "black capped" swallow possesses the colors of a Rough-winged and the tail of a Barn Swallow.

Northern Rough-winged Swallow, *Stelgidopteryx serripennis* — (4) Encountered at Los Tarrales, and at Finca El Pilar. This familiar swallow ranges from Panama to nearly all-of the US.

Gray-breasted Martin, *Progne chalybea* — (2) Seen first at the Crazy Gas Station and then at Los Tarrales, where these large Swallows were found in wide open areas often adorning telephone wires.

Violet-green Swallow, *Tachycineta thalassina* – (2) This sighting was a distant glittering flock that spiraled around a Short-tailed Hawk high above a volcano at Los Tarrales.

Barn Swallow, *Hirundo rustica* — (2) Seen at the University and along the road as we made our way to Panajachel these familiar birds were on the move as they make their way north toward North America.

Bushtits, Aegithalidae (1)

Bushtit, *Psaltriparus minimus* — (3) First seen at the University, then encountered on the Volcan Toliman climb and the after lunch walk at Cabiana Sussa, these active little balls of feathers possess black ear coverts.

Treecreepers, Certhiidae (1)

Brown Creeper, *Certhia americana* — (1) Several were seen on the trails above Rincon Suiza in the area we looked for Pink-headed Warbler.

Wrens, Troglodytidae (7)

House Wren, *Troglodytes aedon* — (3) Frequently heard in many locations and less often seen this furtive bird ranges from southern Canada to southern South America.

Rufous-browed Wren, (RE), *Troglodytes rufociliatus* — (3) Heard well and seen at the Hot Springs spot as well as on the Quetzal quest and Volcan Toliman. This local species is very similar, to the Pacific Wren.

Band-backed Wren, *Campylorhynchus zonatus* — (3) Gregarious and rowdy, these Cactus Wren sized birds inhabit various areas where we saw them at the University, La Posada, the Volcano Toliman hike and Cabiana Suissa.

Rufous-naped Wren, *Campylorhynchus rufinucha* — (3) Seen at the Crazy Gas Station and at Los Tarrales, these handsome Wrens were enjoyed by all.

Spot-breasted Wren, *Pheugopedius maculipectus* — (1) (HO) This bird was heard by Rowland and pointed out to all at Los Tarrales, but never seen.

White-breasted Wood-Wren, *Henicorhina leucosticta* — (1) (HO) Heard by Rowland and pointed out to the group this small songster belted it out verbally but went unseen.

Gray-breasted Wood-Wren, *Henicorhina leucophrys* — (3) This small dark and handsome bird was heard far more often than seen. It was detected at the Quetzal spot, the Volcan Toliman climb and at the post lunch walk.

Gnatcatchers, Polioptilidae (2)

Long-billed Gnatwren, *Ramphocaenus melanurus* — (1) (HO) This bird was pointed out by Rowland during our drive up to the highlands of Los Tarrales.

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, *Polioptila caerulea* — (1) This lone bird was seen in the large bare tree as we sat at the overlook at Los Tarrales.

Thrushes, Turdidae (9)

Eastern Bluebird, *Sialia sialis* — (5) Seen well at the Quetzal hike as well as the Volcan Toliman hike and the Cabiana Suissa walk feeding under the shade of large trees, using fence posts as hunting perches.

Brown-backed Solitaire, *Myadestes occidentalis* — (5) Most amazing flutes in the woods, this highly vocal species fills the air with song. We first encountered them at the Hot Springs where one sat for several minutes. Additionally, we saw them on our climb up Volcan Toliman and the post lunch walk at Cabiana Suissa and at Finca El Pilar.

Ruddy-capped Nightingale-Thrush, *Catharus frantzii* — (2) We had several great views of this bird at the Hot Springs spot as well as the Quetzal quest hike.

Spotted Nightingale-Thrush, *Catharus dryas* — (1) (HO) This singing bird was pointed out

by Rowland at Los Tarrales and at the Quetzal spot.

Swainson's Thrush, *Catharus ustulatus* — (4) First spotted at a distance this bird at Los Tarrales was deep under cover while we were involved with a multitude of other species. It was a quick sighting. Additionally, we had one on the Quetzal spot as well as one heard as we climbed Volcan Toliman.

Clay-colored Thrush, *Turdus grayi* — (6) Seen every day in almost every habitat. This common bird often fed on lawns, drank from fountains and was... just around for all to enjoy.

White-throated Thrush, *Turdus assimilis* — (1) This beautiful Thrush was at Los Tarrales when we were in the throws, of a "mega-flock". It posed nicely for those quick with their binz but may have been difficult for others.

Rufous-collared Robin, (RE) *Turdus rufitorques* — (2) This regional endemic is built just like our American Robin but is pure black with a bold rufous hind collar and chest, then punctuated by a gleaming yellow bill. We had several at the Hot Springs as well as Finca El Pilar.

Mockingbirds and Allies, Mimidae (3)

Blue-and-white Mockingbird, (RE) *Melanotis hypoleucus* — (1) Seen only briefly but heard by all on the Volcan Toliman climb. This red eyed blue and white bird is a very well-tailored species.

Gray Catbird, *Dumetella carolinensis* — (1) This bird was a one-time wonder when Rowland saw one on the Volcan Toliman climb.

Tropical Mockingbird, *Mimus gilvus* — (1) I was shocked by the utter dearth of this usually abundant bird. Only one was heard briefly singing as we came down from Volcan Toliman.

Silky-flycatchers, Ptilonotidae (1)

Gray Silky-flycatcher, *Ptilonotus cinereus* — (5) These beautiful birds were well seen at the end of the Quetzal quest as we finished our hike at a lofty vista spot. Additionally, they were encountered at Cabiana Suissa and at Finca El Pilar.

New World Warblers, Parulidae (22)

Ovenbird, *Seiurus aurocapilla* – (2) First spotted by our Guatemalan guide Freddy, this bird was seen twice at Los Tarrales where several got good looks.

Worm-eating Warbler, *Helminthos vermivorum* – (1) This bird was discovered by Rowland who spotted it several times in a large flock of insectivores. A few participants

got quick views.

Northern Waterthrush, *Parkesia noveboracensis* — (1) This lone bird was spotted and heard by Rowland at the Los Tarrales, La Laguna.

Black-and-white Warbler, *Mniotilta varia* — (7) One of Patricia's favorite birds, we had several on nearly every day especially when encountered in small insectivore flocks.

Crescent-chested Warbler, *Oreothlypis superciliosa* — (3) Seen well and several times at the Hot Spring location, the Volcan Toliman hike and the farm walk we did at Caleras chichavac and then more after lunch in the pine forest. This is a true beauty.

Tennessee Warbler, *Oreothlypis peregrina* — (9) Our most frequently encountered Warbler, they occurred wherever there seemed to be flowering trees, be it at Los Tarrales or the parking lot at the Hotel in Panajachel. They were the "default" Warbler.

Nashville Warbler, *Oreothlypis ruficapilla* — (1) This was a single bird or two with a large flock of insectivores as we climbed up the Volcan Toliman.

MacGillivray's Warbler, *Geothlypis tolmiei* — (1) (LO) One male and one female seen while we climbed down the Volcan Toliman. A life bird for Brent, it brought smiles to all.

Common Yellowthroat, *Geothlypis trichas* — (1) This was a single sighting, found by Rowland just as we had arrived at the Hotel Bamboo on the shore of Lake Atitlan.

Northern Parula, *Setophaga americana* — (1) This beautiful species was seen by Rowland in a large feeding flock as we climbed the Volcan Toliman.

Magnolia Warbler, *Setophaga magnolia* — (1) This was a lone bird found on the first evening as we arrived at Los Tarrales.

Yellow Warbler, *Setophaga petechia* — (2) Encountered only at the "Crazy Gas Station" and Los Tarrales lodge.

Townsend's Warbler, *Setophaga townsendi* — (6) Seen on nearly every day whenever there were feeding flock of songbirds, especially at higher elevations.

Hermit Warbler, *Setophaga occidentalis* — (1) These two stunning males were life birds for Brent and enjoyed by those who got lucky views of this rather furtive species.

Black-throated Green Warbler, *Setophaga virens* — (1) Seen once at Los Tarrales by Rowland, it was not seen by many others.

Rufous-capped Warbler, *Basileuterus rufifrons* — (1) Always hard to see but well worth the effort this snappy bird was seen at Los Tarrales, spotted by Rowland.

Golden-browed Warbler, *Basileuterus belli* — (3) For those fortunate to get a shot at this stunningly beautiful bird, I take off my hat. Seen on the climb up Volcan Toliman and at Tecpan after lunch.

Golden-crowned Warbler, *Basileuterus culicivorus* — (1) One or two seen at Los Tarrales toward the end of the day when the group had thinned out.

Wilson's Warbler, *Cardellina pusilla* — (7) Seen commonly and was widespread, these familiar birds were feeding hard as they surely were bulking for a long trip north.

Red-faced Warbler, *Cardellina rubrifrons* — (1) This lone bird was at the Tecpan Farm walk.

Pink-headed Warbler, (RE) *Cardellina versicolor* — (2) This “Holy Grail” bird for us was brought to our attention when Patricia casually said, “I had the Pink-headed Warbler”. She and several others happened to spot and enjoy it from very close as they waited for the rest of the group to catch up at the Hot Springs spot. Additionally, it was seen at the Tecpan Farm walk well enough for all to see. A very nice bird.

Slate-throated Redstart, *Myioborus minuatus* — (6) These “Fan Dancers” livened up any understory with their pink belly and slate colored upperparts. The Pine Forest flock had several as well as the Volcan Toliman climb, Cabiana Suissa walk and Finca El Pilar.

Tanagers and Allies, Thraupidae (10)

Blue-gray Tanager, *Thraupis episcopus* — (4) Wide spread and our second most commonly seen Tanager, these birds were enjoyed at the crazy Gas Station, Los Tarrales and the Volcan Toliman climb as well as in most town squares, typically in company with Yellow-winged Tanagers.

Yellow-winged Tanager, *Thraupis abbas* — (5) Seen in many locations and often in large numbers. While difficult to enjoy the full spectrum of colors this bird possesses when perched against the sky, I enjoyed the raised eyebrows from those that finally got crippling views when illuminated birds were seen against a dark background.

Azure-rumped Tanager. *Tangara cabanisi* — (2) Birds difficult to view, but worth every effort to do so, were observed at the Los Tarrales lodge and on the Quetzal quest. With a tiny world range and a bird with Holy Grail status, I count our group very lucky to have seen these so well.

Red-legged Honeycreeper, *Cyanerpes cyaneus* — (4) While not a Hummingbird, these creatures are truly jewel-like. We encountered good numbers at Los Tarrales among the large feeding flocks of Tanagers in the cloud forest as well as on the Quetzal quest.

Cinnamon-bellied Flowerpiercer, *Diglossa baritula* — (3) Seen well at the Hot Springs, the Quetzal quest and at the Cabiana Suissa after lunch walk.

Blue-black Grassquit, *Volatinia jacarina* — (1) First noted by Patricia at the “Crazy Gas Station” as it did its funny and entirely typical flight display hovering up a foot or two and then dropping to the original perch, to show well its white under wings.

Morelet's “White-collared” Seedeater, *Sporophila torqueola* — (2) First noted in the madness surrounding the Crazy Gas Station by Rowland. One was seen later in transit to Panajachel.

Ruddy-breasted Seedeater, *Sporophila moreletii* – (1) Seen, once again at the Crazy Gas Station, these rather rare Seedeaters were females that were working the edge of the road.

Black-headed Saltator, *Saltator atriceps* – (2) These strikingly marked and rowdy birds seem like a cross between a Towhee and a Grosbeak. Gangs of them were encountered at Los Tarrales and at the Hot Springs.

Grayish Saltator, *Saltator coerulescens* – (2) The “I know! Right?” bird. This more subtly marked and less gregarious Saltator, (than the Black-headed), was heard and sometimes seen at the University and Los Tarrales.

New World Sparrows, Passerellidae (7)

Common Chlorospingus, *Chlorospingus flavopectus* – (4) Formerly known as the Common Bush-Tanager, these birds make up the nucleus of cloud forest bird flocks. It always pays off when their high thin call is heard and one goes through the birds that accompany them. We had several great looks at the Hot Springs spot, the Quetzal location, and Toliman and Cabinana Suissa.

Chestnut-capped Brushfinch, *Arremon brunneinucha* – (3) No slouch in the beauty department, this shy bird is a very well-tailored creature indeed. We saw one well at the Hot Spring spot as well as on the Volcan Toliman hike.

Yellow-eyed Junco, *Junco phaeonotus* – (1) Aptly named this bird has a “wired” look with its gleaming eyes set against the black “mascara” of its lores. We were stared down by several pairs on our walk through the farm at Caleras chichavac.

Rufous-collared Sparrow, *Zonotrichia capensis* – (5) Like a fancy White-crown with a rusty hind-neck, this, the world’s fifth species of Zonotrichia Sparrow was formerly known as the Andean Sparrow and was enjoyed at numerous high elevation locations.

White-eared Ground-Sparrow, *Melospiza leucotis* – (5) A bird heard and briefly spotted by Rowland at Los Tarrales, sadly no one got to see this interestingly patterned bird.

White-faced Ground-Sparrow, *Melospiza biarcuata* – (1) This single but briefly cooperative bird was seen well just as we finally had gotten back down the Volcan Toliman. This is a very aptly named bird.

Rusty Sparrow, *Aimophila rufescens* – (1) This handsome bird was seen well but quickly when we took a well needed break as we hiked up the Volcan Toliman. Two birds worked the edge of the open, recently logged habitat, that came into contact, with the untouched forest.

Cardinal-Grosbeaks, Cardinalidae (8)

Summer Tanager, *Piranga rubra* – (4) Seen in good numbers at Los Tarrales, and on the

climb at Volcan Toliman. Basically, *all* appeared to be either young males or females as I personally saw only one *red* male.

Western Tanager, *Piranga ludoviciana* — (6) Certainly Guatemala is a major wintering locale for these familiar birds of the Western US. Large numbers were beheld at Los Tarrales as well as the volcano, even at downtown squares and Finca El Pilar.

Flame-colored Tanager, *Piranga bidentata* — (1) Two birds were seen very well as they perched for 15 min's plus next to the trail on our descent of Volcan Toliman.

White-winged Tanager, *Piranga leucoptera* — (2) This utterly striking RED! BLACK! and WHITE! Tanager was seen at the University on the first walk. A rare and beautiful bird. Additionally, we saw two more at Los Tarrales.

Rose-breasted Grosbeak, *Pheucticus ludovicianus* — (6) Numerous birds of both sexes, were spotted at Los Tarrales, and numerous locations along our travels.

Blue Grosbeak, *Passerina caerulea* — (1) This single male was at the Crazy Gas Station when the seedeaters and other birds were... "going off!"

Indigo Bunting, *Passerina caerulea* — (2) Seen well at Finca El Pilar as a male came into drink and take a bath with Black-headed Siskins.

Painted Bunting, *Passerina ciris* — (2) For such a fine bird it was unfortunate that we did not see them better but a few, all males, were glimpsed at Los Tarrales.

New World Blackbirds and Orioles, Icteridae (9)

Black-vented Oriole, *Icterus wagleri* — (2) First seen from the bus, Rowland expertly pulled one of these down. We disembarked and were treated to a beautiful view of two males not far from our first Steller's Jays. The other sighting was on the Volcan Toliman.

Bar-winged Oriole, (RE) *Icterus maculiatu*s — (1) This single observer bird was found by Rowlands at Los Tarrales.

Orchard Oriole, *Icterus spurius* — (4) Several were seen at Los Tarrales in the mixed species flocks that ebbed and flowed through that incredible location, additionally there were several more at the Hotel Bamboo as well as in downtown locations in Antigua.

Spot-breasted Oriole, *Icterus pectoralis* — (3) Found at Los Tarrales, these birds were seen perched high in a tree above us allowing good looks at the trademark breast spots.

Altamira Oriole, *Icterus gularis* — (1) This very large Oriole was encountered at Los Tarrales just once but fortunately everyone had good looks.

Baltimore Oriole, *Icterus galbula* — (7) With multiple birds seen at Los Tarrales and in locations like town centers, these birds were found often at flowering trees as they ready for their trip north.

Bronzed Cowbird, *Molothrus aeneus* — (1) Seen one only as we ate lunch atop the roof

of the home where we did our cooking class. These blackbirds with ruby orbs and swollen napes are a nest parasite who lays eggs in many Oriole nests as well as a whole host of other unsuspecting bird.

Melodious Blackbird, *Dives dives* — (4) Heard far more often than seen this all black Blackbird has a beautiful song. We encountered it at Los Tarrales, where everyone enjoyed its charm near the soccer field.

Great-tailed Grackle, *Quiscalus mexicanus* — (9) Ubiquitous in any “human created” habitat. These large, nearly crow sized Blackbirds, parade their saucy beauty, uninhibited. Fountains in every town center, farm fields, even the edge of mature cloud forest, holds these vocal, satin shrouded show-offs.

Finches and Euphonias, Fringillidae (6)

Blue-crowned Chlorophonia, *Chlorophonia occipitalis* — (2) “Oh maw gawd!” was about the best thing I could muster after laying my eyes on this stunning jewel of a bird at Los Tarrales as well as on the Quetzal quest and on the Volcan Toliman climb.

Scrub Euphonia, *Euphonia affinis* — (3) Only a few of these small blue and yellow Euphonias were encountered, first at the Crazy Gas Station where Patricia located it starting to build its nest. It was also at Los Tarrales.

Yellow-throated Euphonia, *Euphonia hirundinacea* — (1) This was a one day wonder at Los Tarrales that fortunately most, if not all got to see.

Hooded Grosbeak, *Coccothraustes abeillei* — (3) (LO) This was a bird that I really wish had cooperated as the only one seen, came zipping in, and then dove into a bush, never to be seen again. Rowland heard a couple more at high elevation spots.

Black-headed Siskin, *Spinus forreri* — (3) One perched quickly high atop a tall conifer at the farm at Caleras chichavac. Better views were had at Finca El Pilar when perhaps 15 came down to our feet to take a bath. A great sighting!

Lesser Goldfinch, *Spinus psaltria* — (2) This bird was originally found by Rowland and then seen by more of us at Finca El Pilar.

Old World Sparrows, Passeridae (1)

House Sparrow, *Passer domesticus* — (6) Seen on nearly each day in the appropriate habitat for such a bird... around houses.

Mammals (4)

White-tailed Deer, *Odocoileus virginianus* — (3)

Deppe’s Squirrel, *Sciurus deppei* — (4)

Central American Agouti, *Dasyprocta punctate* – (2)
White-nosed Coati, *Nasua narica* – (2)

Reptiles and Amphibians (2)

Anole Sp. – (2)

Cane Toad, *Bufo valliceps* – (1)

Itinerary
March 26th to April 5th, 2018

- **Day 1: Clarion Suites in Guatemala City to Francisco Morroquin Universidad to Guatemala City to Cocales and the “Crazy Gas Station” to Los Tarrales.**
- **Day 2: Los Tarrales up mountain La Isla Bench back down to Los Tarrales, La Rinconada.**
- **Day 3: Los Torrales to Fuentes Georginas Hot Springs to Xela, Bonifas.**
- **Day 4: Xela to San Rafael Tie de la Cuesta for the Quetzal quest to Xela.**
- **Day 5: Xela to the market of Chichicastenango, back to the boat at Panajachel then crossed Lago Atitlan to the Hotel Bamboo.**
- **Day 6: Group one, up predawn from Hotel Bamboo and hiked on foot 3000 feet up the Volcan Toliman then back down by nightfall. Group two, went with Patricia across the lake to San Juan la Laguna for a cultural tour and lunch. Back across Lago Atitlan at 3:00 PM.**
- **Day 7: Santiago Atitlan to Tewcpan Farm, then across the highway for lunch at Cabiana Suissa then an after lunch walk. Drive to Antigua.**
- **Day 8: Antigua to Finca El Pilar to Antigua then to a cooking class then back To Antigua.**
- **End of tour**