

ANN AND ROLAND GO BIRDING IN ECUADOR SEPTEMBER 23RD – OCTOBER 7TH 2016

This was an unexpected trip, organised at a week's notice and we are very grateful to Christina at **Ecuador Nature Expeditions** (www.enexpeditions.com) for the excellent arrangements.

We had been due to go to South Africa on September 2nd but had to cancel the week before because my doctor wouldn't let me go, fearing I might have a heart attack. I was gutted. We had been talking to Lawson's at Birdfair and they knew how excited it was but I have to say they were fantastic – well, more specifically, Mavourneen was. She pulled out all the stops to be helpful and we ended up booking the same trip for next year. Anyway, when I lay in my hospital bed and discovered I did not have angina after all, I texted the good news to my husband and by midnight we had booked flights and a holiday in Ecuador!!

FRIDAY, 23RD. SEPTEMBER

Travelling. We flew from Manchester to Amsterdam with Elvis Presley and friends and then from Amsterdam to Guayaquil with KLM. It was a long journey! Our guide, Norby, was there to meet us. Beautiful sunset, lots of traffic, interesting street performers. It took Norby an hour to find our hotel (Hostel Macaw) which was very nice but didn't do food. The owner prepared us a plate of fruit though. The hotel was lovely and I would have no hesitation in recommending it.

SATURDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER

Breakfast (wonderful) was at 7 and we were ready to set off by 7h30. The streets were deserted! No traffic, just lots of street sweepers. We had an interesting drive to the Manglares Churute Reserve, where we collected our guide, Orlando. Norby was a mine of information about the coastal area we were travelling through and indeed continued to be so throughout the trip. By the end of it, I felt I could write a book about Ecuador but I will try not to rant on in my report. Anyway, Orlando said he didn't speak English but he was fibbing and he was an excellent guide too. We picked up a few birds at the Visitors' Centre (**Fasciated wren, Red-necked parakeets, Ecuadorian ground dove...**) and on the way to the mangroves we stopped to look at a **Pacific pygmy owl** and a **Limkin**, amongst others and also a family of Coatis rummaging for fruit. Having parked by the Visitors' Centre, we scanned the trees nearby and found a few more birds for our list – **Yellow-crowned euphonia, Boat-billed flycatcher, Amazillio hummingbird, Scarlet-backed woodpecker** then walked down to the river through a mist of mozzies, which were nasty little buggars that bit through your clothes. Nothing to see on the way except for crabs, which were amusing to watch and there were some really big ones. I don't envy the men who plod through the mangroves catching them to sell. Bit pongy in places. Our next stop was up the main road to a track following the Cerruti River. This was actually dry though it floods in the wet season. We drove up to a spot with a dam, water and swamp (Laguna El Canclón?) where we saw lots of water birds and several **Horned Screamers**, which were on my want list. Unfortunately we didn't see one with a good "horn" and we learnt that they also have a hook on their wings which they use for fighting. After we had dropped Orlando off at home, we carried on driving through the coastal plain and its scrubland/cultivated fields (bananas, fruit, sugar cane) to Puerto Inca for some good local food instead of our packed lunch. Our shrimp ceviche and crab salad were delicious and cost us \$21. It was unbelievable how many **Snail Kites** we had seen along the route so far – you couldn't go 100 yards without seeing one! Or so it seemed. **Scrub Blackbirds** were also very plentiful along with both Black and Turkey vultures. We didn't stop again but pressed on to Umbrella Lodge, arriving late afternoon in the rain. There were still some hummers feeding so we watched them for a while. Our chalet looked onto forest and had a nice verandah. The room was smallish but had everything we needed and the bathroom was very nice with a good shower. While we were sitting in the

main lodge that evening, a **Black and white owl** perched on the beam above Roland's head and then flew outside. We had fabulous views of him both inside and out. As these owls eat beetles, he would have been very pleased with those on the mesh screens which had been attracted by the light. There were also some stunning moths on there. Another nocturnal visitor was a very cute Kinkajou who came down to a feeding table. Kinkajous are members of the weasel family. There were also Black Agoutis in the grounds and we saw them on more than one occasion.

Manglares Churute: This 55213 hectare reserve protects the Churute Lake and its surrounding deciduous forest and includes a large expanse of Mangrove Forest at the mouth of Guayas River. The reserve is located in Guayas Province and its elevation ranges from 0 – 700 meters. The area can be easily visited from Guayaquil, though the closest city is Naranjal. Churute Lake is home to the only population of Horned Screamers on the west side of the Andes. The park has registered 300+ bird species, including close to 30 Tumbesian endemics only shared with Northern Perú.

There is very little mangrove left in Ecuador. This reserve is surrounded by reclaimed land which is now used for agriculture, mainly sugar cane, rice and fruit. There are also a lot of shrimp farms. The houses are built on stilts because of the risk of flooding in the wet season.

24 - Manglares Churute Reserve

Amazilia Hummingbird
Anhinga
Black Vulture
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck
Black-cheeked Woodpecker
Black-crowned Night-Heron
Blue-and-white Swallow
Blue-grey Tanager
Boat-billed Flycatcher
Cocoi Heron
Comb Duck
Crested Caracara
Croaking Ground-Dove
Ecuadorian Ground-Dove
Fasciated Wren
Fulvous Whistling-Duck
Great Egret
Grey-breasted Martin
Groove-billed Ani
Harris's Hawk
Horned Screamer
Killdeer
Limpkin
Little Blue Heron
Little Woodstar
Magnificent Frigatebird
Masked Water-Tyrant
Muscovy Duck
Neotropic Cormorant
Osprey
Pacific Hornero
Pacific Parrotlet

Peruvian Pygmy-Owl
Pied-billed Grebe
Plain-breasted Ground-Dove
Purple Gallinule
Red-billed Tropicbird
Red-masked Parakeet
Ringed Kingfisher
Roseate Spoonbill
Savanna Hawk
Scarlet-backed Woodpecker
Scrub Blackbird
Shiny Cowbird
Snail Kite
Snowy Egret
Spotted Sandpiper
Tropical Kingbird
Turkey Vulture
Wattled Jacana
Yellow-rumped Cacique

24 - Umbrella Lodge
Andean Emerald
Black-and-white Owl
Green Thorntail
Green-crowned Brilliant
Violet-bellied Hummingbird
White-necked Jacobin

SUNDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER

We could hear Howler monkeys in the distance when we woke up. Outside it was cool and cloudy but this gradually cleared to hot and sunny becoming increasingly humid.

Breakfast was at 6 then we hung about for a couple of hours to see what came down into the trees and on the feeders before going for a walk down the approach road and back. Then more time hanging about followed by lunch and more time hanging about followed by a walk uphill and down the Umbrella bird trail and back. This is a good trail, well laid out with steps where it's steep and a handrail though it comes to an abrupt stop where a tree has fallen down and blocked the way. We hardly saw anything on our walk and were back by 4. More hanging about. We got talking to some other birders that evening and discovered we were in the company of Arjan Dwarshuis, the Dutch birder on a year's bird challenge. He was a really nice lad and was with his girlfriend. We were pleased that Roland had spotted a Gartered trogon that morning which was a new bird for Arjan. Juan Carlos, who is apparently THE top guide, arrived tonight with another birder and two Chinese clients who we kept bumping into as they were following a similar route to ours.

25 - Umbrella Lodge

Andean Emerald
Bananaquit
Bay Wren
Bay-headed Tanager
Black-billed Mountain-Toucan
Black-crowned Antshrike
Blue-grey Tanager

Blue-necked Tanager
Boat-billed Flycatcher
Bronze-winged Parrot
Brown Violetear
Buff-rumped Warbler
Buff-throated Woodcreeper
Chestnut-backed Antbird
Chestnut-headed Oropendola
Cinnamon Becard
Club-winged Manakin
Collared Aracari
Ecuadorian Thrush
Emerald-bellied Woodnymph
Fawn-breasted Tanager
Gartered Trogon
Green Honeycreeper
Grey-and-gold Warbler
Grey-backed Hawk
Guira Tanager
Marble-faced Bristle-Tyrant
One-coloured Becard
Orange-bellied Euphonia
Palm Tanager
Plain Xenops
Plain-brown Woodcreeper
Red-eyed Vireo
Red-masked Parakeet
Rufous-headed Chachalaca
Rufous-tailed Hummingbird
Saffron Finch
Short-tailed Hawk
Silver-throated Tanager
Smoke-coloured Pewee
Social Flycatcher
Streak-headed Woodcreeper
Tawny-bellied Hermit
Thick-billed Euphonia
Tropical Kingbird
Tropical Parula
Wedge-billed Woodcreeper
White-bearded Manakin
White-collared Swift
Yellow-rumped Tanager
Yellow-throated Toucan

MONDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER

We set off at 5h45 today to look for the **Long-wattled Umbrella Bird**. It was raining and Norby drove us up the hill to the beginning of the trail. Unfortunately, though we heard the bird, we didn't get to see one ☹️ I think we were the only people staying at the Lodge who did not see an Umbrella bird. I was VERY disappointed as this was one of the few birds I really wanted to see.

Back at the lodge, a gentleman from Chester said hello and enquired if I was Ann of the trip reports! I was gob-smacked to meet someone who not only reads my reports but enjoys them too!! Made my day ☺ So, hello to you, sir. I forgot to ask you for your name in my excitement! After breakfast we spent more time hanging about with our viewing restricted by the mist but we did pick up a few new birds such as a **Guayaquil woodpecker**, **Montane woodcreeper**, **Ornate flycatcher** and **Choco toucan**. We set off for Jorupe at 9h20 and although Norby said it was only a four hour journey, we didn't get there until 17h30. We stopped off at Pinas (wonderful roundabout there with birdy statues) to look for the **El Oro parakeets** and just managed to see some before the mist came down. We waited a while for it to lift but it just got thicker so we set off again with sunshine and blue skies all the way. Fabulous scenery and a detailed running commentary on each area. We had a great packed lunch just outside Chaguar Pamba at the auction site/cattle market where we had lovely views across the valley. We had one other stop just before Sabanilo so I could photograph some giant Silk cotton trees and we were lucky enough to spot 3 different species of parrot here too! We saw **Pacific parrotlets**, **Grey-cheeked parakeet** and **Red-necked parakeets**. Apparently they like eating the seeds in the kapok which taste like peanuts. We also saw a small raptor with a snake. We asked about some places we saw wondering if they were brothels and Norby took a while to reply obviously mulling over our question and eventually said they were "houses of tolerance" ;) We had a close encounter with a **Solitary eagle** as we drove through Catacocha— it just missed our car! At Urraca Lodge we had a nice hut to ourselves with our own bathroom and verandah. Very private and looking into the forest. An all-round lovely set-up with a great manageress. We had a bit of a pow-wow this evening about our itinerary and managed to change things round a little so we could fit more birding in at the end of our trip.

26 - **Umbrella Lodge**

Choco Toucan
Guayaquil Woodpecker
Montane Woodcreeper
Ornate Flycatcher
Spotted Woodcreeper

26 - **To Urraca Lodge**

Blue-and-white Swallow
El Oro Parakeet
Grey-cheeked Parakeet
Long-tailed Mockingbird
Pacific Hornero
Pacific Parrotlet
Red-masked Parakeet
Roadside Hawk
Scrub Blackbird
Solitary Eagle

TUESDAY, 27TH SEPTEMBER

We were supposed to be setting off at 5 this morning but the lovely lady here had prepared us coffee and something to eat plus a boxed breakfast so we set off a little later than anticipated, in the dark. On the main road, we saw a **Parraque**. The drive to Utuana was a bit of a nightmare as the government decided some time ago to surface or resurface all the roads. Consequently almost the whole journey was through roadworks and on unsurfaced roads. Hard driving for Norby and a good 2 hours each way. We were all horrified by some of the damage that has been done unnecessarily to the hillsides, cutting down huge swathes of forest, leaving unstable mountain sides. We had a brief stop at Sozoranga to look at **Chestnut collared swallows**. There were lots of old houses there but we didn't have time to

explore. A little further on we stopped to take photos of the stunning scenery and spotted a **Hook-billed kite** sitting in a tree and a **Great thrush** plus a few **Pacific horneros** on the road. Utuana is a one-street town and again looked really interesting. I saw a lady in traditional clothing complete with panama. Incidentally, panama hats originated in Ecuador at Quenca. Apparently the President went to a conference in Panama and gave everyone a traditional hat which earned it its name. I also saw an open-sided bus known as a chiva. We did some spotting by the roadside (**White-throated tyrannulet**) and took lots of photos of the mist and the valleys – very photogenic – before moving to the reserve itself (Montane scrub and woodland) where we looked for the **Black crested tit tyrant** before taking a walk up to the feeders. They were in the shade so badly placed for photos but the constant stream of **Rainbow starfrontlet** was an absolute delight. Then we went to have another fruitless look for the tit tyrant and walked down the road to see what we could see, picking up good views of several nice birds such as **Roadside hawk**, **Slate-collared whitestart**, **Chapman's antshrike**, **Three-barred warbler**, **Red-crested cotinga**.... We then went back up to the feeders for our butties and a **Sparkling violet ear dropped** in. Very nice too. More looking for the tit tyrant... all in vain. Time for the journey back, this time in daylight all the way. We had a couple of photo stops picking up **Fasciated wren** at one and were surprised to see all the farming down by the riverside where the fertile soil and access to a water supply made this possible. Such a contrast: an oasis of paddy fields and palms versus the steep arid slopes dominated by the stark outlines of Kapok trees. Lunch was soup and sesina, a Loja speciality. Time for a relax outside in the lovely garden whilst enjoying a cup of coffee. We were much entertained by the beautiful Guayaquil squirrels that came down to feed. They had luxurious tails and little black feet and hands so they looked like they had shoes and gloves on. Probably the nicest squirrels we have ever seen (apart from our own Red squirrels, of course). The **White-tailed jays** were a bit stunning too. Noisy but real characters and as for the **Southern yellow grosbec**! Wow! Such colour! We followed this moment of relaxation with quite a productive walk seeing **Tawny-crowned pygmy tyrant**, **Dusky-capped flycatcher** and **Ecuadorian piculet** to name but a few. We would have identified more but much time was spent consulting the guidebook and Norby did not call out birds, preferring instead to pish or use an Audubon bird lure. There were 7 of us at dinner: 6 of whom were more interested in their phone, tablet or computer than the food or the people round them. I hate this habit.

27a - Urraca Lodge to Utuana

Blue-and-white Swallow
 Broad-winged Hawk
 Chapman's Antshrike
 Chestnut-collared Swallow
 Fasciated Wren
 Glossy-black Thrush
 Great Thrush
 Hook-billed Kite
 Line-cheeked Spinetail
 Masked Flowerpiercer
 Pacific Hornero
 Purple-throated Sunangel
 Rainbow Starfrontlet
 Red-crested Cotinga
 Roadside Hawk
 Slate-throated Redstart
 Speckled Hummingbird
 Three-banded Warbler
 White-collared Swift
 White-crested Elaenia
 White-sided Flowerpiercer

White-throated Tyrannulet
White-tipped Dove

27b - Urraca Lodge

Black Vulture
Blue Ground-Dove
Blue-grey Tanager
Croaking Ground-Dove
Dusky-capped Flycatcher
Ecuadorian Ground-Dove
Ecuadorian Piculet
Golden Grosbeak
Long-tailed Mockingbird
Pacific Parrotlet
Saffron Finch
Scrub blackbird
Slaty-capped Flycatcher
Streaked Flycatcher
Streaked Saltator
Streak-headed Woodcreeper
Tawny-crowned Pygmy-Tyrant
Tropical Kingbird
Tropical Parula
Turkey Vulture
Western Wood-Pewee
White-tailed Jay
White-tipped Dove

WEDNESDAY, 28TH SEPTEMBER

Breakfast was at 6 when it was a bit chilly and just getting light. It was interrupted several times by the arrival of the **Andean tinamou**. Other birds seen included **White-edged oriole**, **Plumbeous thrush**, **Ecuadorian ground thrush**, **Yellow-tailed oriole**, **Olivaceous warbler** and **Scrub blackbird** but the Tinamou was definitely the star of the show. We followed this with a bit of a walk down a trail in search of an Antpitta, We had no success but did see a couple of **Black-capped sparrows** ferretting about in the leaves. A walk down to the gate was next and it was just warming up nicely but it was disappointingly quiet bird-wise so we decided to walk back up then go elsewhere. I stopped to take a couple of photos and when I caught the others up, they had just seen **Watkins antpitta**! Roland tried calling it out and whilst it responded well, it didn't show itself so we set off again. We stopped further up at a small flurry of activity and when I was pointing out where I had seen **Baird's flycatcher**, the antpitta jumped out onto the road, looked at us, then hopped back in again!! It was so comical ☺ No photo, though. As we left the reserve to go to the river, we saw 4 **Amazonion motmot**. Such lovely birds .We actually drove down to the Peruvian border. I knew we were close but hadn't realised we were that close! Our visas didn't permit us to leave Ecuador so we couldn't go across and back again to get our passports stamped and there were all sorts of formalities to go through too so we contented ourselves with a walk along the bridge towards Peru! The water in the river was crystal clear. We were delighted to see a **Vermilion flycatcher**, **Green kingfisher** and **Tumbes hummingbird** amongst others. Lunch was disturbed by the Tinamou but at least the light was better for photos. Afterwards we had the long drive to Loja but we avoided the dusty unmade road we had taken the other day! It was very hot and the scenery was superb and ever-changing. We had a brief stop at (a to look for some hummingbird feeders but no-one knew where they were so we just had an ice-cream instead. We had a further break just outside Catacocha where we had fabulous close-up views of **Pacific parrotlets**, **Long-tailed mockingbird**, **Streaked saltator** and

Yellow-bellied grosbec. There was also a Pacific hornero nest. We stopped again further on because I wanted to photograph the desert-type scenery and a fabulous rainbow colouring the clouds and producing an amazing effect. We were at 1950m (6,500'). The sunset was out of this world. As we drove into Loja, Norby pointed out the 6 wind turbines on the hillside – the only ones in Ecuador. So far. We were staying at the Hotel Podacarpus which which was a little disappointing: we had to change rooms because our sink was blocked and when we went for dinner, they didn't actually have a restaurant as advertised but had sent out for some food. We purchase an inflatable frog from a street vendor – he has bulbous flashing eyes when you flick them 😊 The frog, that is. Maybe the man did too – I didn't actually try flicking his eyes ;)

28 - Urraca Lodge

Amazonian Motmot
Andean Tinamou
Baird's Flycatcher
Black-capped Sparrow
Boat-billed Flycatcher
Ecuadorian Thrush
Grey-cheeked Parakeet
Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift
Olivaceous Woodcreeper
Plumbeous-backed Thrush
Scrub Blackbird
Short-tailed Swift
Streaked Flycatcher
Tawny-crowned Pygmy-Tyrant
Tropical Gnatcatcher
Watkins's Antpitta
White-edged Oriole
Yellow-tailed Oriole

28 – River

Amazilia Hummingbird
American Kestrel
Black-necked Stilt
Croaking Ground-Dove
Great Egret
Green Kingfisher
Groove-billed Ani
Neotropic Cormorant
Pacific Parrotlet
Saffron Finch
Snowy Egret
Southern Rough-winged Swallow
Spotted Sandpiper
Tumbes Hummingbird
Vermilion Flycatcher

28 – Catacocha

Long-tailed Mockingbird
Pacific Parrotlet
Streaked Saltator

THURSDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER

We had a lie-in until 6h15 with breakfast at 7. Nothing special: a bun, a fried egg on a saucer, one small pat of butter, a blob of jam and a cup of coffee. Loja itself looked really interesting but of course we didn't have time to visit. It is located in the Cuxibamba Valley at a height of 6,750' and is surrounded by lush, green mountains that cascade down into beautiful valleys with rushing rivers. It's height and climate make it the perfect place for growing crops ranging from coffee to citrus fruits. It is one of the oldest cities in the country and is sometimes called the Musical and Cultural Capital of Ecuador. It was the first city to have electricity! In the city centre, the Museum of Music displays instruments and original scores. Independence Square is lined with colonial buildings with wooden balconies. At the base of the tall clock tower in the middle of the square are reliefs that depict important episodes of Loja's history. The bus station, which you really can't miss, has a music themed entrance which is rather impressive but probably not as much so as the "castle" which the mayor has had built to welcome visitors and which has some impressive mosaics nearby! Anyway, we struggled through the roadworks and got safely on the road to Cajanuma, part of the huge Podocarpus National Park. We drove slowly upwards towards the refugio, stopping here and there to scan the canopy and surrounding vegetation. It got colder as we got higher and the rain and mist came and went but even where there were no birds to see, the vegetation was diverse and interesting and the views fantastic. We picked up a few new birds such as **Red-hooded tanager**, **Tyrian metaltail** and **Buff-chested mountain tanager** and when we finally arrived at the top in the rain, we started to walk along a muddy trail. There did not seem to be any bird life though so we turned round and went for lunch in an elevated roofed area near to the Refugio. The toilets there reminded us of Africa with a toilet, washbasin and shower in very close proximity to each other and the floor swimming in water! The weather started to brighten up as we left and we made further stops on the way down but didn't add much to our list. It was time to set off for the Casa Simpson at Tapallachia though we broke the journey at Vilcabamba (a good place to live?) for an ice-cream/snack. The best meringues ever!! In seventh heaven ☺ and overwhelmed by the stunning drive through a sea of mountains on mostly good roads. We arrived at Casa Simpson around 16h30 and the Chinese who had arrived just before us were already hogging the feeders! The lodge itself is built from local materials and has 7 bedrooms with en-suite bathroom, a restaurant and a lounge. It was a bit dingy but very nice and we had good, plain food while we were there. The lodge was built by the Jocotoco Foundation, a conservation body devoted to protecting Ecuador's natural spaces through buying land. It is also the best place to see the **Jocotoco antpitta** and you can see **Undulated antpitta** too! I can recommend this place – it is a shame that it is hardly used as it is in a great spot, has good facilities and the staff are lovely

29 - Podocarpus (North)

Azara's Spinetail
Blue-and-white Swallow
Brown-bellied Swallow
Buff-breasted Mountain-Tanager
Cinnamon Flycatcher
Collared Inca
Great Thrush
Hooded Mountain-Tanager
Lacrimose Mountain-Tanager
Mountain Cacique
Mountain Wren
Olive-sided Flycatcher
Rainbow Starfrontlet
Red-hooded Tanager
Spectacled Redstart
Strong-billed Woodcreeper

Tyrian Metaltail
White-crested Elaenia
White-sided Flowerpiercer

FRIDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER

Breakfast was at 6 followed by hummer time when I spotted a **Blackish tapaculo** in a dark corner ☺. We set off walking uphill and onto a track leading to the Antpitta trail. It was a beautiful day and we stopped here and there to bird and admire the views. We carried on along the main track but it was very quiet so we turned round and retraced our steps. We saw puma scat on the roadside which is the closest we got to seeing a Puma! Norby also pointed out a carnivorous Solitary ant which was rather striking. We had an hour at the feeders before lunch and an hour and a half afterwards. Bit too long, really and Roland went off birding on his own. He saw a **Turquoise jay** and a bird no-one could name! The afternoon walk really did me in and all we saw was a **White-tailed tyrannulet!** We walked downhill this time and I really struggled to get back up. It was too steep and I just couldn't breathe. When I eventually made it back to the lodge, I just collapsed onto the steps and couldn't go any further so the two men went off on their own and I occupied myself with a bit of leisurely birding.. And lots of coffee! The men didn't see anything. There was quite a lot of thunder throughout the day but no rain.

30 - Casa Simpson

Amethyst-throated Sunangel
Barred Fruiteater
Blackish Tapaculo
Blue-and-white Swallow
Chestnut-breasted Coronet
Cinnamon Flycatcher
Collared Inca
Fawn-breasted Brilliant
Golden-crowned Tanager
Great Thrush
Green-and-gold Tanager
Green-fronted Lancebill
Masked Flowerpiercer
Pearled Treerunner
Plushcap
Rufous-breasted Chat-Tyrant
Spectacled Redstart
Turquoise Jay
White-sided Flowerpiercer
White-tailed Tyrannulet
Yellow-breasted Brushfinch

SATURDAY, 1ST.OCTOBER

Nice, early breakfast at 5h30 then we set off to see the **Jocotoco antpitta**. There is a sign at the start of the trail saying it is 700m long but Roland measured it and it was more like 900m. The trail is well laid out and we passed the **White-necked quail-dove** feeding area. The antpitta spot is not very big but there is some seating. The star attraction was already there when we arrived and we had a very enjoyable time watching two adult antpittas. They had a couple of young nearby and whilst they sometimes encourage them out, they didn't do so today. On the way back we waited in the hides for the doves but they were staying well-hidden though Roland had a brief glimpse of one. Our next walk took us along the trail to the **Undulated antpitta** feeding spot which is a fairly confined area but as there were only the four of us it was ok. Stunning bird. It was a beautiful day and we next

drove down to the archaeological site near Palanda in the Amazonian Lowlands at only 1028m as opposed to 2,500m at the lodge. It was boiling hot down in the valley and I was really excited by a bird I saw as we approached the ruins – it was a **Paradise tanager** and the colours were absolutely wonderful! Out of this world! One of the most beautiful birds I have ever seen. We parked up and had a quick look round the ruins: Santa Ana/La Florida, going back as far as 3,500BC. The area was well laid out with lots of information boards. There was no-one about but there was a handy toilet block. We picked up a few new birds and decided it was worth a return trip. Back to the lodge for an extra-nice lunch and down into the valley again. This time we met George, the guide. He was carrying a French text book and we had a bit of a conversation in French. I never miss an opportunity. 😊 There were a lot more people about now, mostly enjoying themselves in the river! We wandered round for a while then went to a spot further up which Juan Carlos had been to the day before. We were particularly pleased with the **Torrent tyrannulet** we saw and the **Inca jay**, not to mention the **Band-tailed pigeon** and **Silver-beaked tanagers**. A great day with a beautiful sunset to round it off. Happy, happy 😊 😊 😊

1 - Casa Simpson

Cinnamon Flycatcher
Jocotoco Antpitta
Rufous Spinetail
Russet-crowned Warbler
Undulated Antpitta

1 – Ruins

Amazon Kingfisher
Bananaquit
Black Phoebe
Black Vulture
Black-billed Thrush
Blue-grey Tanager
Blue-necked Tanager
Common Tody-Flycatcher
Golden-eared Tanager
Marañon Thrush
Mottle-backed Elaenia
Paradise Tanager
Purple Honeycreeper
Slate-throated Redstart
Social Flycatcher
Squirrel Cuckoo
Thick-billed Euphonia
Tropical Kingbird
Turkey Vulture
Yellow-browed Sparrow

1 – Up the road

Band-tailed Pigeon
Inca Jay
Silver-beaked Tanager
Torrent Tyrannulet

SUNDAY, 2ND OCTOBER

We had planned some early morning birding (5h30) of the cliffs down by the road but our plans were thwarted by virtue of the gates being locked! We hung about the car park hoping

for **Swallow-tailed nightjar** and a few **Nighthawks** but there was nothing about. Eventually someone came and opened the gate but we didn't see anything on the cliffs either. We had lovely ethereal views across the valley with the mist and cloud though. Breakfast called and we followed this with a walk along the Undulated pitta trail in the cold mist. It was very rewarding – it was as if the mist had brought the birds out and we were surrounded by them! Didn't know which way to look first as **Grass-green tanager**, **Black-billed peppershrike**, **Citrine warblers**, **Grey-hooded bush tanagers** and others flitted round us. A superb end to our stay so we said our goodbyes and set off for Copalinga, punctuating our journey with several stops. The first one was at Yangana. We had seen them setting up a festival on our way through the other day and as it was still on, we asked if we could stop. It was very busy and it turned out to be the Lord of the Good Death's religious festival! There were lots of religious souvenirs for sale along with sweeties and food stalls. We bought some figs stuffed with nuts (sweet but divine) and some nuts wrapped in honey and leaves. Not just any old honey but honey from stingless bees: *Melipone meliponidae*. Again, this concoction was very sweet but quite tasty. Next on the agenda was Cuye, roast guinea-pig. There were small, medium and large and came with potatoes and stuff. Roland opted for large at \$15. Bargain. I had a leg and it was absolutely delicious. I was tempted to get a whole one but there was nowhere proper to sit and eat it. We bought a young Jesus statuette as a souvenir for \$3 and then splurged on some yummy home-made strawberry ice-cream. 3 for \$1.50. Even bigger bargain. The ice-cream was in a metal tub inside a wooden barrel with ice and salt between the two. Best ice-cream I've had for a long time! Everyone there was really friendly and inviting. We had a peep inside the church too which was packed but a service was about to start so we left. On through Vilacamba – nice little town, statuesque mountains, good climate – and stopped for our packed lunch a bit higher up where there was a nice view. We had rice with vegetables, chicken and sausage; fruit juice, water, an apple, chocolate and biscuits. Very impressive. I have to say we had some really good packed lunches on this holiday – hardly a cheese butty in sight! Our next stop was because Norby wanted a bit of a break and who could blame him? It was a good spot for we found a whole load of terrestrial orchids! Beautiful. We stopped again at a small village called El Tambo. They had public toilets and there was a fast-flowing river we went to investigate and bingo! There were 2 **White-capped dippers**. As we continued along our way, Norby explained that we would now see lots of waterfalls, most of which had names. We stopped at the first one which was called The Bride's Veil (Velode Novia) but there was nowhere to stop for most of the others. As we were approaching Copalinga, which is near Zamora, we saw several large, cattaleya like orchids which Norby told us were Solvradia. We had a warm welcome from Catherine (Belgian) when we arrived and were most impressed with the lodge and its layout. Our cabin was quite spacious with a lovely bathroom and our own verandah and away from other cabins. The main lodge building houses the restaurant and bar and looks out onto a multitude of feeder which attract a great variety of birds, including **Sickle-winged guan!** There are even hummingbird feeders on the bar! Catherine is a birder and knows all the birds that come to the area. There is a wonderful small orchid garden next to the restaurant and there is a self-guided trail loop system which spans an altitudinal range of 500m (1640') and covers about 5 miles. The trails are narrow and quite steep in places. They lead you into tropical submontane, humid forest, populated with orchids, bromeliads, ferns and birds. As a further perk, you can go and see the **Grey tinamou** being fed in the late afternoon. Not on your own, but with Catherine. Tea was delicious even though dessert consisted of one third of a small cake each! And so to bed.

2 - Casa Simpson

Black-billed Peppershrike
Blackish Tapaculo
Citrine Warbler
Grass-green Tanager
Grey-hooded Bush Tanager

Lacrimose Mountain-Tanager
Masked Flowerpiercer
Mountain Wren
Rufous Spinetail
Russet-crowned Warbler
Sulphur-bellied Tyrannulet
White-tailed Tyrannulet

2- Casa Simpson to Copalinga

Blue-black Grassquit
Crested Oropendula
Great Thrush
Groove-billed Ani
Rufous-collared Sparrow
Sickle-winged Guan
Silver-beaked Tanager
Tropical Kingbird
White-capped Dipper
Yellow-bellied Seedeater

MONDAY, 3RD OCTOBER

Morning dawned cool and dull. Not what we were hoping for but hey ho. Breakfast was served at 5h30. We then walked along the road towards the Bombuscaro entrance to the Podocarpus NP. (2.5kms). Entrance is free. We stopped at the bridge (steep walk down) and saw a female **Cock of the Rock**. We waited in vain for the male to appear. A little further on, I looked up and saw a large, black bird flying overhead Could it be? Yes it was! An **Amazonian Umbrellabird**!! It disappeared into the trees then Roland spotted it sitting in a bare tree. Norby said it was a female but I had already seen its huge crest and dangly bits so I contested this and I was right. Talk about made up!! It wasn't the Long-wattled umbrella bird, "just" the Amazonian but what did I care? Made my day and we had really good views through the scope. Magnificent bird. We saw a few more nice birds and orchids before turning round and retracing our steps but Norby seemed to be more interested in his phone than the birds and this continued throughout the day much to our frustration. Lunch was soup and make your own butty. Same stuff as for breakfast plus tuna/mayonnaise. We went into Zamora at around 14h30 to look for **Spangled coquettes** and helados but drew a blank on both. We did have lovely views of **Yellow-rumped cacique** and **Mottle-backed elaenia** though and saw a family with a ladder and sticks collecting fruit off the Inca trees. There were some lads bathing and doing their washing in the river and the water park was deserted. The sun came out and it was really quite pleasant. As we were about to get in the car, I paused to look at a bird, put my hand in the wrong place and Roland shut the door on it. Ouch! That stung a bit. And crushed my engagement ring. We appealed for some ice from the man at the nearest bar but he could only offer alcohol (I think he'd already had plenty) but really it was pretty obvious that the ring was NOT going to come off my finger.

Now Zamora is not the sort of place to have a jeweller's so I suggested the fire station. This turned out to be an office on the second floor of a Government building which appeared to have a Post Office downstairs. Everyone came to have a look and a laugh and the lovely firemen tried rubbing my finger with hand wash and wrapping string round it but the ring was bent into a square shape and refused to budge. Then my saviour arrived, crash helmet in hand: he had been to get some cutters and was able to cut the ring off without damaging my finger. We now had to make a mad dash back to the lodge so we could go and see the **Grey tinamou** being fed! It was an uphill walk which led to a small photo blind. Only room for 3 or 4 people, if that. I struggled to balance on a stool so I could see out of one of the "windows" and my photos were a bit hit and miss but it was good to see 2 Tinamous and as an added bonus, a few **White-necked quail-dove** came along too with some **Grey-fronted doves**.

Quite a party! Tea was nice enough then as both men were fiddling with their phones, I took myself off to our cabin. It was chucking it down.

3 – Copalinga

Amazonian Umbrellabird
Andean Cock-of-the-rock
Andean Solitaire
Ash-browed Spinetail
Ashy-throated Chlorospingus
Bananaquit
Black Phoebe
Black Vulture
Black-billed Thrush
Blue-necked Tanager
Buff-throated Foliage-gleaner
Buff-throated Saltator
Crested Oropendola
Glittering-throated Emerald
Golden-eared Tanager
Golden-tailed Sapphire
Green Hermit
Grey Tinamou
Grey-fronted Dove
Inca Jay
Lafresnaye's Piculet
Lineated Woodpecker
Mottle-backed Elaenia
Orange-billed Sparrow
Ornate Flycatcher
Palm Tanager
Paradise Tanager
Red-crested Finch
Red-eyed Vireo
Ruddy Pigeon
Sickle-winged Guan
Silver-beaked Tanager
Social Flycatcher
Southern Rough-winged Swallow
Sparkling Violetear
Spotted Sandpiper
Spotted Tanager
Squirrel Cuckoo
Tropical Kingbird
White-throated Quail-Dove
Wire-crested Thorntail
Yellow-bellied Seedeater
Yellow-rumped Cacique
Yellow-throated Chlorospingus

TUESDAY, 4TH OCTOBER

Rained all night.

We had extra time at the feeders this morning because of the rain but that turned out to be a good thing because we got to see the **Cock of the Rock!** Plus a **Golden-headed quetzal!!!** Catherine was really jealous because she had never seen a quetzal there before. We drove to the park entrance this morning and then walked as far as the river and back. It was very

quiet. The weather stayed mostly dry though the rain was setting in again as we left. We were amused by Norby's method of keeping his camera, which was mounted on a pole, dry. Namely, a shower cap! Ingenious and effective. When we got back, Catherine suggested an early lunch and going to Timbara for some different habitat. We followed up on her suggestion after some good activity at the feeders. The weather was improving and it stayed fine for us while we were there. It was indeed a good idea with nice scenery and some new birds. I was particularly pleased with the **Peregrine falcon** and the **Swallow-tailed kite** – one of my favourite birds. The **Long-tailed tyrant** was a bit good, too, as was the **Gorgeted woodstar**. Juan Carlos et al had arrived while we were out and immediately took off again. We learnt later that they had gone to look for **Nightjars** which nest on the cliffs on the entrance road. Missed opportunity for us ☹. Tea was yummy – prawns in coconut sauce, salad and vanilla ice-cream with a home-made tangy sauce.

4 – Copalinga

Andean Cock-of-the-rock
Chestnut-collared Swift
Common Scale-backed Antbird
Golden Tanager
Golden-headed Quetzal
Green-and-gold Tanager
House Wren
Lineated Woodpecker
Russet-backed Oropendola
Shiny Cowbird
White-chested Puffbird

4 – Timbara

Black Vulture
Blue-headed Parrot
Fork-tailed Woodnymph
Gorgeted Woodstar
Grey-capped Flycatcher
Greyish Saltator
Long-tailed Tyrant
Magpie Tanager
Peregrine Falcon
Red-headed Barbet
Roadside Hawk
Swallow-tailed Kite
Turquoise Tanager
White-bellied Woodstar
White-thighed Swallow
Yellow-tufted Woodpecker

WEDNESDAY, 5TH OCTOBER

Usual breakfast time. We suggested going back to the same area as the day before but along the lower road which sounded really good. Norby was a bit reluctant at first but fell in with our suggestion and we had a really good walk with birds-a-plenty. It really was an excellent spot following the river with trees covered in colourful bromeliads and squabbling chachalacas accompanying our birding activities. With birds whizzing here, there and everywhere, it was difficult to keep track and sift out new species. I would have liked to carry on a bit further but the activity was lessening and Norby wanted to revisit yesterday's spot. What a difference! Absolutely dead except for a couple of **Crested oropendola**, a **Swallow-tailed kite** and a **Turkey vulture**. So we set off towards Loja, stopping at El Tambo again.

We got a **Thrush-like wren** this time then I spotted a white dot against the hillside which transformed into 10 or so **Swallow-tailed kites**. Roland glimpsed a **White-capped dipper** and I found a pretty white orchid. We stopped once more when a green bird shot across in front of us. We couldn't find it again but we did see a **Rufous-browed peppershrike**. Once in Loja, Norby took us to a square he particularly liked with some beautifully restored traditional houses then we went to look for the guinea-pig restaurant we had spotted previously: Cuyes San Ignacio. It proved quite easy to find but the guinea-pig was nowhere near as nice as the one at the fair. It had been cooked in a sauce so was a bit messy to eat and the skin wasn't very nice. Norby's wife, Susy, came to meet us here. She had travelled on the bus from Quenca. It transpired too that it was Norby's birthday. From here we went to Cacamayo (1250') stopping once so we could take photos of the view.. There were lots of terrestrial orchids (mostly epididendrums) on the cliffs. Susy gave us quite a lot of background information too on this short journey. She and Norby do have a company of their own (Biotropica Expeditions) and are certainly very well informed about their country, its history, geology, flora and fauna etc. We "birded" the area near the airport that Norby thought would be interesting. It was mostly wasteland with some building going on and lots of brick kilns. All we saw was **Long-tailed mockingbird**, **Saffron finch**, **Pacific hornero**, **Tropical gnatcatcher** and **Croaking ground dove**.

Our flight to Quito set off 20 minutes early and Christina from Ecuador Nature Tours was at the airport to meet us. She handed me a hand-made decorated box with sweets in as a gift which was a lovely surprise. We were whisked off to our hotel for the night which came as a great surprise. We entered through a gate in a high wall and were at reception but beyond there it was field and garden with some chalets in it! Our chalet was tiny. We could hardly fit our stuff into it! We were right pleased we were only staying one night! Tea was fried steak with salad, lentils and rice. A glass of juice was provided but if we wanted anything else such as water for the room, it had to be paid for. We did without. We decided tap water would be ok. It was cold that night but there were thankfully nice, warm blankets on the bed.

5 – Timbara

Blue-and-white Swallow
Crested Oropendola
Crimson-crested Woodpecker
Dusky Piha
Giant Cowbird
Green-fronted Lancebill
Olivaceous Woodcreeper
Plain-brown Woodcreeper
Speckled Chachalaca
Streaked Xenops
Swallow-tailed Kite
Turkey Vulture
White-bellied Dacnis

5 - El Tambo

Rufous-browed Peppershrike
Swallow-tailed Kite
Thrush-like Wren
White-capped Dipper

5 – Airport

Croaking Ground-Dove
Long-tailed Mockingbird
Pacific Hornero
Saffron Finch
Tropical Gnatcatcher

THURSDAY, 6TH OCTOBER

Our last day and what a great day it turned out to be! Exceeded our expectations completely! We had a very early breakfast and our guide for the day, Andres de la Torre, was on time to meet us. It was definitely on the chilly side as we set off for Jerusalem National Park and Guayllabamba. It isn't far from Quito to Parque Jerusalem but there are amazing changes that happen in the landscape in that short distance. We went from a cool, high mountain area that gets plenty of rain, to a hot lowland area with hardly any rainfall at all! So little rainfall, in fact, that the Park qualifies as a desert! The park, however, is lush with plants. Mostly cacti and low bushes but there are some trees too. A very different habitat to the ones we had previously visited and it soon got very hot indeed! Almost as soon as we got out of our vehicle we had amazing views of **Rufous-collared sparrow** and **Golden-bellied grosbec** – I love that bird. Such an amazing shade of yellow. **Vermilion flycatcher** (another favourite) and **Streak-throated bush tyrant** were also showing well as was a **Great thrush**. We moved on through the park marvelling at the scenery and the birds and whilst we might not have picked up a huge number of species, we were very happy with what we did see and our guide who was absolutely spot-on and comes highly recommended. He got a lifer (**Purple-collared woodstar**) and it was lovely to share his pleasure with him. I particularly loved watching the **Black-tailed trainbearers**, of which there were several, but Andres's woodstar was also very special ☺ Well, actually, they were ALL lovely in that perfect morning light!

All too soon it was time to head for lunch so we set off for El Tipico Locro on the PanAm Highway. The food was fabulous and definitely local. I plumped for the Locro de cuero o de queso which is a local soup and very filling. Roland had Yaguar locro and then a fish dish because he has hollow legs and the empanadas were divine. For pudding we went to the ice-cream shop next door and had some delicious ice-cream. This, however, marked the end of our time in Ecuador as our next stop was to be the airport. All good things come to an end sometime and at least we were leaving on a high note. The journey home was long but uneventful and we were already talking about where to go next..

6 – Quito and Jerusalem

American Kestrel
Azara's Spinetail
Black-tailed Trainbearer
Blue-and-white Swallow
Blue-and-yellow Tanager
Boat-billed Flycatcher
Common Ground-Dove
Eared Dove
Golden Grosbeak
Great Thrush
Harris's Hawk
House Sparrow
Peregrine Falcon
Purple-collared Woodstar
Purple-throated Woodstar
Rufous-collared Sparrow
Scarlet Tanager
Scrub Tanager
Shiny Cowbird
Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet
Sparkling Violetear
Streaked Saltator

Streak-throated Bush-Tyrant
Tyrian Metaltail
Vermilion Flycatcher
Western Emerald
White-crested Elaenia
Yellow-bellied Elaenia

All Birds

We saw 266 species of bird with Norby and 26 in the Quito area making a total of 277 with 75 lifers. Disappointing.

Amazilia Hummingbird	Amazilia amazilia
Amazon Kingfisher	Chloroceryle amazona
Amazonian Motmot	Momotus momota
Amazonian Umbrellabird	Cephalopterus ornatus
American Kestrel	Falco sparverius
Amethyst-throated Sunangel	Heliangelus amethysticollis
Andean Cock-of-the-rock	Rupicola peruvianus
Andean Emerald	Amazilia franciae
Andean Solitaire	Myadestes ralloides
Andean Tinamou	Nothoprocta pentlandii
Anhinga	Anhinga anhinga
Ash-browed Spinetail	Cranioleuca curtata
Ashy-throated Chlorospingus	Chlorospingus canigularis
Azara's Spinetail	Synallaxis azarae
Baird's Flycatcher	Myiodynastes bairdii
Bananaquit	Coereba flaveola
Band-tailed Pigeon	Patagioenas fasciata
Barred Fruiteater	Pipreola arcuata
Bay Wren	Cantorchilus nigricapillus
Bay-headed Tanager	Tangara gyrola
Black Phoebe	Sayornis nigricans
Black Vulture	Coragyps atratus
Black-and-white Owl	Ciccaba nigrolineata
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck	Dendrocygna autumnalis
Black-billed Mountain-Toucan	Andigena nigrirostris
Black-billed Peppershrike	Cyclarhis nigrirostris
Black-billed Thrush	Turdus ignobilis
Black-capped Sparrow	Arremon abeillei
Black-cheeked Woodpecker	Melanerpes pucherani
Black-crowned Antshrike	Thamnophilus atrinucha
Black-crowned Night-Heron	Nycticorax nycticorax
Blackish Tapaculo	Scytalopus latrans
Black-necked Stilt	Himantopus mexicanus
Black-tailed Trainbearer	Lesbia victoriae
Blue Ground-Dove	Claravis pretiosa
Blue-and-white Swallow	Pygochelidon cyanoleuca
Blue-and-yellow Tanager	Pipraeidea bonariensis
Blue-black Grassquit	Volatinia jacarina
Blue-grey Tanager	Thraupis episcopus
Blue-headed Parrot	Pionus menstruus
Blue-necked Tanager	Tangara cyanicollis
Boat-billed Flycatcher	Megarynchus pitangua
Broad-winged Hawk	Buteo platypterus

Bronze-winged Parrot	<i>Pionus chalcopterus</i>
Brown Violetear	<i>Colibri delphinae</i>
Brown-bellied Swallow	<i>Orochelidon murina</i>
Buff-breasted Mountain-Tanager	<i>Dubusia taeniata</i>
Buff-rumped Warbler	<i>Myiothlypis fulvicauda</i>
Buff-throated Foliage-gleaner	<i>Automolus ochrolaemus</i>
Buff-throated Saltator	<i>Saltator maximus</i>
Buff-throated Woodcreeper	<i>Xiphorhynchus guttatus</i>
Chapman's Antshrike	<i>Thamnophilus zarumae</i>
Chestnut-backed Antbird	<i>Myrmeciza exsul</i>
Chestnut-breasted Coronet	<i>Boissonneaua matthewsii</i>
Chestnut-collared Swallow	<i>Petrochelidon rufocollaris</i>
Chestnut-collared Swift	<i>Streptoprocne rutila</i>
Chestnut-headed Oropendola	<i>Psarocolius wagleri</i>
Choco Toucan	<i>Ramphastos brevis</i>
Cinnamon Becard	<i>Pachyramphus cinnamomeus</i>
Cinnamon Flycatcher	<i>Pyrrhomyias cinnamomeus</i>
Citrine Warbler	<i>Myiothlypis luteoviridis</i>
Club-winged Manakin	<i>Machaeropterus deliciosus</i>
Cocoi Heron	<i>Ardea cocoi</i>
Collared Aracari	<i>Pteroglossus torquatus</i>
Collared Inca	<i>Coeligena torquata</i>
Comb Duck	<i>Sarkidiornis melanotos</i>
Common Ground-Dove	<i>Columbina passerina</i>
Common Scale-backed Antbird	<i>Willisornis poecilinotus</i>
Common Tody-Flycatcher	<i>Todirostrum cinereum</i>
Crested Caracara	<i>Caracara cheriway</i>
Crested Oropendola	<i>Psarocolius decumanus</i>
Crimson-crested Woodpecker	<i>Campephilus melanoleucos</i>
Croaking Ground-Dove	<i>Columbina cruziana</i>
Dusky Piha	<i>Lipaugus fuscocinereus</i>
Dusky-capped Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus tuberculifer</i>
Eared Dove	<i>Zenaida auriculata</i>
Ecuadorian Ground-Dove	<i>Columbina buckleyi</i>
Ecuadorian Piculet	<i>Picumnus sclateri</i>
Ecuadorian Thrush	<i>Turdus maculirostris</i>
El Oro Parakeet	<i>Pyrrhura orcesi</i>
Emerald-bellied Woodnymph	<i>Thalurea colombica hypochlora</i>
Fasciated Wren	<i>Campylorhynchus fasciatus</i>
Fawn-breasted Brilliant	<i>Heliodoxa rubinoides</i>
Fawn-breasted Tanager	<i>Pipraeidea melanonota</i>
Fork-tailed Woodnymph	<i>Thalurea furcata</i>
Fulvous Whistling-Duck	<i>Dendrocygna bicolor</i>
Gartered Trogon	<i>Trogon caligatus</i>
Giant Cowbird	<i>Molothrus oryzivorus</i>
Glittering-throated Emerald	<i>Amazilia fimbriata</i>
Glossy-black Thrush	<i>Turdus serranus</i>
Golden Grosbeak	<i>Pheucticus chrysogaster</i>
Golden Tanager	<i>Tangara arthus</i>
Golden-crowned Tanager	<i>Iridosornis rufivertex</i>
Golden-eared Tanager	<i>Tangara chrysotis</i>
Golden-headed Quetzal	<i>Pharomachrus auriceps</i>
Golden-tailed Sapphire	<i>Chrysuronia oenone</i>
Gorgeted Woodstar	<i>Chaetocercus heliodor</i>
Grass-green Tanager	<i>Chlorornis riefferii</i>

Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>
Great Thrush	<i>Turdus fuscater</i>
Green Hermit	<i>Phaethornis guy</i>
Green Honeycreeper	<i>Chlorophanes spiza</i>
Green Kingfisher	<i>Chloroceryle americana</i>
Green Thorntail	<i>Discosura conversii</i>
Green-and-gold Tanager	<i>Tangara schrankii</i>
Green-crowned Brilliant	<i>Heliodoxa jacula</i>
Green-fronted Lancebill	<i>Doryfera ludovicae</i>
Grey Tinamou	<i>Tinamus tao</i>
Grey-and-gold Warbler	<i>Myiothlypis fraseri</i>
Grey-backed Hawk	<i>Pseudastur occidentalis</i>
Grey-breasted Martin	<i>Progne chalybea</i>
Grey-capped Flycatcher	<i>Myiozetetes granadensis</i>
Grey-cheeked Parakeet	<i>Brotogeris pyrrhoptera</i>
Grey-fronted Dove	<i>Leptotila rufaxilla</i>
Grey-hooded Bush Tanager	<i>Cnemoscopus rubrirostris</i>
Greyish Saltator	<i>Saltator coerulescens</i>
Groove-billed Ani	<i>Crotophaga sulcirostris</i>
Guayaquil Woodpecker	<i>Campephilus gayaquilensis</i>
Guira Tanager	<i>Hemithraupis guira</i>
Harris's Hawk	<i>Parabuteo unicinctus</i>
Hooded Mountain-Tanager	<i>Buthraupis montana</i>
Hook-billed Kite	<i>Chondrohierax uncinatus</i>
Horned Screamer	<i>Anhima cornuta</i>
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>
House Wren	<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>
Inca Jay	<i>Cyanocorax yncas yncas</i>
Jocotoco Antpitta	<i>Grallaria ridgelyi</i>
Killdeer	<i>Charadrius vociferus</i>
Lacrimose Mountain-Tanager	<i>Anisognathus lacrymosus</i>
Lafresnaye's Piculet	<i>Picumnus lafresnayi</i>
Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift	<i>Panyptila cayennensis</i>
Limpkin	<i>Aramus guarauna</i>
Lineated Woodpecker	<i>Dryocopus lineatus</i>
Line-cheeked Spinetail	<i>Cranioleuca antisiensis</i>
Little Blue Heron	<i>Egretta caerulea</i>
Little Woodstar	<i>Chaetocercus bombus</i>
Long-tailed Mockingbird	<i>Mimus longicaudatus</i>
Long-tailed Tyrant	<i>Colonia colonus</i>
Magnificent Frigatebird	<i>Fregata magnificens</i>
Magpie Tanager	<i>Cissopis leverianus</i>
Marañon Thrush	<i>Turdus maranonicus</i>
Marble-faced Bristle-Tyrant	<i>Phylloscartes ophthalmicus</i>
Masked Flowerpiercer	<i>Diglossa cyanea</i>
Masked Water-Tyrant	<i>Fluvicola nengeta</i>
Montane Woodcreeper	<i>Lepidocolaptes lacrymiger</i>
Mottle-backed Elaenia	<i>Elaenia gigas</i>
Mountain Cacique	<i>Cacicus chrysonotus</i>
Mountain Wren	<i>Troglodytes solstitialis</i>
Muscovy Duck	<i>Cairina moschata</i>
Neotropic Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax brasilianus</i>
Olivaceous Woodcreeper	<i>Sittasomus griseicapillus</i>
Olive-sided Flycatcher	<i>Contopus cooperi</i>
One-coloured Becard	<i>Pachyramphus homochrous</i>

Orange-bellied Euphonia	Euphonia xanthogaster
Orange-billed Sparrow	Arremon aurantiirostris
Ornate Flycatcher	Myiobicops ornatus
Osprey	Pandion haliaetus
Pacific Hornero	Furnarius cinnamomeus
Pacific Parrotlet	Forpus coelestis
Palm Tanager	Thraupis palmarum
Paradise Tanager	Tangara chilensis
Pearled Treerunner	Margarornis squamiger
Peregrine Falcon	Falco peregrinus
Peruvian Pygmy-Owl	Glaucidium peruanum
Pied-billed Grebe	Podilymbus podiceps
Plain Xenops	Xenops minutus
Plain-breasted Ground-Dove	Columbina minuta
Plain-brown Woodcreeper	Dendrocincla fuliginosa
Plumbeous-backed Thrush	Turdus reevei
Plushcap	Catamblyrhynchus diadema
Purple Gallinule	Porphyrio martinicus
Purple Honeycreeper	Cyanerpes caeruleus
Purple-collared Woodstar	Myrtis fanny
Purple-throated Sunangel	Heliangelus viola
Purple-throated Woodstar	Calliphlox mitchellii
Rainbow Starfrontlet	Coeligena iris
Red-billed Tropicbird	Phaethon aethereus
Red-crested Cotinga	Ampelion rubrocristatus
Red-crested Finch	Coryphospingus cucullatus
Red-eyed Vireo	Vireo olivaceus
Red-headed Barbet	Eubucco bourcierii
Red-hooded Tanager	Piranga rubriceps
Red-masked Parakeet	Psittacara erythrogenys
Ringed Kingfisher	Megaceryle torquata
Roadside Hawk	Rupornis magnirostris
Roseate Spoonbill	Platalea ajaja
Ruddy Pigeon	Patagioenas subvinacea
Rufous Spinetail	Synallaxis unirufa
Rufous-breasted Chat-Tyrant	Ochthoeca rufipectoralis
Rufous-browed Peppershrike	Cyclarhis gujanensis
Rufous-collared Sparrow	Zonotrichia capensis
Rufous-headed Chachalaca	Ortalis erythroptera
Rufous-tailed Hummingbird	Amazilia tzacatl
Russet-backed Oropendola	Psarocolius angustifrons
Russet-crowned Warbler	Myiothlypis coronata
Saffron Finch	Sicalis flaveola
Savanna Hawk	Buteogallus meridionalis
Scarlet Tanager	Piranga olivacea
Scarlet-backed Woodpecker	Veniliornis callonotus
Scrub Blackbird	Dives warszewiczi
Scrub Tanager	Tangara vitriolina
Shiny Cowbird	Molothrus bonariensis
Short-tailed Hawk	Buteo brachyurus
Short-tailed Swift	Chaetura brachyura
Sickle-winged Guan	Chamaepetes goudotii
Silver-beaked Tanager	Ramphocelus carbo
Silver-throated Tanager	Tangara icterocephala
Slate-throated Redstart	Myioborus miniatus

Slaty-capped Flycatcher	Leptopogon superciliaris
Smoke-coloured Pewee	Contopus fumigatus
Snail Kite	Rostrhamus sociabilis
Snowy Egret	Egretta thula
Social Flycatcher	Myiozetetes similis
Solitary Eagle	Buteogallus solitarius
Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet	Camptostoma obsoletum
Southern Rough-winged Swallow	Stelgidopteryx ruficollis
Sparkling Violetear	Colibri coruscans
Speckled Chachalaca	Ortalis guttata
Speckled Hummingbird	Adelomyia melanogenys
Spectacled Redstart	Myioborus melanocephalus
Spotted Sandpiper	Actitis macularius
Spotted Tanager	Tangara punctata
Spotted Woodcreeper	Xiphorhynchus erythropygius
Squirrel Cuckoo	Piaya cayana
Streaked Flycatcher	Myiodynastes maculatus
Streaked Saltator	Saltator striatipectus
Streaked Xenops	Xenops rutilans
Streak-headed Woodcreeper	Lepidocolaptes souleyetii
Streak-throated Bush-Tyrant	Myiotheretes striaticollis
Strong-billed Woodcreeper	Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchus
Sulphur-bellied Tyrannulet	Mecocerculus minor
Swallow-tailed Kite	Elanoides forficatus
Tawny-bellied Hermit	Phaethornis syrmatorphorus
Tawny-crowned Pygmy-Tyrant	Euscarthmus meloryphus
Thick-billed Euphonia	Euphonia laniirostris
Three-banded Warbler	Basileuterus trifasciatus
Thrush-like Wren	Campylorhynchus turdinus
Torrent Tyrannulet	Serpophaga cinerea
Tropical Gnatcatcher	Polioptila plumbea
Tropical Kingbird	Tyrannus melancholicus
Tropical Parula	Setophaga pitiayumi
Tumbes Hummingbird	Leucippus baeri
Turkey Vulture	Cathartes aura
Turquoise Jay	Cyanolyca turcosa
Turquoise Tanager	Tangara mexicana
Tyrian Metaltail	Metallura tyrianthina
Undulated Antpitta	Grallaria squamigera
Vermilion Flycatcher	Pyrocephalus rubinus
Violet-bellied Hummingbird	Damophila julie
Watkins's Antpitta	Grallaria watkinsi
Wattled Jacana	Jacana jacana
Wedge-billed Woodcreeper	Glyphorhynchus spirurus
Western Emerald	Chlorostilbon melanorhynchus
Western Wood-Pewee	Contopus sordidulus
White-bearded Manakin	Manacus manacus
White-bellied Dacnis	Dacnis albiventris
White-bellied Woodstar	Chaetocercus mulsant
White-capped Dipper	Cinclus leucocephalus
White-chested Puffbird	Malacoptila fusca
White-collared Swift	Streptoprocne zonaris
White-crested Elaenia	Elaenia albiceps
White-edged Oriole	Icterus graceannae
White-necked Jacobin	Florisuga mellivora

White-sided Flowerpiercer
White-tailed Jay
White-tailed Tyrannulet
White-thighed Swallow
White-throated Quail-Dove
White-throated Tyrannulet
White-tipped Dove
Wire-crested Thorntail
Yellow-bellied Elaenia
Yellow-bellied Seedeater

Diglossa albilatera
Cyanocorax mystacalis
Mecocerculus poecilocercus
Atticora tibialis
Zentrygon frenata
Mecocerculus leucophrys
Leptotila verreauxi
Discosura popelairii
Elaenia flavogaster
Sporophila nigricollis

