

TOUR REPORT

SUMMER GRAND VENEZUELA

June 11-29 1999

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This list includes all the birds seen or heard on the Summer Grand Venezuela Trip. Rains were almost absent and did allow us to have a remarkable experience in the Llanos.

It is special to point out the great wildlife at Hato El Cedral, the 28 species of Hummingbirds, the 12 species of Wrens, the Banana splashed over my face, the 30 species of Tanagers and the most strange names for a given birding spot of any of my previous tour.

There is no much we know about birds on this time of the year. The sighting of Plumbeous Kite in San Pablo, the enormous number of Orange-fronted Yellow-finches in Hato El Cedral and the absence of Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle in Santo Domingo Paramo (could suggest that this species was nesting), I believe they are situations yet to be reported to science.

It was my pleasure to be your leader. I hope to see you on another trip. Hopefully on our Bird Banding Workshop or in one of the Southeastern Venezuela Tours!

Organizations of this Report

This report includes 3 columns of information. The first one indicates the total number of species seen. If the species was only heard will be indicated with an "H". The second one indicates the regions where it was reported according to the abbreviations used below, and the third column indicates detailed or interesting information about the species. When a given species have been seen and heard, the last information is mentioned in the third column.

Please note that this report follows mostly the nomenclature of De Schauensee and Phelps in "A Guide to the Birds of Venezuela" with few up-dates from Ridgely & Tudor "The Birds of South America". When there is a new english name for a given species, the previous one will be found written into brackets.

The common names in italic means recent splits or discoveries within the boundaries of Venezuela.

The following abbreviations are used in this report:

(CC) Coastal Cordillera:

Colonia Tovar (Puerto Cruz Road), Macarao National Park, Henri Pittier National Park (Rancho Grande, Choroní Road, Ocumare Road).

(FL) States of Falcon, Yaracuy and Lara:

Cuare Wildlife Refuge, Morrocoy National Park, Cerro La Mision, Cerro Chichiriviche, San Pablo Marshes and Dessert Scrub of Lara.

(AD) Andes of Merida and Trujillo

Guaramacal National Park, Sierra Nevada National Park, Altamira, Boconoito, Santo Domingo Paramo and San Isidro buffer zone.

(LL) Llanos of Apure and Barinas State.

Hato El Cedral (Matiyure River, Caicara River, Sabanas de Aroa medio), San Silvestre and Santa Ines.

General

Used when the species occurs in more than 3 regions or is widespread within the boundaries of Venezuela.

List of Birds

English name	Latin name	#	Loc	Remarks
TINAMOUS		TINAMIDAE		
Gray Tinamou	<i>Tinamus tao</i>	H	CC	only 1 individual heard
Little Tinamou	<i>Crypturellus soui</i>	H	CC/AD	several individuals heard in CC & Andean Foothills
Red-legged Tinamou	<i>Crypturellus erythropus</i>	H	FL	only 1 individual heard in Falcon State
GREBES		PODICIPEDIDAE		
Least Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus dominicus</i>	5	FL/AD	2 individuals in Falcon State plus another 3 in Guaramacal NP
PELICANS		PELECANIDAE		
Brown Pelican	<i>Pelecanus occidentalis</i>	20+	CC	several individuals near the airport and along the Caribbean coast road to Carayaca
BOOBIES		SULIDAE		
Brown Booby	<i>Sula leucogaster</i>	2	CC	seen along the Caribbean coast road
CORMORANTS		PHALACROCORACIDAE		
Olivaceous Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax olivaceus</i>	400+	LL	several individuals in most of the wetlands. Specially common in the Llanos
DARTERS		ANHINGIDAE		
Anhinga	<i>Anhinga anhinga</i>	22	LL	mostly seen in Hato El Cedral
FRIGATEBIRDS		FREGATIDAE		
Magnificent Frigatebird	<i>Fregata magnificens</i>	50+	FL	several individuals along the coast of Falcon State
HERONS & EGRETS		ARDEIDAE		
Great Blue Heron	<i>Ardea herodias</i>	2	FL	seen in the vicinity of Rio El Tocuyo in Falcon State
Cocoi (White-necked) Heron	<i>Ardea cocoi</i>	80+	LL	various individuals in the Llanos
Great Egret	<i>Casmerodius albus</i>	230+	General	very common species in lowlands near wetlands
Snowy Egret	<i>Egretta thula</i>	71+	FL	common in most lowlands. Specially numerous in Falcon

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Little Blue Heron	<i>Egretta caerulea</i>	36	LL	17 individuals in Hato El Cedral plus more in Falcon
Reddish Egret	<i>Egretta rufescens</i>	2	FL	both individuals in white phorm in Cuare Wildlife Refuge
Tricolored Heron	<i>Egretta tricolor</i>	18	FL	all seen in Cuare Wildlife Refuge
Green Heron	<i>Butorides virescens</i>	3	FL	all 3 of this migratory species seen in the Cuare Wildlife Refuge
Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striatus</i>	27	LL	seen along the Gallery Forest of Hato El Cedral
Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	500+	General	common in lowland wetlands and pastures
Whistling Heron	<i>Syrigma sibilatrix</i>	8	LL	seen along the Gallery Forest and upper lands of the Llanos
Black-crowned Night-Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	54	LL	common in Hato El Cedral
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	<i>Nycticorax violaceus</i>	11	LL	about 6 individuals along the Gallery Forest of Matiyure River plus others in Falcon State
Rufescent Tiger-Heron	<i>Tigrisoma lineatum</i>	31	LL	various individuals in the Wetlands of the Llanos including 1 immature
Zigzag Heron	<i>Zebrilus undulatus</i>	1	LL	the only one was spotted inside the Gallery Forest in Matiyure River
BOAT-BILLED HERONS		COCHLEARIIDAE		
Boat-billed Heron	<i>Cochlearius cochlearius</i>	23	LL	most individuals inside or close to the Gallery Forest in Hato El Cedral
IBISES		THRESKIORNITHIDAE		
Buff-necked Ibis	<i>Theristicus caudatus</i>	110	LL	several individuals feeding in the Grasslands or roosting in the "Matas" of Hato El Cedral
Sharp-tailed Ibis	<i>Cercibis oxycerca</i>	11	LL	were seen in the upper lands of Hato El Cedral
Green Ibis	<i>Mesembrinibis cayennensis</i>	6	LL	only seen along the river bank of Matiyure River
Whispering (Bare-faced) Ibis	<i>Phimosus infuscatus</i>	110+	LL	surprising more numerous than P.falcinellus due to the low level of water
White Ibis	<i>Eudocimus albus</i>	2	LL	both individuals by one tour member on the drive to Hato El Cedral

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Scarlet Ibis	<i>Eudocimus ruber</i>	102	LL	many individuals in Falcon State. Only few in the Llanos
Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	1	LL	surprising only one individual in Hato El Cedral. Probably due to the extended dry season
Roseate Spoonbill	<i>Ajaia ajaja</i>	117	FL/LL	very common in Falcon and less numerous in Hato El Cedral
FLAMINGOS	PHOENICOPTERIDAE			
American Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopterus ruber</i>	4000+	FL	3000-5000 individuals mostly along the Cuare Wildlife Refuge
SCREAMERS	ANHIMIDAE			
Horned Screamer	<i>Anhima cornuta</i>	5	FL	all seen calling on Yaracuy River floodplains
DUCKS, GEESES & TEALS	ANATIDAE			
White-faced Whistling-Duck	<i>Dendrocygna viduata</i>	850+	FL/LL	most numerous of the whistling-ducks. 1 seen in Falcon State Wetlands
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck	<i>Dendrocygna autumnalis</i>	550+	LL	less numerous than the previous one. All seen in the Llanos
Orinoco Goose	<i>Neochen jubata</i>	436	LL	several individuals along the upper lands of the Llanos. We did count 196 ind. in just one spot!
Speckled Teal	<i>Anas flavirostris</i>	4	AD	two pairs in the isolated lagoons in the Paramo de Santo Domingo area
Torrent Duck	<i>Merganetta armata</i>	3	AD	1 female and 1 male displaying along the Santo Domingo River. Also 1 juvenal
Brazilian Duck	<i>Amazonetta brasiliensis</i>	28	LL	few pairs (8) 1n Hato El Cedral plus many more with the whistling duck groups
STORKS	CICONIIDAE			
American Wood-Ibis	<i>Mycteria americana</i>	300	FL/LL	several individuals along the pools and borrow pits along the road to Hato El Cedral
Maguari Stork	<i>Ciconia maguari</i>	35	LL	several pairs nesting
Jabiru	<i>Jabiru mycteria</i>	58	LL	40-60 individuals along the pools aside of the road to Hato El Cedral
VULTURES	CATHARTIDAE			
King Vulture	<i>Sarcorampus papa</i>	5	FL/LL	3 in Falcon and 2 in Hato El Cedral

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Black Vulture	<i>Coragyps atratus</i>	75+	General	several individuals mostly around farms and urban areas
Turkey Vulture	<i>Cathartes aura</i>	59	General	common along forested habitat and grassy areas
Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture	<i>Cathartes burrovianus</i>	6	LL	surprisingly only these 6 individuals in Hato El Cedral
KITES & HAWKS		ACCIPITRIDAE		
White-tailed(Black-shouldered)Kite	<i>Elanus leucurus</i>	18	General	mostly seen along pastures and deforested areas of either low and highlands
Pearl Kite	<i>Gampsonyx swainsonii</i>	6	LL	a couple on individuals close to the Apure River plus more in the vicinity of Hato El Cedral
Swallow-tailed Kite	<i>Elanoides forficatus</i>	6	AD	all individuals on the eastern slope of the Andes
Gray-headed Kite	<i>Leptodon cayanensis</i>	1	LL	the only one individual was soaring close to Hato El Cedral
Hook-billed Kite	<i>Chondrohierax uncinatus</i>	2	FL	both were soaring over Cerro Chichiriviche in adult plumage
Plumbeous Kite	<i>Ictinea plumbea</i>	1	FL	the only individual perched in San pablo Marshes. Although out of dates, it could be a migrant
Snail Kite	<i>Rostrhamus sociabilis</i>	12	FL/LL	uncommon in San Pablo and fairly common on the upper llanos
Plain-breasted(Sharp-shinned)Hawk	<i>Accipiter ventralis</i>	1	AD	the only one seen in San Isidro Valley
White-tailed Hawk	<i>Buteo albicaudatus</i>	14	FL/LL	fairly common in the lowlands around the Llanos
Zone-tailed Hawk	<i>Buteo albonotatus</i>	4	LL	all 4 were spotted on the drive from Barinas to Hato El Cedral. Adult plumage
Roadside Hawk	<i>Buteo magnirostris</i>	62	General	one's of the most common raptors in the tropics
Short-tailed Hawk	<i>Buteo brachyurus</i>	2	FL/LL	one seen well in Falcon and another in the upper Llanos
Gray-lined Hawk	<i>Asturina nitida</i>	3	FL/LL	more numerous than the previous one. All seen in the Llanos
Bay-winged(Harris' Hawk)Hawk	<i>Parabuteo unicinctus</i>	4	LL	common in Hato El Cedral along the "Matas"
White Hawk	<i>Leucopternis albicollis</i>	2	CC/FL	few adults seen in Rancho Grande and in Cerro La Mision

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Black-collared Hawk	<i>Busarellus nigricollis</i>	15	LL	common species in the wetlands of Hato El Cedral
Savanna Hawk	<i>Heterospizias meridionalis</i>	20	FL/LL	common species in cattle ranches and grasslands
Common Black Hawk	<i>Buteogallus anthracinus</i>	2	FL	this interesting species was found in Falcon along the edges of Tropical Moist Forest
Great Black Hawk	<i>Buteogallus urubitinga</i>	6	FL/LL	2 individuals were seen in Falcon plus 4 more in the Llanos
Black Hawk-Eagle	<i>Spizaetus tyrannus</i>	3	CC	seen in Rancho Grande BS soaring and calling continuously
Long-winged Harrier	<i>Circus buffoni</i>	1	LL	only 1 individual of this strange species soaring low close to Hato El Cedral
Crane Hawk	<i>Geranospiza caerulescens</i>	1	LL	the only individual along the Gallery Forest of Hato El Cedral
OSPREYS	PANDIONIDAE			
Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	5	LL	few in Hato El Cedral
FALCONS & CARACARAS	FALCONIDAE			
Laughing Falcon	<i>Herpetotheres cachinnans</i>	6	FL/LL	common species in the lowlands forest. We heard some continuously although only 3 were seen
Barred Forest-Falcon	<i>Micrastur ruficollis</i>	H	CC	only heard on the Choroni Road at 1500 meters elevation
Yellow-headed Caracara	<i>Milvago chimachima</i>	48	General	the most cosmopolitan Caracara of Venezuela. Common everywhere
Crested Caracara	<i>Caracara plancus</i>	110	General	common in cattle ranches and grasslands
Bat Falcon	<i>Falco ruficularis</i>	4	FL/LL	only 4 ind. in Falcon State and the Llanos
Aplomado Falcon	<i>Falco femoralis</i>	4	LL	all individuals hunting in different areas of Hato El Cedral
American Kestrel	<i>Falco sparverius</i>	22	General	common species along the lowlands and some deforested highlands
CURASSOWS & GUANS	CRACIDAE			
Rufous-vented Chachalaca	<i>Ortalis ruficauda</i>	21	General	the most common cracid in Venezuela. Found from Dry to Humid Forest
Band-tailed Guan	<i>Penelope argyrotis</i>	H	CC	the only one individual was heard in the Coastal Cordillera

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Andean Guan	<i>Penelope montagnii</i>	6	AD	all individuals seen in Guaramacal NP
QUAILS		PHASIANIDAE		
Crested Bobwhite	<i>Colinus cristatus</i>	30	LL	two groups of about 15 individuals in Hato El Cedral on breeding plumage
Venezuelan Wood-Quail	<i>Odontophorus columbianus</i>	H	CC	one group vocalizing from the Cloud Forest in Henri Pittier NP
LIMPKINS		ARAMIDAE		
Limpkin	<i>Aramus guarauna</i>	32	FL/LL	common on most wetlands
RAILS & COOTS		RALLIDAE		
Plain-flanked Rail	<i>Rallus wetmorei</i>	2	FL	a recently rediscovered species by Ridgely and Ascanio. 2 individuals seen in Falcon
Gray-necked Wood-rail	<i>Aramides cajanea</i>	2	LL	this 2 individuals were seen in Hato El Cedral
Rusty-flanked Crake	<i>Laterallus levraudi</i>	4	FL	excellent views of 1 individual in San Pablo marshes plus 3 more heard
Common (Gallinule) Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	1	FL	only one in Falcon
Purple Gallinule	<i>Porphyryla martinica</i>	4	LL	common in the llanos. This is probably a local migrant
Azure Gallinule	<i>Porphyryla flavirostris</i>	14	LL	a low llanos breeder, we saw about 14 individuals in Hato El Cedral
SUNBITTERNS		EURYPYGIDAE		
Sunbittern	<i>Eurypyga helias</i>	5	LL	few seen along the Gallery Forest of Hato El Cedral
SUNGREBES		HELIORNITHIDAE		
Sungrebe	<i>Heliornis fulica</i>	2	LL	seen feeding grasshoppers underneath water hyacinth in Matiyure River
JACANAS		JACANIDAE		
Wattled Jacana	<i>Jacana jacana</i>	209	FL/LL	common in most of the lowland wetlands
LAPWINGS & PLOVERS		CHARADRIIDAE		
Southern Lapwing	<i>Vanellus chilensis</i>	123	FL/LL	common species in cattle ranches and grasslands
Pied Lapwing	<i>Hoploxypterus cayanus</i>	20	LL	several seen in Hato El Cedral along the river banks

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Collared Plover	<i>Chardrius collaris</i>	3	LL	seen in Hato El Cedral along the road inside the Ranch
SANDPIPERS & SNIPES		SCOLOPACIDAE		
Lesser Yellowlegs	<i>Tringa flavipes</i>	60+	FL	several individuals in Cuare Wildlife Refuge
Greater Yellowlegs	<i>Tringa melanoleuca</i>	2	FL	only this 2 individuals in Cuare Wildlife Refuge as well
STILTS		RECURVIROSTRIDAE		
Black-necked Stilt	<i>Himantopus mexicanus</i>	63	FL/LL	more common in the Falcon wetlands than the Llanos one's. We saw several individuals with chick
THICK-KNEES		BURHINIDAE		
Double-striped Thick-Knee	<i>Burhinus bistriatus</i>	12	LL	about 10 seen in Hato El Cedral plus 2 more in Falcon state
Large-billed Tern	<i>Phaetusa simplex</i>	205	FL/LL	common in Cuare Wildlife Refuge and in the Llanos
Gull-billed Tern	<i>Sterna nilotica</i>	5	FL/LL	4 individuals in Cuare Wildlife Refuge and only 1 in the Llanos
SKIMMERS		RYNCHOPIIDAE		
Black Skimmer	<i>Rynchops niger</i>	166	FL/LL	very common species in the lowland wetlands and rivers
PIGEONS & DOVES		COLUMBIDAE		
Band-tailed Pigeon	<i>Columba fasciata</i>	41	CC/AD	a highland species, found above 1.800 meters elevation
Bare-eyed Pigeon	<i>Columba corensis</i>	23	FL	a restricted distribution species, we saw all of them in Cuare Wildlife Refuge
Pale-vented Pigeon	<i>Columba cayennensis</i>	200+	General	a lowland common pigeon. We reported more than 200 ind.
Ruddy Pigeon	<i>Columba subvinacea</i>	5	AD	heard several times in Guaramacal NP and seen finally only one time
Eared Dove	<i>Zenaida auriculata</i>	280+	General	very common in the lowlands
Common Ground-Dove	<i>Columbina passerina</i>	40+	FL	a xerophitic and short grasses dweller. We reported several individuals
Plain-breasted Ground-Dove	<i>Columbina minuta</i>	90+	LL	the only ground dove in open habitat found in Hato El Cedral
Ruddy Ground-Dove	<i>Columbina talpacoti</i>	185+	General	common among secondary growth and forest edgings in most of the areas

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Scaled Dove	<i>Scardafella squammata</i>	225+	General	common among grasses and shrubs in most of the areas
White-tipped Dove	<i>Leptotila verreauxi</i>	11	General	the most common midsize dove in most of the regions
Gray-fronted Dove	<i>Leptotila rufaxilla</i>	2	AD	only one seen on the eastern slope of the andes and another heard in the same region
Lined Quail-Dove	<i>Geotrygon linearis</i>	4	CC	2 individuals seen in the trails of Rancho Grande BS
MACAWS & PARROTS	PSITTACIDAE			
Scarlet Macaw	<i>Ara macao</i>	7	LL	seen in Hato El Cedral
Red-and-green Macaw	<i>Ara chloroptera</i>	3	FL	seen along the Royal Palms of Falcon
Chestnut-fronted Macaw	<i>Ara severa</i>	18	FL/LL	only few individuals comparing with the dry season number reported
Scarlet-fronted Parakeet	<i>Aratinga wagleri</i>	121	CC/FL	flying in small groups in the mountainous habitat
Brown-throated Parakeet	<i>Aratinga pertinax</i>	130+	General	common in the lowlands
Blood-eared Parakeet	<i>Pyrrhura hoematotis</i>	45	CC	common in Henri Pittier NP
Rose-headed Parakeet	<i>Pyrrhura rhodocephala</i>	29	AD	surprisingly 6 seen in San Isidro on it's lowest altitudinal extension
Barred Parakeet	<i>Bolborhynchus lineola</i>	9	AD	all individuals flying high in Guaramacal NP
Green-rumped Parrotlet	<i>Forpus passerinus</i>	42	General	common in the lowlands and mostly in cattle ranches
Orange-chinned Parakeet	<i>Brotogeris jugularis</i>	32	General	a species with decreasing populations due to the forest destruction
Rusty-faced Parrot	<i>Hapalopsittaca amazonina</i>	4	AD	a very unknown species, all individuals were seen in Guaramacal NP
Blue-headed Parrot	<i>Pionus menstruus</i>	14	FL/AD	small groups in the mountainous areas
Red-billed Parrot	<i>Pionus sordidus</i>	24	CC	several in Henri Pittier NP
Speckled-faced(White-capped)Parrot	<i>Pionus tumultuosus</i>	3	AD	seen in Guaramacal NP
Yellow-crowned Parrot	<i>Amazona ochrocephala</i>	80	FL/LL	up to 10 pairs mostly in Falcon and many others along the low Llanos

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HOATZINS		OPISTHOCOMIDAE		
Hoatzin	<i>Opisthocomus hoatzin</i>	100+	LL	several seen in the Gallery Forest of Hato El Cedral
CUCKOOS & ANIS		CUCULIDAE		
Dwarf Cuckoo	<i>Coccyzus pumilus</i>	2	CC/LL	seen both times in scrub woodland
Squirrel Cuckoo	<i>Piaya cayana</i>	17	General	a very common species seen almost every day
Greater Ani	<i>Crotophaga major</i>	31	LL	common in Hato El Cedral
Smooth-billed Ani	<i>Crotophaga ani</i>	210+	General	widespread along pastures and grasslands
Groove-billed Ani	<i>Crotophaga sulcirostris</i>	38	FL/LL	less numerous than the previous one, mostly along dry and moist forest in the lowlands
Striped Cuckoo	<i>Tapera naevia</i>	7	FL/LL	5 individuals seen well plus 2 heard
Great Horned Owl	<i>Bubo virginianus</i>	3	LL	1 individual feeding in the campground of Hato El Cedral plus 2 more while spotlighting
Andean Pygmy-Owl	<i>Glaucidium jadinii</i>	1	AD	a great view of a single perched on a open branch in Guaramacal NP
Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl	<i>Glaucidium brasilianum</i>	16	FL	a very common species in the dessert scrub of Lara
Burrowing Owl	<i>Speotyto cunicularia</i>	4	LL	all individuals in the road to Caracaro within the boundaries of Hato El Cedral
POTOOS		NYCTIBIIDAE		
Great Potoo	<i>Nyctibius grandis</i>	1	LL	this one seen in Hato El Cedral
NIGHTJARS & NIGHTHAWKS		CAPRIMULGIDAE		
Short-tailed(Semicollared) Nighthawk	<i>Lurocalis semitorquatus</i>	3	LL	including a great view of a single one coming to roost on a emergent tree in Boconoito
Lesser Nighthawk	<i>Chordeiles acutipennis</i>	7	FL/AD	few individuals flying at dawn in Lara as well as 1 seen in Bocono
Band-tailed Nighthawk	<i>Nyctiprogne leucopyga</i>	26	LL	a very active caprimulgidae along the gallery forest of Hato El Cedral
Nacunda Nighthawk	<i>Podager nacunda</i>	1	LL	only one seen in Hato El Cedral
Pauraque	<i>Nyctidromus albicollis</i>	59	LL	one individual on the road of Henri Pittier NP as well as many others in Hato El Cedral

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Band-winged Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus longirostris</i>	3	CC/AD	replacing white-tailed nightjar at the highlands, we saw 3 individuals above 2000 meters elevation
White-tailed Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus cayennensis</i>	2	LL	two individuals in the grasslands of Hato El Cedral
SWIFTS		APODIDAE		
White-collared Swift	<i>Streptoprocne zonaris</i>	106	General	we were surprised to see several flying in the Lara Dessert Scrub at 700 meters elevation
Chestnut-collared Swift	<i>Cypseloides rutilus</i>	105	AD	several seen in Guaramacal NP
Vaux's swift	<i>Chaetura vauxi</i>	4	CC	only few flying over Rancho Grande BS showing little rumped contrast with tail
Gray-rumped Swift	<i>Chaetura cinereiventris</i>	25	CC	more numerous than the previous one, with longer tail and more prominent rump-back contrast
Short-tailed Swift	<i>Chaetura brachyura</i>	3	LL	all individuals seen in the upper Llanos
White-tipped Swift	<i>Aeronautes montivagus</i>	7	CC	several well seen flying over Rancho Grande BS
Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift	<i>Panyptila cayennensis</i>	1	CC	seen in Henri Pittier NP
Fork-Tailed Palm Swift	<i>Reinarda squamata</i>	10	LL	various individuals seen near Barinas
HUMMINGBIRDS		TROCHILIDAE		
Hermits have been checked recently and the taxonomy have changed dramatically. This list follows the traditional order.				
Rufous-breasted Hermit	<i>Glaucis hirsuta</i>	1	AD	only this one heard in San Isidro Valley for the hole trip
Pale-bellied Hermit	<i>Phaethornis anthophilus</i>	1	LL	this one seen in Hato El Cedral
Lazuline Sabrewing	<i>Campylopterus falcatus</i>	1	AD	only heard in San Isidro Forest
Green Violetear	<i>Colibri thalassinus</i>	5	CC/AD	Common in highlands
Sparkling Violetear	<i>Colibri coruscans</i>	5	AD	all individuals in the Santo Domingo Paramo
Black-throated Mango	<i>Anthracothorax nigricollis</i>	3	LL	seen in Matiyure Camp at Hato El Cedral
Ruby-topaz Hummingbird	<i>Chrysolampis mosquitus</i>	1	FL	the only one being a female in Falcon State
Spangled Coquette	<i>Lophornis stictolopha</i>	1	AD	a gorgeous individual along the eastern slope of the Andes

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Blue-tailed Emerald	<i>Chlorostilbon mellisugus</i>	5	General	common species along the lowlands
White-chinned Sapphire	<i>Hylocharis cyanus</i>	2	AD	both individuals along the road to Barinas
Golden-tailed Sapphire	<i>Chrysuronia oenone</i>	3	CC	2 seen in Henri Pittier as well as one female nesting near sea level in the Electricity Museum
White-tailed Goldenthrout	<i>Polytmus gainumbi</i>	3	LL	seen specially along the grassland edging of the Gallery Forest
Buffy Hummingbird	<i>Leucippus fallax</i>	8	FL	common species in the Dessert Scrub of Lara
Glittering-throated Emerald	<i>Amazilia fimbriata</i>	5	LL	common in every successional habitat
Steely-vented Hummingbird	<i>Amazilia saucerrottei</i>	2	AD	similar to next one, common in the andean region
Copper-rumped Hummingbird	<i>Amazilia tobaci</i>	2	FL	mostly seen in Falcon state
White-vented Plumeleater	<i>Chalybura buffonii</i>	7	AD	common and very territorial along bluming trees
Speckled Hummingbird	<i>Adelomyia melanogenys</i>	4	CC/AD	a forest dweller, seen mostly along the trails of Henri Pittier NP
Violet-fronted Brilliant	<i>Heliodoxa leadbeateri</i>	3	CC	a female feeding on Rancho Grande BS feeders and others in the forest
Violet-chested Hummingbird	<i>Sternoclyta cyanopectus</i>	2	CC	beautiful view of this Venezuelan endemic near Rancho Grande BS!
Bronzy Inca	<i>Coeligena coeligena</i>	2	CC/AD	Only these 2 individuals . One in Henri Pittier NP and the other in San Isidro
Golden-bellied Starfrontlet	<i>Coeligena bonapartei</i>	2	AD	great views of a male after a pygmy owl whistle!
Orange-throated Sunangel	<i>Heliangelus mavors</i>	23	AD	common species in the montane forest and the paramo
Tyrian Metaltail	<i>Metallura tyrianthina</i>	17	CC/AD	a highlands dweller, several were seen in Colonia Tovar, Guaramacal NP and Santo Domingo
Bearded Helmetcrest	<i>Oxypogon guerinii</i>	7	AD	beautiful views of seven individuals in the Paramo
Long-tailed Sylph	<i>Agelaiocercus kingi</i>	12	CC/AD	very common in premontane humid forest along the Coastal Cordillera

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Wedge-billed Hummingbird	<i>Schistes geoffroyi</i>	1	AD	this one seen in San Isidro
Amethyst Woodstar	<i>Calliphlox amethystina</i>	1	FL	the only one was a male in Cerro Chichiriviche
QUETZALS & TROGONS	TROGONIDAE			
White-tipped Quetzal	<i>Pharomachrus fulgidus</i>	3	CC	after much effort, all were seen in Henri PittierNP
Collared Trogon	<i>Trogon collaris</i>	9	CC	common in Henri Pittier NP
Masked Trogon	<i>Trogon personatus</i>	4	AD	all individuals in Guaramacal NP
KINGFISHERS	ALCEDINIDAE			
Ringed Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle torquata</i>	38	General	widespread along the coastal wetlands and the Llanos
Amazon Kingfisher	<i>Chloroceryle amazona</i>	22	LL	various seen along the Gallery Forest of Hato El Cedral
Green Kingfisher	<i>Chloroceryle americana</i>	1	LL	only this one seen in Hato El Cedral. Could presumably migrate to the upper lands during the rains
Pygmy Kingfisher	<i>Chloroceryle aenea</i>	3	LL	one individual flying over the Matiyure River
MOTMOTS	MOMOTIDAE			
Blue-crowned Motmot	<i>Momotus momota</i>	2	FL	seen in Cerro Chichiriviche
JACAMARS	GALBULIDAE			
Pale-headed Jacamar	<i>Brachygalba goeringi</i>	13	FL/LL	up to 8 individuals of this near-endemic in the dessert scrub of Barquisimeto and also in the Llanos
Rufous-tailed Jacamar	<i>Galbula ruficauda</i>	11	General	common and widespread along the lowland forests
PUFFBIRDS	BUCCONIDAE			
Russet-throated Puffbird	<i>Hypnelus ruficollis</i>	4	FL/LL	seen well by all members, even a scope view!
Moustached Puffbird	<i>Malacoptila mystacalis</i>	3	CC/AD	a great view of 2 individuals in Rancho Grande BS trails plus another in San Isidro
BARBETS	CAPITONIDAE			
Red-headed Barbet	<i>Eubucco bourcierii</i>	3	AD	this 3 individuals were in a feeding flock

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TOUCANETS & TOUCANS		RAMPHASTIDAE		
Groove-billed Toucanet	<i>Aulacorhynchus sulcatus</i>	10	CC	common and widespread along the Coastal Cordillera. We saw one holding a land crab
Emerald Toucanet	<i>Aulacorhynchus prasinus</i>	6	AD	various individuals feeding on the Mountain Cecropia in Guaramacal NP
PICULETS & WOODPECKERS		PICIDAE		
Scaled Piculet	<i>Picumnus squamulatus</i>	8	General	common and widespread along the lowlands
Spot-breasted Woodpecker	<i>Chrysoptilus punctigula</i>	4	CC/LL	various individuals moving along the middle height of the lowland forest
Golden-Olive Woodpecker	<i>Piculus rubiginosus</i>	5	CC/AD	various individuals moving along the middle height of the premontane and montane forest
Lineated Woodpecker	<i>Dryocopus lineatus</i>	3	FL	2 individuals in Cerro Chichiriviche
Red-crowned Woodpecker	<i>Melanerpes rubricapillus</i>	45	General	common and widespread along the lowland vegetation
Smoky-brown Woodpecker	<i>Veniliornis fumigatus</i>	10	CC	seen mostly in Rancho Grande BS area
Red-rumped Woodpecker	<i>Veniliornis kirkii</i>	4	FL/LL	seen well by all members mostly in Falcon State
Crimson-crested Woodpecker	<i>Campephilus rubricollis</i>	5	LL	superb views several times even male and female!
WOODCREEPERS		DENDROCOLAPTIDAE		
Plain-brown Woodcreeper	<i>Dendrocincla fuliginosa</i>	9	CC/AD	several individuals seen around Rancho Grande BS and the andean lowlands
Olivaceous Woodcreeper	<i>Sittasomus griseicapillus</i>	6	CC	various individuals of this small and disctintive Dendrocoloaptidae
Wedge-billed Woodcreeper	<i>Glyphorhynchus spirurus</i>	1	AD	one individual forraging along the middle height of San Isidro Forest
Black-banded Woodcreeper	<i>Dendrocolaptes picumnus</i>	2	CC	the only 2 individuals were seen in Rancho Grande BS trails
Straight-billed Woodcreeper	<i>Xiphorhynchus picus</i>	7	General	common and widespread along the lowland dry forest and desert scrub

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Cocoa (Buff-throated) Woodcreeper	<i>Xiphorhynchus susurrans</i>	3	General	the commonest of the median size woodcreepers mostly along forest edges
Olive-backed Woodcreeper	<i>Xiphorhynchus triangularis</i>	1	CC	this one individual in the andes of Guaramacal NP
Streak-headed Woodcreeper	<i>Lepidocolaptes souleyetii</i>	7	General	common and widespread along the lowland humid to dry forest
Montane(Spot-crowned)Woodcreeper	<i>Lepidocolaptes lacrymiger</i>	4	CC/AD	various individuals in the Premontane Humid to Wet Forest (Cloud Forest)
Red-billed Scythebill	<i>Campylorhynchus trochillostris</i>	5	CC/FL	4 individuals foraging along dead branches inside the forest
SPINETAILS & OVENBIRDS		FURNARIIDAE		
Bar-winged Cinclodes	<i>Cinclodes fuscus</i>	9	AD	several individuals in the Paramo area mostly near the streams
Pale-legged Hornero	<i>Furnarius leucopus</i>	9	FL	7 individuals along the Falcon Road to Cerro La Mision plus 2 more in Morrocoy NP
Andean Tit-Spintail	<i>Leptasthenura andicola</i>	2	AD	both individuals along the Mucuchachi Hills in the Santo Domingo Paramo
Azara ´s Spintail	<i>Synallaxis azarae</i>	H	AD	heard in the Transandean road
Pale-breasted Spintail	<i>Synallaxis albescens</i>	8	General	probably the most widespread of the spintails. Seen and heard almost in every region
Stripe-breasted Spintail	<i>Synallaxis cinnamomea</i>	2	AD	Both were heard in Altamira road
Rufous Spintail	<i>Synallaxis unirufa</i>	6	AD	various individuals heard and few seen of this secretive species
<i>Black-throated Spintail</i>	<i>Synallaxis castanea</i>	7	CC	2 seen in Macarao National Park and many more heard in the same area
Yellow-chinned(throated)Spintail	<i>Certhiaxis cinnamomea</i>	36	LL	several individuals seen in Hato El Cedral
White-whiskered Spintail	<i>Poecilurus candei</i>	4	FL	probably the most beautiful spintail of Venezuela, 2 were seen near Barquisimeto
Crested Spintail	<i>Cranioleuca subcristata</i>	12	CC./AD	common and widespread along the premontane humid and wet forest

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Rusty-backed Spinetail	<i>Cranioleuca vulpina</i>	3	LL	1 pair seen in the Gallery Forest of Caicara River within the boundaries of Hato El Cedral
Ochre-browed Thistletail	<i>Schizoeaca coryi</i>	6	AD	several individuals seen in the Paramo de Santo Domingo
Streak-backed Canastero	<i>Asthenes wyatti</i>	4	AD	difficult and secretive, 4 were finally seen after much effort in the Paramo
Plain-fronted Thornbird	<i>Phacellodomus rufifrons</i>	36	General	common and widespread along the lowland pastures and matas
Pearled Treerunner	<i>Margarornis squamiger</i>	4	AD	1 individuals with the huge feeding flock in Guaramacal NP plus others along the road
Streaked Tuftedcheek	<i>Pseudocolaptes boissonneautii</i>	3	CC/AD	2 in Macarao NP plus another in Guaramacal NP
Guttulated Foliage-Gleaner	<i>Syndactyla guttulata</i>	4	CC	3 were seen in Henri Pittier NP along the road plus another heard
Montane Foliage-Gleaner	<i>Anabacerthia striaticollis</i>	9	CC/AD	common along the premontane and montane humid to wet forest
Buff-fronted Foliage-Gleaner	<i>Philydor rufus</i>	21	CC	as well as the previous one, common along the premontane and montane humid to wet forest
Plain Xenops	<i>Xenops minutus</i>	2	CC/AD	only these 2 individuals in the premontane forest of Henri Pittier NP and Guaramacal NP
TYPICAL ANTBRIDS		THANMOPHILIDAE		
Great Antshrike	<i>Taraba major</i>	H	FL	only heard in Falcon area
Black-crested Antshrike	<i>Sakesphorus canadensis</i>	8	FL/LL	common where reported. Mostly in edgings of primary vegetation
Black-backed Antshrike	<i>Sakesphorus melanonotus</i>	3	FL	all 3 were seen in Cerro Chichiriviche area
Barred Antshrike	<i>Thamnophilus doliatus</i>	10	General	common and widespread in the lowlands
Slaty Antwren	<i>Myrmotherula schisticolor</i>	1	CC	only this female in Rancho Grande BS trails
Rufous-winged Antwren	<i>Herpsilochmus rufimarginatus</i>	1	CC	only this one seen well in Turiamo Bay
White-fringed Antwren	<i>Formicivora grisea</i>	9	General	several seen in the lowland shrubs

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White-browed Antbird	<i>Myrmoborus leucophrys</i>	3	AD	all individuals seen in Altamira Road
White-bellied Antbird	<i>Myrmeciza longipes</i>	4	FL	although we saw 2 individuals, 2 others were heard in Cerro Chichiriviche
Immaculate Antbird	<i>Myrmeciza immaculata</i>	1	AD	1 heard in San Isidro Valley
GROUND ANTBIRDS	FORMICARIIDAE			
Short-tailed Antthrush	<i>Chamaeza campanisona</i>	1	CC	heard far along the road to Rancho Grande
Scalloped (Rufous-tailed) Antthrush	<i>Chamaeza turdina</i>	4	CC	3 were seen along the Choroni Road of Henri Pittier NP
Black-faced Antthrush	<i>Formicarius analis</i>	5	CC/AD	great views of this species along the forest trail of Rancho Grande BS
Undulated Antpitta	<i>Grallaria squamigera</i>	1	H	heard at far distance in Guaramacal NP
Plain-backed Antpitta	<i>Grallaria haplonota</i>	3	CC	heard several times in Henri Pittier NP
Chesnut-crowned Antpitta	<i>Grallaria ruficapilla</i>	7	CC/AD	all individuals seen in Macarao NP
Gray-naped Antpitta	<i>Grallaria griseonucha</i>	H	AD	heard in Guaramacal NP
Rusty-breasted Antpitta	<i>Grallarica ferrugineipectus</i>	H	AD	heard in San Isidro Forest
Slate-crowned Antpitta	<i>Grallarica nana</i>	2	AD	both seen in Guaramacal NP
TAPACULOS/MOUSE BIRDS	RHINOCRYPTIDAE (PTEROPTOCHIDAE)			
<i>Caracas Tapaculo</i>	<i>Scytalopus caracae</i>	1	CC	only this one seen well in Macarao NP
Brown-rumped Tapaculo	<i>Scytalopus latebricola</i>	6	AD	various seen in Guaramacal NP
Ocellated Tapaculo	<i>Acropternis orthonyx</i>	H	AD	heard in Guaramacal NP
COTINGAS	COTINGIDAE / TYRANNIDAE-Cotinginae			
Green-and-black Fruiteater	<i>Pipreola riefferii</i>	14	CC/AD	2 seen in Colonia Tovar and more than 12 in Guaramacal NP!
Golden-breasted Fruiteater	<i>Pipreola aureopectus</i>	3	CC/AD	2 seen in Henri Pittier NP and another heard in San Isidro
Handsome Fruiteater	<i>Pipreola formosa</i>	4	CC	without any doubt, the most beautiful fruiteater. These 4 were seen in Henri Pittier NP
Barred Fruiteater	<i>Pipreola arcuata</i>	6	AD	all seen in Guaramacal NP

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COCK-OF-THE-ROCKS		RUPICOLIDAE / TYRANNIDAE-Cotinginae		
Andean Cock-of-the-Rock	<i>Rupicola peruviana</i>	3	AD	all 3 individuals were males. San Isidro area
MANAKINS		PIPRIDAE / TYRANNIDAE-Piprinae		
Golden-headed Manakin	<i>Pipra erythrocephala</i>	2	AD	2 males in La Soledad road
Wire-tailed Manakin	<i>Teleonema filicauda</i>	5	CC	excellent studies of 3 males plus 2 females on the lek
Lance-tailed Manakin	<i>Chiroxiphia lanceolata</i>	5		several males and females along the Turiamo Road
White-bearded Manakin	<i>Manacus manacus</i>	1	AD	1 male along the Altamira Road
TYRANTS & FLYCATCHERS		TYRANNIDAE / TYRANNIDAE-Tyranninae		
The order in the taxonomy of the Tyrannids have changed as well. This list retains the traditional order but includes some of the new latin names				
Sooty-headed Tyrannulet	<i>Phyllomyias griseiceps</i>	2	AD	1 pair along the road to Guanare
Black-capped Tyrannulet	<i>Phyllomyias nigrocapillus</i>	1	AD	seen along the Guaramacal NP highlands
Venezuelan (Paltry) Tyrannulet	<i>Zimmerius improbus</i>	7	CC/AD	various individuals along Henri Pittier NP and in the andean foothills
Golden-faced Tyrannulet	<i>Zimmerius chrysops</i>	4	AD	all seen along the Santo Domingo Road
Southern Beardless-Tyrannuley	<i>Camptostoma obsoletum</i>	8	General	common and widespread along the foothill of the mountains as well as in the Llanos
Mouse-colored Tyrannulet	<i>Phaeomyias murina</i>	25	General	common along the lowland forest and scrub formations. A pair nesting in Lara state
Northern Scrub Flycatcher	<i>Sublegatus arenarum</i>	4	FL	1 individual in Cerro Chichiriviche area
Forest Elaenia	<i>Myiopagis gaimardii</i>	7	General	common and widespread along the foothill of the mountains
Yellow-bellied Elaenia	<i>Elaenia flavogaster</i>	7	FL/LL	common along the lowland forest and scrub formations
Small-billed Elaenia	<i>Elaenia parvirostris</i>	1	LL	a probable report, 1 was seen in Hato El Cedral. I will keep working on this
Mountain Elaenia	<i>Elaenia frantzii</i>	5	CC/AD	few individuals in the Coastal Cordillera as well as in the andean highlands

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White-throated Tyrannulet	<i>Mecocerculus leucophrys</i>	36	CC/AD	several individuals in the Coastal Cordillera as well as in the andean highlands
Torrent Tyrannulet	<i>Serpophaga cinerea</i>	3	AD	all individuals along the Santo Domingo River
Slender-billed Tyrannulet	<i>Inezia tenuirostris</i>	9	FL	responding very well after the pygmy owl whistle on the Lara Desert Scrub
Pale-tipped Tyrannulet	<i>Inezia subflava</i>	1	FL	this one was seen in Cerro Chichiriviche
Olive-striped Flycatcher	<i>Mionectes olivaceus</i>	3	CC/AD	Henri Pittier NP and Altamira Road
Ochre-bellied Flycatcher	<i>Mionectes oleaginea</i>	3	AD	this intriguing flycatcher was seen along the Altamira Road
Slaty-capped Flycatcher	<i>Leptopogon superciliaris</i>	12	General	common species along the foothills of the mountains
Yellow-bellied Bristle-Tyrant	<i>Phylloscartes flaviventris</i>	1	CC	This individual near Rancho Grande BS
Venezuelan Bristle-Tyrant	<i>Phylloscartes venezuelanus</i>	1	CC	Only this individual in the Rancho Grande trails
Pale-eyed Pygmy-Tyrant	<i>Atalotriccus pilaris</i>	1	FL	1 individual responding after the pygmy owl whistle
Rufous-crowned Tody-Tyrant	<i>Poecilotriccus ruficeps</i>	2	AD	2 individuals of this beautiful tyrant in Guaramacal. A recent range extension report
Pearly-vented Tody-Tyrant	<i>Idioptilon margaritaceiventer</i>	2	FL	recognize by having the widest bill of its congeners, 2 were seen in Falcon
Common Tody-Flycatcher	<i>Todirostrum cinereum</i>	27	General	common and widespread along the lowlands. 1 pair nesting
Slate-headed Tody-Flycatcher	<i>Todirostrum sylvia</i>	H	General	4 heard along the lowland shrubs
Yellow-olive Flycatcher	<i>Tolmomyias sulphurescens</i>	1	CC	A species under taxonomic revision. This one individual at the gate of Rancho Grande BS
Yellow-breasted Flycatcher	<i>Tolmomyias flaviventris</i>	4	General	various individuals in Falcon and El Cedral Ranch
Bran-colored Flycatcher	<i>Myiophobus fasciatus</i>	1	FL	This individual was seen along the Cerro Mision road
Cinnamon Flycatcher	<i>Pyrrhomyias cinnamomea</i>	11	CC/AD	several individuals seen at the premontane humid forest of Henri Pittier and the Andes
Tropical Pewee	<i>Contopus cinereus</i>	4	FL/LL	all seen along the forest edgings

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Smoke-colored (Greater) Pewee	<i>Contopus fumigatus</i>	7	General	common along the mountains of the Coastal Cordillera and the Andes
Black Phoebe	<i>Sayornis nigricans</i>	4	CC/AD	all individuals were seen along the river in the coastal cordillera and the Andes
Vermilion Flycatcher	<i>Pyrocephalus rubinus</i>	25	General	common along the dry lands of the lowlands
Brown-backed Chat-Tyrant	<i>Ochthoeca fumicolor</i>	10	AD	several pairs in the Paramo of Santo Domingo
Yellow-bellied Chat-Tyrant	<i>Ochthoeca diadema</i>	3	AD	1 pair plus a single one in Guaramacal NP
Streak-throated Bush-Tyrant	<i>Myiotheretes striaticollis</i>	4	AD	all individuals in the surroundings of Hotel Los Frailes
Smoky Bush-Tyrant	<i>Myiotheretes fumigatus</i>	4	AD	1 pair in Guaramacal NP and another in Las Tapias
Amazonian Black-Tyrant	<i>Phaeotriccus poecilocerus</i>	2	LL	both individuals in Hato El Cedral
Pied Water-Tyrant	<i>Fluvicola pica</i>	13	FL/LL	various seen in Falcon and Hato El Cedral
White-headed Marsh-Tyrant	<i>Arundinicola leucocephala</i>	56	FL/LL	several pairs in Hato El Cedral
Yellow-browed Tyrant	<i>Satrapa icterophrys</i>	1	LL	this one was seen by Pat Farris in Hato El Cedral
Cliff Flycatcher	<i>Hirundinea ferruginea</i>	5	AD	various individuals in Altamira Road and San Isidro
Cattle Tyrant	<i>Machetornis rixosus</i>	35	General	common along the lowland pastures
Brown-crested Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus tyrannulus</i>	8	CC/FL/LL	various pairs of the commonest Myiarchus flycatcher of Venezuela
Dusky-capped Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus tuberculifer</i>	1	FL	seen in Falcon State
Great Kiskadee	<i>Pitangus sulphuratus</i>	41	General	common and widespread along secondary formations.
Lesser Kiskadee	<i>Phylodyor lictor</i>	7	LL	3 pairs along the Matiyure River plus a single one in San Pablo marshes
Boat-billed Flycatcher	<i>Megarhynchus pitangua</i>	14	General	various individuals seen on the foothills of the Coastal Cordillera and in the Andes
Rusty-margined Flycatcher	<i>Myiozetetes cayanensis</i>	32	General	common and widespread along the lowlands. 1 pair nesting

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Social Flycatcher	<i>Myiozetetes similis</i>	1+	CC/LL	strange and curious. Only 2 individuals were seen in the hole trip. Will keep watching on this
White-bearded Flycatcher	<i>Phelpsia inornatus</i>	2	LL	both seen along the Caicara river in the Llanos
Streaked Flycatcher	<i>Myiodynastes maculatus</i>	11	General	many pairs seen in our trip. There could be some migrants from the Bolivar state
Golden-crowned Flycatcher	<i>Myiodynastes chrysocephalus</i>	10	CC/AD	various pairs in the premontane and montane elevations usually near primary forest
Piratic Flycatcher	<i>Legatus leucophaeus</i>	3	AD	several heard along the Andes
Variiegated Flycatcher	<i>Empidonomus varius</i>	6	FL/AD	few seen on Falcon State and 2 near Guanare
Fork-tailed Flycatcher	<i>Tyrannus sabana</i>	312	General	several individuals along the lowlands. Some local and migrant races might be involved here
Tropical Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus melancholicus</i>	132	General	common and widedspread in disturbed habitats
Gray Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus dominicensis</i>	36	LL	several in the Llanos, specially in San Silvestre road where we reported 20+
BECARDS & TITYRAS	TYRANNIDAE-Tyranninae / COTINGIDAE			
White-naped Xenopsaris	<i>Xenopsaris albinucha</i>	2	LL	2 individuals seen in Hato El Cedral plus another heard around the Maiyure Camp grounds
Cinereous Becard	<i>Pachyramphus rufus</i>	4	FL/LL	several heard and 1 seen in Hato El Cedral
Chestnut-crowned Becard	<i>Pachyramphus castaneus</i>	2	CC	2 were seen in Henri Pittier NP and another heard along the Altamira road
White-winged Becard	<i>Pachyramphus polychopterus</i>	4	FL/LL	various individuals heard and 4 seen in Falcon State and in Hato El Cedral
Black-and-white Becard	<i>Pachyramphus albogriseus</i>	H	CC	only 1 heard along the highlands of Henri Pittier NP
Black-tailed Tityra	<i>Tityra cayana</i>	1	FL/LL	the only one was a male along the Cerro La Mision road
Black-crowned Tityra	<i>Tityra inquisitor</i>	6	FL/AD	several individuals in different areas including Falcon, Rio Barragan and Boconoito

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SWALLOWS & MARTINS		HIRUNDINIDAE		
White-winged Swallow	<i>Tachycineta albiventer</i>	57+	FL/LL	several individuals on the wetlands of Falcon and in the Llanos
Brown-chested Martin	<i>Progne tapera</i>	64	FL/LL	several individuals in Falcon State as well as some in Hato El Cedral
Gray-breasted Martin	<i>Progne chalybea</i>	109+	General	common and widespread in urban and semi-urban areas
Brown-bellied Swallow	<i>Notiochelidon murina</i>	40+	AD	several individuals seen around Hotel Los Frailes in the Santo Domingo Paramo
Blue-and-white Swallow	<i>Notiochelidon cyanoleuca</i>	165+	General	common mostly along the lands above 400 mts. elevation
<i>Pale-footed Swallow</i>	<i>Notiochelidon flavipes</i>	3	AD	A probable report. 3 individuals flying over Guaramacal NP at 2000 meters elevation
Southern Rough-winged Swallow	<i>Stelgidopteryx ruficollis</i>	82+	General	common and widespread in semi-urban areas
JAYS		CORVIDAE		
Black-collared Jay	<i>Cyanolyca armillata</i>	2	AD	these 2 were seen on the road within Guaramacal NP. Unfortunately for a very short period of time
Violaceous Jay	<i>Cyanocorax violaceus</i>	4	AD	all individuals were seen along the foothills of the andes
Black-chested Jay	<i>Cyanocorax affinis</i>	3	FL	a wordelful view of these individuals near San Juan de los Cayos in Falcon state
Inca (Green) Jay	<i>Cyanocorax yncas</i>	13	CC/AD	a recent split from the northern phorm, several views along the mountainous habitat
DIPPERS		CINCLIDAE		
White-capped Dipper	<i>Cinclus leucocephalus</i>	2	AD	both individuals were seen displaying along the Santo Domingo river
WRENS		TROGLODYTIDAE		
Black-capd. Donacobius(Mockingthrush)	<i>Donacobuis atricapillus</i>	8	FL/LL	4 pairs. 2 along the upper llanos and 2 in the wetlands of Falcon
Bicolored Wren	<i>Campylorhynchus griseus</i>	12	FL/LL	common along the dessert scrub of Lara and in the Llanos

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Stripe-backed Wren	<i>Campylorhynchus nuchalis</i>	13	FL/LL	as well as the previous one, common along the dessert scrub of Lara and the Llanos
Merida (Paramo) Wren	<i>Cistothorus meridae</i>	2		a superb view of a pair plus 3 other pairs heard along the Parama de El Aguila
Whiskered (Moustached) Wren	<i>Thryothorus mystacalis</i>	4	CC	2 pairs seen well in Henri Pittier NP
Rufous-breasted Wren	<i>Thryothorus rutilus</i>	6	General	few individuals along the forested lowlands
Rufous-and-White Wren	<i>Thryothorus rufalbus</i>	7	CC/AD	fairly common along the foothills of the andes and the lowlands of the coastal cordillera
Buff-breasted Wren	<i>Troglodytes leucotis</i>	10	General	common and widespread along the forested lowlands
House Wren	<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>	19	General	the most cosmopolitan wren, occurs in forest edges as well as in urban areas
Mountain Wren	<i>Troglodytes solstitialis</i>	3	AD	all individuals in Guaramacal NP
Gray-breasted Wood-Wren	<i>Henicorhina leucophrys</i>	12	CC/AD	a premontane humid to wet forest dweller, several were seen in Henri Pittier NP
Southern Nightingale Wren	<i>Microcerculus marginatus</i>	H	CC	several heard in Henri Pittier NP
MOCKINGBIRDS	MIMIDAE			
Tropical Mockingbird	<i>Mimus gilvus</i>	121	General	common and widespread along the open lowlands
THRUSHES & SOLITAIRES	TURDIDAE			
Andean Solitaire	<i>Myadestes ralloides</i>	3	CC/AD	2 individuals in Henri Pittier plus another in the Andes
Slaty-backed Nightingale-Thrush	<i>Catharus fuscater</i>	H	AD	4 individuals were heard in Guaramacal NP
Yellow-legged Thrush	<i>Platycichla flavipes</i>	5	CC	all were seen in Henri Pittier NP
Pale-eyed Thrush	<i>Platycichla leucops</i>	2	AD	A probable report. 2 individuals seen on the road from Bocono to Guanare
Great Thrush	<i>Turdus fuscater</i>	47	AD	very common in the Santo Domingo Paramo
Glossy-black Thrush	<i>Turdus serranus</i>	13	CC/AD	several seen in the highlands of Macarao and Henri Pittier NP as well as in the Andes

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Black-hooded Thrush	<i>Turdus olivater</i>	3	CC	all 3 were seen in Henri Pittier NP
Chestnut-bellied Thrush	<i>Turdus fulviventris</i>	2	AD	superb views of this 2 individuals inside the forest in Guaramacal NP
Pale-breasted Thrush	<i>Turdus leucomelas</i>	14	General	common along the lowland forest
Cocoa Thrush	<i>Turdus fumigatus</i>	3	CC/AD	fairly common but difficult to see in the lowlands of Henri Pittier NP. We saw 3 individuals
Bare-eyed Thrush	<i>Turdus nudigenis</i>	13	General	common and widespread even in urban areas
GNATCATCHERS	SYLVIIDAE			
Long-billed Gnatwren	<i>Ramphocaenus melanurus</i>	7	General	several heard in Henri Pittier NP and 1 seen along the andes foothills
Tropical Gnatcatcher	<i>Polioptila plumbea</i>	22	General	several seen along the lowland dry forest and gallery forest
PIPITS	MOTACILLIDAE			
Yellowish Pipit	<i>Anthus lutescens</i>	2	LL	both individuals seen in Hato El Cedral
Paramo Pipit	<i>Anthus botogensis</i>	12	AD	I was impressed by the number reported in the Paramo zone. 12 in one morning!
VIREOS & GREENLETS	VIREONIDAE			
Rufous-browed Peppershrike	<i>Cyclarhis gujanensis</i>	14	General	common and widespread along the tropical and premontane forests
Red-eyed Vireo	<i>Vireo olivaceus</i>	8	General	various seen along the Coastal Cordillera and the andes foothills
Brown-capped Vireo	<i>Vireo leucophrys</i>	4	CC	all 4 individuals were seen in one morning by the gate of Rancho Grande
Golden-fronted Greenlet	<i>Hylophilus aurantiifrons</i>	9	CC/FL	various individuals along the foothills as well as in the lowlands
Scrub Greenlet	<i>Hylophilus flavipes</i>	2	FL/LL	2 seen at Cerro Chichiriviche in Falcon State plus another heard in Hato El Cedral
EMBERIZINES	EMBERIZIDAE			
WOOD-WARBLERS	PARULIDAE			

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Tropical Parula	<i>Parula pitiayumi</i>	10	General	various individuals seen along the Andes, Coastal Cordillera and Falcon state
Slate-throated Redstart	<i>Myioborus miniatus</i>	14	General	several individuals seen along the premontane humid forest
White-fronted Redstart	<i>Myioborus albifrons</i>	10	AD	all individuals were seen along the montane wet forest of Guaramacal NP
Black-crested Warbler	<i>Basileuterus nigrocristatus</i>	25	CC/AD	various individuals seen on the elfin forest of Guaramacal and Santo Domingo
Three-striped Warbler	<i>Basileuterus tristriatus</i>	14	CC/AD	common inside the premontane humid forest. We saw two adults feeding a chick
Golden-crowned Warbler	<i>Basileuterus culicivorus</i>	2	AD	only these 2 were seen in the lowlands of the Andes of Merida state
FLOWER-PIERCERS	<i>Thraupinae (previously considered THRAUPIDAE)</i>			
Bluish Flower-Piercer	<i>Diglossa caerulea</i>	46	CC/AD	the comonest of the flower-piercer. Several seen in Guaramacal NP and 1 in San Isidro!
Masked Flower-Piercer	<i>Diglossa cyanea</i>	10	AD	fewer than the previous one, 10 were seen on higher elevations than others
Glossy Flower-Piercer	<i>Diglossa lafresmayii</i>	8	AD	about 8 in Guaramacal coming after a pygmy owl whistle
Merida (Coal-black) Flower-Piercer	<i>Diglossa carbonaria</i>	13	AD	several at the ecotone paramo-elfin forest
White-sided Flower-Piercer	<i>Diglossa albilatera</i>	6	CC/AD	fewer than others, only 2 were seen along the Coastal Cordillera and 4 in the Andes
Rusty Flower-Piercer	<i>Diglossa sittoides</i>	1	CC	only 1 female near Colonia Tovar
CONEBILLS	<i>Parulinae / PARULIDAE</i>			
Blue-backed Conebill	<i>Conirostrum sitticolor</i>	2	AD	only 2 seen in the grounds of Hotel Los Frailes
White-eared Conebill	<i>Conirostrum leucogenys</i>	1	CC	this only one was seen in Turiamo Road near Henri Pittier NP
DACNIS & HONEYCREEPERS	<i>Thraupinae / PARULIDAE</i>			
Blue Dacnis	<i>Dacnis cayana</i>	3	FL/AD	2 were seen in the Cerro La Mision road and another near Bocono

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BANANAQUITS	<i>Coerebicinae</i>			
Bananaquit	<i>Coereba flaveola</i>	26	General	common and widespread in forest edges as well as in urban areas
TANAGERS	<i>Thraupinae (previously considered THRAUPIDAE)</i>			
Guira Tanager	<i>Hemithraupis guira</i>	3	CC/LL	2 in Falcon State (including a young male) and 1 in the Llanos
Hooded Tanager	<i>Nemosia pileata</i>	5	FL	a group foraging along the La Mision road
Fulvous-headed Tanager	<i>Thlypopsis fulviceps</i>	3	CC	all 3 individuals were seen in Henri Pittier NP
Blue-necked Tanager	<i>Tangara cyanicollis</i>	14	CC/AD	common along the foothills of the Coastal Cordillera and the andes. One was feeding a young one
Golden Tanager	<i>Tangara arthus</i>	12	CC/AD	common in Henri Pittier NP and few in San Isidro. One feeding a young bird
Saffron-crowned Tanager	<i>Tangara xanthocephala</i>	8	AD	few individuals of this spectacular tanager in Guaramacal NP
Beryl-spangled Tanager	<i>Tangara nigroviridis</i>	45	CC/AD	very common along the montane wet forest of Macarao, Henri Pittier and Guaramacal NP
Blue-and-Black Tanager	<i>Tangara vassorii</i>	3	AD	few individuals of this beautiful tanager in Guaramacal NP (montane wet forest)
Rufous-cheeked Tanager	<i>Tangara rufigenis</i>	1	CC	only 1 individual of this endemic in Henri Pittier NP
Black-capped Tanager	<i>Tangara heinei</i>	8	CC/AD	small groups seen in Henri Pittier NP as well as in Guaramacal NP
Black-headed Tanager	<i>Tangara cyanoptera</i>	7	CC/AD	as the previous one, small groups seen in Henri Pittier NP as well as in Guaramacal NP
Burnished-buff Tanager	<i>Tangara cayana</i>	11	General	fairly common and widespread along the lowlands
Bay-headed Tanager	<i>Tangara gyrola</i>	13	CC/AD	common in the premontane area of Henri Pittier and the Andes
Speckled Tanager	<i>Tangara guttata</i>	11	CC/AD	found in the premontane area of Henri Pittier and the Andes
Golden-rumped(Blue-hooded)Euphonia	<i>Euphonia musica</i>	12	CC/AD	mostly seen in Guaramacal NP and few in Henri Pittier

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Thick-billed Euphonia	<i>Euphonia laniirostris</i>	14	FL/AD	various seen in Falcon State and the Andean foothills
Trinidad Euphonia	<i>Euphonia trinitatis</i>	H	LL	only 1 heard in the Llanos
Orange-bellied Euphonia	<i>Euphonia xanthogaster</i>	6	CC/AD	few individuals in Henri Pittier NP and San Isidro forest. A pair were seen entering a nesting site
Chestnut-breasted Chlorophonia	<i>Chlorophonia pyrrhophry</i>	6	AD	various seen in Guaramacal NP
Blue-naped Chlorophonia	<i>Chlorophonia cyanea</i>	5	CC/AD	3 seen in Henri Pittier and 2 in Guaramacal NP plus another heard in the Andes
SWALLOW-TANAGERS	<i>Tersininae (previously considered as TERSINIDAE)</i>			
Swallow-Tanager	<i>Tersina viridis</i>	10	CC/AD	4 in Henri Pittier NP and 6 more in Rio Barragan. Shouldn't this species be gone by this date?
Common Bush-Tanager	<i>Chlorospingus ophthalmicus</i>	22	CC/AD	the most common of the Tangara tanagers. Always joining feeding flocks
Superciliaried Hemispingus	<i>Hemispingus superciliaris</i>	11	AD	various seen in the montane wet forest of Guaramacal NP
Oleaginous Hemispingus	<i>Hemispingus frontalis</i>	13	CC/AD	1 in Henri Pittier NP and more in Guaramacal NP. Occurs at lower elevations than the previous one
Gray-capped Hemispingus	<i>Hemispingus reyi</i>	6	AD	a family group of this endemic in Guaramacal NP
Fawn-breasted Tanager	<i>Pipraeidea melanonota</i>	6	CC/AD	3 in Henri Pittier NP and 3 more in Guaramacal NP
Blue-winged Mountain-Tanager	<i>Anisognathus flavinucha</i>	13	CC	3 groups of 3-6 individuals in Henri Pittier NP
Lachrymose Mountain-Tanager	<i>Anisognathus lacrymosus</i>	62	AD	numerous in Guaramacal. Mostly moving alone or few times in in feeding flocks
Blue-capped Tanager	<i>Thraupis cyanocephala</i>	14	CC/AD	small numbers but present along all the highlands (1500 mts. and above)
Palm Tanager	<i>Thraupis palmarum</i>	27	General	Found around gardens, forest edging and palms in the foothills of the andes
Blue-gray Tanager	<i>Thraupis episcopus</i>	178	General	common and widespread around the gardens and forest edging

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Glaucous Tanager	<i>Thraupis glaucocolpa</i>	10	FL/LL	few along the coastal cordillera. Mostly in Falcon State
White-winged Tanager	<i>Piranga leucoptera</i>	12	CC/AD	impressive numbers for the hole trip. 9 males and 3 females! (or youngs?)
Hepatic Tanager	<i>Piranga flava</i>	2	AD	both individuals were seen along the foothills of the Andes
Silver-beaked Tanager	<i>Ramphocelus carbo</i>	82	General	common and widespread along the forest edging
Red-crowned Ant-Tanager	<i>Habia rubica</i>	1	AD	the only individual was a female in the Altamira Road
Gray-headed Tanager	<i>Eucometis penicillata</i>	4	CC/FL	only 4 individuals in Henri Pittier NP. Note that we found some vocalizing
White-shouldered Tanager	<i>Tachyphonus luctuosus</i>	2	AD	both individuals were seen in Altamira Road
White-lined Tanager	<i>Tachyphonus rufus</i>	27	General	several along the humid forest edging and secondary growth of most of the regions
PLUSHCAP FINCHES	<i>Catamblyrhynchinae (previously considered CATAMBLYRHYNCHIDAE)</i>			
Plush-capped Finch	<i>Catamblyrhynchus diadema</i>	3	AD	a great view of 3 individuals in a superb feeding flock at Guaramacal NP
ORIOLES & BLACKBIRDS	<i>Icterinae (ICTERIDAE)</i>			
Shiny Cowbird	<i>Molothrus bonariensis</i>	20	FL/LL	various individuals were seen along the Yellow-rumped Cacique nesting sites
Crested Oropendola	<i>Psarocolius decumanus</i>	53	General	common in the lowlands
Russet-backed Oropendola	<i>Psarocolius angustifrons</i>	26	CC/AD	few individuals in Henri Pittier NP and San Isidro forest
Yellow-rumped Cacique	<i>Cacicus cela</i>	27	General	very common, specially in Hato El Cedral
Carib Grackle	<i>Quiscalus lugubris</i>	200+	General	common and widespread around the gardens and urban areas
Troupial	<i>Icterus icterus</i>	13	FL/LL	few on the dessert scrub of Lara and many more in the Llanos
Yellow Oriole	<i>Icterus nigrogularis</i>	23	CC/LL	commoner than the previous one. Several seen along the lowlands

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Yellow-backed Oriole	<i>Icterus chrysater</i>	9	AD	all individuals were seen around the park office in Guaramacal and the Laguna Los Cerritos
Oriole Blackbird	<i>Gymnomystax mexicanus</i>	32	FL/LL	common and widespread around the gardens, pastures and grasslands
Red-breasted Blackbird	<i>Leistes militaris</i>	13	LL	several seen in the upper lands of Hato El Cedral (2-3 mts. difference!)
Eastern Meadowlark	<i>Sturnella magna</i>	8	FL/LL	all individuals were seen in the same habitat than the previous one
GROSBEAKS & SALTATORS		<i>Cardinalinae (previously considered FRINGILIDAE)</i>		
Streaked Saltator	<i>Saltator albicollis</i>	12	CC/AD	all individuals were seen in the slopes of the mountains
Grayish Saltator	<i>Saltator coerulescens</i>	24	General	the commonest Saltator of Venezuela. Several were seen in the lowlands
Buff-throated Saltator	<i>Saltator maximus</i>	10	CC/AD	a humid forest dweller, all were seen along the Coastal Cordillera and in the Andes
Orinocan Saltator	<i>Saltator orinocensis</i>	4	FL/LL	2 pairs. One in the dessert scrub of Lara and another in the Llanos
Red-capped Cardinal	<i>Paroaria gularis</i>	10	LL	surprising that only 10 individuals were seen in Hato El Cedral (nesting?)
Vermillion Cardinal	<i>Cardinalis phoenicius</i>	3	FL	after much effort, we got excellent views of 3 individuals in the Dessert Scrub of Lara
Ultramarine Grosbeak	<i>Cyanocopsa cyanea</i>	2	CC	strange but true, A male plus a female were seen near La Victoria
Blue-black Grosbeak	<i>Cyanocopsa cyanooides</i>	2	AD	beautifully seen along the Altamira Road
FINCHES & SEEDEATERS		<i>Emberizinae (previously considered FRINGILIDAE)</i>		
Large-billed Seed-Finch	<i>Oryzoborus crassirostris</i>	3	LL	3 individuals at the last afternoon in Santa Ines
Blue-black Grassquit	<i>Volatinia jacarina</i>	65	General	common along the lowland pastures, shrubs and grasslands
Sooty Grassquit	<i>Tiaris fuliginosa</i>	1	CC	A probable record. 1 female in Henri Pittier NP
Black-faced Grassquit	<i>Tiaris bicolor</i>	2	FL	both individuals in the Dessert Scrub of Lara

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Lined Seedeater	<i>Sporophila lineola</i>	2	LL	both individuals were males. Seen in Hato El Cedral
Lesson's Seedeater	<i>Sporophila bouvronides</i>	4	FL	all 4 individuals were singing in the Cerro La Mision road
Yellow-bellied Seedeater	<i>Sporophila nigricollis</i>	13	General	common along the lowland pastures, shrubs and grasslands
Gray Seedeater	<i>Sporophila intermedia</i>	21	LL	common in the Llanos
Ruddy-breasted Seedeater	<i>Sporophila minuta</i>	34	FL/LL	a common species as well as the previous one. Prefers native grasses
Ochre-breasted Brush-Finch	<i>Atlapetes semirufus</i>	3	CC	all 3 individuals were seen along the Choroni road in Henri Pittier NP
Slaty Brush-Finch	<i>Atlapetes schistaceus</i>	21	AD	common along the montane forest in Guaramacal NP
Chesnut-capped Brush-Finch	<i>Atlapetes brunneinucha</i>	2	CC	both were seen inside the forest in Henri Pittier NP
Plain-colored Seedeater	<i>Catamenia inornata</i>	3	AD	all 3 individuals were reported for the Santo Domingo Paramo
Plumbeous Sierra-Finch	<i>Phrygilus unicolor</i>	11	AD	several individuals in the Santo Domingo Paramo
Black-striped Sparrow	<i>Arremonops conirostris</i>	2	CC	both individuals were seen in the tropical dry forest of Henri Pittier NP
Rufous-collared Sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia capensis</i>	47	CC/AD	common along the highlands
Yellow-browed Sparrow	<i>Ammodramus aurifrons</i>	80	LL	common along the Llanos
Gray Pileated Finch	<i>Coryphospingus pileatus</i>	3	LL	all 3 individuals were seen in Hato El Cedral
Saffron Finch	<i>Sicalis flaveola</i>	67	General	common and widespread around the gardens, pastures and grasslands
Orange-fronted Yellow-Finch	<i>Sicalis columbiana</i>	600+	LL	specially common this time of the year, we saw hundreds in Hato El Cedral
SISKINS		FRINGILLIDAE		
Andean Siskin	<i>Carduelis spinescens</i>	29	AD	about 20 individuals foraging in the paramo zone of Santo Domingo plus 9 in the Hotel Los Frailes
Dark-backed (Lesser) Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis psaltria</i>	12	CC	few individuals. 7 were seen in the slopes of Henri Pittier NP plus others near Bocono