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Worldwide Birding Adventures

## Brazil

### Iguazú Extension IV

*11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> October 2015 (5 days)*

### Birds & Wildlife of the Pantanal & Cerrado IV

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### Amazon Rainforest Birding Extension IV

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Savanna Hawk

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# Trip Report

*Our fourth and final tour to the Pantanal and Chapada dos Guimarães in 2015 enjoyed much the same success as the first three. That is to say that it was yet another superb trip! We witnessed the spectacle of thousands of birds and animals gathered around drying pools, delighted in boat cruise after boat cruise, snapped away a few thousand shots, marvelled at stunning scenery and bagged hundreds of great bird and mammal species, to boot, including Red-legged Seriema, Collared Crescentchest, Horned Sungem, Hyacinth Macaw, Jaguar and Giant Anteater! Our southern Amazon extension was also a fantastic success, reiterating what a must-see destination Cristalino is. There, inside and above some of the finest stretches of Amazon Rainforest around, we scoped dazzling parrots, tracked down antbird after antbird, and shared river space with Giant Otters and Tapirs alike. That's on top of seeing such mouth-watering specials as Pompadour Cotinga, Kwall's Amazon, Red-billed Pied Tanager, Zigzag Heron, Tapajos Hermit and Redfan Parrot! Needless to say, our extension to Iguazú was also a perfect complement to such action-packed and wild experiences. Not only were the falls a gargantuan highlight in themselves, we were able to enjoy them at leisure and in conjunction with some wonderful birding in the Atlantic Rainforest...*

## Tour summary

Beginning with the Argentine segment of our adventures, we were afforded the opportunity to get back into foreign birding under pretty easy conditions and in often spectacular surroundings to boot. Indeed, boardwalks over thunderous cascades of water with **Black-fronted Piping-guans** visible nearby, train rides through the forest and stakeouts at hummingbird feeders were maybe a little too easy. We weren't complaining though and to be honest, we did work a little harder than that from time to time. We walked a recently rain-sodden?? road (the 101) through Iguazú National Park, strolled the length of the Macuco Trail nearby (partly during a rain shower) and even completed the entire overgrown Urugua-i loop trail, further to the south. A thoroughly enjoyable mix and a productive one at that for the ground that we covered gave us a great selection of Atlantic Forest endemics and spectacular birds.

Chief among these sighted in Iguazú National Park were **Spot-backed Antshrike**, **Surucua** and



Green-headed Tanager



**Black-throated Trogons, Ochre-collared Piculet, Eared Pygmy Tyrant, Variable Antshrike, White-eyed Foliage-gleaner, White-backed Fire-eye, Chestnut-headed Tanager, Green-winged Saltator, Blue and White-bearded Manakins, Green-headed Tanager, Slaty-breasted Wood Rail, Robust Woodpecker, Chestnut-bellied Euphonia, Blue-naped Chlorophonia, Green-billed Toucan, Red-rumped Cacique, Black-goggled Tanager, Black-throated Grosbeak, Spot-billed Toucanet, Streak-capped Antwren, Rusty-margined Guan, Southern Antpipit, Rufous-thighed Kite, Grey-hooded Flycatcher and Sepia-capped Flycatcher**, while the most outstanding experiences belong to the time we spent finding and watching a **Short-tailed Antthrush** through the scope and our encounter with a 'super flock' that we attracted with the call of a **Tawny-crowned Pygmy Tyrant**, near to one of the train platforms! We can't however, forget the non-avian experiences we had in the park. Traversing both the Devil's Throat and Upper Trail boardwalks, we were treated to some of the most awe-inspiring views on the planet. From thunderous chasms to a seemingly endless curtain of cascades, the falls stole our attention for two full afternoons on those first two days and while the word "Spectacular" doesn't cut it as a description, suffice to say that nobody complained about a break from birding to admire the falls.

Away from the park, at Urugua-i Provincial Park, best birds included **Blackish-blue Seedeater, Drab-breasted Bamboo Tyrant, Ochre-faced Tody-Flycatcher, White-throated Spadebill, Large-headed Flatbill, Rufous-capped and Grey-bellied Spinetails, Bertoni's and Dusky-tailed Antbirds, Rufous Gnateater and White-rimmed Warbler**, among other goodies and a break from the marauding **South American Coatis** and tourists at the Iguazú visitors' center. The hummingbird garden in Puerto Iguazú didn't disappoint either, as all of our target species showed up, including **Planalto Hermit, Swallow-tailed Hummingbird, Black Jacobin, Black-throated Mango, Glittering-bellied Emerald, Violet-capped Woodnymph, Gilded Sapphire and Versicolored Emerald**, even though some of us seemed focused solely on the Mangos!

Saying goodbye to the Iguazú area, where a final bit of birding near Puerto Iguazú gave us our only **Brazilian Teal** of the trip (and possibly Argentina's first **Neotropical Palm Swift**), we began our long-ish journey into the heart of Brazil. First an overland border crossing - where pigeons provided great amounts of entertainment - then two flights and a three-hour drive to our lodge in the Pantanal, where we bumped into our first **Crab-eating Foxes** and a **Southern Tamandua** (the former alerting us to the presence of the latter) while driving in. The Pantanal had already started to produce the goods!



And this it did for the rest of our six-night stay, providing us encounter after encounter with wondrous scenes, iconic birds and some great mammals.

Famous mostly for being a large wetland, I think it came as a surprise to some that much of our time was to be spent in dry woodland. Indeed, we woke up on our first morning to find ourselves surrounded by trees! It is a fact, however, that several of the great birds, and some of the best birding in the Pantanal, are to be found in the wooded areas scattered throughout much of the area. Birding that first morning, and on several other occasions, in woodland during our time in the Pantanal, this soon became apparent though, and we ended up with a delicious list that included **White-wedged Piculet**, **Golden-green Woodpecker**, **Pale-crested Woodpecker**, **Cream-colored Woodpecker**, **Helmeted Manakin**, **Undulated Tinamou** (walking circles around us!), **Chaco Chachalaca**, **Chestnut-bellied Guan**, **Bare-faced Curassow**, **Great Potoo** (on a day-roost), **Amazonian Motmot**, **Rufous-tailed Jacamar**, the cartoonish **Toco Toucan**, incomparable (even for a macaw) **Hyacinth Macaw**, **Golden-collared Macaw**, **Nanday Parakeet**, **Blue-crowned Parakeet**, **Grey-crested Cacholote**, **Great Rufous Woodcreeper**, **Red-billed Scythebill** (one of my personal favorites), **Planalto Slaty Antshrike**, **Large-billed and Black-bellied Antwrens**, **Mato Grosso Antbird**, **Stripe-necked Tody-Tyrant**, **White-eyed Attila** and the gaudier-than-now **Orange-backed Troupial**!

Added to this, we were able to see many of these birds up-close, at the various bird feeders that we encountered along the way. **Grey-necked Wood Rails**, countless cardinals, **Bare-faced Currassows** and **Orange-backed Troupials** were all within a few feet of our camera lenses!

Of course, we did spend a much greater deal of time exploring the vast wet and open areas that make the Pantanal what it is. Doing so mostly from boats and along stretches of the famous *Transpantaneira*, we spent several an hour admiring scores of **herons**, **storks**, **kingfishers**, **ibises**, **ducks**, **Southern Screammers**, **greater Rheas**, **Snail Kites**, **Limpkins**, and **Roseate Spoonbills**, alongside less well-known denizens of the area - **spinetails** of several description, **Least Bittern**, **Crane** and **Savanna Hawks**, **Black-backed Water Tyrant**, **White-headed Marsh Tyrant**, **Rusty-collared Seedeater**, **Buff-breasted and Fawn-breasted Wrens**, **Black-capped Donacobius**, **Scarlet-headed Blackbird**, **Pale-legged Hornero**, **Sungrebe** and the truly bizarre **Red-legged Seriema**. Not to be outdone, nocturnal species like **Nacunda Nighthawk**, **Band-tailed Nighthawk** and **Spot-tailed Nightjar** all put in appearances whilst **Giant Anteater**, herds of **Capybara**, **Black-and-gold Howler Monkeys** and a





**Yellow Armadillo** represented the mammals well.

One mammal that deserves special mention, of course, is the **Jaguar**. Prepared to dedicate most of our time in the Porto Jofre area to searching the riverbanks for this magnificent cat, we were very pleased to find one not long into our first morning boat trip. Watched for ages as it slept under a tree on the edge of the Tres Irmaos River, several of us thought the trip was already made. The fact that some of us returned to search for more **Jaguars** the next morning, whilst others went birding, was testament to the success in itself. All in all it amounted to two very special sightings in the end and the proverbial cherry on top to our visit to the Pantanal.

On the other side of Cuiabá, the Chapada dos Guimarães area hosted our last few days in the southern part of Mato Grosso. Taking several short trips to areas scattered around the town and the national park of the same name, we sampled several types of *Cerrado* and even some forest. In the *Cerrado*, we picked up several new bird species, the likes of which included **Rufous-winged Antshrike**, **Rusty-backed Antwren**, **Collared Crescentchest**, **Suiriri** and **Chapada Flycatchers**, **Curly-crested Jay**, **White-rumped Tanager**, **White-lined Tanager**, **Shrike-like Tanager**, **Burnished-buff Tanager**, **Wedge-tailed Grass Finch**, **Black-throated Saltator**, **White-eared** and **Caatinga Puffbirds**, **Horned Sungem** (perched males!), **Scaled Pigeon**, **Blue-winged** and **Red-shouldered Macaws**, **Pale-breasted Spinetail**, **Burrowing Owl** and **Small-billed Tinamou**! Productive birding along forest roads, by complement added such delights as **Brown Jacamar** and both **Fiery-capped** and **Band-tailed Manakin**!



Great sightings, of course, weren't restricted to distant and seldom-visited sites within the area. Quite the contrary, as some of our best sightings came from busy tourist areas and the grounds right around our lodge. In the latter, the undoubted highlight was a **Maned Wolf** that left-us spell-bound for a few magical minutes - the longest period that our group had ever been silent! Also in the grounds, we enjoyed unbeatable views of a **Striped Owl**, **Ash-throated Crake**, **Little Nightjar** and a nesting **Narrow-billed Woodcreeper**. At the Centro Geodesico Viewpoint, we also enjoyed unbeatable views of **Blue Finch**, whilst sightings at Bridal Veil Falls included wonderful fly-bys from **Red-and-green Macaws**, **Biscutate Swift** and hunting **Cliff Flycatchers**.

For the final instalment of our South American adventure, we headed further north again, to the southern edge of the Amazon Rainforest. Based there at Cristalino, we were excited not only at the prospect of birding the area, but also at the privilege of being able to unpack our bags for five nights! Part of one of the largest tracts of contiguous Amazon rainforest that remains, Cristalino harbours healthy populations of an incredible number special birds and animals, both resident and migratory. We had six days to explore the area and to search for as many of these as possible so we made use of several trails, both towers and all available waterways, by day and by night, to maximise our haul and our experience.

Boat trips were especially productive for us and our excursions up and down both the Cristalino and Teles Pires Rivers provided us with numerous great sightings, the best of which were of **Razor-billed Curassow**, **Agami Heron** (on our first boat ride!), **Zigzag Heron** (mere feet away from our heads!), **Ornate Hawk-Eagle**, several **Sunbitterns**, several **Paradise Jacamars**, **Brown-banded Puffbird**, **Ringed Woodpecker**, **Red-throated Caracara**, **Spix's Guan**, hunting **Bat Falcon**, numerous **Blue-and-yellow Macaws**, **Santarem** and **Golden-winged Parakeets** on the shore, **Red-fan Parrot**, **Speckled Spinetail**, **Long-billed Woodcreeper**, displaying **Glossy Antshrikes**, **Amazonian Streaked Antwren**, **Band-tailed Antbird**, nest-building **Spotted Tody-Flycatchers**, **Spangled Cotinga**, several **Bare-necked Fruitcrows**, male and female **Amazonian Umbrellabirds**, **White-banded** and **Black-collared Swallows**, **Yellow-bellied Dacnis** and that star of Amazonian watercourses, **Hoatzin**! By the river's edge, right near the lodge jetty, we even bumped into a plethora of hummingbirds that included an obliging **Tapajos Hermit**, watched the resident family **Giant Otters** on several occasions and saw our first **Tapir** - all within moments of our arrival!



Rufescent Tiger Heron



The towers cannot go unmentioned, of course, and although some hot weather reduced activity during several of our visits, we still came away with great birds like **Pompadour Cotinga**, **White-browed Hawk**, **Black-bellied Cuckoo**, **Pied Puffbird**, **Black-girdled Barbet**, **Curl-crested Aracari**, **White-throated Toucan** (common and widespread but always a hit, especially when in full song at eye-level!), **Red-stained Woodpecker**, **Scaly-breasted** and **Red-necked Woodpeckers**, **Crimson-bellied Parakeet**, **White-bellied Parrot**, **Kawall's Amazon**, **White-browed Purpletuft**, **Olive Oropendola**, **Red-billed Pied Tanager**, **White-winged Shrike-Tanager**, **Short-billed** and **Purple Honeycreepers**, **Yellow-shouldered** and **Slate-colored Grosbeaks**, **Turquoise Tanager**, **Paradise Tanager**, **Bay-headed Tanager**, **Tooth-billed Wren** and **Sclater's Antwren**. We even had the pleasure of watching a **Southern Tamandua** clambering about the treetops near to Tower 2 on of our visits.

Last but not least, walking trails and other floor-bound excursions completed our coverage of Cristalino's wonderful habitats, on top of providing us with dozens of species that we encountered nowhere else. Foremost among these were species of antbird and ovenbird, though owls and other nocturnal birds, manakins and tyrant flycatchers were all very well-represented. And while a **Crested Owl** roosting near the restaurant, and **Blackish Nightjars** roosting on rooves nearby might not qualify as birds we worked hard for, walks below the canopy did present a birding challenge twith which rainforests are so synonymous. Active understory flocks needed careful attention and patience for us to eke out views of **White-eyed Antwren**, **Uniform** and **Spix's Woodcreepers**, **Short-tailed** and **Helmeted Pygmy Tyrants**, **Chestnut-backed Antshrike** and **Amazonian Antshrikes**, and **Rose-breasted Chat**, while nocturnal forays were a little kinder with **Tawny-bellied Screech Owl** and **Ocellated Poorwill** giving up easily and putting on a great show. Lone birds too gave us a good run for our money but rewards in the form of great views of **Banded Antbird**, **Flame-crested Manakin**, **White-browed Antbird**, **Blue-necked Jacamar** and **Amazonian Pygmy Owl** were well worth the effort.



Crested Owl

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## Annotated Checklist of Birds Recorded

Nomenclature and taxonomy follows the IOC 5.2 List of: Gill, F. and Donsker, D (Eds). 2015.

### Key to abbreviations

I - Introduced  
(H) - Heard Only

### Tinamous Tinamidae

**(H) Cinereous Tinamou** *Crypturellus cinereus*  
We heard this species at Cristalino.

**(H) Little Tinamou** *Crypturellus soui*  
Also heard at Cristalino.

**(H) Brown Tinamou** *Crypturellus obsoletus*  
Heard only, at Cristalino.

**Undulated Tinamou** *Crypturellus undulatus*  
Unforgettable views of one that walked circles around us at Piuval!

**(H) Brazilian Tinamou** *Crypturellus strigulosus*  
Heard on a couple of occasions at Cristalino.

**(H) Variegated Tinamou** *Crypturellus variegatus*  
Heard at Cristalino.

**Small-billed Tinamou** *Crypturellus parvirostris*  
Two seen crossing the Geladeira road, Chapada dos Guimarães.

**(H) Tataupa Tinamou** *Crypturellus tataupa*  
Heard along the Agua Fria road, on our final mornig in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.

**(H) Red-winged Tinamou** *Rhynchotus rufescens*  
Heard throughout the Chapada dos Guimarães area.

### Rheas Rheidae

**Greater Rhea** *Rhea americana*  
Several groups seen, all along the *Transpantaneira*.

### Screamers Anhimidae

**Southern Screamer** *Chauna torquata*  
Common along the southern sections of the *Transpantaneira*.

### Ducks, Geese, Swans Anatidae

**White-faced Whistling Duck** *Dendrocygna viduata*  
First seen during our drive to Porto Jofre.

**Black-bellied Whistling Duck** *Dendrocygna autumnalis*  
Also first seen during our drive to Porto Jofre.

**Muscovy Duck** *Cairina moschata*



Encountered on several occasions during our time in the Pantanal, and daily in the Cristalino area.

**Brazilian Teal***Amazonetta brasiliensis*

Just the one sighting – on our final morning in Argentina.

**Chachalacas, Curassows & Guans Cracidae****Chaco Chachalaca***Ortalis canicollis*

Common in the Pantanal.

**Rusty-margined Guan***Penelope superciliaris*

A couple of sightings on our first morning in Argentina, followed by more at Uurgua-i Provincial Park.

**Spix's Guan***Penelope jacquacu*

Just the one sighting at Cristalino, from the floating dock, early one morning.

**Chestnut-bellied Guan***Penelope ochrogaster*

Great views of a pair at Pousada Rio Claro.

**Blue-throated Piping Guan***Pipile cumanensis*

Good numbers seen in the Pantanal.

**Red-throated Piping Guan***Pipile cujubi*

Several seen well in the Cristalino area, a few in the Pantanal.

**Black-fronted Piping Guan***Pipile cujubi*

First seen from the boardwalk to the Devil's Throat.

**Razor-billed Curassow***Mitu tuberosum*

Great views of a few, along the edge of the Cristalino River.

**Bare-faced Curassow***Crax fasciolata*

Habituated pairs of this fabulous bird were seen at Pousada Curicaca and Cristalino. Other, wilder, individuals were seen throughout the Pantanal and along the Cristalino River.

**Grebes Podicipedidae****Least Grebe***Tachybaptus dominicus*

Seen at the small wetland that we visited on our final morning in Argentina.

**Pied-billed Grebe***Podilymbus podiceps*

Also seen at the above-mentioned site.

**Storks Ciconiidae****Wood Stork***Mycteria americana*

Abundant in the Pantanal.

**Jabiru***Jabiru mycteria*

Another common denizen of the Pantanal.

**Ibises, Spoonbills Threskiornithidae****Plumbeous Ibis***Theristicus caerulescens*

Seen almost daily in the Pantanal.

**Buff-necked Ibis***Theristicus caudatus*

Also seen frequently in the Pantanal.

**Green Ibis***Mesembrinibis cayennensis*

Seen almost daily in the Pantanal and the Cristalino area.

**Bare-faced Ibis***Phimosus infuscatus*

A handful of sightings in the Pantanal.

**Roseate Spoonbill***Platalea ajaja*

Seen throughout the Pantanal, on all but one of our full days there.

**Hérons, Bitterns Ardeidae****Rufescent Tiger Heron***Tigrisoma lineatum*

Big numbers of these throughout the Pantanal. A handful in the Cristalino area.

**Agami Heron***Agamia agami*

Both adults and young birds seen at Cristalino.

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

Several great sightings in the Pantanal, followed by a couple of others at Cristalino.

**Zigzag Heron***Zebrilus undulatus*

Unbeatable views of one at Cristalino!

**Least Bittern***Ixobrychus exilis*

A couple of us managed to grab a view of one of these in the Pantanal, just as we stepped of the bus to look for Cinereous-breasted Spinetail, near Porto Jofre.

**Black-crowned Night Heron***Nycticorax nycticorax*

A handful seen in total, mostly in the Pantanal.

**Striated Heron***Butorides striata*

Common in the Pantanal and regularly encountered along the Cristalino River.

**Western Cattle Egret***Bubulcus ibis*

Common in the Pantanal and other agricultural areas outside the region.

**Cocoi Heron***Ardea cocoi*

Commonly encountered in the Pantanal.

**Great Egret***Ardea alba*

Very common in the Pantanal.

**Capped Heron***Pilherodius pileatus*

Encountered on several occasions in the Pantanal and at Cristalino.

**Whistling Heron***Syrigma sibilatrix*

Seen almost daily during our time in the Pantanal.

**Little Blue Heron***Egretta caerulea*

Small numbers seen throughout the Pantanal.

**Snowy Egret***Egretta thula*

Another commonly encountered Pantanal species.

**Cormorants, Shags Phalacrocoracidae****Neotropic Cormorant***Phalacrocorax brasilianus*

Commonly recorded in the Pantanal.

**Anhingas, Darters Anhingidae****Anhinga***Anhinga anhinga*

Encountered almost daily.

**New World Vultures Cathartidae****Turkey Vulture***Cathartes aura*

Small numbers of this widespread vulture were observed throughout our time in Argentina and in the Pantanal.

**Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture***Cathartes burrovianus*

Ubiquitous in the Pantanal.

**Greater Yellow-headed Vulture***Cathartes melambrotus*

Recorded daily in the Cristalino area.

**Black Vulture***Coragyps atratus*

Seen almost daily.

**King Vulture***Sarcoramphus papa*

Several birds seen in flight (on all three trip segments), one seen perched from Tower 2 at Cristalino.

**Ospreys Pandionidae****Western Osprey***Pandion haliaetus*

A handful seen in the Pantanal, including a couple seen along the Cuiabá River, and another at Cristalino.

**Kites, Hawks & Eagles Accipitridae****Pearl Kite***Gampsonyx swainsonii*

One of several trip birds that we picked up on our way back to Alta Floresta from Cristalino.

**Grey-headed Kite***Leptodon cayanensis*

One seen on our first morning in Argentina.

**Hook-billed Kite***Chondrohierax uncinatus*

One surprise sighting in the Pantanal, followed by several others in the Cristalino area.

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

Several sightings during the course of the entire trip, with peak numbers at Cristalino.

**Ornate Hawk-Eagle***Spizaetus ornatus*

An unforgettable sighting during our final boat ride at Cristalino!

**Double-toothed Kite***Harpagus bidentatus*

A handful seen during our time at Cristalino, mostly from the towers.

**Rufous-thighed Kite***Harpagus diodon*

One flying over the road on our first morning in Iguazú National Park.

**Mississippi Kite***Ictinia mississippiensis*

Two seen in the Pantanal, the first of which was seen during our walk at Pousada Curicaca.

**Plumbeous Kite***Ictinia plumbea*

Seen almost daily, throughout the trip.

**Black-collared Hawk***Busarellus nigricollis*

Small numbers seen daily in the Pantanal.

**Snail Kite***Rostrhamus sociabilis*

Pleasantly abundant in parts of the Pantanal.

**Crane Hawk***Geranospiza caerulescens*

This long-legged hawk was seen well on several occasions in the Pantanal and at Cristalino.

**Savanna Hawk***Buteogallus meridionalis*

This attractive hawk was also almost daily in the Pantanal.

**Great Black Hawk***Buteogallus urubitinga*

Fairly frequently encountered throughout the Pantanal, and on several occasions along the Cristalino River.

**Roadside Hawk***Rupornis magnirostris*

This familiar Neotropical raptor was first seen in Argentina.

**White-browed Hawk***Leucopternis kuhli*

One seen from Tower 2, Cristalino.

**Grey-lined Hawk***Buteo nitidus*

First seen during our drive from Alta Floresta to the Teles Pires River.

**Seriemas Cariamidae**



**Red-legged Seriema***Cariama cristata*

Some really close encounters in the Pantanal!

**Sunbittern Eurypygidae****Sunbittern***Eurypyga helias*

This great bird, also monotypic, was a pleasantly regular sight in the Pantanal and along the Cristalino River.

**Finfoots Heliornithidae****Sungrebe***Heliornis fulica*

Some great views on the Rio Claro and Cristalino River.

**Rails, Crakes & Coots Rallidae****(H) Rufous-sided Crake***Laterallus melanophaius*

Heard at the large lake at Piuval.

**Grey-necked Wood Rail***Aramides cajanea*

Daily sightings in the Pantanal.

**Slaty-breasted Wood Rail***Aramides saracura*

Great views of one beside the road in Iguazú National Park.

**Ash-throated Crake***Porzana albicollis*

Seen on the edge of the Pousada do Parque grounds.

**Purple Gallinule***Porphyrio martinicus*

One sighting, near Pousada Curicaca.

**Common Gallinule***Gallinula galeata*

Seen on our final morning in Argentina.

**Limpkin Aramidae****Limpkin***Aramus guarauna*

Very common in the Pantanal.

**Plovers Charadriidae****Southern Lapwing***Vanellus chilensis*

A very common bird throughout the first two segments of the trip.

**Collared Plover***Charadrius collaris*

Several sightings from both the Cuiabá and Teles Pires Rivers.

**Pied Plover***Hoploxypterus cayanus*

Several of these striking waders were also seen on the bigger sandbars in the Cuiabá River.

**Jacanas Jacanidae****Wattled Jacana***Jacana jacana*

Wonderfully common in the Pantanal.

**Sandpipers, Snipes Scolopacidae****Solitary Sandpiper***Tringa solitaria*

First seen on the shores of the Cuiabá River.

**Spotted Sandpiper***Actitis macularius*

Seen at a handful of scattered sites, including the Cuiabá River.

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**White-rumped Sandpiper***Calidris fuscicollis*

Seen on a few occasions on the Cuiabá River.

**Gulls, Terns & Skimmers Laridae****Black Skimmer***Rynchops niger*

Small groups and individuals seen daily during our time cruising along the Cuiabá River and some of its tributaries.

**Yellow-billed Tern***Sternula superciliaris*

This elegant little tern was also commonly seen in the same areas as the above species.

**Large-billed Tern***Phaetusa simplex*

As with the above species.

**Pigeons, Doves Columbidae****Common Pigeon***Columba livia*

Noted on a couple of days.

**Scaled Pigeon***Patagioenas speciosa*

A few sightings in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.

**Picazuro Pigeon***Patagioenas picazuro*

Particularly common in the Pantanal.

**Pale-vented Pigeon***Patagioenas cayennensis*

Commonly seen in Iguazú National Park and in the Pantanal.

**Plumbeous Pigeon***Patagioenas plumbea*

Just a couple spotted during our time at Cristalino.

**Ruddy Pigeon***Patagioenas subvinacea*

First seen during our boat transfer to Cristalino.

**Eared Dove***Zenaida auriculata*

Several sightings in both Argentina and in the Pantanal.

**Scaled Dove***Scardafella squammata*

This ornate little dove was seen well at several locations in the Pantanal.

**Ruddy Ground Dove***Columbina talpacoti*

Common in the Pantanal.

**Picui Ground Dove***Columbina picui*

A few seen near the entrance to the *Transpantaneira*.

**Blue Ground Dove***Claravis pretiosa*

Several seen, mostly in flight, in well-wooded areas of the Pantanal.

**Long-tailed Ground Dove***Uropelia campestris*

Another species first seen at the Mato Grosso Hotel.

**White-tipped Dove***Leptotila verreauxi*

Encountered daily in good numbers in the Pantanal, following our first sightings in Argentina.

**Hoatzin Opisthocomidae****Hoatzin***Opisthocomus hoazin*

A few seen along the upper reaches of the Cristalino River.

**Cuckoos Cuculidae****Guira Cuckoo***Guira guira*

Gangs of these curious, social cuckoos were frequently observed in the Pantanal.

**Greater Ani***Crotophaga major*

Not uncommon during our time in the Pantanal, where large flocks were seen mostly along rivers.

**Smooth-billed Ani***Crotophaga ani*

One of the most regularly encountered birds of our tour, highest numbers seen in the Pantanal.

**Striped Cuckoo***Tapera naevia*

First seen by some of us during a boat ride along the Tres Irmãos River, while others caught up at Piuval.

**(H) Pheasant Cuckoo***Dromococcyx phasianellus*

We heard one of these below the Geodésico viewpoint.

**(H) Pavonine Cuckoo***Dromococcyx pavoninus*

Unfortunately, also only heard – in Argentina and in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.

**Little Cuckoo***Coccyua minuta*

Good looks at one along the edge of the Cuiabá River, another sighted at Cristalino.

**Squirrel Cuckoo***Piaya cayana*

Scattered sightings at all three major locations visited.

**Black-bellied Cuckoo***Piaya melanogaster*

Great views of this species from Tower 2, at Cristalino.

**Dark-billed Cuckoo***Coccyzus melacoryphus*

Also seen well from Tower 2, Cristalino.

**Owls Strigidae****Tropical Screech Owl***Megascops choliba*

'Performed' very nicely, on two occasions, on our third night at Orquídeas Palace Hotel. Others seen on a day roost at Pousada do Parque.

**Tawny-bellied Screech Owl***Megascops watsonii*

Prolonged views of a calling bird at Cristalino.

**Great Horned Owl***Bubo virginianus*

One, on a day roost, in a patch of mango trees beside the Transpantaneira.

**Crested Owl***Molophostrix cristata*

One of the first birds we saw after arriving at Cristalino Lodge.

**Amazonian Pygmy Owl***Glaucidium hardyi*

After a little effort, seen well along the Taboca Trail, Cristalino.

**Ferruginous Pygmy Owl***Glaucidium brasilianum*

Picked up by a couple of people at Pousada Curicaca.

**Burrowing Owl***Athene cunicularia*

Great views of several in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.

**Striped Owl***Pseudoscops clamator*

An unexpected bonus in the form of a calling adult near Pousada do Parque.

**Potoos Nyctibiidae****Great Potoo***Nyctibius grandis*

First seen on a day-roost at Pousada Curicaca.

**Common Potoo***Nyctibius griseus*

Seen on our night drive at Pousada Piuval.

**Nightjars Caprimulgidae****Nacunda Nighthawk***Podager nacunda*

A few seen flying over the Cuiabá River, more seen returning to roost over the Pousada Piuval



grounds.

**Common Nighthawk**

*Chordeiles minor*

Several seen over the Cristalino River and from the towers.

**Short-tailed Nighthawk**

*Leurocalis semitorquatus*

On a day-roost in the Iguazú area, and in flight over the Cristalino River.

**Band-tailed Nighthawk**

*Nyctiprogne leucopyga*

Seen over the Cuiabá and Claro Rivers.

**Blackish Nightjar**

*Caprimulgus nigrescens*

Great views of several around (and on!) our accommodation at Cristalino.

**Pauraque**

*Nyctidromus albicollis*

The most commonly encountered nightjar, throughout the tour.

**Little Nightjar**

*Setopagis parvula*

Great close-ups of one near the Pousada do Parque restaurant.

**Spot-tailed Nightjar**

*Hydropsalis maulicaudus*

Also seen very well and up-close, during our night drive at Piuval.

**Ladder-tailed Nightjar**

*Hydropsalis climacocerca*

Several seen on a small, vegetated sandbar/island in the Teles Pires River.

**(H) Scissor-tailed Nightjar**

*Hydropsalis torquata*

Heard on several occasions from the Pousada do Parque restaurant area.

**Ocellated Poorwill**

*Nyctiphrynus ocellatus*

Great views of one, just moments before we found ourselves looking at the Tawny-bellied Screech Owl, at Cristaino.

**(H) Rufous Nightjar**

*Antrostomus rufus*

Heard near the Pousada do Parque restaurant.

### Swifts Apodidae

**Great Dusky Swift**

*Cypseloides senex*

Seen throughout the Iguazú Falls area and again in Chapada dos Guimarães.

**White-collared Swift**

*Streptoprocne zonaris*

A few seen in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.

**Biscutate Swift**

*Streptoprocne biscutata*

Fantastic close-ups at Bridal Veil Falls, Chapada dos Guimarães.

**Grey-rumped Swift**

*Chaetura cinereiventris*

Seen almost daily in the Cristalino area – mostly over the river near the lodge.

**Sick's Swift**

*Chaetura meridionalis*

A few seen above a gas station in Iguazú.

**Short-tailed Swift**

*Chaetura brachyura*

A distinctive swift, seen in the Cristalino area on a few occasions.

**Neotropical (Fork-tailed) Palm Swift**

*Tachornis squamata*

Seen together with Sick's Swift on our final morning in Argentina – possibly the first record.

### Hummingbirds Trochilidae

**Long-tailed Hermit**

*Phaethornis superciliosus*

Only seen by those who paid a second visit to the small drinking pool at Cristalino.

**Planalto Hermit**

*Phaethornis pretrei*

Great views of one at the feeders in Puerto Iguazú, followed by more in the Pousada do Parque grounds.

**Tapajos Hermit**

*Phaethornis aethopygus*

Also seen very well, near the floating dock at Cristalino.

**Grey-breasted Sabrewing** *Campylopterus largipennis*

Several at the same spot as the above species.

**Swallow-tailed Hummingbird** *Eupetomena macroura*

First seen at the feeders in Puerto Iguazú. Several more seen at Pousada do Parque.

**Black Jacobin** *Florisuga fusca*

At the feeders in Puerto Iguazú.

**White-vented Violetear** *Colibri serrirostris*

Several good views along the Agua Fria road, Chapada dos Guimarães.

**Black-throated mango** *Anthracothorax nigricollis*

Common at the feeders in Puerto Iguazú.

**Purple-crowned Plovercrest** *Stephanoxis loddigesii*

One of us saw this species at Urugua-i Provincial Park.

**Glittering-bellied Emerald** *Chlorostilbon lucidus*

Several at the feeders in Puerto Iguazú and in the grounds of Pousada do Parque.

**Fork-tailed Woodnymph** *Thalurania furcata*

The most common species at Pousada do Parque during our stay.

**Violet-capped Woodnymph** *Thalurania glaucopis*

Seen at most sites visited in Argentina, including the hummingbird garden in Puerto Iguazú.

**Gilded Sapphire** *Hylocharis chrysura*

At the feeders in Puerto Iguazú.

**Versicolored Emerald** *Amazilia versicolor*

At the feeders in Puerto Iguazú.

**Glittering-throated Emerald** *Amazilia fimbriata*

A few in the grounds of both Pousada Rio Claro and Pousada do Parque.

**Black-eared Fairy** *Heliothryx auritus*

A few sightings at Cristalino, mostly from the towers.

**Horned Sungem** *Heliactin bilophus*

Fantastic views of perched males during our first morning on the Agua Fria road.

**Long-billed Starthroat** *Helimaster longirostris*

First seen, though not by all, in the grounds of Pousada do Parque. Several more seen at Cristalino.

**Amethyst Woodstar** *Calliphlox amethystina*

A few along the Geladeira road.

### **Trogon Trogonidae**

**Black-tailed Trogon** *Trogon melanurus*

A pair seen from Tower 1, Cristalino.

**(H) Green-backed Trogon** *Trogon viridis*

Heard at Cristalino.

**Amazonian Trogon** *Trogon ramonianus*

From both towers at Cristalino.

**Blue-crowned Trogon** *Trogon curucui*

A handful of encounters, shared between the Pantanal and the Chapada dos Guimarães area.

**Surucua Trogon** *Trogon surrucura*

One of the first birds seen on the tour – along the 101, in Iguazú National Park.

**Black-throated Trogon** *Trogon rufus*

Seen just a little further down the road from the above species.

**Kingfishers Alcedinidae****American Pygmy Kingfisher***Chloroceryle aenea*

Several great views in the Pantanal.

**Green-and-rufous Kingfisher***Chloroceryle inda*

A handful of sightings, spread between the Pantanal and Cristalino.

**Green Kingfisher***Chloroceryle americana*

Also seen on a handful of occasions in the Pantanal and at Cristalino.

**Amazon Kingfisher***Chloroceryle amazona*

The most common kingfisher on the tour.

**Ringed Kingfisher***Megaceryle torquata*

Pleasantly common throughout the tour.

**Motmots Momotidae****Amazonian Motmot***Momotus momota*

First sighted in woodland at Pousada Curicaca.

**(H) Rufous-capped Motmot***Baryphthengus ruficapillus*

Heard in Iguazú National Park.

**Jacamars Galbulidae****Brown Jacamar***Brachygalba lugubris*

One small groups seen along the 'Manakin Road', Chapada dos Guimarães.

**Blue-necked Jacamar***Galbula cyanicollis*

Two encounters at Cristalino, the second of which (along Manakin Trail) provided us all with great looks.

**Rufous-tailed Jacamar***Galbula ruficauda*

Encountered regularly in the Pantanal and on a few occasions at Cristalino.

**Bronzy Jacamar***Galbula leucogastra*

Great looks at a pair, along the Manakin Trail at Cristalino.

**Paradise Jacamar***Galbula dea*

Numerous sightings at Cristalino.

**Puffbirds Bucconidae****White-necked Puffbird***Notharcus hyperhynchus*

Seen at a distance from Tower 2.

**Brown-banded Puffbird***Notharcus ordii*

A pair, perched near the top of Tower 2.

**Pied Puffbird***Nystalus tectus*

One sighting, from Tower 1, Cristalino.

**White-eared Puffbird***Nystalus chacuru*

A few good sightings in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.

**Caatinga Puffbird***Nystalus maculatus*

Great views, along the Geladeira road.

**Black-fronted Nunbird***Monasa nigrifrons*

Regular sightings in the Pantanal and at Cristalino.

**White-fronted Nunbird***Monasa morphoeus*

A few seen from both towers at Cristalino.

**Swallow-wing [ed Puffbird]***Chelidoptera tenebrosa*

Common along the Cristalino River.



**New World Barbets Capitonidae****Black-girdled Barbet***Capito dayi*

A few good sightings from Tower 1, Cristalino.

**Toucans Ramphastidae****Lettered Aracari***Pteroglossus inscriptus*

Several seen from both towers at Cristalino.

**Red-necked Aracari***Pteroglossus bitorquatus*

One distant sighting from Tower 1, Cristalino.

**Chestnut-eared Aracari***Pteroglossus castanotis*

Not uncommon during our time in Argentina and in the Pantanal.

**Curl-crested Aracari***Pteroglossus beauharnaessii*

Several encounters with these fantastic little toucans at Cristalino.

**Spot-billed Toucanet***Selenidera maculirostris*

Great close-ups at Orquídeas Palace Hotel and along the Macuco Trail.

**Green-billed Toucan***Ramphastos dicolorus*

Great views of a calling bird, near the Macuco Trail, Iguazú National Park.

**Channel-billed Toucan***Ramphastos vitellinus*

First seen in Chapada dos Guimarães. Regular at Cristalino.

**Toco Toucan***Ramphastos toco*

Seen almost daily before we reached Cristalino.

**White-throated Toucan***Ramphastos tucanus*

A regular sight at Cristalino.

**Woodpeckers Picidae****Bar-breasted Piculet***Picumnus aurifrons*

A couple of sightings at Cristalino.

**Ochre-collared Piculet***Picumnus temminckii*

Superb close-ups along the 101, Iguazú National Park.

**White-wedged Piculet***Picumnus albosquamatus*

Several encounters in the Pantanal.

**White Woodpecker***Melanerpes candidus*

One sighting at Piuval.

**Yellow-tufted Woodpecker***Melanerpes cruentatus*

A handful of sightings in the Chapada dos Guimarães area. Also seen at Cristalino.

**Yellow-fronted Woodpecker***Melanerpes flavifrons*

Sightings throughout our time in Argentina.

**Little Woodpecker***Veniliornis passerinus*

Seen a couple of times in the Pantanal and in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.

**White-spotted Woodpecker***Veniliornis affinis*

Seen just before our first Ochre-collared Piculet, along the 101 in Iguazú National Park.

**Red-stained Woodpecker***Veniliornis affinis*

A pair, seen from a boat, just upriver from Cristalino.

**Yellow-throated Woodpecker***Piculus flavigula*

Seen by a few of us, on an extra visit to Tower 1, Cristalino.

**Golden-green Woodpecker***Piculus chrysochloros*

One pair, seen on the edge of the Tres Irmãos River.

<b>Green-barred Woodpecker</b>	<i>Colaptes melanochloros</i>
Two sightings – one along the <i>Transpantaneira</i> near Piuval, the other at Piuval itself.	
<b>Campo Flicker</b>	<i>Colaptes campestris</i>
Numerous sightings in the Pantanal. Recorded by some in Argentina.	
<b>Scaly-breasted Woodpecker</b>	<i>Celeus grammicus</i>
One sighting at Cristalino.	
<b>Pale-crested Woodpecker</b>	<i>Celeus lugubris</i>
First sighted at Pousada Curicaca.	
<b>Blond-crested Woodpecker</b>	<i>Celeus flavescens</i>
Great looks, at Orquídeas Palace Hotel, Argentina.	
<b>Cream-colored Woodpecker</b>	<i>Celeus flavus</i>
One of several great birds seen on our short walk at the Mato Grosso Hotel.	
<b>Ringed Woodpecker</b>	<i>Celeus torquatus</i>
Two good sightings at Cristalino – one from the river, another from Tower 2.	
<b>Lineated Woodpecker</b>	<i>Campephilus lineatus</i>
Just the one sighting in the Pantanal.	
<b>Red-necked Woodpecker</b>	<i>Campephilus rubricollis</i>
First seen from Tower 1, Cristalino.	
<b>Robust Woodpecker</b>	<i>Campephilus robustus</i>
A pair on the Macuco Trail, Iguazú National Park.	
<b>Crimson-crested Woodpecker</b>	<i>Campephilus melanoleucos</i>
A single sighting at Cristalino.	

### **Caracaras, Falcons Falconidae**

<b>Black Caracara</b>	<i>Daptrius ater</i>
Several encounters, mostly with the same family group, along the Cristalino River.	
<b>Red-throated Caracara</b>	<i>Ibycter americanus</i>
Also seen along the Cristalino River.	
<b>Southern Crested Caracara</b>	<i>Caracara plancus</i>
333. I say no more.	
<b>Yellow-headed Caracara</b>	<i>Milvago chimachima</i>
A handful of sightings from Argentina and the Chapada dos Guimarães area.	
<b>Laughing Falcon</b>	<i>Herpetotheres cachinnans</i>
One adult, seen during our boat ride on the Rio Claro.	
<b>(H) Barred Forest Falcon</b>	<i>Micrastur ruficollis</i>
One heard along the Urugua-i Trail, Argentina.	
<b>Cryptic Forest Falcon</b>	<i>Micrastur mintoni</i>
Heard by all, seen by a lucky few, on the Manakin Trail at Cristalino.	
<b>American Kestrel</b>	<i>Falco sparverius</i>
A few sightings, shared between the Iguazú area and the Chapada dos Guimarães area.	
<b>Bat Falcon</b>	<i>Falco rufigularis</i>
Along the Cristalino River.	
<b>Orange-breasted Falcon</b>	<i>Falco deiroleucus</i>
One very distant individual seen from the Bridal Veil Falls viewpoint.	

### **Parrots Psittacidae**

<b>Hyacinth Macaw</b>	<i>Anodorhynchus hyacinthinus</i>
Thankfully still a common sight in the Pantanal, where we had encounters on a daily basis.	

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<b>Blue-and-yellow Macaw</b>	<i>Ara ararauna</i>
Another beautiful parrot, and another with which we enjoyed several encounters – at Cristalino.	
<b>Scarlet Macaw</b>	<i>Ara chloropterus</i>
Also only seen at Cristalino.	
<b>Red-and-green Macaw</b>	<i>Ara chloropterus</i>
Unforgettable views at Bridal Veil Falls. Further sightings at Cristalino.	
<b>Chestnut-fronted Macaw</b>	<i>Ara severus</i>
Spotted first from Tower 1, Cristalino.	
<b>Blue-winged Macaw</b>	<i>Primolius maracana</i>
A few, along the Geladeira road in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.	
<b>Golden (Yellow)-collared Macaw</b>	<i>Primolius auricollis</i>
Great views at Pousada Curicaca.	
<b>Red-shouldered Macaw</b>	<i>Diopsittaca nobilis</i>
Great views near Pousada do Parque and along the Geladeira road.	
<b>Nanday Parakeet</b>	<i>Nandayus nenday</i>
Seen at close-range at the Pousada Rio Claro feeders.	
<b>Peach-fronted Parakeet</b>	<i>Eupsittula aurea</i>
Commonly seen throughout the Chapada dos Guimarães area.	
<b>Blue-crowned Parakeet</b>	<i>Thectocercus acuticaudatus</i>
Eventually found in the mango trees at Pousada Piuval.	
<b>White-eyed Parakeet</b>	<i>Psittacara leucophthalmus</i>
Almost daily after our first sighting in Argentina.	
<b>Maroon-bellied Parakeet</b>	<i>Pyrrhula frontalis</i>
A couple of sightings in Iguazú National Park.	
<b>Crimson-bellied Parakeet</b>	<i>Pyrrhula perlata</i>
Good looks from Tower 1 at Cristalino.	
<b>Santarem Parakeet</b>	<i>Pyrrhula amazonum</i>
A sizeable flock seen drinking from the Cristalino River.	
<b>Monk Parakeet</b>	<i>Myiopsitta monachus</i>
First recorded in Argentina, most common in the Pantanal.	
<b>Blue-winged Parotlet</b>	<i>Forpus xanthopterygius</i>
First seen well near the Iguazú National Park visitors' center.	
<b>Dusky-billed Parotlet</b>	<i>Forpus modestus</i>
Seen flying over the Cristalino Lodge, by just a few of us.	
<b>Yellow-chevroned Parakeet</b>	<i>Brotogeris chiriri</i>
Plenty seen well in the Pantanal but first seen at Orquídeas Palace Hotel.	
<b>Golden-winged Parakeet</b>	<i>Brotogeris chrysoptera</i>
Small groups seen on the edge of the Cristalino River and from both towers.	
<b>White-bellied Parrot</b>	<i>Pionites leucogaster</i>
From both towers at Cristalino.	
<b>(H) Orange-cheeked Parrot</b>	<i>Pyrilia barrabandi</i>
Heard at Cristalino.	
<b>(H) Bald Parrot</b>	<i>Pyrilia aurantiocephala</i>
Heard at Cristalino.	
<b>Blue-headed Parrot</b>	<i>Pionus menstruus</i>
First seen in the Chapada dos Guimarães area, most common at Cristalino.	
<b>Scaly-headed Parrot</b>	<i>Pionus maximiliani</i>
Sightings from both Iguazú National Park and the Pantanal.	

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<b>Turquoise (Blue)-fronted Amazon</b>	<i>Amazona aestiva</i>
Not an uncommon sight during our time in the Pantanal. First seen, however, at Orquídeas Palace Hotel.	
<b>Orange-winged Amazon</b>	<i>Amazona amazonica</i>
Just the one sighting, at Pousada Curicaca.	
<b>Kawall's Amazon</b>	<i>Amazona kawalli</i>
A couple of sightings at Cristalino, including one from Tower 1.	
<b>Mealy Amazon</b>	<i>Amazona farinosa</i>
Also only recorded at Cristalino.	
<b>Red-fan Parrot</b>	<i>Deroptus accipitrinus</i>
One small group seen from the Cristalino River, just upriver from the lodge.	

### Ovenbirds Furnariidae

<b>Pale-legged Hornero</b>	<i>Furnarius leucopus</i>
A few individuals seen near larger rivers in the Pantanal.	
<b>Rufous Hornero</b>	<i>Furnarius rufus</i>
A daily sighting until we reached Cristalino.	
<b>Araucaria Tit-Spinetail</b>	<i>Leptasthenura setaria</i>
Eventually drawn out at a small patch of <i>Araucaria</i> between Urugua-i Provincial Park and Orquídeas Palace Hotel.	
<b>Chotoy Spinetail</b>	<i>Schoeniophylax phryganophilus</i>
Seen during our walk around the Mato Grosso Hotel grounds.	
<b>Rufous-capped Spinetail</b>	<i>Synallaxis ruficapilla</i>
Seen only in Urugua-i Provincial Park.	
<b>Grey-bellied Spinetail</b>	<i>Synallaxis cinerascens</i>
As with the above species.	
<b>Sooty-fronted Spinetail</b>	<i>Synallaxis frontalis</i>
In woodland at Piuval.	
<b>Pale-breasted Spinetail</b>	<i>Synallaxis albescens</i>
A few seen along the Agua Fria road, Chapada dos Guimarães area.	
<b>Cinereous-breasted Spinetail</b>	<i>Synallaxis hypospodia</i>
Taped out of some roadside scrub, north of Porto Jofre.	
<b>White-lored Spinetail</b>	<i>Synallaxis albilora</i>
Several at Pousada Curicaca and along the trail near the Mato Grosso Hotel.	
<b>Rusty-backed Spinetail</b>	<i>Cranioleuca vulpina</i>
Encountered on the edge of all major rivers visited in the Pantanal.	
<b>Speckled Spinetail</b>	<i>Cranioleuca gutturata</i>
Eventually seen in riverside vegetation at Cristalino.	
<b>Yellow-chinned Spinetail</b>	<i>Certhiaxis cinnamomeus</i>
A few sightings in the Pantanal.	
<b>Rufous-fronted Thornbird</b>	<i>Phacellodomus rufifrons</i>
A pair seen near their nest, along the <i>Transpantaneira</i> .	
<b>Greater Thornbird</b>	<i>Phacellodomus ruber</i>
A few seen well in the Pantanal – at the Mato Grosso Hotel, for example.	
<b>Grey-crested Cacholote</b>	<i>Pseudoseisura unirufa</i>
Several seen in the Pantanal following our first sighting at Pousada Rio Claro.	
<b>Point-tailed Palmcreeper</b>	<i>Berlepschia rikeri</i>
Seen very well in a patch of <i>Mauritia</i> between Alta Floresta and the Teles Pires River.	

<b>Buff-browed Foliage-gleaner</b> Only sighted at Urugua-i Provincial Park.	<i>Syndactyla rufosuperciliata</i>
<b>Ochre-breasted Foliage-gleaner</b> Several seen in Argentina.	<i>Philydor lichtensteini</i>
<b>Buff-fronted Foliage-gleaner</b> Nice close-ups along the 101, Iguazú National Park.	<i>Philydor rufum</i>
<b>White-eyed Foliage-gleaner</b> Several entertaining encounters in Iguazú National Park.	<i>Automolus leucophthalmus</i>
<b>(H) Plain Xenops</b> Heard at Cristalino.	<i>Xenops minutus</i>
<b>Streaked Xenops</b> Great looks at Cristalino.	<i>Xenops rutilans</i>
<b>(H) Plain-winged Woodcreeper</b> Heard along the Macuco Trail, Iguazú National Park.	<i>Dendrocincla turdina</i>
<b>Olivaceous Woodcreeper</b> Showed well on several occasions during our time in Argentina.	<i>Sittasomus griseicapillus</i>
<b>Wedge-billed Woodcreeper</b> Brief but good looks at Cristalino.	<i>Glyphorhynchus spirurus</i>
<b>Long-billed Woodcreeper</b> Great views from the Cristalino River.	<i>Nasica longirostris</i>
<b>Uniform Woodcreeper</b> A pair, seen well at Cristalino.	<i>Hylexetastes uniformis</i>
<b>Strong-billed Woodcreeper</b> Seen flying over the Cristalino River (and our heads).	<i>Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchus</i>
<b>Great Rufous Woodcreeper</b> A few great looks around Pousada Curicaca, for most.	<i>Xiphocolaptes major</i>
<b>Planalto Woodcreeper</b> Singles seen along the Macuco Trail and at Pousada Curicaca.	<i>Dendrocolaptes platyrostris</i>
<b>Straight-billed Woodcreeper</b> Another one seen only at Pousada Curicaca.	<i>Dendroplex picus</i>
<b>Striped Woodcreeper</b> Only seen at Cristalino.	<i>Xiphorhynchus obsoletus</i>
<b>Lesser Woodcreeper</b> A couple on the Macuco Trail.	<i>Xiphorhynchus fuscus</i>
<b>Spix's Woodcreeper</b> One pair seen at Cristalino.	<i>Xiphorhynchus spixii</i>
<b>Buff-throated Woodcreeper</b> Individuals at Pousada Curicaca and Pousada Piuval.	<i>Xiphorhynchus guttatus</i>
<b>Narrow-billed Woodcreeper</b> First seen on fence posts at Piuval, common thereafter in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.	<i>Lepidocolaptes angustirostris</i>
<b>Rondonia Woodcreeper</b> Great close-ups from Tower 1 at Cristalino, for a few of us.	<i>Lepidocolaptes fuscicapillus</i>
<b>Red-billed Scythebill</b> Super views in woodland near Pousada Curicaca.	<i>Campylorhamphus trochilirostris</i>

### Antbirds Thamnophilidae

<b>Spot-backed Antshrike</b> A calling adult seen through the scope on the first morning of the tour.	<i>Hypoedaleus guttatus</i>
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<b>(H) Tufted Antshrike</b>	<i>Mackenziaena severa</i>
Heard on several occasions in Iguazú National Park.	
<b>Great Antshrike</b>	<i>Taraba major</i>
First seen at Pousada Curicaca.	
<b>Glossy Antshrike</b>	<i>Sakesphorus luctuosus</i>
Great views at Cristalino – in riverside vegetation.	
<b>Barred Antshrike</b>	<i>Thamnophilus doliatus</i>
First seen near the train platform in Iguazú National Park.	
<b>Chestnut-backed Antshrike</b>	<i>Thamnophilus palliatus</i>
Pretty good looks at a pair at Cristalino.	
<b>Plain-winged Antshrike</b>	<i>Thamnophilus schistaceus</i>
Seen in a mixed-species feeding party at Cristalino.	
<b>Planalto Slaty Antshrike</b>	<i>Thamnophilus pelzelni</i>
A pair seen during our walk from Pousada Curicaca.	
<b>Amazonian Antshrike</b>	<i>Thamnophilus amazonicus</i>
Males and females seen in secondary habitat on the edge of the Teles Pires River.	
<b>Variable Antshrike</b>	<i>Thamnophilus caerulescens</i>
A few seen during our walk along the 101, in Iguazú National Park.	
<b>Rufous-winged Antshrike</b>	<i>Thamnophilus torquatus</i>
Superb views of a pair, along the Geladeira Road in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.	
<b>Plain Antvireo</b>	<i>Dysithamnus mentalis</i>
Only recorded along the Macuco Trail.	
<b>Spot-winged Antshrike</b>	<i>Pygiptila stellaris</i>
Males and females seen at the drinking pool, Cristalino.	
<b>White-eyed Antwren</b>	<i>Epinecrophylla leucophthalma</i>
One, seen in the understory, at Cristalino.	
<b>Pygmy Antwren</b>	<i>Myrmotherula brachyura</i>
Just the one sighting, at Cristalino.	
<b>Amazonian Streaked Antwren</b>	<i>Myrmotherula multostriata</i>
From the floating dock at Cristalino, on our first afternoon.	
<b>Sclater's Antwren</b>	<i>Myrmotherula sclateri</i>
Great looks during from Tower 1, Cristalino.	
<b>White-flanked Antwren</b>	<i>Myrmotherula axillaris</i>
Seen bathing and drinking at the drinking pool at Cristalino.	
<b>Long-winged Antwren</b>	<i>Myrmotherula longipennis</i>
One sighting at Cristalino.	
<b>(H) Grey Antwren</b>	<i>Myrmotherula menetriesii</i>
Heard at Cristalino.	
<b>Banded Antbird</b>	<i>Dichrozona cincta</i>
Unbeatable views for those who chose to pop down from Tower 2 for the opportunity.	
<b>Large-billed Antwren</b>	<i>Herpsilochmus longirostris</i>
A handful of encounters in the Pantanal.	
<b>Rufous-winged Antwren</b>	<i>Herpsilochmus rufimarginatus</i>
Several sightings – mostly in Argentina.	
<b>Black-bellied Antwren</b>	<i>Formicivora melanogaster</i>
Good looks at a pair, at Pousada Piuval.	
<b>Rusty-backed Antwren</b>	<i>Formicivora rufa</i>
Also seen well – along the Agua Fria road, Chapada dos Guimarães.	

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**Bertoni's Antwren***Drymophila rubricollis*

Eventually seen well by all at Urugua-I Provincial Park.

**Dusky-tailed Antwren***Drymophila malura*

Also only seen at Urugua-i Provincial Park.

**Streak-capped Antwren***Terenura maculata*

A few sightings along the 101 in Iguazú National Park.

**Grey Antbird***Cercomacra cinerascens*

Good looks, at Cristalino.

**Blackish Antbird***Cercomacra nigrescens*

Just the one encounter at Cristalino.

**Mato Grosso Antbird***Cercomacra melanaria*

Great views during our walk from the Mato Grosso Hotel.

**White-shouldered Fire-eye***Pyriglena leucoptera*

One typical encounter along the 101 in Iguazú National Park.

**White-browed Antbird***Myrmoborus leucophrys*

One at Cristalino – seen well by most of us.

**Spix's Warbling Antbird***Hypocnemis striata*

A single sighting at Cristalino.

**Band-tailed Antbird***Hypocnemoides maculicauda*

Two sightings – one near Pousada Curicaca, the other near the floating dock at Cristalino.

**Silvered Antbird***Sclateria naevia*

One seen on the edge of the Cristalino River.

**(H) Black-throated Antbird***Myrmeciza atrothorax*

Heard only at Cristalino.

**Black-spotted Bare-eye***Phlegopsis nigromaculata*

Brilliant views at the small drinking pool at Cristalino.

**Antthrushes Formicariidae****Short-tailed Antthrush***Chamaeza campanisona*

Scope views on the Macuco Trail, Iguazú National Park.

**Antpittas Grallariidae****(H) Alta Floresta Antpitta***Hylopezus macularius*

Heard at Cristalino.

**(H) Speckle-breasted Antpitta***Hylopezus nattereri*

Heard at Urugua-i National Park.

**(H) Thrush-like Antpitta***Mymothera campanisona*

Heard at Cristalino.

**Gnateaters Conopophagidae****Rufous Gnateater***Conopophaga lineata*

First sighted at Urugua-i Provincial Park.

**Crescentchest Melanopareiidae****Collared Crescentchest***Melanopareia torquata*

Excellent views, along the Agua Fria road, Chapada dos Guimarães.

**Tyrant Flycatchers Tyrannidae****(H) Wing-barred Piprites***Piprites chloris*

Heard at Cristalino.

**Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet***Tyrannulus elatus*

Seen on the edge of the Cristalino River and from Tower 2.

**Forest Elaenia***Myiopagus gaimardii*

Seen by some of us, near the Mato Grosso Hotel.

**Grey Elaenia***Myiopagus caniceps*

A couple of small flocks on the Macuco Trail.

**Yellow-bellied Elaenia***Elaenia flavogaster*

Several sightings spread between Argentina, the Pantanal and the Chapada dos Guimarães area.

**Large Elaenia***Elaenia spectabilis*

One – at 'the bar' along the Geladeira road.

**Small-billed Elaenia***Elaenia parvirostris*

Two seen along the Macuco Trail, Iguazú National Park.

**Plain-crested Elaenia***Elaenia cristata*

A handful of sightings in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.

**Lesser Elaenia***Elaenia chiriquensis*

As with the above species.

**White-lored Tyrannulet***Ornithion inerme*

One seen from Tower 1, Cristalino.

**Southern Beardless Tyrannulet***Camptostoma obsoletum*

First seen near the entrance to the Macuco Trail, Iguazú National Park.

**Suiriri Flycatcher***Suiriri suiriri*

At least one seen along the Geladeira road.

**Chapada Flycatcher***Suiriri islerorum*

One, along the Agua Fria road, Chapada dos Guimarães area.

**Yellow Tyrannulet***Capsiempis flaveola*

First seen along the 101 in Iguazú National Park.

**Southern Antpipit***Corythopsis delalandi*

Eventually seen by all, along the Macuco Trail in Iguazú National Park.

**Tawny-crowned Pygmy Tyrant***Euscarthmus meloryphus*

Great views of a couple, from the train platform in Iguazú National Park.

**(H) Southern Bristle Tyrant***Pogonotriccus exiis*

Heard in Urugua-i Provincial Park.

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

Seen at the small drinking pool at Cristalino.

**Grey-hooded Flycatcher***Mionectes rufiventris*

At least one individual seen on the Macuco Trail, Iguazú National Park.

**Sepia-capped Flycatcher***Leptopogon amaurocephalus*

Also seen along the Macuco Trail, as well as in the Pantanal.

**Amazonian Inezia***Inezia subfava*

Seen on a small island in the Teles Pires River, near Cristalino.

**Bran-colored Flycatcher***Sublegatus obscurior*

Great views of at least two – from the train platform in Iguazú National Park.

**Drab-breasted Bamboo Tyrant***Hemitriccus diops*

A few encounters in Urugua-i Provincial Park.

**Stripe-necked Tody-Tyrant***Hemitriccus striaticollis*

Great close-ups of one, during our walk from the Mato Grosso Hotel.

**Pearly-vented Tody-Tyrant** *Hemitriccus margaritaceiventer*

One of several species seen well from the train platform in Iguazú National Park.

**Eared Pygmy Tyrant** *Myiornis auricularis*

A few seen along the 101 in Iguazú National Park.

**Short-tailed Pygmy Tyrant** *Myiornis ecaudatus*

Eventually seen well by all, on the larger island that we visited in the Teles Pires River, near Cristalino.

**Helmeted Pygmy Tyrant** *Lophotriccus galeatus*

One great sighting at Cristalino.

**Ochre-faced Tody-Flycatcher** *Poecilatriccus plumbeiceps*

One cooperative individual seen in Urugua-i Provincial Park.

**Rusty-fronted Tody-Flycatcher** *Poecilatriccus latirostris*

A couple seen near Pousada Curicaca. More seen near the Mato Grosso Hotel.

**Spotted Tody-Flycatcher** *Todirostrum maculatum*

A pair seen nesting on the edge of the Cristalino River.

**Common Tody-Flycatcher** *Todirostrum cinereum*

First seen near the boardwalk to the Devil's Throat.

**Grey-crowned Flatbill (Flycatcher)** *Tolmomyias poliocephalus*

Seen in a mixed-species flock on the larger island that we visited in the Teles Pires River.

**White-throated Spadebill** *Platyrinchus mystaceus*

One of the first birds seen on our morning walk in Urugua-i Provincial Park.

**Golden-crowned Spadebill** *Platyrinchus coronatus*

Great views for those who visited the drinking pool on the final morning at Cristalino.

**(H) White-crested Spadebill** *Platyrinchus platyrhynchos*

Heard at Cristalino.

**Cliff Flycatcher** *Hirundinea ferruginea*

First seen at the Bridal Veil Falls in Chapada dos Guimarães.

**Euler's Flycatcher** *Lathrotriccus euleri*

Seen in Urugua-i Provincial Park.

**Fuscous Flycatcher** *Cnemotriccus fuscatus*

First seen in woodland near Pousada Curicaca.

**Vermilion Flycatcher** *Pyrocephalus rubinus*

Seen near the Mato Grosso Hotel.

**Crested Black Tyrant** *Knipolegus lophotes*

Great views from the Centro Geodésico viewpoint.

**Drab Water Tyrant** *Ochthornis littoralis*

First seen just as we were climbing into the boats to go to Cristalino.

**Gray Monjita** *Xolmis cinereus*

Finally spotted not long after we left the Centro Geodésico viewpoint.

**White-rumped Monjita** *Xolmis velatus*

We enjoyed good views of this distinctive flycatcher at a few sites in the Pantanal.

**Black-backed Water Tyrant** *Fluvicola albiventer*

Commonly encountered along the Cuiabá River and along the southern parts of the Transpantaneira.

**White-headed Marsh Tyrant** *Arundinicola leucocephala*

As with the above species.

**Long-tailed Tyrant** *Colonia colonus*

Sightings in Argentina and the Cristalino area.

**Cattle Tyrant** *Machetornis rixosa*

Particularly common in the Pantanal.

**Piratic Flycatcher**

*Legatus leucophaeus*

Several sightings, scattered throughout the trip.

**Rusty-margined Flycatcher**

*Myiozetetes cayanensis*

First seen during our southward drive along the *Transpantaneira*.

**Social Flycatcher**

*Myiozetetes similis*

One sighting at the Urugua-i Provincial Park guard hut.

**Dusky-chested Flycatcher**

*Myiozetetes luteiventris*

Two together, seen from Tower 1 at Cristalino.

**Great Kiskadee**

*Pitangus sulphuratus*

Almost ubiquitous.

**Lesser Kiskadee**

*Philohydor lictor*

First seen at Pousada Curicaca.

**Streaked Flycatcher**

*Myiodynastes maculatus*

Regular encounters during the first half of the tour.

**Boat-billed Flycatcher**

*Megarhynchus pitangua*

Seen on a handful of days – in Argentina and in the Pantanal.

**Sulphury Flycatcher**

*Tyrannopsis sulphurea*

Seen briefly in the *Mauritia* palms along the road between Alta Floresta and the Teles Pires River.

**Variegated Flycatcher**

*Empidonomus varius*

Scattered sightings, including one from Tower 1, Cristalino.

**White-throated Kingbird**

*Tyrannus albogularis*

At least one seen in the grounds of Pousada Curicaca.

**Tropical Kingbird**

*Tyrannus melancholicus*

Recorded almost daily.

**Fork-tailed Flycatcher**

*Tyrannus savana*

Also a near-daily sight, until we reached the Chapada dos Guimarães area.

**Greyish Mourner**

*Rhytipterna simplex*

Great looks from Tower 1 at Cristalino.

**Sibilant Sirystes**

*Sirystes sibilator*

A few sightings, including one along the road to Pousada do Parque and a couple on the Macuco Trail,

**Rufous Casiornis**

*Casiornis rufus*

A couple of good sightings at Pousada Curicaca.

**Dusky-capped Flycatcher**

*Myiarchus tuberculifer*

First seen near the Cristalino restaurant.

**Swainson's Flycatcher**

*Myiarchus swainsoni*

Seen during our final morning walk in Argentina.

**Short-crested Flycatcher**

*Myiarchus ferox*

Seen at several sites, including from the train platform in Iguazú National Park.

**Brown-crested Flycatcher**

*Myiarchus tyrannulus*

Surprisingly, only seen at Pousada Piuval.

**Large-headed Flatbill**

*Ramphotricon megacephalum*

Seen, after some time, by the whole group, in Urugua-i Provincial Park.

**(H) Rufous-tailed Flatbill**

*Ramphotricon ruficauda*

Heard at Cristalino.

**(H) Dusky-tailed Flatbill**

*Ramphotricon fuscicauda*

Heard at Cristalino.

**Cinnamon Attila**

*Attila cinnamomeus*



One sighting at Cristalino.

**White-eyed Attila**

*Attila bolivianus*

A few sightings at Pousada Curicaca.

**(H) Bright-rumped Attila**

*Attila spadiceus*

Heard at Cristalino.

### Cotingas Cotingidae

**Spangled Cotinga**

*Cotinga cayana*

Almost daily at Cristalino.

**(H) Screaming Piha**

*Lipaugus vociferans*

Heard at Cristalino.

**Pompadour Cotinga**

*Xipholena punicea*

Sightings from both towers at Cristalino.

**Bare-necked Fruitcrow**

*Gymnoderus foetidus*

Also seen almost daily at Cristalino.

**Red-ruffed Fruitcrow**

*Pyroderusymnoderus foetidus*

One of these birds flashed by us while we were birding on the Macuco Trail.

**Amazonian Umbrellabird**

*Cephalopterus ornatus*

Sighted a couple of times along the Cristalino River and again on an island in the Teles Pires River.

### Manakins Pipridae

**Dwarf Tyrant-Manakin**

*Tyranneutes stolzmanni*

Good views from Tower 1 at Cristalino.

**Fiery-capped Manakin**

*Machaeropterus pyrocephalus*

Fantastic views along the 'Manakin Road', in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.

**Snow-capped Manakin**

*Lepidothrix nattereri*

Two sightings at Cristalino - one from Tower 1, the other at the small drinking pool.

**White-bearded Manakin**

*Manacus manacus*

Great looks near the end of the Macuco Trail, Iguazú National Park.

**Helmeted Manakin**

*Antilophia galeata*

One male, near the Mato Grosso Hotel.

**(H) Blue-backed Manakin**

*Chiroxiphia pareola*

Heard at Cristalino.

**Blue Manakin**

*Chiroxiphia caudata*

Great views along the 101 in Iguazú National Park.

**Flame-crested Manakin**

*Heterocercus linteatus*

One sighting at Cristalino – on the larger island that we visited in the Teles Pires River.

**Band-tailed Manakin**

*Pipra fasciicauda*

Prolonged views along the 'Manakin Road', Chapada dos Guimarães.

**Red-headed Manakin**

*Dixiphia rubrocapilla*

Great views of a few at Cristalino.

### Tityras, Becards Tityridae

**Black-crowned Tityra**

*Tityra inquisitor*

Several sightings during the first half of the trip.

**Black-tailed Tityra**

*Tityra cayana*

First seen at Orquídeas Palace Hotel.

**Masked Tityra**

*Tityra semifasciata*

Several seen during the last half of the trip.

**(H) Brown-winged Schiffornis**

*Schiffornis turdina*

Heard at Cristalino.

**Greenish Schiffornis**

*Schiffornis virescens*

Glimpses for some, in Urugua-i Provincial Park.

**(H) Cinereous Mourner**

*Laniocera hypopyrra*

Heard at Cristalino.

**White-browed Purpletuft**

*Iodopleura isabellae*

Great views from both towers at Cristalino.

**White-winged Becard**

*Pachyramphus polychopterus*

Good looks, at Pousada Curicaca.

**Black-capped Becard**

*Pachyramphus marginatus*

Seen by some of us at Cristalino.

**Crested Becard**

*Pachyramphus validus*

First seen on our final morning in Argentina. Subsequent sightings all from the Chapada dos Guimarães area.

### **Vireos, Greenlets Vireonidae**

**Rufous-browed Peppershrike**

*Cyclarhis gujanensis*

Seen during our first afternoon walk at Pousada do Parque.

**Slaty-capped Shrike-Vireo**

*Vireolanius leucotis*

Excellent views from Tower 1 at Cristalino.

**Red-eyed Vireo**

*Vireo olivaceus*

Several sightings.

**Grey-chested Greenlet**

*Hylophilus semicinereus*

One scoped n the larger island that we visited in the Teles Pires River.

**Ashy-headed Greenlet**

*Hylophilus pectoralis*

A handful of sightings in the Pantanal.

**Dusky-capped Greenlet**

*Hylophilus hypoxanthus*

A few seen from the towers at Cristalino.

### **Crows, Jays Corvidae**

**Purplish Jay**

*Cyanocorax cyanomelas*

Daily sightings in the Pantanal and Chapada dos Guimarães area.

**Curl-crested Jay**

*Cyanocorax cristatellus*

Seen daily in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.

**Plush-crested Jay**

*Cyanocorax chrysops*

Several close encounters in Argentina.

### **Swallows, Martins Hirundinidae**

**White-winged Swallow**

*Tachycineta albiventer*

Seen daily in the Pantanal and at Cristalino.

**Purple Martin**

*Progne subis*

A few flocks seen around the Cristalino and Teles Pires Rivers.

**Grey-breasted Martin**

*Progne chalybea*

Commonly encountered throughout the trip.

**Brown-chested Martin**

*Progne tapera*

Sighted daily in the Pantanal.

**White-banded Swallow***Atticora fasciata*

This handsome swallow was seen daily during our time at Cristalino.

**Blue-and-white Swallow***Notiochelidon cyanoleuca*

A few seen in Iguazú National Park and above Orquídeas Palace Hotel.

**Black-collared Swallow***Atticora melanoleuca*

Great looks on the Teles Pires River.

**Southern Rough-winged Swallow***Stelgidopteryx ruficollis*

Abundant on several days – in the Pantanal and at Cristalino.

**Barn Swallow***Hirundo rustica*

A couple of flocks seen during our drive to Porto Jofre, in the Pantanal.

**American Cliff Swallow***Petrochelidon pyrrhonota*

Several seen moving through the Porto Jofre area.

**Black-capped Donacobius Donacobiidae****Black-capped Donacobius***Donacobius atricapilla*

Commonly encountered at wetlands in the Pantanal. Also sighted in Iguazú National Park and at Cristalino.

**Wrens Troglodytidae****Thrush-like Wren***Campylorhynchus turdinus*

Seen on all segments of the trip.

**Tooth-billed Wren***Odontorchilus cinereus*

Good sightings from Tower 1, Cristalino.

**Moustached Wren***Pheugopedius genibarbus*

A few seen near Pousada Curicaca.

**Buff-breasted Wren***Cantorchilus leucotis*

Also seen at Pousada Curicaca.

**Fawn-breasted Wren***Cantorchilus guarayanus*

Great views from the deck of the Jacaré.

**House Wren***Troglodytes aedon*

Several sightings, scattered throughout the trip.

**Gnatcatchers Polioptilidae****(H) Long-billed Gnatwren***Ramphocaenus melanurus*

Heard in the Cristalino area.

**Masked Gnatcatcher***Poliophtila duminicola*

A few seen near Pousada Curicaca.

**Mockingbirds, Thrashers Mimidae****Chalk-browed Mockingbird***Mimus saturninus*

Commonly encountered in the Chapada dos Guimarães area. Also seen Argentina and in the Pantanal.

**Thrushes Turdidae****Eastern Slaty Thrush***Turdus subularis*

Seen on the Macuco Trail, Iguazú National Park.

**Rufous-bellied Thrush***Turdus rufiventris*

This, Brazil's national bird, was seen frequently at all sites, except Cristalino.

**Pale-breasted Thrush***Turdus leucomelas*

Commonly encountered during our time in Argentina.

**Creamy-bellied Thrush***Turdus amaurochalinus*

Also commonly encountered in Argentina.

**White-necked Thrush***Turdus albicollis*

A few sightings in Argentina.

**Old World Sparrows, Snowfinches Passeridae****House Sparrow***Passer domesticus*

Too many sightings.

**Finches Fringillidae****Purple-throated Euphonia***Euphonia chlorotica*

A few seen in Argentina – along the 101 in Iguazú National Park and at Orquídeas Palace Hotel.

**Violaceous Euphonia***Euphonia violacea*

Great sightings in the hummingbird garden in Puerto Iguazú.

**Thick-billed Euphonia***Euphonia laniirostris*

Seen by some of us, from Tower 1 at Cristalino.

**White-lored Euphonia***Euphonia chrysopasta*

Also seen from Tower 1, Cristalino.

**Rufous-bellied Euphonia***Euphonia rufiventris*

A few seen at Cristalino.

**Chestnut-bellied Euphonia***Euphonia pectoralis*

Several sightings in Argentina.

**Blue-naped Chlorophonia***Chlorophonia cyanea*

First seen at Orquídeas Palace Hotel.

**New World Warblers Parulidae****Masked Yellowthroat***Geothlypis aequinoctialis*

Seen along the 101 in Iguazú National Park.

**Tropical Parula***Setophaga pitiaiyumi*

A few sightings in the Iguazú area.

**Flavescent Warbler***Myiothlypis flaveola*

First encountered at Pousada Curicaca.

**White-rimmed Warbler***Myiothlypis leucoblephara*

Great views at Urugua-i Provincial Park.

**Riverbank Warbler***Myiothlypis rivularis*

Very brief glimpses for some – from a boardwalk in Iguazú National Park.

**Golden-crowned Warbler***Basileuterus culicivorus*

Several encounters in Argentina, a few in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.

**Oropendolas, Orioles & Blackbirds Icteridae****Red-breasted Blackbird***Sturnella militaris*

One of the last birds of the trip – seen along the road to Alta Floresta.

**Crested Oropendola***Psarocolius decumanus*

Common in the Pantanal.

**Olive Oropendola***Psarocolius bifasciatus*

Several sightings at Cristalino.

<b>Solitary Cacique</b>	<i>Cacicus solitarius</i>
Commonly encountered around the Cuiabá River.	
<b>Yellow-rumped Cacique</b>	<i>Cacicus cela</i>
Regular sightings in the Pantanal and along the Cristalino River.	
<b>Red-rumped Cacique</b>	<i>Cacicus haemorrhous</i>
A regular sight during our time in Argentina.	
<b>Orange-backed Troupial</b>	<i>Icterus croconotus</i>
Seen throughout the Pantanal.	
<b>Variable Oriole</b>	<i>Icterus pyrrhopterus</i>
Sightings from Urugua-i and the Pantanal.	
<b>Epaulet Oriole</b>	<i>Icterus cayanensis</i>
A handful of sightings at Cristalino.	
<b>Giant Cowbird</b>	<i>Molothrus oryzivorus</i>
First seen well around the Iguazú Park Visitors' Center.	
<b>Shiny Cowbird</b>	<i>Molothrus bonariensis</i>
Numerous encounters during the first half of the trip.	
<b>Scarlet-headed Blackbird</b>	<i>Amblyramphus holosericeus</i>
Great looks during our drive to Porto Jofre.	
<b>Chopi Blackbird</b>	<i>Gnorimopsar chopi</i>
Commonly seen in Iguazú National Park and in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.	
<b>Greyish Baywing</b>	<i>Agelaioides badius</i>
A handful of good sightings around the Pantanal.	
<b>Unicolored Blackbird</b>	<i>Agelasticus cyanopus</i>
Common in wetlands in the Pantanal.	

### **Bananaquit Coerebidae**

<b>Bananaquit</b>	<i>Coereba flaveola</i>
Several individuals and small groups seen.	

### **Buntings, New World Sparrows & Allies Emberizidae**

<b>Rufous-collared Sparrow</b>	<i>Zonotrichia capensis</i>
Daily records from Argentina, one in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.	
<b>Grassland Sparrow</b>	<i>Ammodramus humeralis</i>
Good looks at Pousada Piuval and along the Agua Fria road.	
<b>Blue Finch</b>	<i>Porphyrospiza caerulescens</i>
Unbeatable views at the Centro Geodésico viewpoint.	
<b>Pectoral Sparrow</b>	<i>Arremon taciturnus</i>
Seen by several of us along the Vale da Bênção road, Chapada dos Guimarães.	
<b>Saffron-billed Sparrow</b>	<i>Arremon flavirostris</i>
Great views near the entrance to the Macuco Trail, Iguazú National Park.	

### **Tanagers and Allies Thraupidae**

<b>Red-crested Cardinal</b>	<i>Paroaria coronata</i>
First sighted along the <i>Transpantaneira</i> and then at Pousada Piuval.	
<b>Red-capped Cardinal</b>	<i>Paroaria gularis</i>
Good looks at a couple, along the Cristalino River.	
<b>Yellow-billed Cardinal</b>	<i>Paroaria capitata</i>
Relatively abundant in the Pantanal.	



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<b>Black-faced Tanager</b>	<i>Schistochlamys melanopis</i>
A couple of sightings along the Agua Fria road, Chapada dos Guimarães area.	
<b>Magpie Tanager</b>	<i>Cissopis leverianus</i>
A few good sightings in Argentina.	
<b>Red-billed Pied Tanager</b>	<i>Lamprospiza melanoleuca</i>
Fantastic views from the platform on Tower 1.	
<b>Chestnut-headed Tanager</b>	<i>Pyrrhocomma ruficeps</i>
Two good sightings along the 101 in Iguazú National Park.	
<b>White-rumped Tanager</b>	<i>Cypsnagra hirundinacea</i>
Daily sightings in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.	
<b>Black-goggled Tanager</b>	<i>Trichothraupis melanops</i>
Not uncommon in the Iguazú area.	
<b>Grey-headed Tanager</b>	<i>Eucometis penicillata</i>
Several sightings in the Pantanal.	
<b>Flame-crowned Tanager</b>	<i>Tachyphonus cristatus</i>
Great views from the towers at Cristalino.	
<b>White-shouldered Tanager</b>	<i>Tachyphonus luctuosus</i>
A few seen at Cristalino.	
<b>Ruby-crowned Tanager</b>	<i>Tachyphonus coronatus</i>
Commonly seen during our time in Argentina.	
<b>White-lined Tanager</b>	<i>Tachyphonus rufus</i>
Encountered at a few sites in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.	
<b>White-winged Shrike-Tanager</b>	<i>Lanio versicolor</i>
Best views at the small drinking pool at Cristalino.	
<b>Silver-beaked Tanager</b>	<i>Ramphocelus carbo</i>
Another species seen almost daily in the Pantanal and Chapada dos Guimarães area.	
<b>Blue-grey Tanager</b>	<i>Thraupis episcopus</i>
Common at Cristalino.	
<b>Sayaca Tanager</b>	<i>Thraupis sayaca</i>
Commonly encountered until we reached Cristalino.	
<b>Palm Tanager</b>	<i>Thraupis palmarum</i>
Almost daily sightings in most areas.	
<b>Shrike-like (White-banded) Tanager</b>	<i>Neothraupis fasciata</i>
A handful of great views in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.	
<b>Turquoise Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara mexicana</i>
Seen well from both towers at Cristalino.	
<b>Paradise Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara chilensis</i>
Several sightings from Tower 2 at Cristalino.	
<b>Green-headed Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara seledon</i>
Several great sightings in the Iguazú area, including some at Orquídeas Palace Hotel.	
<b>Bay-headed Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara gyrola</i>
Seen well from Tower 2 at Cristalino.	
<b>Burnished-buff Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara cayana</i>
A few good looks in the Chapada dos Guimarães area – along the Geladeira road, for example.	
<b>Masked Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara nigrocincta</i>
One seen from Tower 2, Cristalino.	
<b>Opal-rumped Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara velia</i>
Sightings from both Cristalino towers.	

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<b>Swallow Tanager</b>	<i>Tersina viridis</i>
More than a few sightings in Argentina and in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.	
<b>Black-faced Dacnis</b>	<i>Dacnis lineata</i>
A few sightings from both Cristalino towers.	
<b>Yellow-bellied Dacnis</b>	<i>Dacnis flaviventer</i>
A few at Cristalino, beginning with a male at the edge of the river.	
<b>Blue Dacnis</b>	<i>Dacnis cayana</i>
Several sightings, including some at the hummingbird garden in Puerto Iguazú.	
<b>Short-billed Honeycreeper</b>	<i>Cyanerpes nitidus</i>
From Tower 1 at Cristalino.	
<b>Purple Honeycreeper</b>	<i>Cyanerpes caeruleus</i>
Seen from both towers at Cristalino.	
<b>Green Honeycreeper</b>	<i>Chlorophanes spiza</i>
A few sightings from each of the Cristalino towers.	
<b>Guira Tanager</b>	<i>Hemithraupis guira</i>
A small group seen on our final morning in Argentina.	
<b>Yellow-backed Tanager</b>	<i>Hemithraupis flavicollis</i>
Seen really well from both towers at Cristalino.	
<b>Chestnut-vented Conebill</b>	<i>Conirostrum speciosum</i>
A few good sightings in Iguazú National Park.	
<b>Red (-crested) Pileated Finch</b>	<i>Coryphospingus cucullatus</i>
Common in the Chapada dos Guimarães area but first seen along the Macuco Trail in Iguazú.	
<b>Saffron Finch</b>	<i>Sicalis flaveola</i>
Almost daily sightings until we reached Cristalino.	
<b>Wedge-tailed Grass Finch</b>	<i>Emberizoides herbicola</i>
A few encounters in the Chapada dos Guimarães area and at Pousada Piuval.	
<b>Blue-black Grassquit</b>	<i>Volatinia jacarina</i>
Most common in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.	
<b>Plumbeous Seedeater</b>	<i>Sporophila plumbea</i>
Also not uncommon around Chapada dos Guimarães.	
<b>Rusty-collared Seedeater</b>	<i>Sporophila collaris</i>
Almosy daily sightings in the Pantanal.	
<b>Lined Seedeater</b>	<i>Sporophila lineola</i>
Just a few sightings, beginning with one along the <i>Transpantaneira</i> , during our drive to Porto Jofre.	
<b>Double-collared Seedeater</b>	<i>Sporophila caerulea</i>
Commonly sighted during the first half of the trip.	
<b>White-bellied Seedeater</b>	<i>Sporophila leucoptera</i>
One sighting – along the <i>Transpantaneira</i> , during our drive to Porto Jofre.	
<b>Chestnut-bellied Seed Finch</b>	<i>Oryzoborus angolensis</i>
Sightings along the Pousada Curicaca entrance road and on islands in the Teles Pires River.	

### Grosbeaks, Saltators & Allies Cardinalidae

<b>Red Tanager</b>	<i>Piranga flava</i>
First seen in <i>Araucaria</i> , near Puerto Iguazú.	
<b>Red-crowned Ant Tanager</b>	<i>Habia rubica</i>
A few along the Macuco Trail and at Cristalino.	
<b>Rose-breasted Chat</b>	<i>Granatellus pelzelni</i>
A pair seen at Cristalino.	

<b>Yellow-shouldered Grosbeak</b> Great views from both towers at Cristalino.	<i>Parkerthraustes humeralis</i>
<b>Blackish-blue Seedeater</b> Seen by just a few of us – at Urugua-I Provincial Park.	<i>Amaurospiza moesta</i>
<b>Slate-colored Grosbeak</b> Seen from Tower 1 at Cristalino.	<i>Saltator grossus</i>
<b>Black-throated Grosbeak</b> A great view of one, along the Macuco Trail in Iguazú National Park.	<i>Saltator fuliginosus</i>
<b>Buff-throated Saltator</b> Seen in the grounds of Pousada do Parque.	<i>Saltator maximus</i>
<b>Green-winged Saltator</b> A few good sightings in Argentina.	<i>Saltator similis</i>
<b>Greyish Saltator</b> A regular sight during the Pantanal section of the trip.	<i>Saltator coerulescens</i>
<b>Black-throated Saltator</b> Good views, daily, in the Chapada dos Guimarães area.	<i>Saltator atricollis</i>

## List of Mammals Encountered:

<b>Crab-eating Fox</b> Several great encounters in the Pantanal.	<i>Cerdocyon thous</i>
<b>Maned Wolf</b> An unforgettable encounter at Pousada do Parque!	<i>Chrysocyon brachyurus</i>
<b>Jaguar</b> One seen on our first morning on the Tres Irmãos River took the 'edge' off for the rest of our stay in the area though some were lucky enough to have a second incredible encounter.	<i>Panthera onca</i>
<b>Neotropical Otter</b> First spotted at Curicaca.	<i>Lontra longicaudis</i>
<b>Giant Otter</b> Several memorable encounters during our time in the Pantanal and at Cristalino.	<i>Pteronura brasiliensis</i>
<b>South American Coati</b> Hard to miss in Iguazú National Park!	<i>Nasua nasua</i>
<b>Crab-eating Raccoon</b> Some great close-ups during our stay at Pousada Curicaca.	<i>Procyon cancrivorus</i>
<b>Marsh Deer</b> Sighted in several areas of the Pantanal.	<i>Blastocerus dichotomus</i>
<b>Red Brocket</b> Sightings in all major areas visited on the trip.	<i>Mazama americana</i>
<b>Gray Brocket</b> A couple of sightings in the Pantanal.	<i>Mazama gouazoubira</i>
<b>White-lipped Peccary</b> One very large heard encountered in the forest at Cristalino.	<i>Tayassu pecari</i>
<b>Proboscis Bat</b> Seen most days during our time at Cristalino.	<i>Rhynchonycteris naso</i>
<b>Lesser Sac-winged (White-lined) Bat</b> A couple of us saw this species roosting in one of the buildings at Cristalino.	<i>Saccopteryx leptura</i>
<b>Lesser Bulldog (Fishing) Bat</b> Seen around the Cuiabá River.	<i>Noctilio albiventris</i>

**Greater Bulldog (Fishing) Bat***Noctilio leporinus*

Also seen around the Cuiabá River, as well as at Cristalino.

**Brazilian Rabbit / Hare (Tapeti)***Sylvilagus brasiliensis*

One seen briefly, and not that well, near Pousada Curicaca, during our night walk there.

**Yellow Armadillo***Euphractus sexcinctus*

Great views of one in the road to Pousada Rio Claro.

**Tapeti (Brazilian Hare)***Sylvilagus brasiliensis*

A couple seen on our night drive between Pousada Rio Claro and Pousada Curicaca.

**Lowland (Brazilian) Tapir***Tapirus terrestris*

Great looks at several at Cristalino.

**Giant Anteater***Myrmecophaga tridactyla*

Eventually found – on our final morning in the Pantanal!

**Collared Anteater (Southern Tamandua)***Tamandua tetradactyla*

Two great sightings – one crossing the road to Pousada Curicaca, another from Tower 2 at Cristalino!

**Feline (Azara's) Night Monkey***Aotus (azarae) infulatus*

Spotted by some of us at Cristalino.

**Red-handed Howler Monkey***Alouatta belzebul*

Heard on most mornings at Cristalino, seen very well during our boat ride out of the reserve.

**Black-and-gold Howler Monkey***Alouatta caraya*

Great views in several areas of the Pantanal. Note that this species is sometimes called Black Howler Monkey.

**White-cheeked Spider Monkey***Ateles marginatus*

Some great looks during our time at Cristalino.

**Black-tailed (Pantanal) Marmoset***Mico melanurus*

A few, at Pousada Piuval.

**Brown Capuchin***Cebus apella*

There is considerable debate, and confusion, over the taxonomy of capuchin monkeys. What is relevant to us regards the complex that was once only believed to be one species – **Brown Capuchin**. We saw three different 'types' that fall within this complex – *nigritus* (Iguazú), *libidinosus* (in the Pantanal and Chapada) and *apella* (in the Cristalino area). Should you choose to accept more liberal classifications, the former is a species often called Bearded Capuchin or even Black-striped Tufted Capuchin, the second is called Black-horned Capuchin, while the latter has various names, including Brown Tufted Capuchin, Brown-tufted Capuchin and Guianan Capuchin.

**(H) Red-bellied Titi***Callicebus moloch*

Heard at Cristalino.

**Red-nosed Bearded Saki***Chiropotes albinasus*

We had some great looks at this super little primate at Cristalino.

**Brazilian Cavy***Cavia aperia*

The little guys seen running around the grounds of Pousada do Parque are apparently of this species.

**Capybara***Hydrochoerus hydrochaeris*

Very common in the Pantanal.

**Spotted Paca***Agouti paca*

One spotted on the edge of the Cristalino River.

**Azara's Agouti***Dasyprocta azarae*

A handful of sightings – shared between the Iguazú area and the Pantanal.

**Short-tailed Opossum***Monodidelphis sp.*

We saw one of these little creatures in Iguazú National Park.

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