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Colombia

Highlights

2nd to 13th July 2018 (12 Days)

Trip Report



Indigo-capped Hummingbird by Christopher J. Sharpe

Trip report by tour leader: Christopher J. Sharpe

Local guide: Roger Rodríguez

Daily Diary/ Tour Summary

Monday, 2 July: By 7 p.m. all but one of our participants had arrived, and we enjoyed a fine inaugural dinner, followed by an equally fine early night!

Tuesday, 3 July: Morning coffee fortified us for our 5 a.m. departure for Laguna de Pedro Palo, west of Bogotá. After a 90-minute drive, we were tucking into picnic breakfasts just above the lake. Birding was rather quiet, with only a couple of small flocks, but we had our first taste of *Tangara* tanagers, which included Scrub, Blue-necked, Bay-headed and Black-capped. Half a dozen stunning Fawn-breasted Tanagers showed perfectly. A Silvery-throated Spinetail gave good views in cattle pasture, but as we watched, low cloud rolled in, obscuring the bird, and it began to rain. Through the mist, we found the motionless silhouette of a perched



Black Inca by Roger Rodríguez

Colombian Chachalaca (which we were to encounter many times as the tour progressed). Back along the road, a gorgeous Black Inca visited a single pompom *Bomarea* bloom; while Ash-browed Spinetails came in to a roadside cedar. Our lunch stop at Chicaque coincided with the second half of the Colombia-England World Cup game, which added some extra excitement to the occasion – and ultimate disappointment for our guide, Roger. For those without a stake in the game, the feeders held Golden-bellied Starfrontlet and Buff-tailed Coronet. By 3 p.m. the rain had cleared, and a walk back down the road gave us looks at Buff-breasted Mountain Tanager, Glowing Puffleg and Tourmaline Sunangel. By 5 p.m., it was time to descend



Andean Condor by Christopher J. Sharpe

Wednesday, 4 July: It was a 2-hour drive to our first birding stop on the Chingaza road, where dawn had come late thanks to low brooding cloud and drizzle. We could almost have warmed our hands on the contrasting bright red glow of Scarlet-bellied Mountain Tanagers. Rufous-browed Conebills and Brown-backed Chat-Tyrants flitted amongst the tops of the elfin forest bushes. White-browed Spinetails were reluctant to leave their roadside retreat, but we had good looks at Glowing Puffleg, followed by Coppery-bellied Puffleg. At the highest elevations it was raining much harder, and there was a fair wind, which kept bird activity low. Our efforts to find a helmetcrest proved fruitless, notwithstanding a few flowering *Espeletia* plants.

Heading further down, our sharp-eyed driver picked out a Red-crested Cotinga, and there was a small flurry of bird activity as the mist briefly lifted. We saw a Great Sapphirewing and then a Pale-naped Brushfinch at the roadside. After lunch at a Peruvian restaurant, we had a long postprandial wait in traffic due to a landslide, something that was to be a theme of the trip.

The late afternoon birding at the Observatorio de Colibríes (Hummingbird Observatory) was decidedly upbeat, with superb point-blank looks at ten species of hummingbird, from tiny White-bellied Woodstars to Great Sapphirewings, both species of trainbearers and Blue-throated Starfrontlets. *An experience to warm the cockles of the heart.* As we dropped down into Bogotá, we saw that the rain had cleared the skies of exhaust fumes, providing crystal clear views of an impressive cityscape accompanied by a truly spectacular sunset.

Thursday, 5 July: Our day began with a 6 a.m. flight to the Central Andes. We took off from a beautifully clear Bogotá and landed, on the second attempt, in a cloudy Manizales, where we immediately made for the high páramos of Nevados del Ruíz. Our first target was the recently-split Buffy Helmetcrest at a series of likely areas of *Espeletia* flowers, but our task looked increasingly difficult until midday, when we finally spotted one, playing hide-and-seek with a Viridian Metaltail. In the interim, we had super looks at an adult Andean Condor right overhead and a couple of Many-striped Canasteros. We rewarded ourselves with lunch at the Termas del Ruíz spa – *for the hummingbird feeders rather than the hot springs.* Here we managed to top yesterday's numbers, with 12 species of hummingbird, including Mountain Velvetbreast, Shining Sunbeam, Golden-breasted and Black-thighed Pufflegs, Buff-winged Starfrontlet and Rainbow-bearded Thornbill. During lunch, three Golden-plumed Parakeets flew by, while a Plain-breasted (Sharp-shinned) Hawk soared overhead. After three long days, we retired to our hotel early.



Group at Río Blanco feeders by Christopher J. Sharpe



Chestnut-crowned Antpitta by Christopher J. Sharpe

second gave us point-blank looks at Chestnut-crowned Antpitta. Further on, we enjoyed Crimson-mantled Woodpeckers, Green-and-black Fruiteaters and Flammulated Treehunters. Right at the top of the trail was a real surprise: a Stygian Owl roosting high in the canopy! On our way down, another feeder gave us super looks at Brown-banded and the diminutive Slate-crowned Antpitta. A pair of Powerful Woodpeckers rounded off a wonderfully active morning just as the rain came down. We were fortunate to have intermittent rain in the afternoon, and were able to bird under umbrellas, trees and the odd tin roof. Birding was slow, but we managed to pick up new species like Black-billed Peppershrike, Blackish

Friday, 6 July: Our breakfast at the hotel was unexpectedly serenaded from the neighbouring rooftops by Band-winged Nightjars. Our destination was the Río Blanco Reserve. We began with the feeders at the main lodge, watching Long-tailed Sylphs, Tourmaline Sunangels and Blue-winged Mountain Tanagers. After meeting our local guide, Arturo, we headed up the track into the forest. A male Masked Trogon perched beautifully and Sickle-winged Guans showed well. Bamboo held a dapper Rufous-crowned Tody-Flycatcher, a Slaty-backed Chat-Tyrant and a stunning Plushcap. The first feeding station was empty, but the

Tapaculo, Rufous-breasted Flycatcher and White-naped Brushfinch. At the house at the entrance to the reserve, a male White-throated Wedgebill was stealing nectar from *Hibiscus* bushes. A Grey-necked Wood Rail and a pair of White-capped Dippers provided an entertaining end to the afternoon. We spent the last half-hour at the hummingbird feeders, and were lucky to see Masked Saltator, before eating dinner on-site. As we prepared for owling, a White-throated Screech Owl sang, but this was the last we heard of it. Further up in the forest, we had a very close encounter with a Rufous-banded Owl in a tree-fern right by the trail.

Saturday, 7 July: We enjoyed a leisurely breakfast before our 6 a.m. departure for Jardín. In sugarcane country, we stretched our legs on the old road where the air was flavoured by smoke issuing from the artisanal sugar mills. We had a quick look at a



Slate-crowned Antpitta by Roger Rodríguez

Bicolored Hawk perched quietly in a small tree, and distant views of an Ultramarine Grosbeak that we had to be content to identify by sound. There were many roadworks along our route, some of which provided new birds such as Spectacled Parrotlets and singing “Chivi” (Red-eyed) Vireos. Another leg-stretch at Borombolu gave us very close looks at Scarlet-fronted Parakeets and glimpses of Antioquia

Wren. After lunch we hit torrential rain, with small landslides and fallen trees, some of which we had to remove in order to unblock the road, Roger getting completely bedraggled in the process. We reached Jardín by 4.30 p.m., and the rain was still coming down hard when we set off for the Cock-of-the-Rock lek. Amazingly, 2 males were perched within the dripping foliage of the lek, affording us good views. A pair of Tropical Screech Owls huddled high in bamboo. A detour to the small stream – now a raging red-brown torrent – below the lek produced the “torrent trio”: White-capped Dipper, Torrent Tyrannulet and Torrent Duck – the latter a most unusual record! The rain faired just before dusk, and we had good views of Orange-billed Nightingale-Thrush and Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift as we walked back to our hotel.



Rufous-banded Owl by Roger Rodríguez

Sunday, 8 July: After early morning coffee, we boarded three vintage Jeeps and drove the 90 minutes up the steep road to the Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve. We arrived at an overlook at the highest point of the road at the magical moment of dawn, the sun first illuminating the distant ranges before flooding the valleys with light. Yellow-eared Parrots were flying north in pairs, presumably from a communal roost site. In all we counted 21 birds, which would have been the entire known population

just a few years ago. As we scanned the forest below us for perched parrots, Lacrimose Mountain Tanagers and a Red-crested Cotinga entertained us with close views. Back along the road, we picked up a Spillman’s Tapaculo. Walking the section of road between Peñas Blancas and Ríosucio gave us looks

at Black-collared Jay, Metallic Green Tanager and White-naped Brushfinch. As we ate our breakfast with a local family, we enjoyed the spectacle of 9 species of hummingbird on their feeders. The rest of the morning was very quiet, with hardly a bird as we birded our way back down the mountain. On reaching Jardín, we learned that a landslide caused by the recent heavy rain had closed access to Las Tángaras Reserve and was likely to trigger further slippages. We quickly rejigged our itinerary, making reservations at the Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve, and drove instead to Medellín, where we spent the night in what is renowned as the most agreeable climate in Colombia, amongst sculptures and religious relics.

Monday, 9 July: After a quick coffee, we headed to La Romera reserve some 15 minutes from our hotel. We found one of our targets – the showy and Vulnerable endemic Red-bellied Grackle – almost immediately. Our other specialities proved much harder to find, and in the end only one of us saw the Yellow-headed Manakin and Stiles's Tapaculo. We did have good looks at a Tawny-bellied Hermit though. After that, we drove across the city of Medellín and on to the Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve near Anorí. On the way, we made a stop to pick up a Tody Motmot. We arrived at our destination with an hour and a half of light to enjoy the feeders and garden, and we were amply rewarded with nine species of hummingbird, Bar-crested Antshrike, Yellow-throated Chlorospingus and other goodies. Just as dinner was served, a Tropical Screech Owl visited us. As we ate dinner, thunder rolled around the nearby hills and the sky was lit by lightning flashes.



Tody Motmot by Roger Rodríguez



Lanceolated Monklet by Christopher J. Sharpe

Tuesday, 10 July: It rained heavily overnight, and was still wet when we gathered for breakfast. By 6.15 a.m., however, it was fair enough for us to venture out onto the main trail in search of speciality birds in the company of local ranger, José. Our morning's birding began propitiously, with Ornate Flycatchers and a Ruddy Foliage-gleaner, followed by a nice-looking female Parker's Antbird. A small flock contained both Purplish-mantled and Black-and-gold Tanagers. A little further on, a family of three Lanceolated Monklets sat motionless just above the trail, which we were able to enjoy for ten minutes before we

decided it was time to move on. Our next bird was the extremely range-restricted Chestnut-capped Piha, *raison d'être* of the eponymous reserve, and we were fortunate to enjoy saturation looks from several angles. Next up was a fabulous male Multicolored Tanager, and then a Scarlet-and-white Tanager, both in an exciting mixed flock. *What a morning!* As we gathered for lunch, a Barred Hawk soared over the lodge garden. In the afternoon bird activity as low, but we nevertheless had an enjoyable stroll up the

road to some old abandoned gold mine workings, seeing one or two new birds along the way. In the evening, Tropical Screech Owl serenaded us once again.

Wednesday, 11 July: For our last morning at the Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve, we walked back up the forest trail in search of further specialities. Despite a bright dawn, it began to rain once more as soon as we entered the forest. The wind and dripping leaves made observation difficult. We were lucky to run across a Tawny-throated Leaf-tosser doing just that. A flock included a Fulvous-breasted Flatbill, Red-faced Spinetail and Scarlet-and-white Tanagers. After a couple of hours, we decided to beat a retreat. Saying our farewells to our wonderful hosts at the lodge, we drove down the unsurfaced road. Our driver, Hermes, picked up what turned out to be four White-mantled Barbets alongside the vehicle, one of which was making a meal of a large katydid, and the stop also gave us White-thighed Swallow. Between roadworks and traffic, it took the rest of the day to get to within casting distance of our hotel. A late afternoon leg-stretch in foothill forest was very productive, with a lovely Western Striped Manakin, Spot-breasted Woodpecker, Yellow-tufted Dacnis and many other new birds. We checked into our Río Claro hotel after dark, made for the restaurant, ran through our nightly checklist and then went to bed, excited to be in a new part of the country.



Oilbird cave at Río Claro by Christopher J. Sharpe



Subtropical Doradito by Roger Rodríguez

Thursday, 12 July: On our walk from our cabin to breakfast, we picked up 35 species of bird, from Grey-cowled Wood Rail to Chestnut-fronted Macaw. Afterwards, we took the short bus ride to the Río Claro Reserve to search out some of the specialities. The first of these was a pair of dainty Antioquia Bristle Tyrants that approached us at eye-level on a narrow trail into the forest. An ant swarm produced Dusky-faced and Grey-headed Tanagers, together with Bicolored Antbirds, at which point it began to pour with rain again. We sheltered under umbrellas during the worst of the downpour, and then soldiered on. When it faired,

Yellow-throated Toucans were in good voice. On our way back down the trail, a large leguminous tree in a meadow proved to be a gold mine: first with a female Blue Cotinga, then a male One-colored Becard. After that, we headed for a well-earned lunch. Despite the heat and humidity, we decided to press our advantage and root out the remaining target species in the afternoon. Although we found Chestnut-backed Antbirds and White-flanked Antwrens, Magdalena Antbird stubbornly resisted our efforts. Our walk to the Oilbird cave was notable for the extraordinary encounter with a Neotropical Otter, an animal nonchalantly munching on a fish in the middle of the river. The Oilbirds themselves did not disappoint, and the sight of 100 or more of them leaving the cave and loitering over the river was unforgettable.

Friday, 13 July: We checked out of our hotel at 5 a.m. in order to squeeze the most out of our last day. After breakfast *en route*, we reached the Jardín Encantado (a truly enchanted garden) by mid-morning. The 11 species of hummingbird, which we were told consume half a tonne of sugar per month, had us transfixed. New for us were Indigo-capped Hummingbird (perhaps 25 of them), and Gorgeted Woodstar. Our final stop of the trip, after lunch, was at Parque La Florida on the outskirts of Bogotá. We heard Bogotá Rail, and some had flight views, while an Apolinar's Wren proved elusive too. We were lucky with Subtropical Doradito though, enjoying excellent views of at least three of these aptly-named flycatchers in the rushes right in front of us. With the park closing at 4 p.m., we boarded the bus one last time for the international airport, bidding farewell to our driver Hermes, guide Roger and our companions of the last ten days.

Annotated List of species recorded

Note: Number in brackets () indicate number of days on the tour the species was recorded.
List powered through the report generator of our partner iGoTerra.

Birds (378 in total: 366 seen, 12 heard)

Nomenclature and taxonomy follows Gill, F and D Donsker (Eds). 2018. IOC World Bird List (v 8.1).

Status codes: **E** = Endemic, **NE** = Near-endemic, **I** = Introduced

IUCN codes: **CR** = Critically Endangered, **EN** = Endangered, **VU** = Vulnerable, **EW** = Extinct in the Wild, **NT** = Near Threatened, **DD** = Data Deficient

Tinamous Tinamidae

Tawny-breasted Tinamou

Nothocercus julius

(1) 3 heard Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

Ducks, Geese & Swans Anatidae

Torrent Duck

Merganetta armata colombiana

(1) 1 ♂ Jardín 7.7. A record that shocked our guide, Roger! Apparently the first here for at least some considerable time (and the first eBird record) on what is typically a very small stream, but which had become a raging brown torrent.

Andean Teal

Anas andium andium

(1) 2 Los Nevados NP 5.7.

Andean Duck

Oxyura ferruginea

(2) 3 ♂ 1 ♀ Los Nevados NP 5.7 and 52 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7. Traditionally considered a subspecies of Ruddy Duck *O. jamaicensis*.

Chachalacas, Curassows & Guans Cracidae

Colombian Chachalaca (E)

Ortalis columbiana

(5) 1 in the mist Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 1 Jardín 7.7, 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9.7, 5 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7, 2 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7, 4 heard Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7 and 2 en route 11.7.

Sickle-winged Guan

Chamaepetes goudotii goudotii

(2) 2 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 2 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7.

New World Quail Odontophoridae

Marbled Wood Quail (NT)

Odontophorus gujanensis marmoratus

(2) 2 heard Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7 and 1 heard Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7.

Chestnut Wood Quail (E, NT) *Odontophorus hyperythrus*

(1) 4 heard Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Grebes Podicipedidae

Pied-billed Grebe

Podilymbus podiceps antarcticus

(1) 1 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7.

Ibises, Spoonbills Threskiornithidae

Bare-faced Ibis

Phimosus infuscatus berlepschi

(6) 20 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, up to 5 en route 7-9.7, common en route 11.7 and 30 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7. A common sight in the Andes.

Hérons, Egrets, and Bitterns Ardeidae

Striated Heron

Butorides striata striata

(1) 5 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7.

Western Cattle Egret

Bubulcus ibis

(9) 15 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 10 en route 5.7, 10 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7, 40 Jardín 7.7, 50 en route 8.7, common en route 9.7, common en route 11.7, 1 Río Claro 12.7, 2 San Francisco--Jardín Encantado 13.7, 2 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7 and fairly common en route 13.7.

Cocoi Heron

Ardea cocoi

(1) 1 en route 9.7.

Great Egret

Ardea alba egretta

(3) 1 en route 8.7, common en route 9.7 and common en route 11.7.

Snowy Egret

Egretta thula thula

(1) 1 en route 9.7.

New World Vultures Cathartidae

Turkey Vulture

Cathartes aura

(6) 5 en route 7.7, common en route 9.7 and 3 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Black Vulture

Coragyps atratus

(11) 6 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 10 La Calera--Observatorio de Colibries 4.7, en route 5.7, 5 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7, Abundant en route 9.7 and common Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

King Vulture

Sarcoramphus papa

(2) 1 en route 9.7 and 1 Río Claro 12.7.

Andean Condor (NT)

Vultur gryphus

(1) 1 adult Los Nevados NP 5.7. An exceptionally good view of a full adult that soared directly overhead at low elevation, plus a more distant bird (perhaps even the same bird) later in the morning. Considered Critically Endangered in Colombia, with 100–150 wild individuals supplemented by ongoing captive breeding and release programmes; the global population estimate of 10,000 remaining individuals is optimistic.

Kites, Hawks & Eagles Accipitridae

White-tailed Kite

Elanus leucurus leucurus

(1) 1 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7 and 2 en route 13.7.

Swallow-tailed Kite

Elanoides forficatus yetapa

(3) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9.7, 8 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7 and a kettle of 20+ Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Frijoles 11.7, all, and especially the latter, presumably migrants from Central America.

Plain-breasted Hawk *Accipiter ventralis*

(2) 1 Los Nevados NP 5.7 and 1 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7. Andean resident *ventralis* now generally considered a subspecies of Sharp-shinned Hawk *A. striatus*.

Bicolored Hawk *Accipiter bicolor bicolor*

(1) 1 en route 7.7. A large *Accipiter* perched in a small tree that quickly took flight.

Plumbeous Kite *Ictinia plumbea*

(1) 2 Río Claro 12.7.

Barred Hawk *Morphnarchus princeps*

(1) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7. Wonderful looks at an adult that soared over the lodge.

Roadside Hawk *Rupornis magnirostris magnirostris*

(5) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7, 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7, 1 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Frijoles 11.7 and 1 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7.

White-tailed Hawk *Geranoaetus albicaudatus hypospodius*

(2) 1 en route 9.7 and 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle *Geranoaetus melanoleucus australis*

(1) 2 Los Nevados NP 5.7. A couple of looks at flying birds through breaks in the mist.

Short-tailed Hawk *Buteo brachyurus brachyurus*

(1) 1 light morph Bolombolo 7.7.

Zone-tailed Hawk *Buteo albonotatus*

(1) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9.7.

Rails, Crakes & Coots Rallidae

Russet-crowned Crake *Laterallus viridis brunnescens*

(2) 3 heard Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9.7 and 5 heard Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7. Heard each dawn and dusk, our attempt to try to see them up the road was a long shot.

Bogota Rail (E, EN) *Rallus semiplumbeus semiplumbeus*

(1) 2 flying birds Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7.

Grey-necked Wood Rail *Aramides cajaneus cajaneus*

(2) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 1 Río Claro 12.7. Called Grey-cowled Wood-Rail when split from Central American Russet-naped Wood-Rail *A. albiventris*.

American Coot *Fulica americana columbiana*

(2) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7 and 46 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7.

Plovers and Lapwings Charadriidae

Southern Lapwing *Vanellus chilensis cayennensis*

(7) 2 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, en route 5.7, up to 5 en route 7-9.7, fairly common en route 11.7 and 5 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7.

Pigeons and Doves Columbidae

Feral Pigeon ("Rock Dove") *Columba livia var. domestica*

Observed in all urban areas.

Band-tailed Pigeon *Patagioenas fasciata albilinea*

(7) 20 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 2 Chingaza NP 4.7, 10 Los Nevados NP 5.7, 5 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7, 25 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7, 10 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7 and 4 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Pale-vented Pigeon*Patagioenas cayennensis*

(3) 1 en route 7.7, 5 en route 8.7 and 2 Río Claro 12.7.

Ruddy Ground Dove*Columbina talpacoti*

(3) 6 en route 7.7, 15 en route 9.7 and 5 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7.

White-tipped Dove*Leptotila verreauxi*

(1) 2 Río Claro 12.7.

Eared Dove*Zenaida auriculata*

(9) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 2 La Calera--Observatorio de Colibries 4.7, 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7, 2 en route 6.7, en route 8.7, 6 en route 11.7, 1 Río Claro 12.7, 15 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7 and common en route 13.7.

Cuckoos Cuculidae**Greater Ani***Crotophaga major*

(1) 2 Río Claro 12.7.

Smooth-billed Ani*Crotophaga ani*

(4) Up to 10 en route 7-9.7 and 5 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7.

Squirrel Cuckoo*Piaya cayana**nigricrissa*

(3) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7, 2 Bolombolo 7.7 and 1 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7.

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(1) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7.

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

(3) 2 roosting high in bamboo Jardín 7.7, 2 dinner visitors Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9.7 and 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

White-throated Screech Owl*Megascops albogularis*

(1) 1 heard Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Rufous-banded Owl*Strix albitarsis albitarsis*

(1) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7. Spectacular looks at a bird unexpectedly low down in a tree-fern at eye-level. Our Río Blanco guide, Arturo, told us that this denizen of the mid-levels and canopy regularly forages in the understory and on the ground here.

Stygian Owl*Asio stygius stygius*

(1) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7. A bird roosting in the crown of a tree in the forest.

Oilbird Steatornithidae**Oilbird***Steatornis caripensis*

(1) Perhaps 100 or so Río Claro 12.7. It took some time for the birds to leave the cave, but the spectacle of these bizarre nocturnal frugivores flapping over the river accompanied by their braying calls was well worth the wait.

Nightjars and Allies Caprimulgidae**Lesser Nighthawk***Chordeiles acutipennis*

(1) 1 Río Claro 12.7. At least one nighthawk flying upriver amongst the Greater Bulldog Bats was apparently this species.

Band-winged Nightjar*Systellura longirostris ruficervix*

(1) 2 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7. Two seen by the first vehicle on our drive up to the reserve; we also heard them at our Manizales hotel.

Swifts *Apodidae***Chestnut-collared Swift***Streptoprocne rutila brunnitorques*

(5) 5 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7, 10 Jardín 7.7, 5 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7, 15 en route 8.7, 10 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7 and 8 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

White-collared Swift*Streptoprocne zonaris*

(4) 3 en route 5.7, 1 Jardín 7.7, 10 en route 7.7, 20 en route 8.7, 10 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7 and 20 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Frijoles 11.7.

Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift*Panyptila cayennensis*

(2) 2 Jardín 7.7 and 2 Río Claro 12.7.

Hummingbirds *Trochilidae***Rufous-breasted Hermit***Glaucis hirsutus hirsutus*

(1) 1 Río Claro 12.7.

Green Hermit*Phaethornis guy emiliae*

(3) Up to 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9-11.7.

Long-billed Hermit*Phaethornis longirostris*

(1) 1 Río Claro 12.7.

Tawny-bellied Hermit*Phaethornis syrmatorphus*

(1) 1 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7.

Green-fronted Lancebill*Doryfera ludovicae ludovicae*

(1) 1 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7. As in this case, usually associated with streams in humid forests.

White-necked Jacobin*Florisuga mellivora mellivora*

(2) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7 and 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7.

Brown Violetear*Colibri delphinae*

(4) Up to 5 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9-11.7 and 1 San Francisco--Jardín Encantado 13.7.

Lesser Violetear*Colibri cyanotus cyanotus*

(7) 4 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 4 Chicaque NP 3.7, 1 La Calera--Observatorio de Colibries 4.7, 1 Villamaría--Hotel Termas del Ruíz 5.7, 5 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7, 3 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7, 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9.7 and 1 San Francisco--Jardín Encantado 13.7.

Sparkling Violetear*Colibri coruscans coruscans*

(6) 6 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 6 Chicaque NP 3.7, 6 Chingaza NP 4.7, 6 La Calera--Observatorio de Colibries 4.7, 1 Villamaría--Hotel Termas del Ruíz 5.7, 2 Los Nevados NP 5.7, 4 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7, 2 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7 and 2 San Francisco--Jardín Encantado 13.7.

Black-throated Mango*Anthracothorax nigricollis*

(2) 1 ♂ Bolombolo 7.7 and c. 20 San Francisco--Jardín Encantado 13.7.

Western Emerald*Chlorostilbon melanorhynchus*

(1) 1 ♂ Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9.7.

Red-billed Emerald*Chlorostilbon gibsoni*

(1) 1 San Francisco--Jardín Encantado 13.7.

Crowned Woodnymph*Thalurania colombica colombica*

(1) 4 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7. Species limits unclear; *colombica* group sometimes separated as Purple-crowned or Violet-crowned Woodnymph.

fannyae:

(3) Up to 5 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9-11.7. *fannyae* group has been separated as Green-crowned Woodnymph.

Rufous-tailed Hummingbird*Amazilia tzacatl fuscicaudata*

(3) 1 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7, 1 Río Claro 12.7 and 20 San Francisco--Jardín Encantado 13.7.

Andean Emerald *Amazilia franciae franciae*

(5) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and up to 5 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9-11.7.

Steely-vented Hummingbird *Amazilia saucerottei*

(2) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9.7 and 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Indigo-capped Hummingbird (E) *Amazilia cyanifrons*

(1) c. 25 San Francisco--Jardín Encantado 13.7.

White-vented Plumeleteer *Chalybura buffonii buffonii*

(2) 1 Río Claro 12.7 and 3 San Francisco--Jardín Encantado 13.7.

Bronze-tailed Plumeleteer *Chalybura urochrysia urochrysia*

(1) 1 Río Claro 12.7.

Speckled Hummingbird *Adelomyia melanogenys*
cervina

(2) 4 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 2 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

melanogenys:

(1) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7.

Fawn-breasted Brilliant *Heliodoxa rubinoides rubinoides*

(1) 3 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Green-crowned Brilliant *Heliodoxa jacula jacula*

(2) 5 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9.7 and 6 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Buff-tailed Coronet *Boissonneaua flavescens flavescens*

(3) 2 Chicaque NP 3.7, 30 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 10 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

Shining Sunbeam *Aglaeactis cupripennis cupripennis*

(1) 6 Villamaría--Hotel Termas del Ruíz 5.7.

Mountain Velvetbreast *Lafresnaya lafresnayi*

(2) 1 ♂ 1 ♀ Villamaría--Hotel Termas del Ruíz 5.7 and 1 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

Bronzy Inca *Coeligena coeligena*

(1) 2 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Black Inca (E, VU) *Coeligena prunellei*

(1) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7. A beautiful bird, this one feeding on a red *Bomarea* pompom.

Collared Inca *Coeligena torquata torquata*

(3) 1 Villamaría--Hotel Termas del Ruíz 5.7, 2 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 1 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

Golden-bellied Starfrontlet *Coeligena bonapartei bonapartei*

(2) 3 Chicaque NP 3.7 and 1 ♀ Chingaza NP 4.7.

Blue-throated Starfrontlet *Coeligena helianthea helianthea*

(1) 1 ♂ 1 ♀ La Calera--Observatorio de Colibries 4.7.

Buff-winged Starfrontlet *Coeligena lutetiae lutetiae*

(1) 1 ♂ 1 ♀ Villamaría--Hotel Termas del Ruíz 5.7.

Sword-billed Hummingbird *Ensifera ensifera*

(1) 1 ♂ 1 ♀ La Calera--Observatorio de Colibries 4.7.

Great Sapphirewing *Pterophanes cyanopterus*

(2) 2 ♂ 3 ♀ La Calera--Observatorio de Colibries 4.7 and 1 Chingaza NP 4.7.

Tourmaline Sunangel *Heliangelus exortis*

(4) 1 ♂ Chicaque NP 3.7, 1 Villamaría--Hotel Termales del Ruíz 5.7, 5 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 2 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

Glowing Puffleg *Eriocnemis vestita*

(2) 1 Chicaque NP 3.7, 2 Chingaza NP 4.7 and 2 La Calera--Observatorio de Colibries 4.7.

Black-thighed Puffleg (NE, NT) *Eriocnemis derbyi*

(1) 1 Villamaría--Hotel Termales del Ruíz 5.7. The black puffs at the base of the legs, and dazzling golden-green undertail coverts are diagnostic.

Coppery-bellied Puffleg (NT) *Eriocnemis cupreiventris*

(1) 1 Chingaza NP 4.7.

Golden-breasted Puffleg *Eriocnemis mosquera*

(1) 5 Villamaría--Hotel Termales del Ruíz 5.7.

Greenish Puffleg *Haplophaedia aureliae*

(1) 3 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

White-booted Racket-tail *Ocreatus underwoodii*

(2) 1 ♂ Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7 and 1 ♂ Sabaneta--La Romera 10.7.

Black-tailed Trainbearer *Lesbia victoriae victoriae*

(1) 1 ♂ 2 ♀ La Calera--Observatorio de Colibries 4.7.

Green-tailed Trainbearer *Lesbia nuna gouldii*

(1) 1 ♂ 1 ♀ La Calera--Observatorio de Colibries 4.7.

Buffy Helmetcrest (E, VU) *Oxypogon stuebelii*

(1) 1 ♀ Los Nevados NP 5.7.

Tyrian Metaltail *Metallura tyrianthina tyrianthina*

(2) 1 La Calera--Observatorio de Colibries 4.7, 1 Chingaza NP 4.7 and 2 Villamaría--Hotel Termales del Ruíz 5.7.

Viridian Metaltail *Metallura williami williami*

(1) 1 Los Nevados NP 5.7. The four subspecies, of which only *williami* has a glittering purplish-blue tail, have sometimes been considered to constitute four distinct species.

Rainbow-bearded Thornbill *Chalcostigma herrani*

(1) 1 ♀ Villamaría--Hotel Termales del Ruíz 5.7.

Long-tailed Sylph *Agelaiocercus kingii emmae*

(2) 5 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 1 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

White-throated Wedgebill *Schistes albogularis*

(1) 1 stealing nectar from *Hibiscus* bushes Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7. Lumped unceremoniously with Geoffroy's Wedgebill *S. geoffroyi* in the 1940s, this species was only recently restored by *HBW/BirdLife International*, an approach now followed by most other authorities; the differences between the two are certainly striking.

Long-billed Starthroat *Heliomaster longirostris longirostris*

(1) 1 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7.

Purple-throated Woodstar *Calliphlox mitchellii*

(2) 1 ♂ Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9.7 and 1 ♂ Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

White-bellied Woodstar *Chaetocercus mulsant*

(5) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 2 ♂ 3 ♀ La Calera--Observatorio de Colibries 4.7, 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7, 1 ♂ 1 ♀ Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7 and 1 ♂ 2 ♀ San Francisco--Jardín Encantado 13.7.

Gorgeted Woodstar *Chaetocercus heliodor heliodor*

(1) 1 ♂ 1 ♀ San Francisco--Jardín Encantado 13.7. Distinctly smaller than the adjacent White-bellied Woodstars.

Trogons Trogonidae**Golden-headed Quetzal***Pharomachrus auriceps auriceps*

(1) 2 heard Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

White-tailed Trogon*Trogon chionurus*

(1) 1 ♂ Río Claro 12.7.

Gartered Trogon*Trogon caligatus caligatus*

(1) 1 heard Río Claro 12.7.

Collared Trogon*Trogon collaris subtropicalis*

(1) 2 ♀ Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Masked Trogon*Trogon personatus*

(1) 1 ♂ Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Motmots Momotidae**Tody Motmot***Hylomanes momotula obscurus*

(1) 1 en route 9.7. Excellent look at the world's smallest motmot, right on the southern edge of its range. The fact that we found this bird by the roadside during the cicada-filled heat of the day was remarkable.

Andean Motmot*Momotus aequatorialis aequatorialis*

(5) 8 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7, 2 Jardín 7.7, 1 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7, 1 en route 8.7, 2 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7 and 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Puffbirds Bucconidae**Barred Puffbird***Nystalus radiatus*

(1) 3 Río Claro 12.7.

Lanceolated Monklet*Micromonacha lanceolata*

(1) 3 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7. An unexpectedly close encounter with an adult and two juveniles.

New World Barbets Capitonidae**White-mantled Barbet (E, VU)***Capito hypoleucus*

(2) 1 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7, 4 en route 11.7 and 4 Río Claro 12.7. Lots of opportunities to enjoy this attractive endemic.

Red-headed Barbet*Eubucco bourcierii*

(2) 1 ♂ 2 ♀ Jardín 7.7 and 2 ♂ Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Toucans Ramphastidae**White-throated Toucanet***Aulacorhynchus albivitta*(1) 1 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7. Either *griseigularis* or *phaeolaemus*.*griseigularis:*(1) 5 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7. Sometimes separated, together with *phaeolaemus*, as Grey-throated Toucanet.*albivitta:*

(1) 3 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7. Sometimes separated as White-throated Toucanet.

Collared Aracari*Pteroglossus torquatus*

(1) 4 Río Claro 12.7.

Black-billed Mountain Toucan*Andigena nigrirostris*

(1) 1 heard Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

Yellow-throated Toucan (VU)*Ramphastos ambiguus swainsonii*

(1) 5 Río Claro 12.7. Subspecies *swainsonii* has been separated as Chestnut-mandibled Toucan.

Woodpeckers *Picidae*

- Acorn Woodpecker** *Melanerpes formicivorus flavigula*
(1) 2 en route 8.7.
- Beautiful Woodpecker (E)** *Melanerpes pulcher*
(1) 1 Río Claro 12.7.
- Red-crowned Woodpecker** *Melanerpes rubricapillus rubricapillus*
(4) 1 Jardín 7.7, 3 en route 7.7, 4 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Frijoles 11.7, 2 Río Claro 12.7 and 1 en route 13.7.
- Red-rumped Woodpecker** *Veniliornis kirkii cecillii*
(1) 1 Río Claro 12.7.
- Crimson-mantled Woodpecker** *Colaptes rivolii*
(1) 2 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.
- Spot-breasted Woodpecker** *Colaptes punctigula*
(1) 1 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7.
- Cinnamon Woodpecker** *Celeus loricatus*
(1) 2 Río Claro 12.7.
- Powerful Woodpecker** *Campephilus pollens pollens*
(1) 1 beautiful pair Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Falcons and Caracaras *Falconidae*

- Red-throated Caracara** *Ibycter americanus*
(1) 6 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7. Noisy birds, we had nice scope views the first time we encountered them.
- Northern Crested Caracara** *Caracara cheriway*
(4) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7, 1 en route 9.7, 1 en route 11.7 and 1 en route 13.7.
- Yellow-headed Caracara** *Milvago chimachima cordata*
(3) 2 en route 8.7, 1 Río Claro 12.7 and 1 en route 13.7.
- American Kestrel** *Falco sparverius*
(1) 1 en route 9.7.
- Bat Falcon** *Falco ruficularis*
(2) 3 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7 and 1 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7.

African & New World Parrots *Psittacidae*

- Orange-chinned Parakeet** *Brotogeris jugularis*
(2) 2 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7 and 10 Río Claro 12.7.
- Blue-headed Parrot** *Pionus menstruus*
(2) 6 en route 7.7 and 10 Río Claro 12.7.
- Scaly-naped Amazon** *Amazona mercenarius canipalliata*
(1) 2 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.
- Spectacled Parrotlet** *Forpus conspicillatus*
(3) 6 en route 7.7, 2 en route 8.7 and 5 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7.
- Chestnut-fronted Macaw** *Ara severus*
(1) 3 Río Claro 12.7.
- Golden-plumed Parakeet (VU)** *Leptosittaca branickii*

(2) 3 Villamaría--Hotel Termals del Ruíz 5.7 and really nice looks at a flock of 12 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Yellow-eared Parrot (EN) *Ognorhynchus icterotis*

(1) 22+ Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7. Some nice looks at birds flying from the roost, the sun catching their yellow cheeks. By the 1990s only two flocks, each of fewer than two dozen birds, remained in Colombia; thanks to concerted conservation action, including the creation of this dedicated reserve, there are now well over 1000 birds.

Scarlet-fronted Parakeet (NT) *Psittacara wagleri wagleri*

(1) 3 perched in excellent view right by the roadside Bolombolo 7.7.

Ovenbirds and Woodcreepers *Furnariidae*

Stout-billed Cinclodes *Cinclodes excelsior*

(1) 2 Los Nevados NP 5.7.

White-chinned Thistletail *Asthenes fuliginosa*

(1) 4 Chingaza NP 4.7.

Many-striped Canastero *Asthenes flammulata*

(1) 2 Los Nevados NP 5.7.

Rufous Spinetail *Synallaxis unirufa unirufa*

(1) 2 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

Silvery-throated Spinetail (E) *Synallaxis subpudica*

(1) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7. A good look at a bird in an agricultural plot, before the mist came in.

Azara's Spinetail *Synallaxis azarae*

(2) 4 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7.

Slaty Spinetail *Synallaxis brachyura*

(1) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7.

White-browed Spinetail *Hellmayrea gularis*

(1) 2 Chingaza NP 4.7.

Red-faced Spinetail *Cranioleuca erythroptis griseigularis*

(1) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7.

Ash-browed Spinetail (VU) *Cranioleuca curtata*

(1) 2 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7.

Spotted Barbtail *Premnoplex brunnescens brunnescens*

(1) 2 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Pearled Treerunner *Margarornis squamiger perlatus*

(1) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Streaked Tuftedcheek *Pseudocolaptes boissonneautii boissonneautii*

(1) 2 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Montane Foliage-gleaner *Anabacerthia striaticollis striaticollis*

(1) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7.

Western Woodhaunter *Hyloctistes virgatus*

(1) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Slaty-winged Foliage-gleaner *Philydor fuscipenne erythronotum*

(1) 2 Río Claro 12.7.

Buff-fronted Foliage-gleaner *Philydor rufum*

(1) 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Striped Treehunter *Thripadectes holostictus*

(1) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

- Streak-capped Treehunter** *Thripadectes virgaticeps*
 (1) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7. We noted the large black bill on this excited calling bird.
- Flammulated Treehunter** *Thripadectes flammulatus flammulatus*
 (1) 1 pair Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7. A fleeting look at a pair in the bamboo.
- Ruddy Foliage-gleaner** *Automolus rubiginosus sasaimae*
 (1) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7. Molecular studies suggest that it is better placed in *Clibanornis*. Subspecies *sasaimae* is part of the *nigricauda* group, formerly (and perhaps more appropriately) regarded as a separate species, Black-tailed Foliage-gleaner.
- Tawny-throated Leaf-tosser** *Sclerurus mexicanus*
 (1) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7. Very good looks of the bird doing what it is meant to.
- Plain Xenops** *Xenops minutus*
 (1) 1 Río Claro 12.7.
- Streaked Xenops** *Xenops rutilans*
 (3) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 2 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.
- Plain-brown Woodcreeper** *Dendrocincla fuliginosa*
 (1) 1 Río Claro 12.7.
- Wedge-billed Woodcreeper** *Glyphorhynchus spirurus integratus*
 (1) 5 Río Claro 12.7.
- Strong-billed Woodcreeper** *Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchus*
 (1) 3 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.
- Straight-billed Woodcreeper** *Dendroplex picus*
 (1) 1 Río Claro 12.7.
- Cocoa Woodcreeper** *Xiphorhynchus susurrans*
 (1) 2 en route 9.7. Also heard widely.
- Olive-backed Woodcreeper** *Xiphorhynchus triangularis triangularis*
 (1) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7. Good looks at this rather uncommon montane woodcreeper.
- Streak-headed Woodcreeper** *Lepidocolaptes souleyetii*
 (2) 1 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7 and 3 Río Claro 12.7.
- Montane Woodcreeper** *Lepidocolaptes lacrymiger*
 (2) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 1 Chicaque NP 3.7 and 5 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.
- Brown-billed Scythebill** *Campylorhamphus pusillus*
 (1) 1 heard Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.
- Antbirds *Thamnophilidae***
- Pacific Antwren** *Myrmotherula pacifica*
 (1) 2 Río Claro 12.7.
- White-flanked Antwren** *Myrmotherula axillaris*
 (1) 2 Río Claro 12.7.
- Slaty Antwren** *Myrmotherula schisticolor*
 (2) 4 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7 and 4 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7.
- Barred Antshrike** *Thamnophilus doliatus*
 (1) 2 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7.
- Bar-crested Antshrike** *Thamnophilus multistriatus*
 (1) 2 right at the lodge Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9.7.
- Bicolored Antbird** *Gymnopithys bicolor*
 (1) 2 Río Claro 12.7. An obligate army-ant follower, the pair we saw was at an active army ant swarm.
- Streak-headed Antbird** *Drymophila striaticeps*

(1) 4 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7. Until recently considered conspecific with *D. caudata* and other related taxa under the name Long-tailed Antbird.

Parker's Antbird (E) *Cercomacroides parkeri*

(1) 1 ♀ Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7. Super views of the showier female. Our local guide, José, showed us a recently vacated hanging nest – the structure apparently undocumented. The species itself was only described, in honour of Ted Parker III, in 1997.

Chestnut-backed Antbird *Poliocrania exsul*

(1) 4 Río Claro 12.7.

Antpittas Grallariidae

Chestnut-crowned Antpitta *Grallaria ruficapilla*

(2) 2 heard La Calera--Observatorio de Colibries 4.7 and 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7. Prolonged looks of an adult collecting worms, presumably for a nearby fledgeling.

Bicolored Antpitta (VU) *Grallaria rufocinerea*

(1) 2 heard Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Tawny Antpitta *Grallaria quitensis*

(1) 2+1 heard Los Nevados NP 5.7.

Brown-banded Antpitta (EN) *Grallaria milleri*

(1) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7. A nice view at the feeder.

Slaty-crowned Antpitta *Grallaricula nana*

(1) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7. A wonderful study at the feeder.

Tapaculos Rhinocryptidae

Northern White-crowned Tapaculo *Scytalopus atratus confusus*

(1) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Stiles's Tapaculo (E) *Scytalopus stilesi*

(1) 1 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7. Described in 2005.

Spillmann's Tapaculo *Scytalopus spillmanni*

(1) 1 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

Pale-bellied Tapaculo *Scytalopus griseicollis griseicollis*

(1) 1 heard Chingaza NP 4.7.

Blackish Tapaculo *Scytalopus latrans latrans*

(3) 1 heard Chicaque NP 3.7, 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 1 heard Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

Tyrant Flycatchers Tyrannidae

Wing-barred Piprites *Piprites chloris*

(1) 3 heard Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Sooty-headed Tyrannulet *Phyllomyias griseiceps*

(2) 2 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7 and 1 Río Claro 12.7.

Black-capped Tyrannulet *Phyllomyias nigrocapillus*

(3) 1 Chicaque NP 3.7, 2 Chingaza NP 4.7 and 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet *Tyrannulus elatus*

(1) 1 Río Claro 12.7.

Forest Elaenia *Myiopagis gaimardii*

(2) 1 Bolombolo 7.7 and 1 Río Claro 12.7. As with the previous species, very common by voice, much less frequently observed.

Yellow-bellied Elaenia *Elaenia flavogaster*

(3) 1 en route 8.7, 8 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7 and 2 en route 13.7.

Mountain Elaenia *Elaenia frantzii*

(2) 3 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7 and 1 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7.

White-throated Tyrannulet *Mecocerculus leucophrys*

(1) 2 La Calera--Observatorio de Colibries 4.7 and 6 Chingaza NP 4.7.

White-banded Tyrannulet *Mecocerculus stictopterus stictopterus*

(1) 1 Los Nevados NP 5.7.

Torrent Tyrannulet *Serpophaga cinerea cinerea*

(2) 1 Jardín 7.7 and 1 en route 8.7.

Subtropical Doradito *Pseudocolopteryx acutipennis*

(1) 3 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7. Surprisingly good looks at these golden sprites in amongst the rushes.

Golden-faced Tyrannulet *Zimmerius chrysops*

(3) 10 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 15 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 2 en route 8.7. Perhaps the most common tyrannulet of the tour, at least by voice.

Variiegated Bristle Tyrant *Pogonotriccus poecilotis*

(1) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Antioquia Bristle Tyrant (E, EN) *Pogonotriccus lanyoni*

(1) 2 Río Claro 12.7. Excellent serendipitous eye-level looks at a pair. A rather clean, neat bristle tyrant.

Rufous-browed Tyrannulet *Phylloscartes superciliaris*

(1) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7. Most of us only heard this species.

Streak-necked Flycatcher *Mionectes striaticollis*

(2) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7.

Ochre-bellied Flycatcher *Mionectes oleagineus*

(1) 2 Río Claro 12.7.

Rufous-breasted Flycatcher *Leptopogon rufipectus*

(1) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Ornate Flycatcher *Myiotriccus ornatus*

(2) 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7 and 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7. A very attractive little flycatcher that lights up the dark forest interior.

Scale-crested Pygmy Tyrant *Lophotriccus pileatus*

(1) 3 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Rufous-crowned Tody-Flycatcher *Poecilotriccus ruficeps*

(1) 2 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Slaty-headed Tody-Flycatcher *Poecilotriccus sylvia*

(1) 1 Bolombolo 7.7.

Common Tody-Flycatcher *Todirostrum cinereum*

(3) 2 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 3 en route 8.7 and 1 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7.

Olivaceous Flatbill *Rhynchocyclus olivaceus*

(1) 2 Río Claro 12.7.

Fulvous-breasted Flatbill *Rhynchocyclus fulvipectus*

(1) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7.

Cinnamon Flycatcher *Pyrrhomyias cinnamomeus*

(2) 4 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 1 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

Black Phoebe *Sayornis nigricans angustirostris*

(7) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7, 1 Jardín 7.7, 1 en route 7.7, 2 en route 9.7, 2 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7, 3 Río Claro 12.7 and 2 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7.

Vermilion Flycatcher *Pyrocephalus obscurus*

(3) 1 en route 3.7, 4 en route 7.7 and 1 en route 8.7.

Streak-throated Bush Tyrant *Myiotheretes striaticollis striaticollis*

(2) 3 La Calera--Observatorio de Colibries 4.7 and 1 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

Pied Water Tyrant *Fluvicola pica*

(1) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Yellow-bellied Chat-Tyrant *Silvicultrix diadema gratiosa*

(1) 2 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Slaty-backed Chat-Tyrant *Ochthoeca cinnamomeiventris cinnamomeiventris*

(1) 1 juvenile Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7. *HBW/BirdLife International* elevate *cinnamomeiventris* to species level, separate from *nigrita* of Venezuela and *thoracica* of Peru and Bolivia.

Rufous-breasted Chat-Tyrant *Ochthoeca rufipectoralis obfuscata*

(1) 2 Los Nevados NP 5.7.

Brown-backed Chat-Tyrant *Ochthoeca fumicolor fumicolor*

(1) 1 La Calera--Observatorio de Colibries 4.7 and 1 Chingaza NP 4.7.

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(1) 8 Los Nevados NP 5.7.

Long-tailed Tyrant *Colonia colonus*

(1) 1 Río Claro 12.7.

Cattle Tyrant *Machetornis rixosa*

(2) 1 en route 8.7 and 1 en route 9.7.

Piratic Flycatcher *Legatus leucophaeus leucophaeus*

(2) 3 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7 and 5 Río Claro 12.7.

Rusty-margined Flycatcher *Myiozetetes cayanensis*

(2) 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7 and 4 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7.

Great Kiskadee *Pitangus sulphuratus*

(3) 2 Bolombolo 7.7, 2 en route 8.7 and 2 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7.

Golden-crowned Flycatcher *Myiodynastes chrysocephalus*

(1) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7.

Streaked Flycatcher *Myiodynastes maculatus*

(3) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 4 Bolombolo 7.7 and 3 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7.

Boat-billed Flycatcher *Megarynchus pitangua*

(1) 2 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7.

Tropical Kingbird *Tyrannus melancholicus*

Observed 10 day(s) in total.

Pale-edged Flycatcher *Myiarchus cephalotes cephalotes*

(1) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Cotingas Cotingidae

Red-crested Cotinga *Ampelion rubrocristatus*

(2) 1 by the roadside Chingaza NP 4.7 and 1 perched atop a nearby bush as we viewed the parrots Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7..

Green-and-black Fruiteater *Pipreola riefferii*

(1) 1 pair Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Andean Cock-of-the-rock*Rupicola peruvianus aequatorialis*

(1) 2 ♂ Jardín 7.7. Given the adverse weather, we considered ourselves lucky to be able to watch two males at close range – the owner of the property told us that there had been no birds at the lek in recent days.

Blue Cotinga*Cotinga nattererii*

(1) 1 ♀ Río Claro 12.7. A lucky sighting of a female high up in a large emergent legume tree.

Chestnut-capped Piha (E, CR)*Lipaugus weberi*

(1) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7. We could not have asked for better views of this bird, enough to see that it had only a hint of chestnut in the crown. Not a striking species, but curiously enigmatic, particularly since it was only discovered in 1999 and has a very restricted range, with an estimated population of fewer than 250 birds.

Manakins Pipridae**Yellow-headed Manakin***Chloropipo flavicapilla*

(1) 1 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7.

Golden-crowned Manakin*Lepidothrix vilasboasi*

(1) 1 ♂ Río Claro 12.7.

White-bearded Manakin*Manacus manacus*

(1) 2 ♀-plumaged birds Río Claro 12.7.

Western Striped Manakin*Machaeropterus striolatus*

(2) Perfect views of 1 ♂ Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Frijoles 11.7 and 2 Río Claro 12.7.

White-crowned Manakin*Pseudopipra pipra*

(1) 1 ♀ Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7.

Tityras, Becards Tityridae**Black-tailed Myiobius***Myiobius atricaudus*

(1) 2 Río Claro 12.7.

Black-crowned Tityra*Tityra inquisitor*

(1) 1 ♂ Río Claro 12.7.

Cinnamon Becard*Pachyramphus cinnamomeus*

(2) 2 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Frijoles 11.7 and 1 pair at a nest Río Claro 12.7.

White-winged Becard*Pachyramphus polychopterus*

(3) 2 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7, 1 ♂ Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7 and 1 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Frijoles 11.7.

One-colored Becard*Pachyramphus homochrous*

(1) 1 ♂ Río Claro 12.7. In the same tree as the Blue Cotinga.

Vireos, Greenlets Vireonidae**Rufous-browed Peppershrike***Cyclarhis gujanensis*

(2) 1 heard Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7 and 1 Bolombolo 7.7.

Black-billed Peppershrike*Cyclarhis nigristrois*

(1) 2 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Brown-capped Vireo*Vireo leucophrys*

(1) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7.

Red-eyed Vireo*Vireo olivaceus vividior*

(1) 3 en route 7.7.

Rufous-naped Greenlet*Hylophilus semibrunneus*

(1) 3 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7.

Scrub Greenlet

Hylophilus flavipes

(1) 1 Río Claro 12.7.

Crows, Jays, and Magpies Corvidae

Black-collared Jay

Cyanolyca armillata

(1) 2 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

Black-chested Jay

Cyanocorax affinis

(4) Up to 5 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9-11.7 and 1 Río Claro 12.7.

Inca Jay

Cyanocorax yncas

(2) 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9.7 and 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Swallows Hirundinidae

Grey-breasted Martin

Progne chalybea chalybea

(1) 5 Río Claro 12.7.

Blue-and-white Swallow

Notiochelidon cyanoleuca cyanoleuca

(8) seen virtually every day.

Brown-bellied Swallow

Notiochelidon murina murina

(6) 1 Chicaque NP 3.7, 12 Chingaza NP 4.7, common Los Nevados NP 5.7, 30 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7, 20 en route 7.7 and 50 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7. Replaces the former species at high elevations.

White-thighed Swallow

Neochelidon tibialis

(1) 4 en route 11.7. Fairly good views of birds flying around and perched in dead snags just below the Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve.

Southern Rough-winged Swallow

Stelgidopteryx ruficollis

(3) 5 en route 8.7, fairly common en route 9.7 and 30 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7.

Wrens Troglodytidae

Band-backed Wren

Campylorhynchus zonatus

(1) 3 Río Claro 12.7.

Bicolored Wren

Campylorhynchus griseus

(1) 2 Río Claro 12.7.

Apolinar's Wren (E, EN)

Cistothorus apolinari

(1) 1 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7.

Sooty-headed Wren

Pheugopedius spadix

(2) 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7 and 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7.

Black-bellied Wren

Pheugopedius fasciatoventris

(1) 2 Río Claro 12.7.

Whiskered Wren

Pheugopedius mystacalis

(1) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7.

Antioquia Wren (E, EN)

Thryophilus sernai

(1) 1 Bolombolo 7.7. Described as recently as 2012, its linear range stretches some 150 km along Cauca Valley, never more than 7 km from the river itself.

Bay Wren

Cantorchilus nigricapillus

(1) 4 Río Claro 12.7.

House Wren

Troglodytes aedon

(1) 1 Bolombolo 7.7.

Mountain Wren*Troglodytes solstitialis*

(2) 2 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 1 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

Grey-breasted Wood Wren*Henicorhina leucophrys*

(3) 2 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9.7 and 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Southern Nightingale-Wren*Microcerculus marginatus*

(1) 1 heard Río Claro 12.7.

Mockingbirds, Thrashers Mimidae**Tropical Mockingbird***Mimus gilvus*

(2) 2 en route 9.7 and 1 San Francisco--Jardín Encantado 13.7.

Thrushes and Allies Turdidae**Andean Solitaire***Myadestes ralloides*

(2) 2 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7 and 1 heard Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Orange-billed Nightingale-Thrush*Catharus aurantiirostris phaeopleurus*

(1) 1 Jardín 7.7.

Great Thrush*Turdus fuscater*

(6) 3 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 3 Chicaque NP 3.7, fairly common Los Nevados NP 5.7, 10 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7, 10 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7, 5 en route 8.7, 5 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7 and fairly common en route 13.7.

Glossy-black Thrush*Turdus serranus*

(3) 1 Chicaque NP 3.7, 2 Los Nevados NP 5.7 and 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Pale-breasted Thrush*Turdus leucomelas*

(2) 1 en route 7.7 and 6 Río Claro 12.7.

Black-billed Thrush*Turdus ignobilis*

(6) At least 25 adults and juveniles in a mixed flock Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 2 Jardín 7.7, 5 en route 8.7, 6 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7 and 2 Río Claro 12.7.

Dippers Cinclidae**White-capped Dipper***Cinclus leucocephalus*

(2) 3 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 2 Jardín 7.7.

Finches Fringillidae**Andean Siskin***Spinus spinescens*

(3) 2 La Calera--Observatorio de Colibríes 4.7, 12 Chingaza NP 4.7, 20 Los Nevados NP 5.7 and 5 heard Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7.

Thick-billed Euphonia*Euphonia lanirostris*

(6) 3 Bolombolo 7.7, 3 en route 7.7, 3 en route 8.7, 5 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7, 5 en route 11.7, 8 Río Claro 12.7 and 3 San Francisco--Jardín Encantado 13.7.

Fulvous-vented Euphonia*Euphonia fulvicrissa*

(1) 5 Río Claro 12.7.

Orange-bellied Euphonia*Euphonia xanthogaster*

(1) 3 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Blue-naped Chlorophonia*Chlorophonia cyanea*

(3) 3 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9.7, 8 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7 and 3 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7.

New World Buntings and Sparrows *Passerellidae*

- Rufous-collared Sparrow** *Zonotrichia capensis*
Observed 7 day(s) in total.
- Black-striped Sparrow** *Arremonops conirostris*
(1) 2 Bolombolo 7.7.
- Orange-billed Sparrow** *Arremon aurantirostris*
(1) 1 Río Claro 12.7.
- Chestnut-capped Brushfinch** *Arremon brunneinucha frontalis*
(2) 1 Jardín 7.7 and 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.
- Grey-browed Brushfinch** *Arremon assimilis assimilis*
(1) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.
- White-naped Brushfinch** *Atlapetes albinucha gutturalis*
(2) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7. and 1 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.
- Pale-naped Brushfinch** *Atlapetes pallidinucha*
(2) 1 Chingaza NP 4.7 and 1 Los Nevados NP 5.7.
- Slaty Brushfinch** *Atlapetes schistaceus*
(2) 6 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 1 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.
- Common Bush Tanager** *Chlorospingus flavopectus*
(2) 3 Chicaque NP 3.7 and 3 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.
- Yellow-throated Bush Tanager** *Chlorospingus flavigularis*
(3) Up to 4 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9-11.7.

Oropendolas, Orioles & Blackbirds *Icteridae*

- Eastern Meadowlark** *Sturnella magna*
(2) 2 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7 and 3 Chingaza NP 4.7.
- Russet-backed Oropendola** *Psarocolius angustifrons*
(4) 1 Jardín 7.7, 2 en route 8.7, 5 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7 and 5 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.
- Yellow-rumped Cacique** *Cacicus cela*
(1) 6 Río Claro 12.7.
- Northern Mountain Cacique** *Cacicus leucoramphus leucoramphus*
(2) 4 La Calera--Observatorio de Colibries 4.7 and 4 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.
- Yellow-backed Oriole** *Icterus chrysater giraudii*
(4) 2 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 1 Chingaza NP 4.7, 3 Jardín 7.7 and 1 Río Claro 12.7.
- Shiny Cowbird** *Molothrus bonariensis*
(5) 6 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 1 en route 7.7, 6 Río Claro 12.7, 8 San Francisco--Jardín Encantado 13.7 and 3 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7.
- Carib Grackle** *Quiscalus lugubris lugubris*
(2) 6 en route 11.7 and 1 ♀ Río Claro 12.7.
- Red-bellied Grackle (VU)** *Hypopyrrhus pyrohypogaster*
(2) 7 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7 and 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.
- Yellow-hooded Blackbird** *Chrysomus icterocephalus bogotensis*
(1) 8 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7. Subspecies *bogotensis* is restricted to a small area in the highlands around Bogotá.

New World Warblers *Parulidae*

- Black-crested Warbler** *Myiothlypis nigrocristata*
(2) 1 Chingaza NP 4.7 and 3 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7.

- Buff-rumped Warbler** *Myiothlypis fulvicauda*
 (3) 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7, 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7 and 2 Río Claro 12.7.
- Russet-crowned Warbler** *Myiothlypis coronata*
 (1) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.
- Three-striped Warbler** *Basileuterus tristriatus daedalus*
 (3) 5 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7, 3 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7 and 3 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7.
- Slate-throated Whitestart** *Myioborus miniatus ballux*
 (3) 3 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 2 Chicaque NP 3.7, 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 4 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.
- Golden-fronted Whitestart** *Myioborus ornatus chrysops*
 (1) 7 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Mitrospingid Tanagers *Mitrospingidae*

- Dusky-faced Tanager** *Mitrospingus cassinii cassinii*
 (1) 5 at the ant swarm Río Claro 12.7.

Cardinals, Grosbeaks and allies *Cardinalidae*

- White-winged Tanager** *Piranga leucoptera venezuelae*
 (1) 3 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.
- Sooty Ant Tanager (NT)** *Habia gutturalis*
 (1) 1 at the ant swarm Río Claro 12.7.
- Ultramarine Grosbeak** *Cyanocompsa brissonii caucea*
 (1) 1 ♂ en route 7.7.

Tanagers and allies *Thraupidae*

- Black-capped Hemispingus** *Hemispingus atropileus*
 (1) 2 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.
- Superciliaried Hemispingus** *Hemispingus superciliaris*
 (1) 2 Chicaque NP 3.7.
- Black-eared Hemispingus** *Hemispingus melanotis melanotis*
 (2) 1 Chicaque NP 3.7 and 5 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.
- Grey-hooded Bush Tanager** *Cnemoscopus rubrirostris rubrirostris*
 (1) 2 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.
- Grey-headed Tanager** *Eucometis penicillata*
 (1) 4 at the ant swarm Río Claro 12.7.
- White-shouldered Tanager** *Tachyphonus luctuosus*
 (2) 1 ♂ Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7 and 4 Río Claro 12.7.
- Crimson-backed Tanager** *Ramphocelus dimidiatus*
 (6) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 2 Jardín 7.7, 5 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7, 5 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7 and 5 Río Claro 12.7.
- Lemon-rumped Tanager** *Ramphocelus icteronotus*
 (2) 1 en route 9.7 and 5 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7.
- Blue-grey Tanager** *Thraupis episcopus*
 (8) 2 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 5 Jardín 7.7, 5 en route 8.7, common en route 9.7, 5 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7, 6 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7, 8 Río Claro 12.7 and 5 San Francisco--Jardín Encantado 13.7.
- Palm Tanager** *Thraupis palmarum*

(6) 2 Jardín 7.7, up to 2 en route 7-9.7, 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7, 2 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Frijoles 11.7 and 5 Río Claro 12.7.

Blue-capped Tanager *Thraupis cyanocephala*

(3) 1 Chicaque NP 3.7, 3 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 2 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

Black-and-gold Tanager (VU) *Bangsia melanochlamys*

(1) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7. A surprise to run into this species so low down.

Lacrimose Mountain Tanager *Anisognathus lacrymosus*

(1) 1 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

Scarlet-bellied Mountain Tanager *Anisognathus igniventris*

(1) 6 Chingaza NP 4.7.

Blue-winged Mountain Tanager *Anisognathus somptuosus*

(2) 10 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Buff-breasted Mountain Tanager *Dubusia taeniata*

(1) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7.

Purplish-mantled Tanager (NT) *Iridosornis porphyrocephalus*

(1) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Fawn-breasted Tanager *Pipraeidea melanonota venezuelensis*

(1) 8 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7.

Multicolored Tanager (VU) *Chlorochrysa nitidissima*

(1) 1 ♂ Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7. This jewel of a bird took our breath away.

Plain-colored Tanager *Tangara inornata*

(1) 4 Río Claro 12.7.

Golden Tanager *Tangara arthus occidentalis*

(3) 3 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7, 3 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7 and 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7.

Silver-throated Tanager *Tangara icterocephala*

(1) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7.

Speckled Tanager *Tangara guttata*

(2) 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9.7 and 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Bay-headed Tanager *Tangara gyrola deleticia*

(4) 5 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 2 Chicaque NP 3.7, 2 Jardín 7.7, 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9.7 and 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7. Subspecies *deleticia* is part of the *albertinae* group, Bay-and-blue Tanager.

Scrub Tanager *Tangara vitriolina*

(4) 2 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 2 Bolombolo 7.7, 2 Jardín 7.7, 5 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7, 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7 and 5 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Frijoles 11.7.

Metallic-green Tanager *Tangara labradorides labradorides*

(1) 2 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

Blue-necked Tanager *Tangara cyanicollis*

(5) 5 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 1 Jardín 7.7, up to 3 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9-11.7, 5 en route 9.7 and 2 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Frijoles 11.7.

Golden-hooded Tanager *Tangara larvata fanny*

(1) 1 Río Claro 12.7.

Beryl-spangled Tanager *Tangara nigroviridis*

(5) 6 Chicaque NP 3.7, 1 Jardín 7.7 and up to 3 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9-11.7.

Blue-and-black Tanager *Tangara vassorii vassorii*

(2) 8 Chicaque NP 3.7 and 4 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Black-capped Tanager *Tangara heinei*

(4) 4 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 2 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7, 2 en route 8.7, 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9.7 and 3 en route 11.7.

Swallow Tanager *Tersina viridis*

(1) 8 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7.

Yellow-tufted Dacnis *Dacnis egregia egregia*

(1) 1 ♂ Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7. Often treated as a subspecies of Black-faced Dacnis *D. lineata*.

Blue Dacnis *Dacnis cayana*

(1) 1 ♀ Río Claro 12.7.

Purple Honeycreeper *Cyanerpes caeruleus*

(1) 1 ♀ Río Claro 12.7.

Green Honeycreeper *Chlorophanes spiza*

(3) 1 Jardín 7.7, 1 ♀ Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7 and 4 Río Claro 12.7.

Scarlet-browed Tanager *Heterospingus xanthopygius*

(1) 1 ♂ Río Claro 12.7.

Guira Tanager *Hemithraupis guira*

(1) 4 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7.

Scarlet-and-white Tanager *Chrysothlypis salmomi*

(2) 1 ♂ Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7 and 1 ♂ 1 ♀ Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7.

Rufous-browed Conebill *Conirostrum rufum*

(2) 6 Chingaza NP 4.7 and 1 Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7.

Rusty Flowerpiercer *Diglossa sittoides*

(2) 2 Chicaque NP 3.7 and 1 ♀ Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Black Flowerpiercer *Diglossa humeralis*

(4) 2 Chicaque NP 3.7, 5 Chingaza NP 4.7, 2 La Calera--Observatorio de Colibríes 4.7, 2 Los Nevados NP 5.7 and 1 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7.

White-sided Flowerpiercer *Diglossa albilatera albilatera*

(1) 4 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Masked Flowerpiercer *Diglossa cyanea cyanea*

(5) 4 Chicaque NP 3.7, 5 Chingaza NP 4.7, 2 Villamaría--Hotel Termales del Ruíz 5.7, 3 Los Nevados NP 5.7, 3 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 1 Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve 8.7. The most common flowerpiercer of the tour.

Plumbeous Sierra Finch *Phrygilus unicolor*

(2) 6 Chingaza NP 4.7 and 8 Los Nevados NP 5.7.

Saffron Finch *Sicalis flaveola flaveola*

(7) 4 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 6 en route 7.7, 2 en route 8.7, 2 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7, 2 Río Claro 12.7 and 10 San Francisco--Jardín Encantado 13.7.

Buff-throated Saltator *Saltator maximus*

(4) 4 Jardín 7.7, 2 en route 9.7, 3 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7 and 2 Río Claro 12.7.

Black-winged Saltator *Saltator atripennis*

(3) 3 en route 8.7, 3 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7 and 1 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 11.7.

Masked Saltator (NT) *Saltator cinctus*

(1) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7. Inexplicably rare and local throughout its range.

Blue-black Grassquit *Volatinia jacarina splendens*

(4) 1 Bolombolo 7.7, 1 en route 7.7, common en route 9.7, fairly common en route 11.7 and 1 ♂ Río Claro 12.7.

Grey Seedeater *Sporophila intermedia*

(1) 1 ♂ Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7.

Yellow-bellied Seedeater *Sporophila nigricollis*

(4) 2 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 1 Bolombolo 7.7, 5 en route 9.7 and 3 Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7.

Thick-billed Seed Finch *Oryzoborus funereus*

(2) 1 ♂ Cocorná, Antioquia--Palacio de los Fríjoles 11.7 and 1 Río Claro 12.7.

Paramo Seedeater *Catamenia homochroa*

(1) 1 ♂ Los Nevados NP 5.7.

Bananaquit *Coereba flaveola*

(5) 2 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 2 Chicaque NP 3.7, 4 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 9.7, 4 Río Claro 12.7 and 25 San Francisco--Jardín Encantado 13.7.

Yellow-faced Grassquit *Tiaris olivaceus pusillus*

(1) 2 Bolombolo 7.7 and 2 Jardín 7.7.

Plushcap *Catamblyrhynchus diadema diadema*

(1) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Mammals (6 in total: 6 seen)

Status codes: **E** = Endemic, **NE** = Near-endemic, **I** = Introduced

IUCN codes: **CR** = Critically Endangered, **EN** = Endangered, **VU** = Vulnerable, **EW** = Extinct in the Wild, **NT** = Near Threatened, **DD** = Data Deficient

Opossums *Didelphidae*

Black-eared Opossum

Didelphis marsupialis

(1) 1 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7.

Callitrichidae

Silvery-brown Tamarin

Saguinus leucopus

(2) 2 Chestnut-capped Piha Reserve 10.7 and 6 Río Claro 12.7.

Cavies, including Guinea Pigs *Caviidae*

Brazilian Guinea Pig

Cavia aperea

(1) 10+ Bogotá--Parque La Florida 13.7.

Squirrels *Sciuridae*

Red-tailed Squirrel

Sciurus granatensis

(3) 1 Laguna Pedro Palo 3.7, 2 Manizales--Río Blanco 6.7 and 2 Sabaneta--La Romera 9.7.

Weasels, Skunks, Otters *Mustelidae*

Neotropical Otter

Lontra longicaudis

(1) 1 Río Claro 12.7. An astonishingly close view of an adult nonchalantly hauled up on a log in the middle of the river, munching on a fish.

Fishing Bats *Noctilionidae*

Greater Bulldog Bat

Noctilio leporinus

(1) 20+ Río Claro 12.7. At least two dozen flying upriver low over the water surface after dusk.

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