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Panama's Canal Zone:
A relaxed and easy tour

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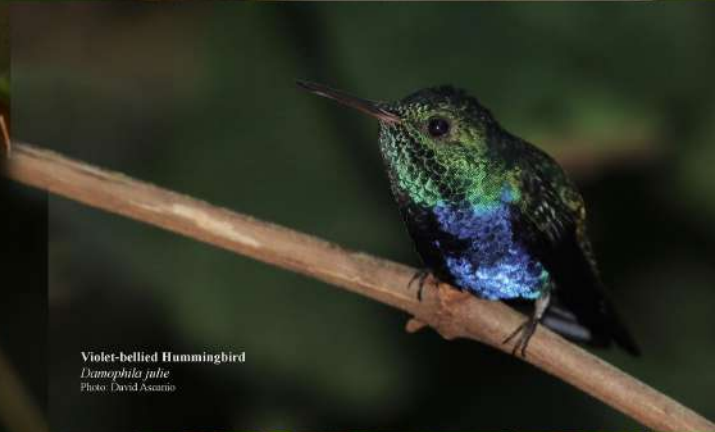
Broad-billed Motmot
Electron platyrhynchum
Photo: David Ascanio



Geoffroy's Tamarin
Saguinus geoffroyi
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Spotted Antbird
Hylophylax naevioides
Photo: David Ascanio



Violet-bellied Hummingbird
Diamophila jubae
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Checker-throated Antwren
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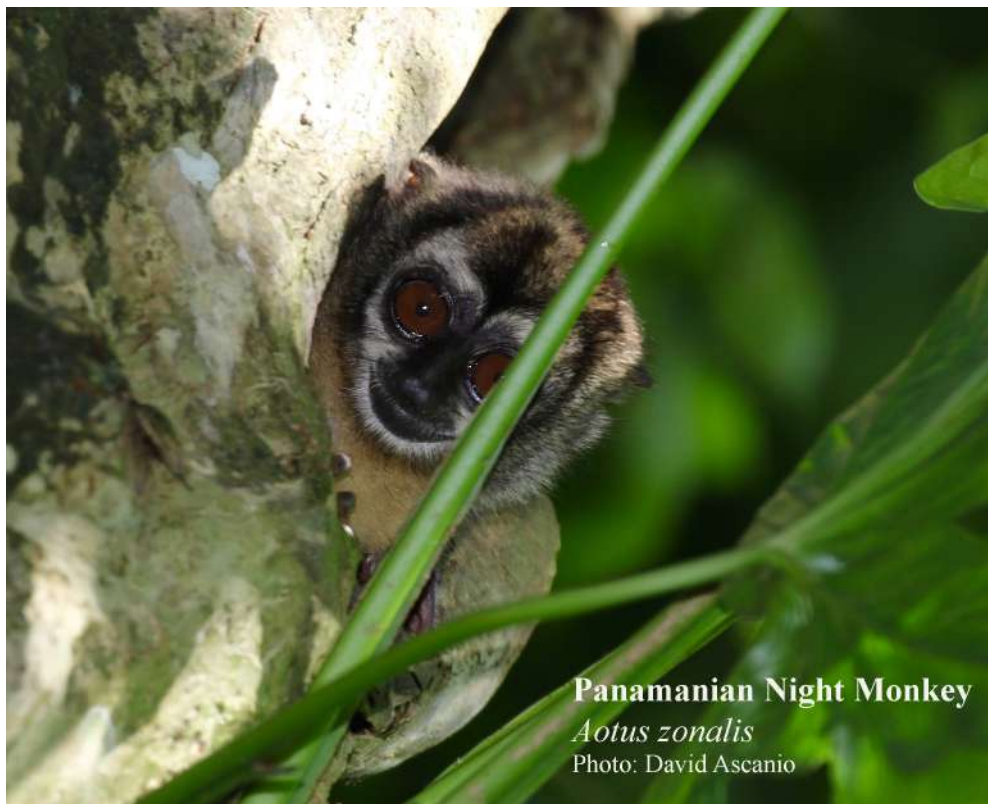
Our first morning in Gamboa (Panamá) was received with a bird feeder packed with honeycreepers, tanagers and parakeets. As we were distracted with such mosaic of colored plumages, a flashy Whooping Motmot showed from a dark corner and landed at the feeder to take a piece of banana and, fly away. Hosting a warm and humid weather, Gamboa also welcomed us with Blue-chested Hummingbird disputing a feeder with the territorial Rufous-tailed Hummingbird. What a unique welcome to Panama!



Walking around Gamboa in our first day allowed us to familiarize with many of the common Neotropical birds. That included chachalacas, flycatchers and tanagers but also some of the less common species such as the attractive Violet-bellied Hummingbird and the contrasting Flame-rumped Tanager. Once we spent time looking at the common birds we were ready to start searching for more restricted distribution species. For that, we chose to bird in the afternoon along the Old Gamboa road. Despite the heavy rain we managed to see a Bat Falcon (thanks Steve!), a soaked White-necked Puffbird and a likely-lost Fork-tailed Flycatcher.

Our relaxed and easy program continued the next day with a boat trip at the mouth of the Chagres river and later to Lake Gatun, the vast body of water that works as reservoir for the Panama Canal. This was our time to enjoy waterbirds and forest edge species at easy pace from the boat. We were able to nail the widespread (and possibly a future split) Buff-breasted Wren as well as shorebirds and the elegant Snail Kite. In the afternoon we visited the lower part of Semaphore Hill and the entrance of the Plantation trail. This area kept us busy for various hours and we enjoyed astonishing views of Spotted and Dot-winged

antwrens although the bonus of the day was a group of Panamanian night monkeys that had use a hollowed tree to sleep during the day.



Over the middle of the week we were ready to explore one of the best birding locations of the continent: the Pipeline road. For that, we visited the Discovery Center and offered an optional ascend to the discovery tower. Those who managed to deal with the 174 steps to the top of the tower got views of a Blue Cotinga and Scaled Pigeon while those staying down in the center saw their hummingbird list being increased when adding Long-billed and Stripe-throated hermits as well as White-vented Plumeleeter. Later, the group rejoined along the wide part of the Pipeline road and enjoyed views of Broad-billed Motmot as well as a mixed species flock containing Checker-throated, White-flanked and Dot-winged antwrens, Fasciated Antshrike, Plain Xenops and Ruddy-tailed Flycatcher. In the Pipeline road we learned the advantages of mixed species flocks when birds are searching for insects.

As the day warmed up we decided it was time to return to our lodge but just before we were loading the van we were surprised when Lorenzo, our driver, located a Great Potoo roosting at a branch of a tall tree. Once back to our lodge we celebrate such a successful morning with a delicious lunch followed by the mandatory siesta time. At 3.30PM we reconvened to visit the grounds of the Gamboa resort. This visit paid well as we nailed 3 species of trogons, 2 species of orioles, Black-headed Saltator, White-bellied Antbird and a pair of Gray-necked Wood-Rail crossing the road.

The last morning in the Panama Canal Zone found us in the world famous Canopy Tower. Reaching the observation deck of it was optional, but everyone did it! Once there, we learned about canopy birds and delighted our eyes with the diminutive and comical Black-headed Tody-Flycatcher and later the gorgeous Cinnamon Woodpecker. At noontime we visited the Miraflores locks visitor center and learned the hydraulics of the Panama Canal. With binoculars ready we noticed how pelicans and egrets made their feast as the locks opened and stunted fishes were an easy prey.



The last full day in Panama started in a different way. We offered an optional walk in Old Panama to enjoy the sunrise, colonial architecture and seeing the city to wake up. Then, we visited a museum and a tidal flat where we added 15 species of shorebirds to our list. In addition, we experienced raptor migrations with views of Swainson's and Broad-billed hawks as well as few hundred turkey vultures. In the afternoon we headed to the Metropolitan Park and closed our tour with views of Slaty-tail and Black-throated trogons, a Common Potoo, Olivaceous and Cocoa woodcreepers, Orange-billed Sparrow, Blue-black Grosbeak and much more.

In closing our Panama Canal tour, a pair of Rufous-and-white Wren sang and reminded us about the importance to preserve forest to gain water for future generations. Although the primary reason to protect the forest here was to provide water for the canal hydraulics, it has turned out to be a much more favorable project and a example of habitat conservation. Today, millions of microorganisms and thousands of vertebrate inhabit the Soberanía National Park and thanks to it, we were able to enjoy such a wealth of Neotropical Birds. I look forward to see you in another wildlife-rich R&E tour!



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ITINERARY

06 Nov 2016

Arrival

7 Nov 2016

Gamboa, Semaphore Hill and ammo pond.

8 Nov 2016

Chagres river and Gatun lake. Gamboa road.

9 Nov 2016

Discovery Center in Pipeline road. Gamboa resort area.

10 Nov 2016

Semaphore hill and Canopy Tower (optional). Miraflores locks and Panama's Canal museum.

11 Nov 2016

Old Panama ruins and Casco Viejo. Tidal flats of Panama city. Metropolitan park..

12 Nov 2016

Departure

ABBREVIATIONS FOR LOCATIONS

GA Gamboa, Panama canal, Gamboa resort, Lake Gatún and Chagres river.

CT Canopy tower, Plantation trail and Semaphore hill.

PR Pipeline road, Discovery center and Discovery tower.

PC Panama city and Metropolitan park.

THE BIRDLIST

Waterfowl / Anatidae

Black-bellied Whistling-Duck. *Dendrocygna autumnalis*. 6+ individuals.
Usually heard at night flying over the lodge in route to their roosting grounds.
GA.

Guans, Chachalacas & Curassows / Cracidae

Gray-headed Chachalaca. *Ortalis cinereiceps*. Common. GA.

Storks / Ciconiidae

Wood Stork. *Mycteria americana*. 12+ tidal flats. PC.

Frigatebirds / Fregatidae

Magnificent Frigatebird. *Fregata magnificens*. Panama Canal. GA.

Boobies and Gannets / Sulidae

Blue-footed Booby. *Sula nebouxii*. Distant views. PC.

Cormorants / Phalacrocoracidae

Neotropic Cormorant. *Phalacrocorax brasilianus*. PC.

Pelicans / Pelecanidae

White Pelican. *Pelecanus erythrorhynchos*. A stranded individual was observed in the tidal flats. PC.

Brown Pelican. *Pelecanus occidentalis*. Numerous in the Panama Canal.

Hérons, Egrets and Bitterns / Ardeidae

Rufescent Tiger Heron. *Tigrisoma lineatum*. Ammo pond. GA.

Great Blue Heron. *Ardea herodias*. Tidal flat. PC.

Cocoi Heron. *Ardea cocoi*. Only a pair. Tidal flat PC.

Great Egret. *Ardea alba*. Common everywhere.

Snowy Egret. *Egretta thula*. Numerous in Chagres river. GA, PC.

Little Blue Heron. *Egretta caerulea*. Few in Chagres river. GA.

Tricolored Heron. *Egretta tricolor*. GA.

Cattle Egret. *Bubulcus ibis*. Few individuals in the Chagres river. GA.

Green Heron. *Butorides virescens*. Seen in various wetlands. GA.

New World Vultures / Cathartidae

Black Vulture. *Coragyps atratus*. widespread.

Turkey Vulture. *Cathartes aura*. Widespread. We observed a migration of several hundred individuals in the skies of Pacanama city.

Osprey / Pandionidae

Osprey. *Pandion haliaetus*. Observed along the canal and in the Gatun Lake. GA.

Hawks, Eagles and Kites / Accipitridae

Snail Kite. *Rostrhamus sociabilis*. 12 + individuals. GA.

Common Black Hawk. *Buteogallus anthracinus*. Heard only. PR.

Gray-lined Hawk. *Buteo nitidus*. GA.

Broad-winged Hawk. *Buteo platypterus*. 3 in Panama Canal and 3 with vulture migration. PC.

Short-tailed Hawk. *Buteo brachyurus*. 1 white morph, scoped. CT.

Swainson's Hawk. *Buteo swainsoni*. 12+ individuals with vulture migration. PC.

Black Hawk-Eagle. *Spyzaetus tyrannus*. Heard only. PR.

Rails, Gallinules and Coots / Rallidae

White-throated Crake. *Laterallus albigularis*. Heard only. GA.

Gray-necked Wood-Rail. *Aramides cajaneus*. Pair crossing the road. GA.

Purple Gallinule. *Porphyrio martinicus*. GA.

Common Gallinule. *Gallinula galeata*. Common in Chagres river. GA.

Stilts and Avocets / Recurvirostridae

Black-necked Stilt. *Himantopus mexicanus*. 3+ Tidal flat. PC.

Plovers and Lapwings / Charadriidae

Southern Lapwing. *Vanellus chilensis*. 12+ individuals. PC.

Black-bellied Plover. *Pluvialis squatarola*. 20+ tidal flats. PC.

Wilson's Plover. *Charadrius wilsonia*. 1 tidal flats. PC.

Semipalmated Plover. *Charadrius semipalmatus*. 30+ tidal flats. PC.

Jacanas / Jacanidae

Wattled Jacana. *Jacana jacana*. Ammo ponds. GA.

Sandpipers and Allies / Scolopacidae

Spotted Sandpiper. *Actitis macularius*. Chagres river and tidal flats. GA, PC.

Greater Yellowlegs. *Tringa melanoleuca*. 2 Tidal flats. PC.

Willet. *Tringa semipalmata*. 50+ tidal flats. PC.

Whimbrel. *Numenius phaeopus*. 8+ tidal flats. PC.

Ruddy Turnstone. *Arenaria interpres*. 8+ tidal flats. PC.

Red Knot. *Calidris canutus*. 1 in tidal flats. PC.

Sanderling. *Calidris alba*. 3+ Tidal flats. PC.

Least Sandpiper. *Calidris minutilla*. 17+ tidal flats. PC.

Semipalmated Sandpiper. *Calidris pusilla*. 100+ tidal flats. PC.

Western Sandpiper. *Calidris mauri*. Large numbers. Probably more than three thousand individuals. Tidal flat. PC.

Gulls, Terns and Skimmers / Laridae

Laughing Gull. *Leucophaeus atricilla*. Hundreds. PC.

Gull-billed Tern. *Geochelidon nilotica*. 12+ tidal flat. PC.

Royal Tern. *Thalasseus sandvicensis*. 1 Panama Canal.

Sandwich Tern. *Thalasseus sandvicencsis*. Seen by Krist and David in tidal flats.

Pigeons and Doves / Columbidae

Rock Pigeon (I). *Columba livia*. PC.

Pale-vented Pigeon. *Patagioenas cayennensis*. GA, CT.

Scaled Pigeon. *Patagioenas speciosa*. Seen in the optional walk up to the discovery tower. PR.

Ruddy Ground-Dove. *Columbina talpacoti*. GA, CT, PC.

White-tipped Dove. *Leptotila verreauxi*. GA.

Cuckoos / Cuculidae

Squirrel Cuckoo. *Piaya cayana*. GA, CT, PR.

Greater Ani. *Crotophaga major*. GA.

Smooth-billed Ani. *Crotophaga ani*. GA.

Potoos / Nyctibiidae

Great Potoo. *Nyctibius grandis*. PR.

Common Potoo. *Nyctibius griseus*. PC.

Swifts / Apodidae

Short-tailed Swift. *Chaetura brachyura*. GA, CT.

Band-tailed Swift. *Chaetura spinicaudus*. GA, CT.

Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift. *Panyptila cayennensis*. Nice studies of a –usually-difficult to find swift. GA.

Hummingbirds / Trochilidae

Hummingbirds were originally believed to be a crossed between an insect and a bird. Furthermore, as a consequence of having such impressive plumage it is not

surprising that a demand flourished for such fantastic creatures, thus pushing a trade business that shipped hundreds of thousands of hummingbirds skins into Europe. By then, there were no common names associated to each hummingbird. So, how these birds got such beautiful names? The person to name all hummingbirds was John Gould on his memorable *Monograph of Trochilidae* (1849-1861). But, did you know that until the publication of his renowned monograph Gould had never seen a hummingbird alive? Only after finishing such impressive work he visited the Americas and, in May 1857 saw his first living *Trochilidae*, a Ruby-throated Hummingbird.

White-necked Jacobin. *Florisuga mellivora*. GA,PR.

Long-billed Hermit. *Phaethornis longirostris*. PR.

Stripe-throated Hermit. *Phaethornis striigularis*. PR.

Black-throated Mango. *Anthracotorax nigricollis*. A female was observed in Old Panama. PC.

Garden Emerald. *Chlorostilbon assmilis*. 3 individuals were seen in the city French market. PC.

White-vented Plumeleeter. *Chalybura buffonii*. PR.

Crowned Woodnymph. *Thalurania colombica*. A male. PR.

Blue-chested Hummingbird. *Amazilia amabilis*. PR.

Rufous-tailed Hummingbird. *Amazilia tzacatl*. GA, CT, PR.

Violet-bellied Hummingbird. *Damophila julie*. GA, PR.

Trogons / Trogonidae

Slaty-tailed Trogon. *Trogon massena*. PR, PC.

Black-tailed Trogon. *Trogon melanurus*. Heard by Eliecer. PR.

White-tailed Trogon. *Trogon chionorus*. 1 male. PR.

Gartered Trogon. *Trogon caligatus*. 1 male. GA.

Black-throated Trogon. *Trogon rufus*. 2 individuals. PC.

Motmots / Momotidae

Blue-crowned (Whooping) Motmot. *Momotus momota (coeruliceps)*. GA,PR.

Rufous Motmot. *Baryphthengus martii*. PR.

Broad-billed Motmot. *Electron platyrhynchum*. GA.

Kingfishers / Alcedinidae

Ringed Kingfisher. *Megaceryle torquata*. GA.

Puffbirds / Bucconidae

White-necked Puffbird. *Notharchus hyperrhynchus*. We first saw a soaking-wet individual and later another scoped near the lodge. GA.

Black-breasted Puffbird. *Notharchus pectoralis*. Superb views of an individual from the Canopy Tower. GA.

White-whiskered Puffbird. *Malacoptila panamensis*. PR.

Toucans / Ramphastidae

Collared Aracari. *Pteroglossus torquatus*. Pair by Steve at noon time. GA.

Keel-billed Toucan. *Ramphastos sulfuratus*. GA, PR.

Black-mandibled Toucan. *Ramphastos ambiguus*. PR.

Woodpeckers / Picidae

- Black-cheeked Woodpecker. *Melanerpes pucherani*. CT.
- Red-crowned Woodpecker. *Melanerpes rubricapillus*. GA, CT, PC.
- Cinnamon Woodpecker. *Celeus loricatus*. PR, CT.
- Crimson-crested Woodpecker. *Campephilus melanoleucos*. GA.

Falcons and Caracaras / Falconidae

- Crested Caracara. *Caracara cheriway*. PC.
- Yellow-headed Caracara. *Milvago chimachima*. Widespread.
- Bat Falcon. *Falco rufigularis*. Scoped thanks to the effort of Steve who found one resting below a metal ledge of a water tank while it was raining. GA.

African & New World Parrots / Psittacidae

- Orange-chinned Parakeet. *Brotogeris jugularis*. GA, CT, PR.
- Blue-headed Parrot. *Pionus menstruus*. GA, PR.
- Red-lored Parrot. *Amazona autumnalis*. Found by Eliecer and scoped. CT.
- Mealy Parrot. *Amazona farinosa*. GA, CT, PR.

Typical Antbirds / Thamnophilidae

- Fasciated Antshrike. *Cymbilaimus lineatus*. Lovely views of a female feeding a fledging. PR.
- Great Antshrike. *Taraba major*. Heard only, GA.
- Black-crowned (Western Slaty) Antshrike. *Thamnophilus atrinucha*. PR.
- Barred Antshrike. *Thamnophilus doliatus*. A male. GA.
- Moustached Antwren. *Myrmotherula ignota*. Feeding flock. PR.
- White-flanked Antwren. *Myrmotherula axillaris*. Feeding flock. PR.
- Checker-throated Antwren. *Epinecrophylla fulviventris*. Feeding flock. GA, PR.
- Dot-winged Antwren. *Microrhopias quixensis*. First seen in the lower Semaphore Hill. Later with a feeding flock. PR.
- Dusky Antbird. *Cercomacra tyrannina*. PR, CT.
- White-bellied Antbird. *Myrmeciza longipes*. Nice views of a pair. GA.
- Chestnut-backed Antbird. *Myrmeiza exsul*. GA, PR.
- Spotted Antbird. *Hylophylax naevioides*. GA, CT (Semaphore hill).
- Bicolored Antbird. *Gymnopithys bicolor*. PR.

Antpittas / Grallaeridae

- Streak-chested Antpitta. *Hylopezus perspicillatus*. Heard only. PR.

Antthrushes / Formicariidae

- Black-faced Antthrush. *Formicarius analis*. Heard only. PR.

Ovenbirds and Woodcreepers / Furnariidae

- Olivaceous Woodcreeper. *Sttasomus griseicapillus*. Metropolitan park. CT.
- Plain-brown Woodcreeper. *Dendrocincla fuliginosa*. GA.
- Cocoa Woodcreeper. *Xiphorhynchus susurrans*. GA, PR, PC.
- Plain Xenops. *Xenops minutus*. Feeding flock. PR.

Tyrant Flycatchers / Tyrannidae

- Brown-capped Tyrannulet. *Ornithion brunneicapillus*. GA, CT.

Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet. *Camptostoma obsoletum*. GA.
Forest Elaenia. *Myiopagis gaimardii*. GA.
Yellow-bellied Elaenia. *Elaenia flavogaster*. PC.
Ochre-bellied Flycatcher. *Mionectes oleaginous*. PR.
Paltry Tyrannulet. *Zimmerius vilissimus*. CT.
Southern Bentbill. *Oncostoma olivaceum*. Seen by few participants. CT.
Common Tody-Flycatcher. *Todirostrum cinereum*. GA, CT, PC.
Black-headed Tody-Flycatcher. *Todirostrum nigriceps*. CT.
Yellow-margined Flycatcher. *Tolmomyias assimilis*. CT.
Ruddy-tailed Flycatcher. *Terentotriccus erythrurus*. PR, CT.
Eastern Wood-Pewee. *Contopus virens*. GA, PR, PC.
Acadian Flycatcher. *Empidonax virescens*. PC.
Dusky-capped Flycatcher. *Myiarchus tuberculifer*. Heard only. PR.
Panama Flycatcher. *Myiarchus panamensis*. GA.
Great-crested Flycatcher. *Myiarchus crinitus*. PR.
Lesser Kiskadee. *Pitangus lictor*. GA.
Great Kiskadee. *Pitangus sulphuratus*. Widespread.
Boat-billed Flycatcher. *Megarynchus pitangua*. GA.
Rusty-margined Flycatcher. *Myiozetetes cayanensis*. GA.
Social Flycatcher. *Myiozetetes similis*. GA.
Gray-capped Flycatcher. *Myiozetetes granadensis*. GA.
Streaked Flycatcher. *Myiodynastes maculatus*. GA, PR, CT, PC.
Tropical Kingbird. *Tyrannus melancholicus*. Widespread.
Fork-tailed Flycatcher. *Tyrannus savana*. GA.

Cotingas / Cotingidae

Purple-throated Fruitcrow. *Querula purpurata*. PR.
Blue Cotinga. *Cotinga nattererii*. A male was observed distantly from the discovery tower. PR.

Manakins / Pipridae

Lance-tailed Manakin. *Chiroxiphia lanceolata*. Heard only. PC.
Blue-crowned Manakin. *Lepidothrix coronata*. CT.
Golden-collared Manakin. *Manacus vitellinus*. PR.
Red-capped Manakin. *Ceratopipra mentalis*. PR.

Vireos / Vireonidae

Yellow-throated Vireo. *Vireo flavifrons*. Heard only by Steve. GA.
Red-eyed Vireo. *Vireo olivaceus*. Reported by Steve in noon walk. GA.
Golden-fronted Greenlet. *Hylophilus aurantiifrons*. GA, PC.
Lesser Greenlet. *Hylophilus decurtatus*. GA.
Green Shrike-Vireo. *Vireolanius pulchellus*. Distant views. CT.

Crown, Jays and Magpies / Corvidae

Black-chested Jay. *Cyanocorax affinis*. Heard only. GA.

Swallows / Hirundinidae

Gray-breasted Martin. *Progne chalybea*. GA, PC.
Mangrove Swallow. *Tachycineta albilinea*. GA.

Southern Rough-winged Swallow. *Stelgidopteryx ruficollis*. GA.
Barn Swallow *Hirundo rustica*. GA.
Tree Swallow. *Tachycineta bicolor*. 6+ individuals from Discovery Tower. GA.

Wrens / Troglodytidae

House Wren. *Troglodytes aedon*. GA, CT, PC.
Rufous-breasted Wren. *Pheugopedius rutilus*. Heard only. CT, PC.
Black-bellied Wren. *Pheugopedius fasciatoventris*. Seen by Steve and Krist. GA.
Plain Wren. *Canthorchilus modestus*. Heard only. GA.
Buff-breasted Wren. *Cantorchilus leucotis*. GA.
White-breasted Wood-Wren. *Henicorhina leucosticta*. Heard only. CT.
Song Wren. *Cyphorhinus phaeocephalus*. Heard only. GA.

Gnatcatchers / Polioptilidae

Long-billed Gnatwren. *Ramphocaenus melanurus*. Heard only. CT.
Tropical Gnatcatcher. *Polioptila plumbea*. CT.

Thrushes and Allies / Turdidae

Swainson's Thrush. *Catharus ustulatus*. GA.
Clay-colored Thrush. *Turdus grayi*. Widespread.

Mockingbirds and Thrashers / Mimidae

Tropical Mockingbird (introduced). *Mimus gilvus*. GA, PC.

New World Warblers / Parulidae

Northern Waterthrush. *Parkesia noveboracensis*. GA.
Black-and-white Warbler. *Mniotilta varia*. Seen by Steve in midday walk. GA.
Prothonotary Warbler. *Protonotaria citrea*. GA.
Cerulean Warbler. *Setophaga cerulea*. Seen by Steve. Laguna trail. GA.
Magnolia Warbler. *Setophaga magnolia*. Seen by Steve in midday walk. GA.
Bay-breasted Warbler. *Setophaga castanea*. Widespread.
Yellow Warbler. *Setophaga petechia*. GA, PC (Mangrove Warbler morph).
Chestnut-sided Warbler. *Setophaga pensylvanica*. GA.
Yellow-throated Warbler. *Setophaga coronata*. GA.
Canada Warbler. *Cardellina canadensis*. Superb views in Ammo pond. GA.

Tanagers and Allies / Thraupidae

Blue-gray Tanager. *Thraupis episcopus*. Widespread. GA, CT, PC.
Palm Tanager. *Thraupis palmarum*. Widespread. GA, CT, PC.
Golden-hooded Tanager. *Tangara larvata*. GA, PR.
Plain-colored Tanager. *Tangara inornata*. GA.
Saffron Finch (introduced). *Sicalis flaveola*. PC.
Green Honeycreeper. *Chlorophanes spiza*. GA, CT.
Blue-black Grassquit. *Volatinia jacarina*. GA.
Gray-headed tanager. *Eucometis penicillata*. Heard only. GA, PR.
White-shouldered Tanager. *Tachyphonus luctuosus*. PR, PC.
Flame (Lemon)-rumped Tanager. *Ramphocelus flammigerus*. GA.
Crimson-backed Tanager. *Ramphocelus dimidiatus*. Widespread.
Red-legged Honeycreeper. *Cyanerpes cyaneus*. GA, PR, CT.

Blue Dacnis. *Dacnis cayana*. CT, PR.
Variable Seedeater. *Sporophila americana (corvina)* . GA.
Black-headed Saltator. *Saltator atriceps*. GA.
Buff-throated Saltator. *Saltator maximus*. GA.
Slate-colored Grosbeak. *Saltator grossus*. Heard only. CT.

Genus Incertae Sedis / Genus Incertae Sedis

Orange-billed Sparrow. *Arremon aurantirostris*. PC.

Cardinals and Allies / Cardinalidae

Summer Tanager. *Piranga rubra*. Widespread.
Red-throated Ant-Tanager. *Habia fuscicauda*. GA, PR, PC.
Blue-black Grosbeak. *Cyanocompsa cyanooides*. PC.

Troupials and Allies / Icteridae

Great-tailed Grackle. *Quiscalus mexicanus*. Widespread in open areas.
Orchard Oriole. *Icterus spurius*. PC.
Yellow-backed Oriole. *Icterus chrysater*. GA, PC.
Yellow-tailed Oriole. *Icterus mesomelas*. GA.
Baltimore Oriole. *Icterus galbula*. Senn by Steve and Krist Laguna trail. GA.
Scarlet-rumped Cacique. *Cacicus uropygialis*. PR, CT.
Yellow-rumped Cacique. *Cacicus cela*. Seen along with prev. species. PR.

Siskins, Crossbills and Allies / Fringillidae

Yellow-crowned Euphonia. *Euphonia luteicapilla*. CT.
Fulvous-vented Euphonia. *Euphonia fulvicrissa*. CT.
Lesser Goldfinch. *Spinus psaltria*. PC.

Old World Sparrows / Passeridae

House Sparrow (introduced). *Passer domesticus*. PC.

MAMMALS

Brown-throated Three-toed Sloth. *Bradypus variegatus*. CT.
Hoffman's Two-toed Sloth. *Choloepus hoffmanni*. GA., CT.
Northern Tamandua. *Tamandua mexicana*. Amazing views! GA.
Geoffroy's Tamarin. *Saguinus geoffroyi*. GA.
White-throated Capuchin. *Cebus capuchinus*. GA.
Black (Mantled) Howler Monkey. *Alouatta palliate*. GA, PR, CT.
Panamanian Night Monkey. *Aotus zonalis*. Superb views! CT.
Red-tailed Squirrel. *Sciurus granatensis*. GA.
Central American Agouti. *Dasyprocta punctata*. GA, CT, PC.
Long-nosed Bat. *Rhynchonycteris naso*. GA.
White-nosed Coati. *Nasua narica*. CT.

BUTTERFLIES

Morpho butterfly
Swallow-tailed Butterfly
Owl-eyed (Caligo) butterfly
Orange-patch crescent

OTHER SPECIES

House gecko

Yellow-headed gecko

Green iguana

Basilisk lizard

American crocodile

Giant whiptail lizard

Arboreal termites

Azteca ants

Leaf-cutter ants

Army ants

Orb-weaver spider