

*Victor Emanuel Nature Tours*

**Panama's Canal Zone:**  
*A relaxed and easy tour*

November 12-18, 2017



White-necked Jacobin. *Florisuga mellivora*. David Ascanio

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(Benny Wilson – Full day Panama City)  
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The silent night in the peaceful town of Gamboa was followed by a wild blast of birds at dawn near the lodge. What a way to start our Panama Canal tour! The bird feeder was the first step to identify some of the common and colorful species and that included Plain-colored, Blue-gray, Palm, Crimson-backed and Golden-hooded Tanagers. In addition to this kaleidoscope of colors we also saw Red-legged and Shinning Honeycreeper, Orange-chinned Parakeet and Buff-throated Saltator. As the morning warmed-up we walked in the streets of Gamboa and added Common Tody Flycatcher, Baltimore Oriole, Gray-headed Chachalacas, Gray-lined Hawk and three Short-tailed Hawks in flight. A slow afternoon (due to the rain) gave us the chance to have close views of Gartered Trogon and a female Blue Cotinga.



The second day was to explore the riverine forest of the Chagres river and also Lake Gatún, along the Panama Canal. These locations gave us the opportunity to add Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture, Greater Ani, Common Black Hawk, Black-bellied Whistling-Duck, Snail Kite, Rufous Motmot, Keel-billed Toucan, Purple Gallinule, Mangrove Swallow, Fasciated Antshrike, Green Kingfisher and Limpkin to our list. We also saw several waterbirds and three species of terns. The surprise of the morning was a flash view of what seemed like a Black Tern, in the mouth of the Chagres river. There have been very

few previous records of this tern in the Panama Canal. On the other side, in another rainy afternoon we added a pair of the secretive Isthmian Wren, and given the overcast evening, they sat in the open and allowed us for great views.



The third day was the one that everyone had great expectations. That's because we visited the world-famed Pipeline Road. Birding was, in a couple of words, non-stop! We enjoyed great views of superb birds, from trogons to manakins and wrens. Most participants took the optional walk up to the discovery tower and enjoyed canopy view of the forest. The afternoon was equally great and complemented the morning. We visited the road from Gamboa to the Chagres river and later the Ammo ponds where the day ended with views of Lesser Nighthawks feeding above our heads.

The last couple of days found us in new locations and, of course gave us more birds for the tour. In one morning, we visited the famous Canopy Tower and enjoyed panoramic views of the Soberania National Park. From the upper deck we saw Cinnamon Woodpecker, Slaty-tailed Trogon (Semaphore Hill), and Brown-hooded Parrots (perched). We also visited the Miraflores locks but the transit activity was delayed due to a heavy rain and this rain actually turned in our side as the birding in the parking area was superb!

The last morning gave us the opportunity to explore the mudflats and exposed rocks in low tide facing Panama City. Here, we nailed several sandpipers, pelicans, Cocoi Heron, White Ibis and plovers. We also took the time to visit the Old Panama Museum and learned much of Panama's City history, including the critical moments for each of the four cities.





**Common Basilisk** *Basiliscus basiliscus* David Ascanio

I want to thank you for joining me in this *relaxed & easy* tour and look forward to seeing you again. I also want to highlight the importance of using local guides in countries we visit. That is the way I started (as a local guide in Venezuela) and that is my policy when I lead international tours. For that reason, I express my gratitude to Eliécer Rodríguez and Benny Wilson for their support and assistance in finding several birds.

Please, consider joining me in other Caribbean and Neotropical destinations, equally contrasting and hosting unique flora and fauna. Some of these tours are:

*Cuba: Birds and people-to-people.*

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### **ITINERARY**

12 Nov 2017

Arrival

13 Nov 2017

Gamboa, Semaphore Hill and ammo pond.

14 Nov 2017

Chagres river and Gatun lake. Gamboa road.

15 Nov 2017

Discovery Center in Pipeline road. Gamboa resort area.

16 Nov 2017

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

17 Nov 2017

Old Panama ruins and Casco Viejo. Tidal flats of Panama City. Metropolitan Park.

18 Nov 2017

Departure

### **ABBREVIATIONS FOR LOCATIONS**

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

CT Canopy tower, Summit park entrance and Semaphore hill.

PR Pipeline road, Discovery center and Discovery tower.

PC Panama City and Metropolitan Park.

### **THE BIRDLIST**

#### **Tinamou / Tinamidae**

Great Tinamou. *Tinamus major*. Heard only. CT.

#### **Waterfowl / Anatidae**

Black-bellied Whistling-Duck. *Dendrocygna autumnalis*. GA.

#### **Guans, Chachalacas & Curassows / Cracidae**

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

#### **Pigeons and Doves / Columbidae**

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

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

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

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

#### **Cuckoos / Cuculidae**

Squirrel Cuckoo. *Piaya cayana*. Heard only. CT.

Greater Ani. *Crotophaga major*. GA.

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

#### **Nightjars / Caprimulgidae**

Lesser Nighthawk. *Lurocalis semitorquatus*. GA.

### **Potoos / Nyctibiidae**

Great Potoo. *Nyctibius grandis*. PR.

### **Swifts / Apodidae**

Vaux's Swift. *Chaetura vauxi*. 50-60 ind. Discovery tower. PR.

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

Band-rumped Swift. *Chaetura spinicaudus*. PR.

Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift. *Panyptila cayennensis*. 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 hummingbird 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.

Purple-crowned Fairy. *Heliathryx barroti*. GA.

Black-throated Mango. *Anthracoceros nigricollis*. GA, PC.

Garden Emerald. *Chlorostilbon assmilis*. Seen in the city's French market. PC.

White-vented Plumeleteer. *Chalybura buffonii*. GA, PR, CT.

Crowned Woodnymph. *Thalurania colombica*. PR.

Blue-chested Hummingbird. *Amazilia amabilis*. GA, CT.

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

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

### **Rails, Gallinules and Coots / Rallidae**

White-throated Crake. *Laterallus albigularis*. Superb views of a pair! GA.

Purple Gallinule. *Porphyrio martinicus*. GA.

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

### **Limpkin / Aramidae**

Limpkin. *Aramus guarauna*. GA.

### **Stilts and Avocets / Recurvirostridae**

Black-necked Stilt. *Himantopus mexicanus*. 12+ Tidal flat. PC.

### **Plovers and Lapwings / Charadriidae**

Southern Lapwing. *Vanellus chilensis*. GA.

Black-bellied Plover. *Pluvialis squatarola*. 1 individual. Tidal flats. PC.

Semipalmated Plover. *Charadrius semipalmatus*. 100+ individuals. PC.

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

### **Jacanas / Jacanidae**

Wattled Jacana. *Jacana jacana*. Ammo ponds and wetlands along the road. GA.

### **Sandpipers and Allies / Scolopacidae**

Whimbrel. *Numenius phaeopus*. 3+ tidal flats. PC.

Least Sandpiper. *Calidris minutilla*. 1 at tidal flats. PC.

Semipalmated Sandpiper. *Calidris pusilla*. 50+ tidal flats. PC.

Western Sandpiper. *Calidris mauri*. Large numbers. 1000+ individuals. Tidal flat. PC.

Short-billed Dowitcher. *Limnodromus griseus*. 3. Tidal flats. PC.

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

Willet. *Tringa semipalmata*. 20+ tidal flats. PC.

### **Gulls, Terns and Skimmers / Laridae**

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

Franklin's Gull. *Leucophaeus pipixcan*. 3+ PC.

Black Tern. *Chlidonias niger*. 3 non-creeding plumage. Panama Canal. GA.

Royal Tern. *Thalasseus sandvicensis*. 20+ Panama Canal. GA.

Sandwich Tern. *Thalasseus sandvicensis*. 5+ Panama Canal. GA.

### **Storks / Ciconiidae**

Wood Stork. *Mycteria americana*. Two groups in flight. GA.

### **Frigatebirds / Fregatidae**

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

### **Boobies and Gannets / Sulidae**

Brown Booby. *Sula leucogaster*. Seen by Louis and Deborah. PC.

### **Cormorants / Phalacrocoracidae**

Neotropic Cormorant. *Phalacrocorax brasilianus*. GA, PC.

### **Pelicans / Pelecanidae**

Brown Pelican. *Pelecanus occidentalis*. Numerous in the Panama Canal. GA, PC.

### **Hérons, Egrets and Bitterns / Ardeidae**

Rufescent Tiger Heron. *Tigrisoma lineatum*. GA.

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

Cocoi Heron. *Ardea cocoi*. On 3 individuals. 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*. Chagres river. GA.

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

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

Black-crowned Night-Heron. *Nycticorax nycticorax*. Tidal flats. PC.

Yellow-crowned Night-Heron. *Nyctanassa violacea*. Tidal flats. PC.

### **Ibises and Spoonbills/ Threskiornithidae**

White Ibis. *Eudocimus albus*. 3+ Tidal flats. PC.

### **New World Vultures / Cathartidae**

Black Vulture. *Coragyps atratus*. widespread.

Turkey Vulture. *Cathartes aura*. Widespread. We observed a migration of few hundred individuals in the skies of Gamboa.

Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture. *Cathartes burrovianus*. 1 in Chagres river. GA.

### **Osprey / Pandionidae**

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

### **Hawks, Eagles and Kites / Accipitridae**

Snail Kite. *Rostrhamus sociabilis*. 30+ individuals. Lake Gatun. GA.

Common Black Hawk. *Buteogallus anthracinus*. Chagres river. GA.

Roadside Hawk. *Rupornis magnirostris*. PC (a heavily barred individual).

Semiplumbeous Hawk. *Leucopternis semiplumbeus*. Superb views of an individual in the Discovery Center. GA.

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

Broad-winged Hawk. *Buteo platypterus*. Few were seen migrating with the vultures. GA.

Short-tailed Hawk. *Buteo brachyurus*. 3 individuals in Gamboa and later another perched, from the upper deck of the Canopy tower. GA, CT.

Swainson's Hawk. *Buteo swainsoni*. Few individuals with vulture migration. GA.

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

### **Owl / Strigidae**

Spectacled Owl. *Pulsatrix perspicillata*. Heard from the lodge, at around 04.00-05.00AM.

### **Trogon / Trogonidae**

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

White-tailed Trogon. *Trogon chionorus*. PR, GA.

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

Black-throated Trogon. *Trogon rufus*. 1 individual. Metropolitan Park. PC.

### **Motmots / Momotidae**

Whooping Motmot. *Momotus subrufescens*. GA.

Rufous Motmot. *Baryphthengus martii*. PR.

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

### **Kingfishers / Alcedinidae**

Ringed Kingfisher. *Megaceryle torquata*. GA.

Green Kingfisher. *Chloroceryle americana*. GA.



### **Puffbirds / Bucconidae**

White-necked Puffbird. *Notharchus hyperrhynchus*. Heard only. Metropolitan Park. PC.

Black-breasted Puffbird. *Notharchus pectoralis*. Superb views of an individual along the Pipeline road. PR.

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

### **Toucans / Ramphastidae**

Collared Aracari. *Pteroglossus torquatus*. GA.

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

Yellow-throated Toucan. *Ramphastos ambiguus*. PR, GA.

### **Woodpeckers / Picidae**

Black-cheeked Woodpecker. *Melanerpes pucherani*. Heard only. CT.

Red-crowned Woodpecker. *Melanerpes rubricapillus*. GA, CT.

Cinnamon Woodpecker. *Celeus loricatus*. PR, GA, CT.

Spot-breasted Woodpecker. *Colaptes punctigula*. Superb views of an individual in Panama City. A rare species here! PC.

Crimson-crested Woodpecker. *Campephilus melanoleucos*. Heard only. Metropolitan Park.

### **Falcons and Caracaras / Falconidae**

Collared Forest-Falcon. *Micrastur semitorquatus*. Heard only (and almost seen!). GA.

Yellow-headed Caracara. *Milvago chimachima*. Widespread.

### **African & New World Parrots / Psittacidae**

Orange-chinned Parakeet. *Brotogeris jugularis*. GA, CT, PR, PC.

Brown-hooded Parrot. *Pyrilia hoematotis*. Scoped! CT.

Red-lored Parrot. *Amazona autumnalis*. CT.

Mealy Parrot. *Amazona farinosa*. GA, CT, PR.

### **Typical Antbirds / Thamnophilidae**

Fasciated Antshrike. *Cymbilaimus lineatus*. Great views of a female. Boat trip. GA.

Great Antshrike. *Taraba major*. Heard only, GA.

Barred Antshrike. *Thamnophilus doliatus*. GA.

Black-crowned (Western Slaty) Antshrike. *Thamnophilus atrinucha*. GA, PR.

Moustached Antwren. *Myrmotherula ignota*. Feeding flock. PR.

White-flanked Antwren. *Myrmotherula axillaris*. Feeding flock. PR.

Checker-throated Antwren. *Epinecrophylla fulviventris*. Feeding flock. PR.

Dot-winged Antwren. *Microrhophias quixensis*. PR.

Dusky Antbird. *Cercomacra tyrannina*. CT.

White-bellied Antbird. *Myrmeciza longipes*. Heard only. GA.

Chestnut-backed Antbird. *Myrmeiza exsul*. PR.

Spotted Antbird. *Hylophylax naevioides*. PR.

Bicolored Antbird. *Gymnopithys bicolor*. PR.

### **Antthrushes / Formicariidae**

Black-faced Antthrush. *Formicarius analis*. Some participants got great views of it! PR.

### **Ovenbirds and Woodcreepers / Furnariidae**

Northern Barred Woodcreeper. *Dendrocolaptes sanctithomae*. PR.

Cocoa Woodcreeper. *Xiphorhynchus susurrans*. GA, PR, CT.

Streak-headed Woodcreeper. *Lepidocolaptes souleyetti*. GA.

### **Tyrant Flycatchers / Tyrannidae**

Brown-capped Tyrannulet. *Ornithion brunneicapillus*. Heard only. CT.

Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet. *Camptostoma obsoletum*. Museum's parking area! GA.

Forest Elaenia. *Myiopagis gaimardii*. GA, PR.

Greenish Elaenia. *Myiopagis viridicata*. Heard only. Metropolitan Park. PC.

Yellow-bellied Elaenia. *Elaenia flavogaster*. Museum's parking area. GA.

Paltry Tyrannulet. *Zimmerius vilissimus*. CT.

Southern Bentbill. *Oncostoma olivaceum*. Seen by all participants. GA.

Common Tody-Flycatcher. *Todirostrum cinereum*. GA, PC.

Olivaceous Flatbill. *Rynchocyclus olivaceus*. Discovery Center. PR.

Ruddy-tailed Flycatcher. *Terenotriccus erythrurus*. PR.

Olive-sided Flycatcher. *Contopus cooperi*. CT.

Eastern Wood-Pewee. *Contopus virens*. GA, PR, PC.

Tropical Pewee. *Contopus cinereus*. GA.

Acadian Flycatcher. *Empidonax virescens*. Metropolitan Park. PC.

Dusky-capped Flycatcher. *Myiarchus tuberculifer*. PR.

Panama Flycatcher. *Myiarchus panamensis*. Heard only. GA.

Great-crested Flycatcher. *Myiarchus crinitus*. GA.

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, CT.

Tropical Kingbird. *Tyrannus melancholicus*. Widespread.

Fork-tailed Flycatcher. *Tyrannus savana*. One perched on the fence of the Panama Canal. GA.

### **Becards & Tityras / Tityridae**

Cinnamon Becard. *Pachyramphus cinnamomeus*. GA.

Masked Tityra. *Tityra semifasciata*. GA.

### **Cotingas / Cotingidae**

Purple-throated Fruitcrow. *Querula purpurata*. Heard only. PR.

Blue Cotinga. *Cotinga nattererii*. Only a female, scoped. GA.

### **Manakins / Pipridae**

Lance-tailed Manakin. *Chiroxiphia lanceolata*. Seen by Deborah. Metropolitan Park. PC.

Blue-crowned Manakin. *Lepidothrix coronata*. PR.  
Golden-collared Manakin. *Manacus vitellinus*. PR.  
Red-capped Manakin. *Ceratopipra mentalis*. PR, GA.

### **Vireos / Vireonidae**

Green Shrike-Vireo. *Vireolanius pulchellus*. Heard only. CT.  
Lesser Greenlet. *Hylophilus decurtatus*. Feeding flock. GA.  
Golden-fronted Greenlet. *Hylophilus aurantiifrons*. Heard only. PC.

### **Crown, Jays and Magpies / Corvidae**

Black-chested Jay. *Cyanocorax affinis*. Seen by Louis and Deborah. PC.

### **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.

### **Wrens / Troglodytidae**

House Wren. *Troglodytes aedon*. GA, CT, PC.  
Rufous-breasted Wren. *Pheugopedius rutilus*. CT.  
Isthmian Wren. *Cantorchilus elutus*. Superb nice views! GA.  
Buff-breasted Wren. *Cantorchilus leucotis*. GA.  
White-breasted Wood-Wren. *Henicorhina leucosticta*. Heard only. PR.  
Song Wren. *Cyphorhinus phaeocephalus*. Great views! GA.

### **Gnatcatchers / Polioptilidae**

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

### **Thrushes and Allies / Turdidae**

Gray-cheeked Thrush. *Catharus minimus*. Metropolitan Park. PC.  
Swainson's Thrush. *Catharus ustulatus*. PR, CT.  
Clay-colored Thrush. *Turdus grayi*. Widespread.

### **Mockingbirds and Thrashers / Mimidae**

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

### **Siskins, Crossbills and Allies / Fringillidae**

Yellow-crowned Euphonia. *Euphonia luteicapilla*. GA.  
Thick-billed Euphonia. *Euphonia laniirostris*. GA.

### **New World Warblers / Parulidae**

Northern Waterthrush. *Parkesia noveboracensis*. PC.  
Prothonotary Warbler. *Protonotaria citrea*. PC.  
Mourning Warbler. *Geothlypis philadelphia*. A responsive individual after playback. GA.  
Bay-breasted Warbler. *Setophaga castanea*. Widespread.  
Yellow Warbler. *Setophaga petechia*. GA, PC (Mangrove Warbler morph).

### **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, CT.  
Plain-colored Tanager. *Tangara inornata*. GA.  
Saffron Finch (introduced). *Sicalis flaveola*. PC.

Green Honeycreeper. *Chlorophanes spiza*. GA, CT.  
Blue-black Grassquit. *Volatinia jacarina*. GA.  
White-shouldered Tanager. *Tachyphonus luctuosus*. GA, PR, PC.  
Flame (Lemon)-rumped Tanager. *Ramphocelus flammigerus*. GA.  
Crimson-backed Tanager. *Ramphocelus dimidiatus*. Widespread.  
Shinning Honeycreeper. *Cyanerper lucidus*. GA.  
Red-legged Honeycreeper. *Cyanerpes cyaneus*. GA, PR, CT.  
Blue Dacnis. *Dacnis cayana*. GA.  
Yellow-faced Grassquit. *Tiaris olivaceus*. PC.  
Variable Seedeater. *Sporophila americana (corvina)*. GA, PC.  
Buff-throated Saltator. *Saltator maximus*. GA, CT.

### **Genus Incertae Sedis / Genus Incertae Sedis**

Rosy Thrush-Tanager. *Rhodinocichla rosea*. Scoped! Metropolitan Park.. PC.

### **Buntings, Sparrows and Allines / Emberizidae**

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

### **Cardinals and Allies / Cardinalidae**

Summer Tanager. *Piranga rubra*. Widespread.  
Scarlet Tanager. *Piranga olivacea*. GA.  
Red-crowned Ant-Tanager. *Habia rubica*. Heard only. Metropolitan Park. PC.  
Red-throated Ant-Tanager. *Habia fuscicauda*. GA, PC.

### **Troupials and Allies / Icteridae**

Great-tailed Grackle. *Quiscalus mexicanus*. Widespread in open areas.  
Yellow-backed Oriole. *Icterus chrysater*. GA.  
Yellow-tailed Oriole. *Icterus mesomelas*. GA, PR.  
Baltimore Oriole. *Icterus galbula*. Widespread. Seen almost every day.  
Scarlet-rumped Cacique. *Cacicus uropygialis*. Semaphore hill. CT.  
Yellow-rumped Cacique. *Cacicus cela*. Summit park. GA.

### **MAMMALS**

Brown-throated Three-toed Sloth. *Bradypus variegatus*. PC.  
Hoffman's Two-toed Sloth. *Choloepus hoffmanni*. PC.  
Geoffroy's Tamarin. *Saguinus geoffroyi*. GA.  
White-throated Capuchin. *Cebus capuchinus*. GA, PC.  
Black (Mantled) Howler Monkey. *Alouatta palliate*. GA, CT.  
Red-tailed Squirrel. *Sciurus granatensis*. GA, PR.  
Capybara. *Hydrochoeris hydrochaeris*. GA.  
Central American Agouti. *Dasyprocta punctata*. GA, CT, PC.

Long-nosed Bat. *Rhynchonycteris naso*. GA.

White-nosed Coati. *Nasua narica*. CT.

Fishing bat. *Noctilio leporinus*. Night boat trip. GA.

### **BUTTERFLIES**

Blue Morpho butterfly.

Owl-eyed (Caligo) butterfly.

Heliconia butterfly.

Sulphur sp.

### **OTHER SPECIES**

Green iguana

Basilisk lizard

American crocodile

Spectacled Caiman

Giant whiptail lizard

Common Slider River Turtle

*Pseudoboa sp.* snake

Cane Toad

Leaf-cutter ants

Firefly