

SOUTH PERU - BIRDING THE INCA EMPIRE, ANDES AND AMAZONIAN RAINFORESTS

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Andean Cock-of-the-rock, Peru's national bird (photo Andrew Cutler).



Overview

In July 2025 we ran our South Peru: Birding the Inca Empire, Andes and Amazonian Rainforest tour, and it was great to return to this destination after a couple of years' absence. This trip is designed to provide both casual and serious birders with the opportunity to get a taste of the birds and wildlife that southern Peru offers. We visited famous and iconic destinations like the Andes, including the legendary archeological site of Machu Picchu standing in the cloud forest mountains of Cusco, and the Tambopata National Reserve in the Amazon rainforest. We were able to feast our eyes on classic bird species, including Hoatzin, Sunbittern, Sword-billed Hummingbird, Giant Hummingbird, Torrent Duck, Andean Cock-of-the-rock, Amazonian Umbrellabird, Paradise Tanager, Blue-and-yellow Macaw, White-throated Toucan, Laughing Falcon, Buff-tailed Sicklebill and King Vulture, to name a few.

The route also offered a selection of the most range-restricted species for serious birders and listers, such as White-throated Jacamar, Inca Wren, Rusty-fronted Canastero, Cinnamon-faced Tyrannulet, Inca Flycatcher, Slaty Tanager, White-lined and Striated Antbirds, Bamboo Antshrike, Yungas Manakin, Black-backed Tody Tyrant, Peruvian Piedtail, Bearded Mountaineer, Blue-banded Toucanet, plus a few species of antpittas, including Red-and-white, Rufous-breasted and Urubamba Antpittas. We had fantastic encounters with other species such as Grey-breasted Mountain Toucan, Blue-and-yellow Macaw and Versicolored Barbet.



Giant (River) *Otters* are always a mammalian highlight of the trip (photo Andrew Cutler).



We had 13 full days of birding and recorded, amongst others, the following numbers of species: 43 hummingbirds, 18 parrots, 4 antpittas, 53 tanagers and allies and 23 species of mammals, including the endangered **Giant** (River) **Otter**.

It was very convenient to visit several feeding stations along the Manu Road, all of which have been opened to the public recently. Visitors can now fairly easily get closer views and photo opportunities of several bird species. We invite you to read the day-by-day description in the report below – we are sure it will be informative and fun. If you have never had the opportunity to visit this area, we hope this report will put this destination on your radar, and for the tour participants, we trust this will be a nice review of a memorable tour.

Detailed Report

Day 1, 1st July 2025. Arrival in Lima and transfer to hotel

The tour participants arrived in Lima, the capital of Peru, and they were transferred to our comfortable hotel for the night.

Day 2, 2nd July 2025. Flight to Puerto Maldonado and birding the surroundings

This morning we were transferred back to the airport to take a flight to Puerto Maldonado, the capital of the Madre de Dios state, located in southeast Peru. This state borders Brazil and Bolivia and is in the Amazon rainforest at an elevation of 600 feet (183 meters). This active and bustling town stands at the confluence of the Madre de Dios River and the Tambopata River, and is the gateway to several Amazon lodges in the Tambopata Reserve, as well as more remote areas like Los Amigos and the Manu River. There are daily connecting flights to Cusco or 300 miles (480 km) of road, and it is usually visited by tourists during the Peruvian winter (June-August). South American winters experience cold fronts coming from the south (Antarctic winds) which are known locally as Friajes. They cause temperatures to drop from an average of 91.4°F (33°C) to 50°F (10°C), with high humidity and cold. This does not happen all winter long but repeats itself five or six times, generally lasting about five days. We arrived in Puerto Maldonado at the end of a cold front and even though it was sunny, most of us felt quite chilly.

In spite of the cold our first afternoon of birding was great, with good species in rice fields outside town, including Horned Screamer, White-faced and Black-bellied Whistling Ducks, Brazilian Teal, Southern Lapwing, Collared Plover, Green Ibis, Rufescent Tiger Heron, Capped Heron, Large-billed Tern, numerous Wattled Jacanas, Wood Stork, Red-breasted Blackbird, Grassland Sparrow, Yellowish Pipit, Rusty-margined Flycatcher, Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture, Snail Kite, and Red-bellied Macaw, amongst others. We returned to our hotel in town at sunset.

Day 3, 3rd July 2025. Visiting Sandoval Lake

After a tasty and generous breakfast, we went to Madre de Dios River to take a 45-minute boat trip to Sandoval Lake, located in Tambopata Reserve. Before sailing east, we stopped to look for **White-throated Jacamar**, which showed well but at the wrong angle for good photos. At the



same place we also spotted a **Brown-throated Sloth**. During the boat ride we saw **White-banded**, **Southern Rough-winged** and **White-winged Swallows**, and **Drab Water Tyrant**.

The temperature was perfect, neither chilly nor hot. We walked slowly over 1.2 miles (2 km) along a wooden boardwalk to the lake, looking for birds along the way. Activity was slow but we managed some good birds, which kept our spirits high, such as Collared Trogon, Black-fronted Nunbird, Little Cuckoo (seen briefly by some), Red-stained Woodpecker, Masked Tityra, Olivaceous and Buff-throated Woodcreepers, Silver-beaked Tanager, Moustached Wren, Chivi Vireo, White-lored Tyrannulet, White-browed Antbird, Plain-throated, White-flanked and Grey Antwrens, Plain-winged and Fasciated Antshrikes, and the elusive Green-and-rufous Kingfisher. We had a nice view of Chestnut-capped Puffbird, which remained motionless for us. Once we arrived at the lake we had Grey-headed Tanager, a nice male Pink-throated Becard, Black-tailed Trogon (a female), Bluish-fronted Jacamar, White-shouldered Tanager and the handsome Red-necked Woodpecker. We tried for the impressive Long-billed Woodcreeper which sadly did not respond well, giving only a few glimpses around us.

The scenery and beauty of the oxbow lake, with calm waters surrounded by palms and trees, was outstanding. We spotted a few small **Black Caimans** on the water and a medium-sized one, about 8 feet (2.5 m) long, on the shore of the lake. Previously at high risk of extinction due to indiscriminate hunting, the world population is thankfully recovering, with an estimated 25,000 to 50,000 individuals in the wild. Another interesting creature was a **Yellow-spotted River Turtle**, which we saw well, posing and regulating its body temperature by resting on dead logs, with a butterfly occasionally alighting and licking salt from its head.

We had some pretty birds, including the monotypic Hoatzin and Sunbittern, both important targets for all participants. We enjoyed Ringed, Amazon and Green Kingfishers, Striated Heron, Black-capped Donacobius, Pale-vented Pigeon, Fork-tailed Palm Swifts, Duskyheaded Parakeet, Least Grebe, Neotropic Cormorant, Anhinga and Rufescent Tiger Heron.

We saw the most-wanted **Giant** (River) **Otter** at relatively close distance from the boat, this was probably the creature of the trip. This is an endangered species, due to decades of poaching for its velvety pelt. This fantastic animal is found in the Peruvian Amazon, one of its last bastions and shelters, with an estimated population of 1,000 to 5,000 individuals, and no more than 60 in captivity. It is the largest otter in the world.

We retreated to the trail and walked back to the river, admiring some of the distinctive indigenous trees and plants, many of which are truly eye-catching. Matthew managed to spot **Ivory-billed Aracari** and **Spix's Guan**.

We returned to town for another night in Puerto Maldonado, fortunately our last chilly night.

Day 4, 4th July 2025. Transfer to Tambopata National Reserve and Chuncho Lodge

We left Puerto Maldonado and drove towards <u>Filadelphia</u>, passing through agricultural fields and secondary growth forest, parallel to the Tambopata River. After about an hour's drive, and a few minutes along the river, we arrived at Chuncho Lodge, where we had a warm welcome and enjoyed a tasty lunch.

In the afternoon we birded the lodge clearing and adjacent trails and added Black-fronted Nunbird, Bluish-fronted Jacamar, Blue-headed Parrot, Lineated and Yellow-tufted



Woodpeckers, Thrush-like Wren, plus the common Blue-grey, Silver-beaked and Palm Tanagers. The small hummingbird garden was productive, with our first hummingbirds of the trip, including Fork-tailed Woodnymph, Reddish and White-bearded Hermits, and a female Butterfly Coquette (a split from Festive Coquette, which is now only found in the Atlantic forests of South America).

Some of us did a night walk before dinner and were rewarded with a **White-throated Tinamou** (roosting at night). We heard **Crested Owl** and **Amazonian Pygmy Owl**, with no good answers. We also had our first encounter with the **Amazon Night Monkey**.



This White-throated Tinamou was seen roosting at night (photo Matthew Rice).

Day 5, 5th July 2025. Macaw clay lick and Chuncho Lodge

We had a predawn start, leaving the lodge at 04.30am, and sailed upriver to the Bahuaja Sonene National Park to visit the Chuncho clay lick. This clay lick is visited by parrots and macaws daily to ingest minerals and antioxidants. Upon arrival at certain rocky beaches of the Tambopata River, the boat lands in a specific area (where other lodge boats also park and visitors gather on the beach, sometimes several dozen depending on whether it is the tourist season). There is no blind (hide) between watchers and the birds, and visitor etiquette is based on each group's guide's advice.

It was a foggy morning and navigation was tricky, nevertheless, the expert boat drivers ensured a safe round trip. We had a field breakfast and then approached as close as possible, but the distance was still far enough so that spotting scopes were preferred and photography was not ideal.

We waited longer than expected and then the birds gathered in large flocks, mostly parakeets and parrots, with species like **Blue-headed Parrot** and **Yellow-crowned Amazon**, followed by plenty



of Mealy Amazons and a few Orange-cheeked Parrots, a highly attractive South American parrot. Small parrots displayed while waiting for the large parrots. We had some other good birds in the vicinity, including Orinoco Goose, a scarce species in Peru and named after the Orinoco River (one of the largest rivers in the world in terms of the volume of water discharged at its delta). We also saw Large-billed and Yellow-billed Terns, Black Skimmer, Capped Heron, Pied Plover, Swallow-winged Puffbird, Roadside Hawk, Burrowing Owl, Lineated Woodpecker, Great Potoo (at a daytime roost), Black Caracara, Greater Yellow-headed Vulture, and our first King Vulture. Minutes later we had impressive Scarlet and Blue-and-yellow Macaws (fewer in number) and numerous Red-and-green Macaws. We saw fewer birds than expected, both descending the cliffs or at the clay lick itslef, perhaps because of the weather. Nevertheless, from a birding perspective it was magical to see all these birds flying by, don't get me wrong!

We left the clay lick and returned to the lodge in time for lunch and a brief siesta. Later we went to watch the forest canopy from the 130-foot (40 meter) high scaffold tower. It was a mission to get up there, but once at the platform (if you don't suffer from vertigo) it was a unique experience which allowed us to get good views of canopy birds. From here, we had a nice session, with views of Lettered and Chestnut-eared Aracaris, White-throated Toucan, Yellow-tufted Woodpecker, Bat Falcon, Masked Tityra, Chestnut-crowned Becard, Olive Oropendola, plus some others. However, the best was probably having closer views of Blue-and-yellow Macaw and, flight views of the trio of Scarlet Macaw, Red-and-green Macaw and Chestnut-fronted Macaw, showing its nice blue color under its wings. We saw the uncommon Black-capped Parakeet on a short mating session, this species can be hard to detect in the region.

We returned to the lodge and some tour participants decided to go for a night walk, finding Amazonian Pygmy Owl.

Day 6, 6th July 2025. Chuncho Lodge

Today we spent our last day at the lodge. We started birding the hummingbird garden, where we found a male **Butterfly Coquette** which provided a lot of wows! Throughout the morning we explored one of the trails and had good views of **Blue-headed Macaw**, **Amazonian Motmot**, **Bluish-slate Antshrike**, which is often a mixed feeding flock sentinel, **Plain-throated** and **White-flanked Antwrens**, **Peruvian Warbling Antbird**, **White-browed** and **White-lined Antbirds**, **Chestnut-tailed Antbird**, **White-throated Antbird**, **Plain-crowned Spinetail**, **Ruddy-tailed Flycatcher**, **Forest Elaenia**, **White-winged Becard**, **Western Striolated Puffbird**, **White-fronted Nunbird**, **Rufous Motmot**, **Channel-billed Toucan**, **Rufous-capped Nunlet** and **Screaming Piha**, one of the classic species of the amazon rainforest with its extraordinarily loud voice, reaching 116 decibels, the second loudest call in the world after White Bellbird. We heard **Starred Wood Quail** and had a glimpse of **Undulated Tinamou** on the way back to the lodge.

In the afternoon we took our boat to explore the Quebrada El Gato ("Cat's Stream"), located upriver. The bird activity was generally slow, nevertheless we managed to add a few new species including Speckled Chachalaca, Spix's Guan, Violaceous Jay, Short-crested Flycatcher, Streaked Flycatcher, Black Caracara, Boat-billed Flycatcher, Olive Oropendola, Channel-billed Toucan and a few others

Back at the lodge we enjoyed a large troop of countless **Squirrel Monkeys** and at dusk we saw **Pauraque** around the cabins.





Undulated Antpitta near Ollantaytabo (photo Matthew Rice).

Day 7, 7th July 2025. Flight to Cusco and transfer to Ollantaytambo

We had an easy start, packed our luggage and prepared for the transfer back to Puerto Maldonado and then our flight to Cusco. Everything went smoothly and we landed in Cusco and were met by Hilmar, our main driver for the following days. He drove us out of the city using shortcuts and detours, trying to avoid the traffic. It seemed he was in a hurry of an unknown nature but we later realized he was coordinating with the caretakers of Paraiso de los Colibries feeding station to ensure they only fed the most-wanted **Undulated Antpitta** to coincide with our arrival. It took almost an hour and a half to reach this feeding station along the sacred valley of the Urubamba River. The tour participants were neither expecting to visit such a place nor to be able to witness the large **Undulated Antpitta** on a worm feeder. The participants were ecstatic, and also enjoyed views of some other great birds such as **Sword-billed Hummingbird**, **Great Sapphirewing** (the second largest hummingbird in the world) and **Giant Hummingbird** (*the* largest hummingbird in the world). What a moment of excitement!

The hummingbird feeders further included **Tyrian Metaltail**, **White-bellied Hummingbird** and **Sparking Violetear** (the bully of the andes). We also enjoyed views of **Golden-billed Saltator**, **Black-backed Grosbeak**, **Rufous-collared Sparrow** and **Chiguanco Thrush**.

It was getting late, and we had to leave before dark, so continued our drive to Ollantaytambo. We wished we could have stayed longer, this is definitely a place that requires a full day for photographers, as it is often visited by other species that we didn't see during our short visit.



Day 8, 8th July 2025. Train to Aguas Calientes and visit to Machu Picchu

It's generally a good idea to stay at Ollantaytambo (9,160 ft / 2,792 m elevation) versus Cusco (11,200 ft / 3,400 m elevation) during your first day in the mountains. The elevation is gentler, and the gardens of our hotel were surrounded by bird species. We spent about two hours birding the gardens, looking for the endemic **Bearded Mountaineer** which, after some searching, provided great views. This was species number 1,000 of the personal life list of our young participant Matthew, he will surely never forget that morning!

The garden held **Black-backed Grosbeak**, **Spot-winged Pigeon**, **Cinereous Conebill**, **Hooded Siskin**, **Greenish Yellow Finch**, **Band-tailed Seedeater**, **Rusty Flowerpiercer** and **Black-tailed Trainbearer**. Later we had a comfortable train ride for an hour and a half to the town of Aguas Calientes, the rendezvous for the Machu Picchu archeological site. We had a cultural visit scheduled for the afternoon. Then we did part of the "tourist routine", which involved queuing to get the bus up to the ruins and being escorted by the cultural site guide, who gave us a good introduction to Machu Picchu and the history of the Incas. The views, especially from the top, were amazing, and we were very happy to see endemic **Inca Wrens** performing, with close-up views of a family foraging a few feet from us. It was fun to see **Montane Vizcacha**, an indigenous rodent of the Andes, at the ruins. This is a social animal which feeds on mountain grass and lives in rocky areas in the mountains reaching 14,000 feet (4,270 m), with a distribution from Ecuador to Argentina.

We enjoyed the comfort of the hotels and the nice and varied meals of the local restaurants.

Day 9, 9th July 2025. Machu Picchu Sanctuary (Puente Ruinas)

Today we left the hotel at dawn to explore the forest along the Urubamba River, where most of the bird diversity in Machu Picchu is found. We started with views of **Torrent Duck**, one of the classic birds of the Andes. We hit our first mixed flock near the butterfly visitor center and had close-up views of the colorful **Versicolored Barbet**. In addition, we had other good species such as **Fawn-breasted Tanager**, **Slaty Tanager**, **Blue-necked Tanager**, **Saffron-crowned Tanager**, **Variable Antshrike**, **Chestnut-capped Brushfinch**, **Mottled-cheeked Tyrannulet**, **Golden-crowned Flycatcher**, **Chivi Vireo**, **Tropical Parula**, **Russet-crowned Warbler**, **Slate-throated Whitestart** and **Grey-breasted Wood Wren**. We scanned the river looking for White-capped Dipper, without success, but we found **Torrent Tyrannulet** and **Fasciated Tiger Heron**.

We had nice encounters with Andean Guan, Dusky-green Oropendola, Pale-legged Warbler, Oleaginous Hemispingus, the endemic Inca Flycatcher, Cinnamon Flycatcher, Streak-necked Flycatcher, Black Phoebe, White-tipped Swift, White-tipped Dove, Andean Motmot, Mitred Parakeet and Barred Becard. We looked for Masked Fruiteater, unfortunately without success, but a female Andean Cock-of-the-rock showed well with her cryptic coloration. Another nice addition was the near-endemic Blue-banded Toucanet, found only in the yungas of central and southern Peru and extending into Bolivia. A great selection of hummingbirds included the endemic Green-and-white Hummingbird, Bronzy Inca, Green Hermit, Chestnut-breasted Coronet and White-bellied Hummingbird.





Torrent Duck below Machu Picchu (photo Andrew Cutler).



The near-endemic Blue-banded Toucanet seen below Machu Picchu (photo Andrew Cutler).



Later we visited the feeders of the butterfly visitor center, where we had nice views of **Thick-billed** and **Orange-bellied Euphonias**, **White-lined Tanager**, **Golden-naped Tanager**, **Saffroncrowned Tanager** and **Silver-backed Tanager** (Silvery Tanager).

Finally, we had a **Speckled-faced Parrot** which remained nicely perched for photos. We returned to town, scanned the river for dippers, ate lunch and enjoyed some spare time, then caught our train back to Ollantaytambo. Some of us got views of **White-capped Dipper** in the stream adjacent to the train station. We arrived back in Ollantaytambo and Hilmar met us again and drove us to Cusco, where we spent a night in our nice downtown boutique-style hotel.

Day 10, 10th July 2025. Huacarpay Wetlands and transfer to Manu Road

Today we were to visit Manu Road, the famous road that connects the high Andes with the yungas and cloudforest of Cusco and eventually the Amazon rainforest in the Madre de Dios state. The altitude varies between 13,100 feet (4,000 meters) and 1,600 feet (500 meters) along this road.

We started the day visiting the Huacarpay wetlands, where the first target was the endemic skulker, **Rusty-fronted Canastero**, which, after playing hide-and-seek, we managed to see well. Other birds included **Puna Ibis**, **Andean Gull**, **Yellow-winged Blackbird**, **Bare-face Ground Dove**, **Chiguanco Thrush**, **White-crested Elaenia**, **Blue-and-yellow Tanager**, **Wren-like Rushbird** and the handsome **Many-colored Rush Tyrant**. There were waterfowl too distant for photos but we managed to identify **Puna Teal**, **Yellow-billed Pintail** and **Yellow-billed Teal**. Additionally, we saw **Andean Lapwing**, **Common Gallinule** and **Andean Coot**, with **Plumbeous Rail** giving us a show – this is probably the best place to see this rail coming right out into the open. We continued our drive towards Paucartambo, reaching high elevations near 13,000 ft (3,962 m).

We then drove through little Andean villages at high altitude, and fairly easily got super views of **Andean Ibis** while traveling. We hurried to avoid traffic congestion due to local festivities in Paucartambo. We ate lunch at a new restaurant with hummingbird feeders and saw **White-bellied Hummingbird**, **Green-tailed Trainbearer** and **White-bellied Woodstar**.

We arrived at the tree line at Acjanaco, the entrance to the Manu Biosphere Reserve at 11,800 feet (3,600 meters) but it was sadly very quiet. We thus continued the drive down the mountain and spotted a **Yungas Pygmy Owl**, unfortunately we could not see it well, despite our best efforts. We also saw **Andean Guan**, **White-collared Jay**, **Mountain Cacique** and **Plain-breasted Hawk**.

Our first mixed species flock encountered on the Manu Road provided **Hooded Mountain Tanager**, **Scarlet-bellied Mountain Tanager**, **Spectacled Whitestart**, **Masked Flowerpiercer**, the striking **Grass-green Tanager**, the uncommon **Chestnut-bellied Mountain Tanager**, **Pearled Treerunner**, **Tyrian Metaltail**, **Violet-throated Starfrontlet**, **White-throated Tyrannulet** and **Three-striped Hemispingus**.

We arrived at Wayquecha Biological Station and were pleased by the improvements here, such as Wi-Fi, and a better main building reception, bird feeders and meals – bravo to the chef!





Red-and-white Antpitta at the Wayquecha feeders (photo Andrew Cutler).

Day 11, 11th July 2025. Antpitta feeders and transfer to Cock of the Rock Lodge

Wayquecha deserves plenty of time to bird, at an easy pace, exploring the different areas of the cloudforest mountain habitat of Pillahuata. We had to maximize our time and effort and thus focused on the most-wanted antpittas that, for the first time, are being fed at worm stations in Manu. The first of the antpittas was the endemic **Urubamba Antpitta** (a split from Rufous Antpitta, named after the valley of Urubamba in Cusco). Later we moved to look for the endemic **Red-and-white Antpitta**, which took longer to show up but eventually provided great views. Finally, we moved to the last station where the small **Rufous-breasted Antpitta** (a split from Rusty-breasted Antpitta, also known as Leymebamba Antpitta, after the town of Leymebamba in the northern Andes of Peru) was waiting for us and gave great views.

We birded the Pillahuata zone, descending to lower elevations. We scored with a couple of **Grey-breasted Mountain Toucans**, which were big targets for our tour participants, especially Andrew. In the same area we found both **Barred Fruiteater** and **Band-tailed Fruiteater**, the latter providing good views and photos. We also had great encounters with **Red-crested Cotinga** and a couple of **Citrine Warblers**, **Grey-eared Brushfinch**, (Black-faced) **Cinnamon Flycatchers** and **Amethyst-throated Sunangel**, to name a few.





Urubamba Antpitta – another Peruvian endemic (photo Andrew Cutler).



Grey-breasted Mountain Toucan, of the lateralis subspecies (photo Andrew Cutler).



The hummingbird feeders at Wayquecha provided views of **Long-tailed Sylph** and the nearendemic **Gould's Inca**, found only in southern Peru and Bolivia and elevated to a full species in 2022. It is named after the 19th century British ornithologist John Gould. After lunch we drove down to San Pedro, making a few stops to add **Andean Motmot**, **White-eared Solitaire**, **Mountain Wren**, **Scaly-naped Amazon** (the only species of *Amazona* parrot that reaches high elevations) and **Chestnut-collared Swift**. Fortunately, it did not rain and the weather was perfect.

Later, we arrived at Cock of the Rock Lodge for three nights' stay.

Day 12, 12th July 2025. Cock of the Rock Lodge and La Union

The minimal parrot activity previously at the macaw clay lick was compensated by the bird activity at the feeders and gardens of Cock of the Rock Lodge. The activity was incredible when compared to other months like late August and September, when it is dry and slow. I think that arriving when the cold front was completely over caused us to experience activity throughout the day. The hummingbirds were active, with constantly busy Many-spotted Hummingbird, Violet-fronted Brilliant, Peruvian Racket-tail, Fork-tailed Woodnymph and Green Hermit, while the endemic Peruvian Piedtail fed regularly at the flowering bushes in the garden. Speckled **Hummingbird** fed in the *hibiscus* flowers around the dining room. While enjoying a nice breakfast and cup of coffee, other birds and creatures arrived in the garden. Some birds performed very well for us, including striking Paradise Tanagers (of the nominate race) feeding on melastomataceas berries. They were very low, not near the tops of the trees as is usually the case, which allowed almost eye-level views. Spotted Tanager and Blue-necked Tanager also fed nice and low, while Golden-eared Tanager came right to the feeders. Next up was Golden Tanager, which descended to the bird feeders, together with Orange-bellied Euphonia and Blue-grey Tanager, followed by striking Versicolored Barbets (male and female) at the feeders. Other species that showed around the garden were Buff-throated Saltator, Speckled Chachalaca and Dusky-green and Russet-backed Oropendolas. We also had Bolivian Squirrel, Brown Agouti and a shy Tayra, a large terrestrial mustelid, coming to feed on the fruit.





The striking **Lemon-throated Barbet** (photo Andrew Cutler).

The lodge was immersed in bird calls from the forest, including skulkers like **Yungas Manakin**, Chestnut-breasted Wren, Scaly-crested Pygmy Tyrant, Rufous-breasted Antthrush and Chestnut-backed Antshrike. The lodge surroundings provided Stripe-chested Antwren, Marbled-faced Bristle Tyrant, Olive-backed Woodcreeper, Montane Foliage-gleaner, Yellow-throated Chlorospingus, Two-banded Warbler, Golden-eyed Flowerpiercer (also known as Deep-blue Flowerpiercer), Hauxwell's Thrush, Andean Motmot, Slate-throated Whitestart and Bronze-green Euphonia, and we had nice views of Swallow-tailed Kite, always a pleasure to see.

We went up to an area known as la Union because we had heard there was a new feeding station that was worth a visit. The place is sometimes referred to as "Victor's Feeders". Upon arrival we were received by Victor and enjoyed Versicolored Barbet, and a splendid Golden-collared Honevcreeper on the feeder. Other tanagers included Golden-naped, Blue-necked, Golden, Spotted, Blue-capped and White-lined Tanagers. We had our first rain of the trip, which thankfully was more like thick drizzle, so we kept birding. From the road we had a flock containing Bolivian Tyrannulet and the beautiful Orange-eared Tanager.

In the afternoon we explored the road down from the lodge, a few sections of that stretch of road were muddy but fine to walk. We birded at a slow and relaxed pace and eventually spotted a pair of Amazonian Umbrellabirds – we could see the male through the scope on the other side of the river – which made the whole group happy. In the evening some of us saw Rufescent Screech Owl around the lodge cabins.





The male **Amazonian Umbrellabird** showed incredibly well for us along the Manu Road (photo Andrew Cutler).

Day 13, 13th July 2025. Inka Amazonia and Bamboo Lodge Feeders

We spent the morning visiting some new feeders down the road, beyond and below the Pilcopata sector at between 1,640 - 1,970 feet (500-600 meters) elevation. Our first station took us to visit Jardin de Picaflores Inka Amazonia. We walked down to the photography and observation blind (hide) to see the impressive **King Vultures** and we feasted our eyes on great sightings of this iconic species. This, together with Lagarto Cocha in northern Costa Rica, are the only photographic blinds (hides) for King Vulture in the whole of the neotropics.





King Vulture at the photography blind in Manu (photo Andrew Cutler).

After this we moved to the main garden, where the bird feeders have been placed. We had a great morning, with Blue-necked Tanager, Paradise Tanager, Yellow-bellied Tanager, Green Honeycreeper, Purple Honeycreeper, Rufous-bellied Euphonia and several Orange-bellied Euphonias. Other additions to the trip were Turquoise Tanager and the exquisite Lemonthroated Barbet as well as a single male Yellow-bellied Dacnis. We also added Wedge-billed Woodcreeper and Plain-crowned Spinetail and, to our surprise, a female Plum-throated Cotinga under the top of the *cecropia* trees. The excitement peaked when we saw the outstanding male!

Hummingbirds included the most-wanted **Rufous-crested Coquette**, one of the favorites of the participants. Others included **White-necked Jacobin** (the name originates from the bird's plumage pattern which resembles the hooded robes of Dominican friars, known as Jacobins), a single **Bluetailed Emerald**, **Grey-breasted Sabrewing** (the largest hummingbird in this part of the Amazon rainforest), **Long-billed Starthroat**, **Golden-tailed Sapphire**, **Sapphire-spangled Emerald**, the smart **Gould's Jewelfront**, **White-bearded Hermit** and **White-browed Hermit**, a very localized species in Peru. Only Charlotte and Matthew had a glimpse of the **Buff-tailed Sicklebill**.





Versicolored Barbet at a feeding station (photo Andrew Cutler).



The tiny Rufous-crested Coquette (photo Andrew Cutler).



Rufescent Screech Owl was seen at Cock of the Rock Lodge (photo Matthew Rice).

We spent the whole morning there, then had lunch at Manu Biolodge (previously Villa Carmen). We then made a short visit to Bamboo Lodge, where the only new addition to our list was **Green-and-gold Tanager** on a feeder. We returned to Cock of the Rock Lodge area and went to see its namesake species displaying at the lek. The famous **Andean Cock-of-the-rock** lek here is shared by several visitors that are traveling through or staying in the area. The lek activity happens in the early morning and late afternoon. We waited a while and were rewarded with great views of several males displaying. In addition of the national bird of Peru, we had great views of **Common Woolly Monkey**, we were fortunate as this primate is not always seen.

At lunchtime we briefly visited a spot to find **Great Potoo** at its daytime roost and some **Black-capped Night Monkeys**.

In the evening, while washing the vehicle, our driver Hilmar heard the calls of **Lyre-tailed Nightjar**. Amy and Matthew approached the area and managed to get the male in flight – they were very happy!

Day 14, 14th July 2025. Manu Endemic Reserve and transfer to Manu BioLodge

We left Cock of the Rock Lodge and went to another new feeding station garden called Manu Endemic Reserve, where we repeated the hummers we had seen yesterday. We tried to get Bufftailed Sicklebill which usually shows right in the open. Unfortunately, and despite all the time invested, it didn't show up for us this morning (only showing at 11.30am, after we had left, according to the owner). Nevertheless, it was not in vain as we found new birds including Paletailed Barbthroat (a widespread Amazonian species, but quite scarce). We had views of Blackthroated Mango, White-browed Hermit, Great-billed Hermit, Rufous-crested Coquette and



Fork-tailed Woodnymph amongst others. Along with Masked Tanager, Blue-crowned Trogon, Magpie Tanager, Black-faced Dacnis, Cinnamon-faced Tyrannulet, Long-tailed Tyrant, Grey-headed Kite, Yellow-rumped Cacique and Crested Oropendola.

We continued to Pilcopata and Manu Biolodge, where we stayed a night. In the afternoon we explored the surrounding openings, including the botanical gardens and visited the bird blind (hide), where we had fine views of **Undulated Tinamou**. It was great to see this bird vocalizing, one of the most iconic calls of the Amazon. We also saw **Pectoral Sparrow** and **Grey-fronted Dove**.

We returned to the lodge and had good views of Grey-capped Flycatcher, White-eyed Parakeet, Chestnut-fronted Macaw, Chestnut-eared Aracari, White-lored Euphonia (also known as Golden-bellied Euphonia), Social Flycatcher, Blue-throated Piping Guan and Spix's Guan. Some participants managed to see Slender-billed Xenops, Sunbittern, Rufescent Tiger Heron and Grey-cowled Wood Rail. At night we saw and heard a Tropical Screech Owl around the cabins.



Cinereous Tinamou at Manu Biolodge (photo Andrew Cutler).

Day 15, 15th July 2025. Manu Biolodge and transfer to Cusco

Our last day in Manu had a great start with us back in the bird blind where we had **Cinereous Tinamou** and **Undulated Tinamou**, feeding together. In addition, we heard **Black-capped Tinamou** but it wouldn't show, even though we waited about an hour for it. We tried for **Ringed Antpipit** but this remained heard only, and we saw **Chestnut-tailed Antbird**.



We left the lodge for the long drive back to Cusco, hoping to avoid traffic problems in Paucartambo because today was the main day of the town's celebrations. Our first stop was at Chonquechaca, where we had great views of the handsome **Black-backed Tody Tyrant**, another Peruvian endemic. Further up the road, back in the cloudforest and with perfect weather for raptors, we didn't find any eagles, but we had a nice male **Golden-headed Quetzal**. We arrived back at Wayquecha, had lunch and continued the drive back to Cusco along an infrequently used road because the main section between Paucartambo and Cusco was closed due to the heavy traffic for the celebrations.

We said goodbye to the high Andes of Cusco, thinking about a lovely trip which had been enjoyed by all tour participants. I' like to thank the tour group for being such great participants, the lodge staff who worked so hard to provide great service and memorable experiences, including bird reserves staff and feeder staff, as well as our skillful and attentive driver, Hilmar, who went the extra mile to ensure the success of the tour.

We arrived back at Cusco and enjoyed our final dinner as a group in a tourist restaurant, where a musical show entertained us all.

Day 16, 16th July 2025. Transfer to the airport and flight back to Lima

We were transferred to Cusco airport to connect to our flight back to Lima and home. Andrew and Debra stayed for a couple of extra days to explore the city.



Bird List - Following IOC (14.2)

Birds 'heard-only' are marked with (H) after the common name; all other species were seen.

Common Name	Scientific Name	
Tinamous (Tinamidae)		
White-throated Tinamou	Tinamus guttatus	
Undulated Tinamou	Crypterellus undulatus	
Cinereous Tinamou	Crypturellus cinereus	
Black-capped Tinamou (H)	Crypturellus atrocapillus	
Screamers (Anhimidae)		
Horned Screamer	Anhima cornuta	
Ducks, Geese, and Swans (Anatidae)		
White-faced Whistling Duck	Dendrocygna viduata	
Black-faced Whistling Duck	Dendrocygna autumnalis	
Torrent Duck	Merganetta armata	
Orinoco Goose	Neochen jubata	
Brazilian Teal	Amazonetta brasiliensis	
Puna Teal	Spatula puna	
Cinnamon Teal	Spatula cyanoptera	
Yellow-billed Pintail	Anas georgica	
Yellow-billed Teal	Anas flavirostris	
Chachalacas, Curassows, Guans (Cracida	ae)	
Speckled Chachalaca	Ortalis guttata	
Andean Guan	Penelope montagnii	
Spix's Guan	Penelope jacquacu	
Blue-throated Piping Guan	Pipile cumanensis	
Nightjars (Caprimulgidae)		
Parauque	Nyctidromus albicollis	
Lyre-tailed Nightjar	Uropsalis lyra	
Potoos (Nyctibiidae)		
Great Potoo	Nyctibius grandis	
Swifts (Apodidae)		
White-collared Swift	Streptoprocne zonaris	
Chestnut-collared Swift	Streptoprocne rutila	
Grey-rumped Swift	Chaetura cinereiventris	
Short-tailed Swift	Chaetura brachyura	
White-tipped Swift	Chaetura brachyura	
Fork-tailed Palm Swift	Tachornis squamata	



Common Name	Scientific Name	
Hummingbirds (Trochilidae)		
White-necked Jacobin	Florisuga mellivora	
Buff-tailed Sicklebill	Eutoxeres condamini	
Pale-tailed Barbthroat	Threnetes leucurus	
Reddish Hermit	Phaethornis ruber	
White-browed Hermit	Phaethornis stuarti	
White-bearded Hermit	Phaethornis hispidus	
Green Hermit	Phaethornis guy	
Great-billed Hermit	Phaethornis malaris	
Lesser Violetear	Colibri cyanotus	
Sparkling Violetear	Colibri coruscans	
Black-eared Fairy	Heliothryx auritus	
Black-throated Mango	Anthracothorax nigricollis	
Amethyst-throated Sunangel	Heliangelus amethysticollis	
Rufous-crested Coquette	Lophornis delattrei	
Butterfly Coquette	Lophornis verreauxii	
Peruvian Piedtail	Phlogophilus harterti	
Speckled Hummingbird	Adelomyia melanogenys	
Long-tailed Sylph	Aglaiocercus kingii	
Black-tailed Trainbearer	Lesbia victoriae	
Green-tailed Trainbearer	Lesbia nuna	
Bearded Mountaineer	Oreonympha nobilis	
Tyrian Metaltail	Metallura tyrianthina	
Bronzy Inca	Coeligena coeligena	
Gould's Inca	Coeligena inca	
Violet-throated Starfrontlet	Coeligena violifer	
Sword-billed Hummingbird	Ensifera ensifera	
Chestnut-breasted Coronet	Boissonneaua matthewsii	
Rufous-booted Racket-tail	Ocreatus addae	
Gould's Jewelfront	Heliodoxa aurescens	
Violet-fronted Brilliant	Heliodoxa leadbeateri	
Giant Hummingbird	Patagona gigas	
Long-billed Starthroat	Heliomaster longirostris	
White-bellied Woodstar	Chaetocercus mulsant	
Blue-tailed Emerald	Chlorostilbon mellisugus	
Grey-breasted Sabrewing	Campylopterus largipennis	
Fork-tailed Woodnymph	Thalurania furcata	
Many-spotted Hummingbird	Taphrospilus hypostictus	
Golden-tailed Sapphire	Chrysuronia oenone	



Common Name	Scientific Name
Sapphire-spangled Emerald	Chionomesa lactea
White-bellied Hummingbird	Elliotomyia chionogaster
Green-and-white Hummingbird	Elliotomyia viridicauda
White-chinned Sapphire	Chlorestes cyanus
Cuckoos (Cuculidae)	
Smooth-billed Ani	Crotophaga ani
Squirrel Cuckoo	Piaya cayana
Little Cuckoo	Coccycua minuta
Pigeons and Doves (Columbidae)	
Rock Pigeon	Columba livia
Band-tailed Pigeon	Patagioenas fasciata
Pale-vented Pigeon	Patagioenas cayennensis
Plumbeous Pigeon	Patagioenas plumbea
Spot-winged Pigeon	Patagioenas maculosa
Ruddy Ground Dove	Columbina talpacoti
Bare-faced Ground Dove	Metriopelia ceciliae
Grey-fronted Dove	Leptotila rufaxilla
White-tipped Dove	Leptotila verreauxi
Eared Dove	Zenaida auriculata
West Peruvian Dove	Zenaida meloda
Finfoots (Heliornithidae)	·
Sungrebe	Heliornis fulica
Rails, Crakes, and Coots (Rallidae)	
Plumbeous Rail	Pardirallus sanguinolentus
Grey-cowled Wood Rail	Aramides cajaneus
Common Gallinule	Gallinula galeata
Andean Coot	Fulica ardesiaca
Limpkin (Aramidae)	
Limpkin	Aramus guarauna
Grebes (Podicipedidae)	
Least Grebe	Tachybaptus dominicus
Plovers (Charadriidae)	
Pied Plover	Hoploxypterus cayanus
Southern Lapwing	Vanellus chilensis
Andean Lapwing	Vanellus resplendens
Collared Plover	Anarhynchus collaris
Jacanidae	
Wattled Jacana	Jacana jacana
Sandpipers, Snipes (Scolopacidae)	
Pantanal Snipe	Gallinago paraguaiae





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Snail Kite	Rostrhamus sociabilis	
Great Black Hawk	Buteogallus urubitinga	
Roadside Hawk	Rupornis magnirostris	
Variable Hawk	Geranoaetus polyosoma	
Owls (Strigidae)	-	
Crested Owl (H)	Lophostrix cristata	
Burrowing Owl	Athene cunicularia	
Yungas Pygmy Owl	Glaucidium bolivianum	
Amazonian Pygmy Owl	Glaucidium hardyi	
Rufescent Screech Owl	Megascops ingens	
Tropical Screech Owl	Megascops choliba	
Tawny-bellied Screech Owl (H)	Megascops watsonii	
Trogons (Trogonidae)		
Golden-headed Quetzal	Pharomachrus auriceps	
Collared Trogon	Trogon collaris	
Black-tailed Trogon	Trogon melanurus	
Blue-crowned Trogon	Trogon curucui	
Kingfishers (Alcedinidae)		
Amazon Kingfisher	Chloroceryle amazona	
Green-and-rufous Kingfisher	Chloroceryle inda	
Green Kingfisher	Chloroceryle americana	
Ringed Kingfisher	Megaceryle torquata	
Motmots (Momotidae)		
Amazonian Motmot	Momotus momota	
Andean Motmot	Momotus aequatorialis	
Rufous Motmot	Baryphthengus martii	
Jacamar (Galbulidae)		
Bluish-fronted Jacamar	Galbula cyanescens	
White-throated Jacamar	Brachygalba albogularis	
Puffbirds (Bucconidae)		
Chestnut-capped Puffbird	Bucco macrodactylus	
Western Striolated Puffbird	Nystalus obamai	
Black-streaked Puffbird	Malacoptila fulvogularis	
Rufous-capped Nunlet	Nonnula ruficapilla	
Black-fronted Nunbird	Monasa nigrifrons	
White-fronted Nunbird	Monasa morphoeus	
Swallow-winged Puffbird	Chelidoptera tenebrosa	
New World Barbets (Capitonidae)		
Lemon-throated Barbet	Eubucco richardsoni	
Versicolored Barbet	Eubucco versicolor	



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Toucans (Ramphastidae)		
Blue-banded Toucanet	Aulacorhynchus coeruleicinctis	
Chestnut-eared Aracari	Pteroglossus castanotis	
Lettered Aracari	Pteroglossus inscriptus	
Ivory-billed Aracari	Pteroglossus azara	
Grey-breasted Mountain Toucan	Andigena hypoglauca	
Channel-billed Toucan	Ramphastos vitellinus	
White-throated Toucan	Ramphastos tucanus	
Woodpeckers (Picidae)		
Yellow-tufted Woodpecker	Melanerpes cruentatus	
Little Woodpecker	Veniliornis passerinus	
Red-stained Woodpecker	Veniliornis affinis	
Lineated Woodpecker	Dryocopus lineatus	
Crimson-crested Woodpecker	Campephilus melanoleucos	
Red-necked Woodpecker	Campephilus rubricollis	
Caracaras and Falcons (Falconidae)		
Black Caracara	Daptrius ater	
Red-throated Caracara	Ibycter americanus	
Mountain Caracara	Phalcoboenus megalopterus	
Crested Caracara	Caracara cheriway	
Laughing Falcon	Herpetotheres cachinnans	
American Kestrel	Falco sparverius	
New World Parrots (Psittacidae)		
Cobalt-winged Parakeet	Brotogeris cyanoptera	
Orange-cheeked Parrot	Pyrilia barrabandi	
Blue-headed Parrot	Pionus menstruus	
Plum-crowned Parrot	Pionus tumultuosus	
Yellow-crowned Amazon	Amazona ochrocephala	
Scaly-naped Amazon	Amazona mercenaries	
Mealy Amazon	Amazona farinosa	
Black-capped Parakeet	Pyrrhura rupicola	
Dusky-headed Parakeet	Aratinga weddellii	
Red-bellied Macaw	Orthopsittaca manilatus	
Blue-headed Macaw	Primolius couloni	
Blue-and-yellow Macaw	Ara ararauna	
Scarlet Macaw	Ara macao	
Red-and-green Macaw	Ara chloropterus	
Chestnut-fronted Macaw	Ara severus	
Military Macaw	Ara militaris	
White-eyed Parakeet	Psittacara leucophthalmus	



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Mitred Parakeet	Psittacara mitratus	
Ovenbirds (Furnariidae)		
Olivaceous Woodcreeper	Sittasomus griseicapillus	
Plain-brown Woodcreeper	Dendrocincla fuliginosa	
Wedge-billed Woodcreeper	Glyphorynchus spirurus	
Cinnamon-throated Woodcreeper	Dendrexetastes rufigula	
Long-billed Woodcreeper	Nasica longirostris	
Elegant Woodcreeper	Xiphorhynchus elegans	
Slender-billed Xenops	Xenops tenuirostris	
Spotted Barbtail	Premnoplex brunnescens	
Pearled Treerunner	Margarornis squamiger	
Wren-like Rushbird	Phleocryptes melanops	
Cream-winged Cinclodes	Cinclodes albiventris	
Montane Foliage-gleaner	Anabacerthia striaticollis	
Rusty-fronted Canastero	Asthenes ottonis	
Plain-crowned Spinetail	Synallaxis gujanensis	
Azara's Spinetail	Synallaxis azarae	
Antbirds (Thamnophilidae)	Synananis azarae	
Stripe-chested Antwren	Myrmotherula longicauda	
White-flanked Antwren	Myrmotherula axillaris	
Long-winged Antwren	Myrmotherula longipennis	
Grey Antwren	Myrmotherula menetriesii	
Plain-throated Antwren	Isleria hauxwelli	
Bluish-slate Antshike	Thamnomanes schistogynus	
Plain Antvireo	Dysithamnus mentalis	
Barred Antshrike		
	Thamnophilus doliatus	
Chestnut-backed Antshrike	Thamnophilus palliatus	
Plain-winged Antshrike	Thamnophilus schistaceus	
Variable Antshrike Fasciated Antshrike	Thamnophilus caerulescens	
Bamboo Antshrike	Cymbilaimus lineatus	
Great Antshrike	Cymbilaimus sanctaemariae	
Striated Antbird	Taraba major Drymophila devillei	
Peruvian Warbling Antbird	Hypocnemis peruviana	
Southern Chestnut-tailed Antbird	Sciaphylax hemimelaena	
White-lined Antbird	Myrmoborus lophotes	
Plumbeous Antbird	Myrmelastes hyperythrus	
Goeldi's Antbird	Akletos goeldii	
Western Fire-eye	Pyriglena maura	
White-browed Antbird	Myrmoborus leucophrys	



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Antthrushes (Formicariidae)		
Black-faced Antthrush	Formicarius analis	
Rufous-breasted Annthrush (H)	Formicarius rufipectus	
Antpittas (Grallariidae)		
Undulated Antpitta	Grallaria squamigera	
Urubamba Antpitta	Grallaria occabambae	
Red-and-white Antpitta	Grallaria erythroleuca	
Rufous-breasted Antpitta	Grallaricula leymebambae	
Tapaculos (Rhinocryptidae)		
Bolivian Tapaculo (H)	Scytalopus bolivianus	
Tyrant Flycatchers (Tyrannidae)		
Yellow-bellied Elaenia	Elaenia flavogaster	
White-crested Elaenia	Elaenia albiceps	
Small-billed Elaenia	Elaenia parvirostris	
Sierran Elaenia	Elaenia pallatangae	
White-throated Tyrannulet	Mecocerculus leucophrys	
White-tailed Tyrannulet	Mecocerculus poecilocercus	
White-banded Tyrannulet	Mecocerculus stictopterus	
Torrent Tyrannulet	Serpophaga cinerea	
Ringed Antpipit (H)	Corythopis torquatus	
Bolivian Tyrannulet	Zimmerius bolivianus	
Peruvian Tyrannulet	Zimmerius viridiflavus	
Marbled-faced Bristle Tyrant	Pogonotriccus ophthalmicus	
Mottle-cheeked Tyrannulet	Phylloscartes ventralis	
Cinnamon-faced Tyrannulet	Phylloscartes parkeri	
Streak-necked Flycatcher	Mionectes striaticollis	
Olive-striped Flycatcher	Mionectes galbinus	
Inca Flycatcher	Leptopogon taczanowskii	
Many-colored Rush Tyrant	Tachuris rubrigastra	
Scale-crested Pygmy Tyrant (H)	Lophotriccus pileatus	
Common Tody-Flycatcher	Todirostrum cinereum	
Yellow-olive Flatbill	Tolmomyias sulphurescens	
Cinnamon Flycatcher	Pyrrhomyias cinnamomeus	
Black Phoebe	Sayornis nigricans	
Smoke-colored Pewee	Contopus fumigatus	
Vermillion Flycatcher	Pyrocephalus obscurus	
Drab Water Tyrant	Ochthornis littoralis	
Long-tailed Tyrant	Colonia colonus	
Streak-thoated Bush Tyrant	Myiotheretes striaticollis	
Piratic Flycatcher	Legatus leucophaius	



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Social Flycatcher	Myiozetetes similis	
Grey-capped Flycatcher	Myiozetetes granadensis	
Great Kiskadee	Pitangus sulphuratus	
Lesser Kiskadee	Philohydor lictor	
Golden-crowned Flycatcher	Myiodynastes chrysocephalus	
Streaked Flycatcher	Myiodynastes maculatus	
Boat-billed Flycatcher	Megarynchus pitangua	
Tropical Kingbird	Tyrannus melancholicus	
Short-crested Flycatcher	Myiarchus ferox	
Large-headed Flatbill	Ramphotrigon megacephalum	
Bright-rumped Attila	Attila spadiceus	
Cotingas (Cotingidae)		
Barred Fruiteater	Pipreola arcuata	
Band-tailed Fruiteater	Pipreola intermedia	
Andean Cock-of-the Rock	Rupicola peruvianus	
Red-crested Cotinga	Ampelion rubrocristatus	
Amazonian Umbrellabird	Cephalopterus ornatus	
Screaming Piha	Lipaugus vociferans	
Plum-throated Cotinga	Cotinga maynana	
Manakins (Pipridae)		
Yungas Manakin	Chiroxiphia boliviana	
Fiery-capped Manakin	Machaeropterus pyrocephalus	
Tityras, Becards, and Sharpbill (Tityrida	ne)	
Masked Tityra	Tityra semifasciata	
Barred Becard	Pachyramphus versicolor	
White-winged Becard	Pachyramphus polychopterus	
Pink-throated Becard	Pachyramphus minor	
Vireos (Vireonidae)		
Rufous-browed Peppershrike	Cyclarhis gujanensis	
Chivi Vireo	Vireo chivi	
Brown-capped Vireo	Vireo leucophrys	
Crows and Jays (Corvidae)		
White-collared Jay	Cyanolyca viridicyanus	
Violaceous Jay	Cyanocorax violaceus	
Purplish Jay	Cyanocorax cyanomelas	
Martins and Swallows (Hirundinidae)		
White-winged Swallow	Tachycineta albiventer	
Southern Rough-winged Swallow	Stelgidopteryx ruficollis	
White-banded Swallow	Atticora fasciata	
Blue-and-white Swallow	Pygochelidon cyanoleuca	



Common Name	Scientific Name	
Donacobious (Donacobiidae)	·	
Black-capped Donacobious	Donacobius atricapilla	
Wrens (Troglodytidae)	·	
Thrush-like Wren	Campylorhynchus turdinus	
Grey-mantled Wren	Odontorchilus branickii	
Inca Wren	Pheugopedius eisenmanni	
Moustached Wren	Pheugopedius genibarbis	
House Wren	Troglodytes aedon	
Mountain Wren	Troglodytes solstitialis	
Grey-breasted Wood Wren	Henicorhina leucophrys	
Chestnut-breasted Wren (H)	Cyphorhinus thoracicus	
Mockingbirds and Thrashers (Mimida	ne)	
Long-tailed Mockingbird	Mimus longicaudatus	
Old World Sparrows (Passeridae)		
House Sparrow	Passer domesticus	
Thrushes (Turdidae)		
Andean Solitaire	Myadestes ralloides	
White-eared Solitaire	Entomodestes leucotis	
Chiguanco Thrush	Turdus chiguanco	
Great Thrush	Turdus fuscater	
Hauxwell's Thrush	Turdus hauxwelli	
Dippers (Cinclidae)		
White-capped Dipper	Cinclus leucocephalus	
Siskins and Euphonias (Fringillidae)		
Hooded Siskin	Spinus magellanicus	
Thick-billed Euphonia	Euphonia laniirostris	
Orange-bellied Euphonia	Euphonia xanthogaster	
Rufous-bellied Euphonia	Euphonia rufiventris	
Bronze-green Euphonia	Euphonia mesochrysa	
White-lored Euphonia	Euphonia chrysopasta	
New World Sparrows (Passerillidae)		
Yellow-throated Chlorospingus	Chlorospingus flavigularis	
Common Chlorospingus	Chlorospingus flavopectus	
Yellow-browed Sparrow	Ammodramus aurifrons	
Grassland Sparrow	Ammodramus humeralis	
Pectoral Sparrow	Arremon taciturnus	
Chestnut-capped Brushfinch	Arremon brunneinucha	
Rufous-collared Sparrow	Zonotrichia capensis	
Grey-eared Brushfinch Atlapetes melanolaemus		



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American Blackbirds (Icteriidae)		
Red-breasted Blackbird	Leistes militaris	
Russet-backed Oropendola	Psarocolius angustifrons	
Crested Oropendola	Psarocolius decumanus	
Dusky-green Oropendola	Psarocolius atrovirens	
Olive Oropendola	Psarocolius bifasciatus	
Yellow-rumped Cacique	Cacicus cela	
Mountain Cacique	Cacicus chrysonotus	
Orange-backed Troupial	Icterus croconotus	
Epaulet Oriole	Cacicus chrysonotus	
Giant Cowbird	Molothrus oryzivorus	
Scrub Blackbird	Dives warczewiczi	
Yellow-winged Blackbird	Agelasticus thilius	
New World Warblers (Parulidae)		
Tropical Parula	Setophaga pitiayumi	
Pale-legged Warbler	Myiothlypis signata	
Citrine Warbler	Myiothlypis luteoviridis	
Two-banded Warbler	Myiothlypis bivittata	
Russet-crowned Warbler	Myiothlypis coronata	
Yungas Warbler	Basileuterus punctipectus	
Slate-throated Whitestart	Myioborus miniatus	
Spectacled Whitestart	Myioborus melanocephalus	
Cardinals and Allies (Cardinalidae)		
Black-backed Grosbeak	Pheucticus aureoventris	
Tanagers and Allies (Thraupidae)		
Green Honeycreeper	Chlorophanes spiza	
Golden-collared Honeycreeper	Iridophanes pulcherrimus	
Swallow Tanager	Tersina viridis	
Purple Honeycreeper	Cyanerpes caeruleus	
Blue Dacnis	Dacnis cayana	
Yellow-bellied Dacnis	Dacnis flaviventer	
Black-faced Dacnis	Dacnis lineata	
Bluish-grey Saltator	Saltator coerulescens	
Buff-throated Saltator	Saltator maximus	
Golden-billed Saltator	Saltator aurantiirostris	
Bananaquit	Coereba flaveola	
Blue-black Grassquit	Volatinia jacarina	
Slaty Tanager	Creurgops dentatus	
Grey-headed Tanager	Eucometis penicillata	
Black-googled Tanager	Trichothraupis melanops	



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White-shouldered Tanager	Loriotus luctuosus	
White-lined Tanager	Tachyphonus rufus	
Silver-beaked Tanager	Ramphocelus carbo	
Yellow-bellied Seedeater	Sporophila nigricollis	
Oleaginous Hemispingus	Sphenopsis frontalis	
Black-eared Hemispingus	Sphenopsis melanotis	
Cinereous Conebill	Conirostrum cinereum	
Greenish Yellow Finch	Sicalis olivascens	
Slaty Finch	Haplospiza rustica	
Saffron Finch	Sicalis flaveola	
Band-tailed Seedeater	Catamenia analis	
Golden-eyed Flowerpiercer	Diglossa glauca	
Masked Flowerpiercer	Diglossa cyanea	
Rusty Flowerpiercer	Diglossa sittoides	
Black-throated Flowerpiercer	Diglossa brunneiventris	
Fawn-breasted Tanager	Pipraeidea melanonota	
Blue-and-yellow Tanager	Rauenia bonariensis	
Hooded Mountain Tanager	Buthraupis montana	
Blue-capped Tanager	Sporathraupis cyanocephala	
Chestnut-bellied Mountain Tanager	Dubusia castaneoventris	
Grass-green Tanager	Chlorornis riefferii	
Blue-winged Mountain Tanager	Anisognathus somptuosus	
Scarlet-bellied Mountain Tanager	Anisognathus igniventris	
Orange-eared Tanager	Chlorochrysa calliparaea	
Magpie Tanager	Cissopis leverianus	
Red-capped Cardinal	Paroaria gularis	
Spotted Tanager	Ixothraupis punctata	
Yellow-bellied Tanager	Ixothraupis xanthogastra	
Golden-naped Tanager	Chalcothraupis ruficervix	
Blue-grey Tanager	Thraupis episcopus	
Palm Tanager	Thraupis palmarum	
Silver-backed Tanager	Stilpnia viridicollis	
Blue-necked Tanager	Stilpnia cyanicollis	
Masked Tanager	Stilpnia nigrocincta	
Blue-and-black Tanager	Tangara vassorii	
Bay-headed Tanager	Tangara gyrola	
Golden-eared Tanager	Tangara chrysotis	
Saffron-crowned Tanager	Tangara xanthocephala	
Green-and-gold Tanager	Tangara schrankii	
Golden Tanager	Tangara arthus	



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Common Name	Scientific Name
Turquoise Tanager	Tangara mexicana
Paradise Tanager	Tangara chilensis

Species seen:	402
Species heard:	8
Total recorded:	410

<u>Mammal List – Following Mammal Watching (April 2024)</u>

Common name	Scientific name			
Sloths (Bradypodidae)				
Brown-throated Sloth	Bradypus variegatus			
Tamarins and Marmoset (Callitrichida	Tamarins and Marmoset (Callitrichidae)			
Weddle's saddle-backed Tamarin	Leontocebus weddelli			
Aotidae (Night monkeys)	•			
Black-capped Night Monkey	Aotus nigriceps			
Capuchins (Cebidae)				
Tufted Capuchin	Sapajus apella			
Black-capped Squirrel Monkey	Saimiri boliviensis			
Howler and Spider Monkeys (Atelidae)				
Colombian red Howler	Alouatta seniculus			
Common Wolly Monkey	Lagothrix lagothricha			
Otters and Weasels (Mustalidae)				
Giant River Otter	Pteronura brasiliensis			
Tayra	Eira Barbara			
Coatis (Procyonidae)				
South American Coati	Nasua nasua			
Peccaries (Tayassuidae)				
Collared Peccary	Dicotyles tajacu			
Deers (Cervidae)				
Red Brocket	Mazama americana			
Agouti (Dasyproctidae)				
Brown Agouti	Dasyprocta variegata			
Rabbits, Hares (Leporidae)				
Brazilian Rabbit	Oryctolagus cuniculus			
Squirrels (Sciuridae)				
Bolivian Squirrel	Sciurus ignitus			



Vizcacha and Chinchilla (Chinchillidae)		
NorthernViscacha	Lagidium peruanum	
Cavies, and Capybaras (Caviidae)		
Capybara	Hydrochoerus hydrochaeris	
Andean Mountain Cavy	Microcavia niata	

Species seen:	18
species seen.	10

Reptile and Amphibians List – Following Reptiles of World (October 2023)

Common name	Scientific name
Spectacled Caiman	Caiman crocodilus
Black Caiman	Melanosuchus niger
Smooth-fronted Caiman	Paleosuchus trigonatus
Amazon Racerunner	Ameiva ameiva
Yellow-spotted Amazon River Turtle	Podocnemis unifilis

