



Field Guides Tour Report
IQUITOS (INVITATIONAL) 2013

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It had been seven years, I think, since I'd led an Iquitos-area tour, and it was GREAT to get back -- especially so with a highly congenial and interested group of amigo-birders to share it all with! We got out of the blocks birding the ancient white-sand forests just outside town, at the Allpahuayo-Mishana National Reserve (hereafter AMR). It took a couple of days to dig out the rarities out there (large on the list being good views of the recently described Allpahuayo Antbird, Ancient Antwren, and Mishana Tyrannulet), but Iquitos Gnatcatcher slipped through the net (it's been real tough to come up with in recent years and is one of the rarest birds in all of Amazonia).

Then it was down the Amazon to the lodges, with an overnight and productive birding around Yanamono on the north bank followed by a week on the Napo, based out of two lodges. The ACTS lodge provided easy access to the famous canopy walkway. The near section of it was under repair, but we were able to go up and bird the far end, coming back most of the way to cover the best trees. We also undertook an adventurous, suspenseful, and spiritually challenging hunt for Nocturnal Curassow that, I'm delighted to report, had a very, very happy ending! Diurnal flock activity was good but ant swarms were not very active.

Among the wonderful experiences on this tour is birding the several distinct habitats close to the lodges, especially the high terra firme (including the walkway area), streamside forests (remember the Black Bushbirds!), the canoe trip through the flooded forest and other varzea-forest birding walks, and, of course, the islands which ranged from new-born, grassy sandbars to old-growth forest and those choked with caña brava and cecropias. There were distinctive species in all of them, great stuff to look for every day.

OK, I'll take a shot at listing some highlights, plug in some memorable photos and videos from our tour, then get this list off to the webman so you can relive good times at home. I mentioned some of the best from the AMR above, but should add Black-bellied Cuckoo, Brown-banded Puffbird (gracias, Pedro!), Yellow-billed Nunbird, Ivory-billed Aracari, scope studies of Lined Forest-Falcon, Pearly Antshrike, Yellow-browed Antbird, Zimmer's Antbird, Long-tailed and Ocellated woodcreepers, Point-tailed Palmcreeper (in the rain!), Zimmer's Tody-Tyrant, Yellow-browed Tody-Flycatcher, Campinarana/Varillal Flycatcher, Citron-bellied Attila, Saffron-crested Tyrant-Manakin, Orange-crowned Manakin, a family of White-browed Purpletufts very low and close!, and a good number of Short-billed Honeycreepers. A couple of fantastic primates seen well at AMR were Pygmy Marmoset and Yellow-handed Titi Monkey.

Just a handful of the many Amazon/Napo best included a scoped Tiny Hawk, Slate-colored Hawk, unbelievable views of a Black-banded Crake, Fiery Topaz for some (from the walkway), Collared Puffbird (nice, Romney!), Lanceolated Monklet (gracias, Dios!), an active nest of Rusty-breasted Nunlet, crazy White-eared Jacamars, Gilded and Scarlet-crowned barbets, Plain-breasted Piculet, Cream-colored and Ringed woodpeckers, a stunning, perched Orange-breasted Falcon (glad I turned the boat around), lots of antbirds including Castelnau's Antshrike, Dugand's Antwren, Slate-colored Antbird, and singles of White-plumed and Hairy-crested antbirds at the one good antswarm we hit (both were tough to see well); Chestnut-belted Gnatcatcher a couple of times, Rusty-belted Tapaculo, Strong-billed Woodcreeper, the recently split (from Lined) Duida Woodcreeper, Pale-billed and Lesser horneros, amazing views of Chestnut-winged Hookbill from the walkway, Orange-fronted Plushcrows, Parker's, Ruddy, and Red-and-white spinetails, Brownish Elaenia, Johannes's and Black-and-white tody-tyrants, Orange-eyed Flycatcher, a dynamite male Purple-throated Cotinga, whipping male Wire-tailed Manakins, Varzea Schiffornis (at last, Romney!), a superb Scaly-breasted Wren, the recently described Varzea Thrush, glowing Masked Crimson Tanagers, and several close encounters with both species of river dolphins.

It was lots of fun to bird Iquitos with all of you, thanks for coming on this tour! Abrazos para todos, hasta la proxima, Bret

KEYS FOR THIS LIST

One of the following keys may be shown in brackets for individual species as appropriate: * = heard only, I = introduced, E = endemic, N = nesting, a = austral migrant, b = boreal migrant

BIRDS

Tinamidae (Tinamous)

GREAT TINAMOU (*Tinamus major*) [*]

WHITE-THROATED TINAMOU (*Tinamus guttatus*) [*]

CINEREOUS TINAMOU (*Crypturellus cinereus*) [*]

VARIEGATED TINAMOU (*Crypturellus variegatus*) – Amazingly, not even heard.

BARTLETT'S TINAMOU (*Crypturellus bartletti*) [*]

Anatidae (Ducks, Geese, and Waterfowl)

MUSCOVY DUCK (*Cairina moschata*)

Cracidae (Guans, Chachalacas, and Curassows)

SPECKLED CHACHALACA (*Ortalis guttata*)

SPIX'S GUAN (*Penelope jacquacu*) [*]

NOCTURNAL CURASSOW (*Nothocrax urumutum*)

Ciconiidae (Storks)

WOOD STORK (*Mycteria americana*) – One spotted soaring over the Napo from the canopy walkway.

Phalacrocoracidae (Cormorants and Shags)

NEOTROPIC CORMORANT (*Phalacrocorax brasilianus*)

Ardeidae (Herons, Egrets, and Bitterns)

COCOI HERON (*Ardea cocoi*)

GREAT EGRET (*Ardea alba*)

SNOWY EGRET (*Egretta thula*)

CATTLE EGRET (*Bubulcus ibis*)

STRIATED HERON (*Butorides striata*)

CAPPED HERON (*Pilherodius pileatus*)

BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON (*Nycticorax nycticorax*)

BOAT-BILLED HERON (*Cochlearius cochlearius*)

Threskiornithidae (Ibises and Spoonbills)

GREEN IBIS (*Mesembrinibis cayennensis*)

Cathartidae (New World Vultures)

BLACK VULTURE (*Coragyps atratus*)

TURKEY VULTURE (*Cathartes aura*)

LESSER YELLOW-HEADED VULTURE (*Cathartes burrovianus*)

GREATER YELLOW-HEADED VULTURE (*Cathartes melambrotus*)

KING VULTURE (*Sarcorampus papa*)

Pandionidae (Osprey)

OSPREY (*Pandion haliaetus*)

Accipitridae (Hawks, Eagles, and Kites)

PEARL KITE (*Gampsonyx swainsonii*)

HOOK-BILLED KITE (*Chondrohierax uncinatus*) – Nice view of a soaring adult, dark morph.

GRAY-HEADED KITE (*Leptodon cayanensis*)

SWALLOW-TAILED KITE (*Elanoides forficatus*)

BLACK HAWK-EAGLE (*Spizaetus tyrannus*)

SNAIL KITE (*Rostrhamus sociabilis*)

SLENDER-BILLED KITE (*Helicolestes hamatus*) – Darn it, couldn't get a calling bird to show itself and we couldn't get any closer to it. [*]

DOUBLE-TOOTHED KITE (*Harpagus bidentatus*) – A good spot on the first one by Marianne.

PLUMBEOUS KITE (*Ictinia plumbea*)

TINY HAWK (*Accipiter superciliosus*)

CRANE HAWK (*Geranoospiza caerulescens*) – Fantastic experience listening to the weird vocalizations of this bird, and seeing it pretty well as it responded to my imitation a couple of times.

SLATE-COLORED HAWK (*Buteogallus schistaceus*)

ROADSIDE HAWK (*Rupornis magnirostris*)

ZONE-TAILED HAWK (*Buteo albonotatus*) – An adult videoed on an island was an unexpected record.

Eurypygidae (Sunbittern)

SUNBITTERN (*Eurypyga helias*)

Rallidae (Rails, Gallinules, and Coots)

GRAY-BREASTED CRAKE (*Laterallus exilis*) [*]

BLACK-BANDED CRAKE (*Anurolimnas fasciatus*) – At our feet, and FAST! "Plan C" worked out alright!

Charadriidae (Plovers and Lapwings)

PIED LAPWING (*Vanellus cayanus*)

COLLARED PLOVER (*Charadrius collaris*)

Recurvirostridae (Stilts and Avocets)

BLACK-NECKED STILT (WHITE-BACKED) (*Himantopus mexicanus melanurus*)

Jacanidae (Jacanas)

WATTLED JACANA (*Jacana jacana*)

Scolopacidae (Sandpipers and Allies)

SPOTTED SANDPIPER (*Actitis macularia*)

PECTORAL SANDPIPER (*Calidris melanotos*)

Laridae (Gulls, Terns, and Skimmers)

YELLOW-BILLED TERN (*Sternula superciliosa*)

LARGE-BILLED TERN (*Phaetusa simplex*)

BLACK SKIMMER (*Rynchops niger*)

Columbidae (Pigeons and Doves)

ROCK PIGEON (*Columba livia*)

PALE-VENTED PIGEON (*Patagioenas cayennensis*)

PLUMBEOUS PIGEON (*Patagioenas plumbea*)

RUDDY PIGEON (*Patagioenas subvinacea*)

RUDDY GROUND-DOVE (*Columbina talpacoti*)

BLUE GROUND-DOVE (*Claravis pretiosa*) [*]

WHITE-TIPPED DOVE (*Leptotila verreauxi*)

GRAY-FRONTED DOVE (*Leptotila rufaxilla*)

RUDDY QUAIL-DOVE (*Geotrygon montana*) [*]

Cuculidae (Cuckoos)

LITTLE CUCKOO (*Coccyzina minima*)

SQUIRREL CUCKOO (*Piaya cayana*)

BLACK-BELLIED CUCKOO (*Piaya melanogaster*)

GREATER ANI (*Crotophaga major*)

SMOOTH-BILLED ANI (*Crotophaga ani*)

Strigidae (Owls)

TROPICAL SCREECH-OWL (*Megascops choliba*) [*]

CRESTED OWL (*Lophotrix cristata*) [*]

SPECTACLED OWL (*Pulsatrix perspicillata*) [*]

FERRUGINOUS PYGMY-OWL (*Glaucidium brasilianum*) [*]

Caprimulgidae (Nightjars and Allies)

SHORT-TAILED NIGHTHAWK (*Lurocalis semitorquatus*)

NACUNDA NIGHTHAWK (*Chordeiles nacunda*)

SAND-COLORED NIGHTHAWK (*Chordeiles rupestris*)

LADDER-TAILED NIGHTJAR (*Hydropsalis climacocerca*) – Nice views of these last two, fancy nightjar species!

Nyctibiidae (Potoos)

GREAT POTOO (*Nyctibius grandis*) – Yo Romney, great spot of a day-roosting bird from our slowly drifting canoes!

COMMON POTOO (*Nyctibius griseus*) [*]

Apodidae (Swifts)

SWIFT SP. (*Cypseloides* sp.) – Several *Cypseloides* seen pretty well by me, and perhaps a few other folks certainly appeared to be White-chinned Swifts, *C. cryptus*, but the ID is based largely on elimination of other candidates, given good light and having enough time to register appearance well, not on positive characters.

SHORT-TAILED SWIFT (*Chaetura brachyura*)

GRAY-RUMPED SWIFT (*Chaetura cinereiventris*)

PALE-RUMPED SWIFT (*Chaetura egregia*)

FORK-TAILED PALM-SWIFT (*Tachornis squamata*)

Trochilidae (Hummingbirds)

FIERY TOPAZ (*Topaza pyra*) – A fine adult male singing away was seen well by the first several folks with me on the walkway one morning, but it didn't stay put long enough for everyone to get it.

WHITE-NECKED JACOBIN (*Florisuga mellivora*)

RUFIOUS-BREASTED HERMIT (*Glaucis hirsutus*)

PALE-TAILED BARBTHROAT (*Threnetes leucurus leucurus*) – One seen by Mike.

WHITE-BEARDED HERMIT (*Phaethornis hispidus*) – Nice views of this and the next species.

STRAIGHT-BILLED HERMIT (*Phaethornis bourcierii*)

GREAT-BILLED HERMIT (*Phaethornis malaris*)

BLACK-EARED FAIRY (*Heliophrynus auritus*)

BLACK-THROATED MANGO (*Anthracoceros nigricollis*)

GOULD'S JEWELFRONT (*Heliodoxa aurescens*) – A singing bird we couldn't locate/get to/call into view. [*]

BLUE-CHINNED SAPPHIRE (*Chlorestes notata*) – Nice view of one bird.

FORK-TAILED WOODNYMPH (Thalurania furcata)

OLIVE-SPOTTED HUMMINGBIRD (Leucippus chlorocercus) – Several great views of this island specialty.

Trogonidae (Trogons)

BLACK-TAILED TROGON (Trogon melanurus)

GREEN-BACKED TROGON (Trogon viridis)

AMAZONIAN TROGON (Trogon ramonianus)

BLUE-CROWNED TROGON (Trogon curucui)

COLLARED TROGON (Trogon collaris)

Momotidae (Motmots)

AMAZONIAN MOTMOT (Mototus momota) [*]

BROAD-BILLED MOTMOT (Electron platyrhynchum) – Great view at AMR.

Alcedinidae (Kingfishers)

RINGED KINGFISHER (Megaceryle torquata)

AMAZON KINGFISHER (Chloroceryle amazona)

GREEN KINGFISHER (Chloroceryle americana)

GREEN-AND-RUFOUS KINGFISHER (Chloroceryle inda) – One nice view, after some perseverance!

Bucconidae (Puffbirds)

WHITE-NECKED PUFFBIRD (Notharchus hyperhynchus)

BROWN-BANDED PUFFBIRD (Notharchus ordii) – A distant calling bird finally came in pretty close, but the finisher was a great spot by Peter that led to scope views.

PIED PUFFBIRD (Notharchus tectus)

COLLARED PUFFBIRD (Bucco capensis)

WHITE-CHESTED PUFFBIRD (Malacoptila fusca) – Just one (as usual, if even one!), but is sure was a beauty.

LANCEOLATED MONKLET (Micromonacha lanceolata) – Woo-hoo, always nice to get this one!

RUSTY-BREASTED NUNLET (Nonnula rubecula) – Spectacular time watching a pair feeding well-developed nestlings; a rare treat!

BLACK-FRONTED NUNBIRD (Monasa nigrifrons)

WHITE-FRONTED NUNBIRD (Monasa morphoeus)

YELLOW-BILLED NUNBIRD (Monasa flavirostris)

SWALLOW-WINGED PUFFBIRD (Chelidoptera tenebrosa)

Galbulidae (Jacamars)

WHITE-EARED JACAMAR (Galbalcyrrhynchus leucotis)

YELLOW-BILLED JACAMAR (Galbula albirostris)

Capitonidae (New World Barbets)

SCARLET-CROWNED BARBET (Capito aurovirens)

GILDED BARBET (Capito auratus)

LEMON-THROATED BARBET (Eubucco richardsoni) – Couldn't move it at all. [*]

Ramphastidae (Toucans)

LETTERED ARACARI (Pteroglossus inscriptus)

CHESTNUT-EARED ARACARI (Pteroglossus castanotis)

MANY-BANDED ARACARI (Pteroglossus pluricinctus)

IVORY-BILLED ARACARI (Pteroglossus azara)

GOLDEN-COLLARED TOUCANET (Selenidera reinwardtii) [*]

WHITE-THROATED TOUCAN (Ramphastos tucanus cuvieri)

CHANNEL-BILLED TOUCAN (YELLOW-RIDGED) (Ramphastos vitellinus culminatus)

Picidae (Woodpeckers)

PLAIN-BREASTED PICULET (Picumnus castelnaui) – A couple of very nice views of this locally distributed upper-Amazonian specialty.

YELLOW-TUFTED WOODPECKER (Melanerpes cruentatus)

LITTLE WOODPECKER (Veniliornis passerinus)

RED-STAINED WOODPECKER (Veniliornis affinis)

YELLOW-THROATED WOODPECKER (Piculus flavigula) [*]

GOLDEN-GREEN WOODPECKER (Piculus chrysochloros) [*]

SPOT-BREASTED WOODPECKER (Colaptes punctigula) – Noce spotting by Virginia on that first one, near the AMR.

SCALE-BREASTED WOODPECKER (Celeus grammicus)

CHESTNUT WOODPECKER (Celeus elegans)

CREAM-COLORED WOODPECKER (Celeus flavus)

RINGED WOODPECKER (Celeus torquatus) – Good looks at four fancy Celeus woodpeckes.

LINEATED WOODPECKER (Dryocopus lineatus) [*]

RED-NECKED WOODPECKER (*Campephilus rubricollis*) – One fine view.

CRIMSON-CRESTED WOODPECKER (*Campephilus melanoleucos*)

Falconidae (Falcons and Caracaras)

LINED FOREST-FALCON (*Micrastur gilvicollis*) – A spectacular scope study on our final visit to the AMR.

BLACK CARACARA (*Daptrius ater*)

RED-THROATED CARACARA (*Ibyster americanus*) [*]

YELLOW-HEADED CARACARA (*Milvago chimachima*)

LAUGHING FALCON (*Herpetotheres cachinnans*) [*]

BAT FALCON (*Falco rufigularis*)

ORANGE-BREASTED FALCON (*Falco deiroleucus*) – Yowzaaaa! Rare but regular on river islands and edge in much of Amazonia. We had a fantastic view, even if it was from the boats, pointed into a swirling current!

Psittacidae (Parrots)

MAROON-TAILED PARAKEET (*Pyrrhura melanura*) – Seen best at AMR.

WHITE-EYED PARAKEET (*Aratinga leucophthalma*)

DUSKY-HEADED PARAKEET (*Aratinga weddellii*)

BLUE-AND-YELLOW MACAW (*Ara ararauna*) – Maybe 8 birds on two days.

RED-BELLIED MACAW (*Orthopsittaca manilata*)

DUSKY-BILLED PARROTLET (*Forpus modestus*) – Beaut scope studies at AMR, always good.

WHITE-WINGED PARAKEET (*Brotogeris versicolurus*)

COBALT-WINGED PARAKEET (*Brotogeris cyanoptera*)

TUI PARAKEET (*Brotogeris sanctithomae*)

SAPPHIRE-RUMPED PARROTLET (*Touit purpuratus*) – A couple of pretty decent flight views.

BLACK-HEADED PARROT (*Pionites melanocephalus*) – Good scope views of this ornate species.

ORANGE-CHEEKED PARROT (*Pytilia barrabandi*) [*]

SHORT-TAILED PARROT (*Graydidascalus brachyurus*)

BLUE-HEADED PARROT (*Pionus menstruus*)

FESTIVE PARROT (*Amazona festiva*)

ORANGE-WINGED PARROT (*Amazona amazonica*)

MEALY PARROT (*Amazona farinosa*)

Thamnophilidae (Typical Antbirds)

FASCIATED ANTSHRIKE (*Cymbilaimus lineatus*)

GREAT ANTSHRIKE (*Taraba major*) [*]

BLACK-CRESTED ANTSHRIKE (*Sakesphorus canadensis*) – Very close views of a pair out of Iquitos; subspecies loretoyacuensis.

BARRED ANTSHRIKE (*Thamnophilus doliatus*)

PLAIN-WINGED ANTSHRIKE (*Thamnophilus schistaceus*)

MOUSE-COLORED ANTSHRIKE (*Thamnophilus murinus*)

CASTELNAU'S ANTSHRIKE (*Thamnophilus cryptoleucus*)

PEARLY ANTSHRIKE (*Megastictus margaritatus*)

BLACK BUSHBIRD (*Neotantes niger*) – Awesome views, we loooved it!! Man, that pair or their offspring has been in there for many years!

DUSKY-THROATED ANTSHRIKE (*Thamnomanes ardesiacus ardesiacus*)

CINEREOUS ANTSHRIKE (*Thamnomanes caesius*)

PLAIN-THROATED ANTWREN (*Isleria hauxwelli*)

SPOT-WINGED ANTSHRIKE (*Pygiptila stellaris*)

STIPPLE-THROATED ANTWREN (*Epinecrophylla haematonota*)

PYGMY ANTWREN (*Myrmotherula brachyura*) [*]

MOUSTACHED ANTWREN (SHORT-BILLED) (*Myrmotherula ignota obscura*)

AMAZONIAN STREAKED-ANTWREN (*Myrmotherula multostriata*) [*]

WHITE-FLANKED ANTWREN (*Myrmotherula axillaris*)

GRAY ANTWREN (*Myrmotherula menetriesii*)

LEADEN ANTWREN (*Myrmotherula assimilis*)

DUGAND'S ANTWREN (*Herpsilochmus dugandi*) – Spectacularly well from the walkway.

ANCIENT ANTWREN (*Herpsilochmus gentryi*)

ASH-WINGED ANTWREN (*Terenura spodioptila*) [*]

GRAY ANTIBIRD (*Cercomacra cinerascens*) [*]

BLACK ANTIBIRD (*Cercomacra serva*) – Nice views of a male.

ASH-BREASTED ANTIBIRD (*Myrmoborus lugubris*) – Very close; great looks!

BLACK-FACED ANTIBIRD (*Myrmoborus myotherinus*)

PERUVIAN WARBLING-ANTBIRD (*Hypocnemis peruviana*)

YELLOW-BROWED ANTIBIRD (*Hypocnemis hypoxantha*)

BLACK-AND-WHITE ANTBIRD (*Myrmochanes hemileucus*) – Wonderfully close birds on the islands (where they belong)!

SILVERED ANTBIRD (*Sclateria naevia*)

ALLPAHUAYO ANTBIRD (*Percnostola arenarum*) – Outfoxed him (gracias a Dios).

SLATE-COLORED ANTBIRD (*Schistocichla schistacea*)

SPOT-WINGED ANTBIRD (*Schistocichla leucostigma*) – Tricky, these ones, but we eventually saw them well.

ZIMMER'S ANTBIRD (*Myrmeciza castanea*) – Just superb views of a singing male that came in from a long way off.

BLACK-THROATED ANTBIRD (*Myrmeciza atrothorax*) [*]

WHITE-SHOULDERED ANTBIRD (*Myrmeciza melanocephala*) – A male of this species and a male Plumbeous Antbird took turns bathing in a small stream late in the afternoon one day. It was fun to watch them in such a leisurely context.

PLUMBEOUS ANTBIRD (*Myrmeciza hyperythra*)

SOOTY ANTBIRD (*Myrmeciza fortis*) – Real nice at the ant swarm.

WHITE-PLUMED ANTBIRD (*Pithys albifrons*) – One or two were seen reasonably to very well at the one big army ant swarm we came across.

BICOLORED ANTBIRD (*Gymnophaps leucaspis*) – This one was easy to see at the same swarm, as several were present.

HAIRY-CRESTED ANTBIRD (*Rhegmatorhina melanosticta*) – Tough to spot, seen briefly by most but not very well by any of us (as I recall).

SPOT-BACKED ANTBIRD (*Hylaphylax naevius*) – Very fine studies at close range; in varzea.

COMMON SCALE-BACKED ANTBIRD (*Willisornis poecilinotus*)

BLACK-SPOTTED BARE-EYE (*Phlegopsis nigromaculata*) – Seen well at the one good ant swarm.

Conopophagidae (Gnateaters)

CHESTNUT-BELTED GNATEATER (*Conopophaga aurita*)

Grallariidae (Antpittas)

SPOTTED ANTPITTA (*Hylopezus macularius*) – Even after wading through a flooded swale in the forest to get close to a singing bird, we couldn't manage even a glimpse; it refused to approach at all. [*]

WHITE-LORED ANTPITTA (*Hylopezus fulviventeris*) – But this one more than made up for it -- WOW, what a fabulous experience it was to watch that bird singing at close range. Check out the video >>>>

THRUSH-LIKE ANTPITTA (*Myrmothera campanisona*) [*]

Rhinocryptidae (Tapaculos)

RUSTY-BELTED TAPACULO (*Liosceles thoracicus*) – One bird performed nicely, allowing good views for all.

Formicariidae (Antthrushes)

RUFIOUS-CAPPED ANTTHRUSH (*Formicarius colma*) [*]

Furnariidae (Ovenbirds and Woodcreepers)

OLIVACEOUS WOODCREEPER (*Sittasomus griseicapillus*)

LONG-TAILED WOODCREEPER (*Deconychura longicauda*)

PLAIN-BROWN WOODCREEPER (*Dendrocincla fuliginosa*)

WHITE-CHINNED WOODCREEPER (*Dendrocincla merula*)

WEDGE-BILLED WOODCREEPER (*Glyphorhynchus spirurus*)

CINNAMON-THROATED WOODCREEPER (*Dendrozetetes rufifrons*)

LONG-BILLED WOODCREEPER (*Nasica longirostris*)

AMAZONIAN BARRED-WOODCREEPER (*Dendrocolaptes certhia*)

BLACK-BANDED WOODCREEPER (*Dendrocolaptes picumnus*)

STRONG-BILLED WOODCREEPER (AMAZONIAN) (*Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchus orenocensis*)

STRIPED WOODCREEPER (*Xiphorhynchus obsoletus*)

OCCELLATED WOODCREEPER (*Xiphorhynchus ocellatus*)

ELEGANT WOODCREEPER (*Xiphorhynchus elegans*)

BUFF-THROATED WOODCREEPER (LAFRESNAYE'S) (*Xiphorhynchus guttatus guttatoides*)

STRAIGHT-BILLED WOODCREEPER (*Dendroplex picus*)

ZIMMER'S WOODCREEPER (*Dendroplex kienerii*)

DUIDA WOODCREEPER (*Lepidocolaptes duidae*) – Recently split (Special Volume of Handbook of the Birds of the World, June 2013) as an allospecies in the widespread Lineated Woodcreeper complex.

PLAIN XENOPS (*Xenops minutus*)

POINT-TAILED PALMCREEPER (*Berlepschia rikeri*)

PALE-LEGGED HORNERO (*Furnarius leucopus*) [*]

PALE-BILLED HORNERO (*Furnarius torridus*) – Unusually fine views, with a bit of luck, on a river island in the Napo.

LESSER HORNERO (*Furnarius minor*)

CHESTNUT-WINGED FOLIAGE-GLEANER (*Philydor erythropterus*) [*]

CINNAMON-RUMPED FOLIAGE-GLEANER (*Philydor pyrrhodes*) [*]

CHESTNUT-WINGED HOOKBILL (*Ancistrops strigilatus*)

STRIPED WOODHAUNTER (*Hylocichla ustulata*) – Mike managed to see this one.

BUFF-THROATED FOLIAGE-GLEANER (*Automolus ochrolaemus*) [*]

ORANGE-FRONTED PLUSHCROWN (*Metopothrix aurantiaca*)

PARKER'S SPINETAIL (*Cranioleuca vulpecula*)
SPECKLED SPINETAIL (*Cranioleuca gutturata*)
RED-AND-WHITE SPINETAIL (*Certhiaxis mustelinus*)
DARK-BREASTED SPINETAIL (*Synallaxis albigularis*) – This is the one that practically came into the boat!
RUDDY SPINETAIL (*Synallaxis rutilans*)
WHITE-BELLIED SPINETAIL (*Synallaxis propinqua*)
PLAIN-CROWNED SPINETAIL (*Synallaxis gujanensis*) [*****]

Tyrannidae (Tyrant Flycatchers)

WHITE-LORED TYRANNULET (*Ornithion inermis*)
SOUTHERN BEARDLESS-TYRANNULET (*Camptostoma obsoletum*)
YELLOW-CROWNED TYRANNULET (*Tyrannulus elatus*)
FOREST ELAENIA (*Myiopagis gaimardii*) [*****]
GRAY ELAENIA (*Myiopagis caniceps*)
LARGE ELAENIA (*Elaenia spectabilis*)
BROWNISH ELAENIA (*Elaenia pelzelni*)
RIVER TYRANNULET (*Serpophaga hypoleuca*)
OCHRE-BELLIED FLYCATCHER (*Mionectes oleagineus*)
MISHANA TYRANNULET (*Zimmerius villarejoi*)
SLENDER-FOOTED TYRANNULET (*Zimmerius gracilipes*)
LESSER WAGTAIL-TYRANT (*Stigmatura napensis*) – Nice views on our last day on the Napo.
SHORT-TAILED PYGMY-TYRANT (*Myiornis ecaudatus*) [*****]
DOUBLE-BANDED PYGMY-TYRANT (*Lophotriccus vitiensis*) – We found two active nests!
JOHANNES'S TODY-TYRANT (*Hemitriccus iohannis*)
ZIMMER'S TODY-TYRANT (*Hemitriccus minimus*)
BLACK-AND-WHITE TODY-TYRANT (*Poecilatriccus capitalis*)
RUSTY-FRONTED TODY-FLYCATCHER (*Poecilatriccus latirostris*) [*****]
SPOTTED TODY-FLYCATCHER (*Todirostrum maculatum*)
YELLOW-BROWED TODY-FLYCATCHER (*Todirostrum chrysocrotaphum*)
BROWNISH TWISTWING (*Cnipodectes subbrunneus*) – Elusive, but most folks saw it reasonably well at one attempt or another.
YELLOW-OLIVE FLYCATCHER (*Tolmomyias sulphureus*) – Subspecies insignis, common on the islands.
ORANGE-EYED FLYCATCHER (*Tolmomyias traylori*) – Seen well a couple of times. Ted Parker discovered this bird at the Explornapo Camp area back in the early '80s.
YELLOW-MARGINED FLYCATCHER (*Tolmomyias assimilis*)
GRAY-CROWNED FLYCATCHER (*Tolmomyias poliocephalus*) [*****]
YELLOW-BREASTED FLYCATCHER (OLIVE-FACED) (*Tolmomyias flaviventris viridiceps*) [*****]
ROYAL FLYCATCHER (*Onychorhynchus coronatus*) – Nice scope study of a singing bird (no crest action, of course, but a the usual fragment of color was visible at the back edge of the "hammer" folded crest).
RUDDY-TAILED FLYCATCHER (*Terenotriccus erythrurus*)
FUSCOUS FLYCATCHER (CAMPINA) (*Cnemotriccus fuscatus duidae*) – This species is still not formally split (same situation as fuscator, above), but it surely will be. Its English name-to-be is oddly uncertain, most likely either Varillal Fly or Campinarana Fly. Whatever, we had a fine view of one at the AMR.
FUSCOUS FLYCATCHER (FUSCOUS) (*Cnemotriccus fuscatus fuscator*) – Great views on the islands.
VERMILION FLYCATCHER (*Pyrocephalus rubinus*)
DRAB WATER TYRANT (*Ochthornis littoralis*)
CINNAMON ATTLA (*Attila cinnamomeus*)
CITRON-BELLIED ATTLA (*Attila citriniventris*)
BRIGHT-RUMPED ATTLA (*Attila spadiceus*)
GRAYISH MOURNER (*Rhytipterna simplex*)
DUSKY-CAPPED FLYCATCHER (*Myiarchus tuberculifer*)
SWAINSON'S FLYCATCHER (*Myiarchus swainsoni*)
SHORT-CRESTED FLYCATCHER (*Myiarchus ferox*)
GREAT KISKADEE (*Pitangus sulphuratus*)
BOAT-BILLED FLYCATCHER (*Megarynchus pitangua*)
SOCIAL FLYCATCHER (*Myiozetetes similis*)
GRAY-CAPPED FLYCATCHER (*Myiozetetes granadensis*)
DUSKY-CHESTED FLYCATCHER (*Myiozetetes luteiventris*)
STREAKED FLYCATCHER (*Myiodynastes maculatus*)
ISLAND STREAKED FLYCATCHER (*Myiodynastes [maculatus] sp. nov.*) [*****]
VARIEGATED FLYCATCHER (*Empidonomus varius*)
CROWNED SLATY FLYCATCHER (*Empidonomus aurantioatrocristatus*)

SULPHURY FLYCATCHER (*Tyrannopsis sulphurea*)
WHITE-THROATED KINGBIRD (*Tyrannus albogularis*)
TROPICAL KINGBIRD (*Tyrannus melancholicus*)

Cotingidae (Cotingas)

BLACK-NECKED RED-COTINGA (*Phoenicircus nigricollis*) – Disappointingly quiet, super-quiet... [*]
PURPLE-THROATED FRUITCROW (*Querula purpurata*)
AMAZONIAN UMBRELLABIRD (*Cephalopterus ornatus*) – I saw one. Yeah, I know... I don't count. But I did see one. Just for a sec.
SPANGLED COTINGA (*Cotinga cayana*)
SCREAMING PIHA (*Lipaugus vociferans*) [*]
PURPLE-THROATED COTINGA (*Porphyrolaema porphyrolaema*) – A trip highlight for some!
POMPADOUR COTINGA (*Xipholena punicea*) – A couple of female-plumaged birds at AMR.
BARE-NECKED FRUITCROW (*Gymnoderus foetidus*)

Pipridae (Manakins)

SAFFRON-CRESTED TYRANT-MANAKIN (*Neopelma chrysocephalum*)
DWARF TYRANT-MANAKIN (*Tyrannus stolzmanni*) – Peter spotted one for all to see.
STRIPED MANAKIN (WESTERN) (*Machaeropterus regulus striolatus*) – Kat got this one best; although close, and calling a bit, it was quite elusive!
BLUE-CROWNED MANAKIN (*Lepidothrix coronata*)
WHITE-BEARDED MANAKIN (*Manacus manacus*)
BLUE-BACKED MANAKIN (*Chiroxiphia pareola*)
ORANGE-CROWNED MANAKIN (*Heterocercus aurantiivertex*) – Just one, but it was a good one! Rarely seen in Peru.
WHITE-CROWNED MANAKIN (*Pipra pipra*)
WIRE-TAILED MANAKIN (*Pipra filicauda*)
GOLDEN-HEADED MANAKIN (*Pipra erythrocephala*)
WING-BARRED PIPRITES (*Piprites chloris*) – Nice views of one, among several heard on the trip.

Tityridae (Tityras and Allies)

BLACK-TAILED TITYRA (*Tityra cayana*)
MASKED TITYRA (*Tityra semifasciata*)
VARZEA SCHIFFORNIS (*Schiffornis major*) – Very nice, close views from the drifting canoes.
BROWN-WINGED SCHIFFORNIS (*Schiffornis turdina*) [*]
CINEREOUS MOURNER (*Laniocera hypopyrra*)
WHITE-BROWED PURPLETUFT (*Iodopleura isabellae*) – Awesome experience in the close presence of two adults tending a recently fledged chick, I loved it!
CINEREOUS BECARD (*Pachyramphus rufus*) – One seen well; always among the scarcer becards at a given locality.
CHESTNUT-CROWNED BECARD (*Pachyramphus castaneus*)
WHITE-WINGED BECARD (*Pachyramphus polychopterus*)
BLACK-CAPPED BECARD (*Pachyramphus marginatus*)

Vireonidae (Vireos)

RED-EYED VIREO (MIGRATORY CHIVI) (*Vireo olivaceus chivi*) [*]
DUSKY-CAPPED GREENLET (*Hylophilus hypoxanthus*)
TAWNY-CROWNED GREENLET (*Hylophilus ochraceiceps*) [*]

Corvidae (Crows, Jays, and Magpies)

VIOLACEOUS JAY (*Cyanocorax violaceus*) – Seemed farrr scarcer than I recall from past visits to the area... [*]

Hirundinidae (Swallows)

WHITE-BANDED SWALLOW (*Atticora fasciata*)
SOUTHERN ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW (*Stelgidopteryx ruficollis*)
GRAY-BREASTED MARTIN (*Progne chalybea*)
SOUTHERN MARTIN (*Progne elegans*) – Not many (perhaps 50+ on a couple of days); some years, this austral winterer is present in the thousands.
BROWN-CHESTED MARTIN (*Progne tapera*)
WHITE-WINGED SWALLOW (*Tachycineta albiventer*)
BARN SWALLOW (*Hirundo rustica*)

Troglodytidae (Wrens)

SCALY-BREASTED WREN (*Microcerculus marginatus*)
HOUSE WREN (SOUTHERN) (*Troglodytes aedon musculus*)
THRUSH-LIKE WREN (*Campylorhynchus turdinus*) [*]
CORAYA WREN (*Pheugopedius coraya*) – Excellent views.
BUFF-BREASTED WREN (*Cantorchilus leucotis*)

Poliophtilidae (Gnatcatchers)

COLLARED GNATWREN (*Microbates collaris*) – Truly outSTANDING views of this usually (I'd have said, "always!") furtive, frustrating little creature.

Turdidae (Thrushes and Allies)

HAUXWELL'S THRUSH (*Turdus hauxwelli*) – Kat described one well.

VARZEA THRUSH (*Turdus sanchezorum*)

LAWRENCE'S THRUSH (*Turdus lawrencii*) – Good looks at one, which is always a red-letter event (usually gets away "heard only").

BLACK-BILLED THRUSH (*Turdus ignobilis*)

Parulidae (New World Warblers)

BUFF-RUMPED WARBLER (*Myiothlypis fulvicauda*) [*]

Thraupidae (Tanagers and Allies)

RED-CAPPED CARDINAL (*Paroaria gularis*)

MAGPIE TANAGER (*Cissopis leverianus*)

HOODED TANAGER (*Nemosia pileata*)

ORANGE-HEADED TANAGER (*Thlypopsis sordida*)

GRAY-HEADED TANAGER (*Eucometis penicillata*)

FLAME-CRESTED TANAGER (*Tachyphonus cristatus*)

FULVOUS-CRESTED TANAGER (*Tachyphonus surinamus*)

FULVOUS SHRIKE-TANAGER (*Lanio fulvus*)

MASKED CRIMSON TANAGER (*Ramphocelus nigrogularis*)

SILVER-BEAKED TANAGER (*Ramphocelus carbo*)

BLUE-GRAY TANAGER (*Thraupis episcopus*)

PALM TANAGER (*Thraupis palmarum*)

TURQUOISE TANAGER (*Tangara mexicana*)

PARADISE TANAGER (*Tangara chilensis*) – Several stunning views of these gaudy tanagers along the way.

OPAL-CROWNED TANAGER (*Tangara callophrys*)

GREEN-AND-GOLD TANAGER (*Tangara schrankii*)

BLACK-FACED DACNIS (*Dacnis lineata*)

YELLOW-BELLIED DACNIS (*Dacnis flaviventer*)

BLUE DACNIS (*Dacnis cayana*)

SHORT-BILLED HONEYCREEPER (*Cyanerpes nitidus*)

PURPLE HONEYCREEPER (*Cyanerpes caeruleus*)

RED-LEGGED HONEYCREEPER (*Cyanerpes cyaneus*)

GREEN HONEYCREEPER (*Chlorophanes spiza*)

CHESTNUT-VENTED CONEBILL (*Conirostrum speciosum*) – One on an island essentially stuck to the south bank of the Amazon.

BICOLORED CONEBILL (*Conirostrum bicolor*)

PEARLY-BREASTED CONEBILL (*Conirostrum margaritae*)

BLUE-BLACK GRASSQUIT (*Volatinia jacarina*)

CHESTNUT-BELLIED SEEDEATER (*Sporophila castaneiventris*)

CHESTNUT-BELLIED SEED-FINCH (*Oryzoborus angolensis*)

BANANAQUIT (*Coereba flaveola*)

GRAYISH SALTATOR (*Saltator coerulescens*)

BUFF-THROATED SALTATOR (*Saltator maximus*)

SLATE-COLORED GROSBEAK (*Saltator grossus*)

Emberizidae (Buntings and New World Sparrows)

YELLOW-BROWED SPARROW (*Ammodramus aurifrons*)

Icteridae (Troupials and Allies)

RED-BREASTED BLACKBIRD (*Sturnella militaris*)

ORIOLE BLACKBIRD (*Gymnomystax mexicanus*)

VELVET-FRONTED GRACKLE (*Lamprosar tanagrinus*)

YELLOW-HOODED BLACKBIRD (*Chrysomus icterocephalus*)

SHINY COWBIRD (*Molothrus bonariensis*)

GIANT COWBIRD (*Molothrus oryzivorus*)

EPAULET ORIOLE (MORICHE) (*Icterus cayanensis chrysocephalus*) – One at AMR and a pair from the canopy walkway.

ORANGE-BACKED TROUPIAL (*Icterus croconotus*)

SOLITARY BLACK CACIQUE (*Cacicus solitarius*)

YELLOW-RUMPED CACIQUE (*Cacicus cela*)

RUSSET-BACKED OROPENDOLA (*Psarocolius angustifrons*)

GREEN OROPENDOLA (*Psarocolius viridis*)

CRESTED OROPENDOLA (*Psarocolius decumanus*)

BAND-TAILED OROPENDOLA (*Ocyalus latirostris*) – One seen well by Mike and Kat.

Fringillidae (Siskins, Crossbills, and Allies)

PURPLE-THROATED EUPHONIA (*Euphonia chlorotica*) [*]

WHITE-VENTED EUPHONIA (*Euphonia minuta*)

ORANGE-BELLIED EUPHONIA (*Euphonia xanthogaster*)

RUFIOUS-BELLIED EUPHONIA (*Euphonia rufiventris*)

MAMMALS

GREATER BULLDOG BAT (*Noctilio leporinus*)

COMMON TENT-MAKING BAT (*Uroderma bilobatum*) – Fabulous experience watching a half-dozen or so return to their home-made "tent" (they chew long, horizontally oriented leaves to form a break, making a tent-like shelter) day-roost after we flushed them beside the trail.

PYGMY MARMOSET (*Cebuella pygmaea*)

BLACK-MANTLE TAMARIN (*Saguinus nigricollis*)

SADDLEBACK TAMARIN (*Saguinus fuscicollis*)

COMMON SQUIRREL MONKEY (*Saimiri sciureus*)

YELLOW-HANDED TITI MONKEY (*Callicebus torquatus*)

BROWN CAPUCHIN (*Cebus apella*) [*]

BROWN-THROATED THREE-TOED SLOTH (*Bradypus variegatus*) – Just one

NEOTROPICAL PYGMY SQUIRREL (*Sciurillus pusillus*) – Mike spotted one of these tiny, rarely seen animals.

AMAZON RIVER DOLPHIN (*Inia geoffrensis*)

TUCUXI (*Sotalia fluviatilis*)

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Just a couple of additional sightings/experiences to mention were Suellen's monster spider in her room (ugh, bed) at ACTS (and the one in my bag at Explornapo, some heard the scream), and that colubrid snake that swam so neatly across the dock area at Explornapo one afternoon as we were readying to take off for birding. We also saw a number of large Green Iguanas, and a variety of large and small bats, mostly over the rivers at dusk. Butterfly diversity was quite good, and Don's video is the best evidence of that!! We also saw an enormous robber fly on a walkway at Yanamono, the likes of which I had never seen before.

Totals for the tour: 406 bird taxa and 12 mammal taxa