



Field Guides Tour Report

PANAMA'S CANOPY TOWER

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This was a very enjoyable trip to the Canopy Tower. The Tower is such a lovely place to spend a week with new and great birds everyday. There were several highlights of the trip but the few that stand out to me are: the army ant swarm with the Rufous-vented Ground-Cuckoo in attendance which also included a few Ocellated and Bicolored antbirds and a number of Gray-headed Tanagers; the immature Agami Heron at Summit Pond; the Green-and-rufous Kingfisher just after the American Pygmy Kingfisher which allowed us to see all of the New World kingfishers on one trip (almost on one day); and the Pheasant Cuckoo in the scope at Metro Park. These are sightings that don't happen all the time.

Also of great interest was the tree boa we found at Metro Park that had a horde of birds scolding it which included Rufous-breasted Wren, Yellow-throated Vireo, Chestnut-sided Warbler, Lesser Greenlet, Tropical Gnatcatcher, Western Slaty-Antshrike, and a nearby Yellow-green Tyrannulet. Other highlights included the Great Tinamou sightings along the road, our Tiny Hawk flying right overhead, White-throated Crake, two Spectacled Owls in the scopes, a pair of Rufous-breasted Hermits building a nest, a singing Bare-crowned Antbird at point blank range, scope views of the tiny Black-capped Pygmy-Tyrant, brilliant male Blue Cotingas, Green Shrike-Vireo, White-headed Wren, and a couple of Montezuma Oropendolas. We even had some familiar birds that raised eyebrows in Panama. A White-eyed Vireo was drawing some of the local birders, while a Blue-winged Warbler is uncommon here as are Magnolia and Palm warblers.

Mammals put on a good show for us as well with four species of monkeys including two Gray-bellied Night Monkeys peering at us wide-eyed from a hole in a tree. A curled-up Silky Anteater was a treat as were a Kinkajou, Olingo, and Rothschild's Porcupine during the night drive. There were also near-daily sightings of Two-toed and Three-toed sloths.

The weather was pretty good to us, though a couple of afternoons were muggy. The staff at the Canopy Tower took great care of us with wonderful food each day. I look forward to the next trip with all of you.

--John

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*) – We saw this species three times, twice at tinamou curve and once along the Woodpecker Trail.

LITTLE TINAMOU (*Crypturellus soui*) – Heard by all and seen by a couple of folks along the Woodpecker Trail

Anatidae (Ducks, Geese, and Waterfowl)

BLACK-BELLIED WHISTLING-DUCK (*Dendrocygna autumnalis*)

Cracidae (Guans, Chachalacas, and Curassows)

GRAY-HEADED CHACHALACA (*Ortalis cinereiceps*) – There were three that popped up on the feeder to work over the bananas.

Pelecanidae (Pelicans)

BROWN PELICAN (*Pelecanus occidentalis*)

Phalacrocoracidae (Cormorants and Shags)

NEOTROPIC CORMORANT (*Phalacrocorax brasilianus*)

Fregatidae (Frigatebirds)

MAGNIFICENT FRIGATEBIRD (*Fregata magnificens*)

Ardeidae (Heron, Egrets, and Bitterns)

RUFESCENT TIGER-HERON (*Tigrisoma lineatum*) – We saw one on a nest at Ammo Pond.

GREAT BLUE HERON (*Ardea herodias*)

GREAT EGRET (*Ardea alba*)

SNOWY EGRET (*Egretta thula*)

LITTLE BLUE HERON (*Egretta caerulea*)

TRICOLORED HERON (*Egretta tricolor*)

CATTLE EGRET (*Bubulcus ibis*)

GREEN HERON (*Butorides virescens*) – We saw about equal numbers of Green and Striated Herons.

STRIATED HERON (*Butorides striata*)

AGAMI HERON (*Agamia agami*) – It was a great surprise to see this rarely encountered species at Summit Pond. It was an immature bird that was developing a blue crown. A real thrill to see this bird. Yip! Yip! Yip!

BOAT-BILLED HERON (SOUTHERN) (*Cochlearius cochlearius panamensis*) – Good views of two of these unusual herons at Summit Pond.

Cathartidae (New World Vultures)

BLACK VULTURE (*Coragyps atratus*)

TURKEY VULTURE (*Cathartes aura*)

KING VULTURE (*Sarcoramphus papa*) – Ian and others saw one soaring above the Tower one afternoon.

Pandionidae (Osprey)

OSPREY (*Pandion haliaetus*)

Accipitridae (Hawks, Eagles, and Kites)

GRAY-HEADED KITE (*Leptodon cayanensis*) – We saw one soaring above the forest on Pipeline Road.

SWALLOW-TAILED KITE (*Elanoides forficatus*) – One or two were moving over Achiote Road.

SNAIL KITE (*Rostrhamus sociabilis*) – There were about 15-20 seen from the train as we passed Gatun Lake.

DOUBLE-TOOTHED KITE (*Harpagus bidentatus*) – We saw two flying over the forest along Pipeline Road.

PLUMBEOUS KITE (*Ictinia plumbea*)

TINY HAWK (*Accipiter superciliosus*) – A nice view of this small raptor as it flew right over us along Achiote Road.

SEMIPLUMBEOUS HAWK (*Leucopternis semiplumbeus*) – We saw one perched from the Discovery Tower then Tom and Judy saw another from the train.

WHITE HAWK (*Leucopternis albicollis*) – There were a couple of these beauties over Achiote Road.

COMMON BLACK-HAWK (*Buteogallus anthracinus*)

GREAT BLACK-HAWK (*Buteogallus urubitinga*)

SAVANNA HAWK (*Buteogallus meridionalis*) – A nice look at a bird perched on a pole near the Gatun Locks.

BROAD-WINGED HAWK (*Buteo platypterus*) – Only a couple were seen, these had not yet started to migrate in big numbers.

GRAY HAWK (*Buteo nitidus*)

SHORT-TAILED HAWK (*Buteo brachyurus*) – Brilliant looks at a light morph individual holding steady in the wind right next to the Canopy Tower.

SWAINSON'S HAWK (*Buteo swainsoni*) – Ian saw at least one with some migrant Turkey Vultures.

ZONE-TAILED HAWK (*Buteo albonotatus*) – Judy spotted the first one on our first afternoon, then we saw this species a couple more times.

BLACK HAWK-EAGLE (*Spizaetus tyrannus*)

ORNATE HAWK-EAGLE (*Spizaetus ornatus*)

Falconidae (Falcons and Caracaras)

SLATY-BACKED FOREST-FALCON (*Micrastur mirandollei*) [*]

COLLARED FOREST-FALCON (*Micrastur semitorquatus*) [*]

YELLOW-HEADED CARACARA (*Milvago chimachima*)

LAUGHING FALCON (*Herpetotheres cachinnans*) – We had a nice scope view of one in a tall tree that Ian spotted along Achiote Road.

PEREGRINE FALCON (*Falco peregrinus*)

Rallidae (Rails, Gallinules, and Coots)

WHITE-THROATED CRAKE (*Laterallus albigularis*) – We ended up with good looks at this difficult to see species at Ammo Pond on our first afternoon.

PURPLE GALLINULE (*Porphyrio martinica*)

COMMON MOORHEN (*Gallinula chloropus*)

Charadriidae (Plovers and Lapwings)

SOUTHERN LAPWING (*Vanellus chilensis*) – There were about eight of these on the shore and athletic field near the Gamboa Resort.

Jacanidae (Jacanas)

WATTLED JACANA (*Jacana jacana*)

Scolopacidae (Sandpipers and Allies)

SPOTTED SANDPIPER (*Actitis macularius*)

SOLITARY SANDPIPER (*Tringa solitaria*)

Laridae (Gulls, Terns, and Skimmers)

LAUGHING GULL (*Leucophaeus atricilla*)

GULL-BILLED TERN (*Gelochelidon nilotica*)

ROYAL TERN (*Thalasseus maximus*)

Columbidae (Pigeons and Doves)

ROCK PIGEON (*Columba livia*) [I]

PALE-VENTED PIGEON (*Patagioenas cayennensis*)

SCALED PIGEON (*Patagioenas speciosa*) – The top of the Canopy Tower in the early morning is a great place to see this bird perched.

SHORT-BILLED PIGEON (*Patagioenas nigrirostris*) – This was certainly the dark pigeon that Martha saw along Achiote Road.

RUDDY GROUND-DOVE (*Columbina talpacoti*)

WHITE-TIPPED DOVE (*Leptotila verreauxi*)

GRAY-CHESTED DOVE (*Leptotila cassini*)

Psittacidae (Parrots)

ORANGE-CHINNED PARAKEET (*Brotogeris jugularis*)

BROWN-HOODED PARROT (*Pyrilia haematotis*) – The two that flew right over us on the Discovery Tower gave us the best look, right Tim?

BLUE-HEADED PARROT (*Pionus menstruus*)

RED-LORED PARROT (*Amazona autumnalis*) – Nice perched views on most days.

MEALY PARROT (*Amazona farinosa*)

Cuculidae (Cuckoos)

SQUIRREL CUCKOO (*Piaya cayana*)

PHEASANT CUCKOO (*Dromococcyx phasianellus*) – Great scope looks at Metro Park at a bird we first heard singing. Always a tough one, we got great looks as it landed quite close to us.

RUFOUS-VENTED GROUND-CUCKOO (*Neomorphus geoffroyi*) – Wow! Just to be in the presence of this great bird at an antswarm is a thrill. In scouting out the antswarm up the slope Alexis spotted it and on our second try we got ahead of the ants and waited patiently. The bird was a shy individual and never walked right into the open preferring to stay behind a large tree. We all got some kind of look at this magnificent bird with some better than others.

GREATER ANI (*Crotophaga major*) – A few were around Ammo Pond.

SMOOTH-BILLED ANI (*Crotophaga ani*)

Strigidae (Owls)

VERMICULATED SCREECH-OWL (*Megascops guatemalae*) – Nice looks at one in the light during our night drive.

This species has recently been called Choco Screech-Owl.

SPECTACLED OWL (*Pulsatrix perspicillata*) – A wonderful look at a perched bird on a day roost along the Old Gamboa Highway.

Caprimulgidae (Nightjars and Allies)

COMMON PAURAUQUE (*Nyctidromus albicollis*) – We managed to call one in after it was light near Pipeline Road.

RUFOUS NIGHTJAR (*Caprimulgus rufus*) – Alexis showed us one that was probably on a nest on the forest floor along the Old Gamboa Road. Talk about camouflage!

Nyctibiidae (Potoos)

GREAT POTOO (*Nyctibius grandis*) – Wonderful views of one during the day sitting cross-wise on a large limb.

COMMON POTOO (*Nyctibius griseus*) – Close looks during our night drive of one on a tall stump.

Apodidae (Swifts)

SHORT-TAILED SWIFT (*Chaetura brachyura*) – A fair number were seen from the Tower.

BAND-RUMPED SWIFT (*Chaetura spinicaudus*)

LESSER SWALLOW-TAILED SWIFT (*Panyptila cayennensis*) – A few were seen from the Tower.

Trochilidae (Hummingbirds)

RUFOUS-BREASTED HERMIT (*Glaucis hirsutus*) – There were two individuals that were working on a nest next to a small stream along Achiote Road.

LONG-BILLED HERMIT (*Phaethornis longirostris*)

STRIPE-THROATED HERMIT (*Phaethornis striigularis*)

WHITE-NECKED JACOBIN (*Florisuga mellivora*) – A good number were visiting the feeders at the Canopy Tower.

BLACK-THROATED MANGO (*Anthracothorax nigricollis*) – We ended up seeing several but Alexis showed us a female on a nest at Ammo Pond for our best view.

VIOLET-CROWNED WOODNYMPH (*Thalurania colombica*)

VIOLET-BELLIED HUMMINGBIRD (*Damophila julie*)

BLUE-CHESTED HUMMINGBIRD (*Amazilia amabilis*)

SNOWY-BELLIED HUMMINGBIRD (*Amazilia edward edward*)

RUFOUS-TAILED HUMMINGBIRD (*Amazilia tzacatl*)

WHITE-VENTED PLUMELETEER (*Chalybura buffonii*)

Trogonidae (Trogons)

SLATY-TAILED TROGON (*Trogon massena*)

BLACK-TAILED TROGON (*Trogon melanurus*) – One of the prettier trogons, we saw this at a possible nest site in a large termite nest in the mangroves.

WHITE-TAILED TROGON (*Trogon chionurus*)

GARTERED TROGON (*Trogon caligatus*) – Formerly known as Violaceous Trogon, we saw several of these.

BLACK-THROATED TROGON (*Trogon rufus*) – I think the color combinations of yellow and green are really striking on this bird.

Momotidae (Motmots)

BLUE-CROWNED MOTMOT (*Momotus momota*) – The form that we saw is now a full species and called Whooping Motmot with the scientific name "Momotus subrufescens conexus". We saw this at the beginning of the Woodpecker Trail

RUFOUS MOTMOT (*Baryphthengus martii*) [*]

BROAD-BILLED MOTMOT (*Electron platyrhynchum*)

Alcedinidae (Kingfishers)

RINGED KINGFISHER (*Megaceryle torquata*)

BELTED KINGFISHER (*Megaceryle alcyon*) – It was a surprise to see this quite uncommon migrant along the Chagres River near the Gatun Locks.

AMAZON KINGFISHER (*Chloroceryle amazona*)

GREEN KINGFISHER (*Chloroceryle americana*)

GREEN-AND-RUFIOUS KINGFISHER (*Chloroceryle inda*) – Great looks at a female in the mangroves of the Atlantic side. This is the rarest of the New World kingfishers, and seeing it allowed us to see all six species on one trip. This doesn't happen often.

AMERICAN PYGMY KINGFISHER (*Chloroceryle aenea*) – Nice looks at a tiny male in the mangroves just before seeing the previous species.

Bucconidae (Puffbirds)

WHITE-NECKED PUFFBIRD (*Notharchus hyperrhynchus*)

BLACK-BREASTED PUFFBIRD (*Notharchus pectoralis*) – Good views of two along Achiote Road. The song of this one really carries.

PIED PUFFBIRD (*Notharchus tectus*)

WHITE-WHISKERED PUFFBIRD (*Malacoptila panamensis*) – Great scope views along the road on Semaphore Hill on our first morning.

Ramphastidae (Toucans)

COLLARED ARACARI (*Pteroglossus torquatus*)

CHESTNUT-MANDIBLED TOUCAN (*Ramphastos swainsonii*) – These were most prevalent along Achiote Road.

KEEL-BILLED TOUCAN (*Ramphastos sulfuratus*) – This species is very common in the Canal Zone but you can't help but look at each one.

Picidae (Woodpeckers)

BLACK-CHEEKED WOODPECKER (*Melanerpes pucherani*)

RED-CROWNED WOODPECKER (*Melanerpes rubricapillus*)

CINNAMON WOODPECKER (*Celeus loricatus*) – We ended up with a handful of good looks at this handsome woodpecker.

LINEATED WOODPECKER (*Dryocopus lineatus*)

CRIMSON-CRESTED WOODPECKER (*Campephilus melanoleucos*)

Furnariidae (Ovenbirds and Woodcreepers)

SCALY-THROATED LEAFTOSSER (*Sclerurus guatemalensis*) [*]

PLAIN XENOPS (*Xenops minutus*) – This odd species showed well along Semaphore Hill.

PLAIN-BROWN WOODCREEPER (*Dendrocincla fuliginosa*) – There were a few in the forest and at least one at the antswarm on Pipeline Road.

OLIVACEOUS WOODCREEPER (GRAYISH) (*Sittasomus griseicapillus sylvioides*)

NORTHERN BARRED-WOODCREEPER (*Dendrocolaptes sanctithomae*) – One was attending the antswarm we watched for a good while.

COCOA WOODCREEPER (*Xiphorhynchus susurrans*)

BLACK-STRIPED WOODCREEPER (*Xiphorhynchus lachrymosus*) – This distinctly marked woodcreeper showed well along Pipeline Road.

Thamnophilidae (Typical Antbirds)

FASCIATED ANTSHRIKE (*Cymbilaimus lineatus*)

GREAT ANTSHRIKE (*Taraba major*) – A male made a brief appearance along Achiote Road.

BARRED ANTSHRIKE (*Thamnophilus doliatus*)

WESTERN SLATY-ANTSHRIKE (*Thamnophilus atrinucha*) – Several were seen well and it is one of the common voices in the forest.

SPOT-CROWNED ANTIVIREO (*Dysithamnus puncticeps*)

CHECKER-THROATED ANT WREN (*Epinecrophylla fulviventris*) – We watched two males in a display, puffing their throats out and showing all the checkers.

MOUSTACHED ANTWREN (*Myrmotherula ignota*) – This tiny bird, formerly known as Pygmy Antwren, showed well from the Discovery Tower.

PACIFIC ANTWREN (*Myrmotherula pacifica*) – Good views of a black and white streaked male and an orangish female along Achote Road. This species was formerly known as Streaked Antwren.

WHITE-FLANKED ANTWREN (*Myrmotherula axillaris*)

DOT-WINGED ANTWREN (*Microrhopias quixensis*)

DUSKY ANTBIRD (*Cercomacra tyrannina*)

JET ANTBIRD (*Cercomacra nigricans*) [*]

BARE-CROWNED ANTBIRD (*Gymnocichla nudiceps*) – Wow! This often difficult to find and see species stayed put in a shrub for us to get a scope view of it singing.

WHITE-BELLIED ANTBIRD (*Myrmeciza longipes*) – Good views at Metro Park

CHESTNUT-BACKED ANTBIRD (*Myrmeciza exsul*)

BICOLORED ANTBIRD (*Gymnopithys leucaspis bicolor*) – There were a few with the antswarm on Pipeline Road.

SPOTTED ANTBIRD (*Hylophylax naevioides*)

OCELLATED ANTBIRD (*Phaenostictus mcleannani*) – Typically this attractive species is one of the stars of the antswarm but our attention was focused on the ground-cuckoo and we didn't give the Ocellated its full due.

Formicariidae (Anthrushes)

BLACK-FACED ANTHRUSH (*Formicarius analis*) [*]

Grallariidae (Antpittas)

STREAK-CHESTED ANTPITTA (*Hyllopezus perspicillatus*) – For some reason we could not get find one close enough to see. [*]

Tyrannidae (Tyrant Flycatchers)

BROWN-CAPPED TYRANNULET (*Ornithion brunneicapillus*) – Surprisingly, we ended up seeing this tiny flycatcher several times during the week.

SOUTHERN BEARDLESS-TYRANNULET (*Camptostoma obsoletum*)

YELLOW-CROWNED TYRANNULET (*Tyrannulus elatus*)

FOREST ELAENIA (*Myiopagis gaimardii*) – Several seen.

GRAY ELAENIA (*Myiopagis caniceps absita*) – This uncommon flycatcher posed in the scopes for us on Pipeline Road.

GREENISH ELAENIA (*Myiopagis viridicata*) – A good look at one at Metro Park in the early morning.

YELLOW-BELLIED ELAENIA (*Elaenia flavogaster*)

OCHRE-BELLIED FLYCATCHER (*Mionectes oleagineus*)

YELLOW-GREEN TYRANNULET (*Phylloscartes flavovirens*) – Great looks at this endemic species to Panama at Metro Park. It was first heard as part of the group that was harassing the tree boa but it returned to perch right out for us. [E]

PALTRY TYRANNULET (*Zimmerius vilissimus*)

BLACK-CAPPED PYGMY-TYRANT (*Myiornis atricapillus*) – Another tiny species we got in the scope. This is tied for being the smallest passerine in the world.

PALE-EYED PYGMY-TYRANT (*Atalotriccus pilaris wilcoxi*) – It was a surprise to see this pretty flycatcher at Metro Park. A first for Alexis and me at this location.

SOUTHERN BENTBILL (*Oncostoma olivaceum*)

COMMON TODY-FLYCATCHER (*Todirostrum cinereum*)

BLACK-HEADED TODY-FLYCATCHER (*Todirostrum nigriceps*) – We saw one overhead for nice views on our first morning.

BROWNISH TWISTWING (*Cnipodectes subbrunneus*) – Alexis spotted a quiet individual sitting in the forest along Pipeline Road that we got in the scope.

OLIVACEOUS FLATBILL (*Rhynchocyclus olivaceus*)

YELLOW-MARGINED FLYCATCHER (YELLOW-MARGINED) (*Tolmomyias assimilis flavotectus*) – We found one building a nest high in a tree along Pipeline Road.

GOLDEN-CROWNED SPADEBILL (*Platyrinchus coronatus*)

RUDDY-TAILED FLYCATCHER (*Terenotriccus erythrus*)

BLACK-TAILED FLYCATCHER (*Myiobius atricaudus*)
ACADIAN FLYCATCHER (*Empidonax virescens*)
LONG-TAILED TYRANT (*Colonia colonus*)
BRIGHT-RUMPED ATILA (*Attila spadiceus*) – A lot more were heard than seen.
RUFOUS MOURNER (*Rhytipterna holerythra*)
DUSKY-CAPPED FLYCATCHER (*Myiarchus tuberculifer*)
PANAMA FLYCATCHER (*Myiarchus panamensis*)
GREAT CRESTED FLYCATCHER (*Myiarchus crinitus*)
LESSER KISKADEE (*Pitangus lictor*)
GREAT KISKADEE (*Pitangus sulphuratus*)
BOAT-BILLED FLYCATCHER (*Megarynchus pitangua*)
RUSTY-MARGINED FLYCATCHER (*Myiozetetes cayanensis*)
SOCIAL FLYCATCHER (*Myiozetetes similis*)
GRAY-CAPPED FLYCATCHER (*Myiozetetes granadensis*) – This quite local species was seen along Achiotte Road.
STREAKED FLYCATCHER (*Myiodynastes maculatus*)
PIRATIC FLYCATCHER (*Legatus leucophaeus*)
TROPICAL KINGBIRD (*Tyrannus melancholicus*)
FORK-TAILED FLYCATCHER (*Tyrannus savana*) – We saw one perched on the fence near the bridge on a few of the days.

Cotingidae (Cotingas)

PURPLE-THROATED FRUITCROW (*Querula purpurata*) – First seen from the Discovery Tower, we later found a pair at a nest along Pipeline Road.
BLUE COTINGA (*Cotinga nattererii*) – Good scope views of a brilliant male along Semaphore Hill that was initially hidden in the leaves of a fruiting tree. We then saw a couple more males from the top of the Discovery Tower.

Pipridae (Manakins)

BLUE-CROWNED MANAKIN (*Lepidothrix coronata*) – We could only muster a female or young male.
GOLDEN-COLLARED MANAKIN (*Manacus vitellinus*) – Though they were not in full lekking mode we found a male perched in the forest near a lek that posed for a long scope study.
LANCE-TAILED MANAKIN (*Chiroxiphia lanceolata*) [*]
RED-CAPPED MANAKIN (*Pipra mentalis*)

Tityridae (Tityras and Allies)

MASKED TITYRA (*Tityra semifasciata*)
THRUSH-LIKE SCHIFFORNIS (SOUTHERN) (*Schiffornis turdina panamensis*) – The first at Metro Park got away from us but we later had a better look along Pipeline Road.
CINNAMON BECARD (*Pachyramphus cinnamomeus*)
WHITE-WINGED BECARD (*Pachyramphus polychopterus*) – A male showed pretty well from the Discovery Tower.

Vireonidae (Vireos)

WHITE-EYED VIREO (*Vireo griseus*) – This rare visitor to Panama had been around for about 10 days but was difficult to find. We got wonderful looks at this species, a life bird for Alexis.
YELLOW-THROATED VIREO (*Vireo flavifrons*) – There were a couple of these really scolding the tree boa at Metro Park.
YELLOW-GREEN VIREO (*Vireo flavoviridis*) [*]
SCRUB GREENLET (*Hylophilus flavipes*)
GOLDEN-FRONTED GREENLET (*Hylophilus aurantiifrons*)
LESSER GREENLET (*Hylophilus decurtatus*)
GREEN SHRIKE-VIREO (*Vireolanus pulchellus*) – A near constant sound around the Canopy Tower, we had nice views on our walk on Semaphore Hill.

Corvidae (Crows, Jays, and Magpies)

BLACK-CHESTED JAY (*Cyanocorax affinis*)

Hirundinidae (Swallows)

NORTHERN ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW (*Stelgidopteryx serripennis*)

SOUTHERN ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW (*Stelgidopteryx ruficollis*)

GRAY-BREASTED MARTIN (*Progne chalybea*)

MANGROVE SWALLOW (*Tachycineta albilinea*)

BANK SWALLOW (*Riparia riparia*)

BARN SWALLOW (*Hirundo rustica*)

Troglodytidae (Wrens)

WHITE-HEADED WREN (*Campylorhynchus albobrunneus*) – One bird perched for a couple of minutes in the top of a tall tree along Achote Road.

BLACK-BELLIED WREN (*Thryothorus fasciatoventris*)

BAY WREN (*Thryothorus nigricapillus*)

RUFOUS-BREASTED WREN (*Thryothorus rutilus*) – This was another species that was mobbing the tree boa.

RUFOUS-AND-WHITE WREN (*Thryothorus rufalbus*) – Nice looks at this handsome wren at Metro Park.

BUFF-BREASTED WREN (*Thryothorus leucotis*)

PLAIN WREN (*Thryothorus modestus*)

HOUSE WREN (*Troglodytes aedon*)

WHITE-BREASTED WOOD-WREN (*Henicorhina leucosticta*)

SONG WREN (*Cyphorhinus phaeocephalus*) – After some near misses we connected with this unusual species along the woodpecker trail.

Poliophtilidae (Gnatcatchers)

LONG-BILLED GNATWREN (*Ramphocaenus melanurus*)

TROPICAL GNATCATCHER (*Poliophtila plumbea*)

Turdidae (Thrushes and Allies)

CLAY-COLORED THRUSH (*Turdus grayi*)

Mimidae (Mockingbirds and Thrashers)

TROPICAL MOCKINGBIRD (*Mimus gilvus*)

Parulidae (New World Warblers)

BLUE-WINGED WARBLER (*Vermivora pinus*) – A rather rare migrant to Panama we saw one on our last morning.

GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER (*Vermivora chrysoptera*) – One of the best of the warblers.

TENNESSEE WARBLER (*Vermivora peregrina*)

YELLOW WARBLER (*Dendroica petechia*)

CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER (*Dendroica pensylvanica*) – This was, perhaps, the most common of the North American wintering warblers that we encountered.

MAGNOLIA WARBLER (*Dendroica magnolia*) – Another uncommon migrant in Panama, we saw one in the same tree as the Blue-winged Warbler.

PALM WARBLER (*Dendroica palmarum*) – Yet, another uncommon migrant there was one hopping about on the ground near the Gatun Locks. It nearly flew in the bus when we squeaked at it.

BAY-BREASTED WARBLER (*Dendroica castanea*)

BLACK-AND-WHITE WARBLER (*Mniotilta varia*)

PROTHONOTARY WARBLER (*Protonotaria citrea*)

NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH (*Seiurus noveboracensis*)

MOURNING WARBLER (*Oporornis philadelphia*) [*]

Coerebidae (Bananaquit)

BANANAQUIT (*Coereba flaveola*) – Only a few in the Achote area.

Thraupidae (Tanagers and Allies)

ROSY THRUSH-TANAGER (*Rhodinocichla rosea*) [*]

GRAY-HEADED TANAGER (*Eucometis penicillata*) – There were a fair number of these at the army ant swarm.

WHITE-SHOULDERED TANAGER (*Tachyphonus luctuosus*)

CRIMSON-BACKED TANAGER (*Ramphocelus dimidiatus*)

FLAME-RUMPED TANAGER (*Ramphocelus flammigerus*)

BLUE-GRAY TANAGER (*Thraupis episcopus*)

PALM TANAGER (*Thraupis palmarum*) – Quite common throughout.

PLAIN-COLORED TANAGER (*Tangara inornata*) – Aptly named.

GOLDEN-HOODED TANAGER (*Tangara larvata*)

BLUE DACNIS (*Dacnis cayana*)

GREEN HONEYCREEPER (*Chlorophanes spiza*)

SHINING HONEYCREEPER (*Cyanerpes lucidus*)

RED-LEGGED HONEYCREEPER (*Cyanerpes cyaneus*)

STREAKED SALTATOR (*Saltator striatipectus*)

BUFF-THROATED SALTATOR (*Saltator maximus*)

BLACK-HEADED SALTATOR (*Saltator atriceps*) – This local specialty showed well along Achiotte Road.

SLATE-COLORED GROSBEAK (*Saltator grossus*)

Emberizidae (Buntings, Sparrows, and Allies)

VARIABLE SEEDEATER (*Sporophila corvina hoffmannii*)

YELLOW-BELLIED SEEDEATER (*Sporophila nigricollis*)

RUDDY-BREASTED SEEDEATER (*Sporophila minuta*) – Great views of one on a seed stalk along the edge of Ammo Pond.

THICK-BILLED SEED-FINCH (*Oryzoborus funereus*) – A few were seen along Achiotte Road.

SAFFRON FINCH (*Sicalis flaveola*)

ORANGE-BILLED SPARROW (*Arremon aurantirostris*)

BLACK-STRIPED SPARROW (*Arremonops conirostris*)

Cardinalidae (Cardinals and Allies)

SUMMER TANAGER (*Piranga rubra*)

RED-THROATED ANT-TANAGER (*Habia fuscicauda*)

BLUE-BLACK GROSBEAK (*Cyanocompsa cyanoides*) – We had good looks at a pair right outside the gate of the Canopy Tower on our first morning.

Icteridae (Troupials and Allies)

RED-BREASTED BLACKBIRD (*Sturnella militaris*) – There were two or three of these knockouts in the pasture along Achiotte Road.

GREAT-TAILED GRACKLE (*Quiscalus mexicanus*)

SHINY COWBIRD (*Molothrus bonariensis*)

GIANT COWBIRD (*Molothrus oryzivorus*) – Our first was from the Discovery Tower, a seemingly odd place to see this species.

ORCHARD ORIOLE (*Icterus spurius*)

YELLOW-BACKED ORIOLE (*Icterus chrysater*)

YELLOW-TAILED ORIOLE (*Icterus mesomelas*)

BALTIMORE ORIOLE (*Icterus galbula*)

SCARLET-RUMPED CACIQUE (SCARLET-RUMPED) (*Cacicus uropygialis microrhynchus*) – We saw several with nests under construction.

YELLOW-RUMPED CACIQUE (*Cacicus cela*)

CRESTED OROPENDOLA (*Psarocolius decumanus*) – This was part of a big oropendola day, we saw three species along Achiotte Road.

CHESTNUT-HEADED OROPENDOLA (*Psarocolius wagleri*)

MONTEZUMA OROPENDOLA (*Psarocolius montezuma*) – The rarest of the three oropendolas in central Panama, we

had a nice look at two in the scope along Achiote Road.

Fringillidae (Siskins, Crossbills, and Allies)

YELLOW-CROWNED EUPHONIA (*Euphonia luteicapilla*)

THICK-BILLED EUPHONIA (*Euphonia lanirostris*)

MAMMALS

CENTRAL AMERICAN WOOLY OPOSSUM (*Caluromys derbianus*) – Pretty good views of one climbing through the branches of a large tree during the night drive.

GREATER WHITE-LINED BAT (*Saccopteryx bilineata*) – These were the bats we saw in the abandoned shed near Pipeline Road.

RED-NAPED TAMARIN (*Saguinus geoffroyi*) – A handful of this cute little guys were seen in the forest.

GRAY-BELLIED NIGHT MONKEY (*Aotus lemurinus*) – There were at least two that stuck their heads out of a hole during the day to see what was happening. A great sight.

MANTLED HOWLER MONKEY (*Alouatta palliata*) – Our daily alarm clocks at the Tower, we saw them several times.

WHITE-THROATED CAPUCHIN (*Cebus capucinus*)

HOFFMANN'S TWO-TOED SLOTH (*Choloepus hoffmanni*) – Good views of a few.

BROWN-THROATED THREE-TOED SLOTH (*Bradypus variegatus*) – This is usually the more commonly seen of the two sloths.

NORTHERN TAMANDUA (*Tamandua mexicana*) – Great looks at this odd critter as it had just crossed the road near the Gatun Locks.

SILKY ANTEATER (*Cyclopes didactylus*) – Alexis somehow spotted this small mammal curled up in a ball the size of a grapefruit in a viney tangle along Pipeline Road.

VARIEGATED SQUIRREL (*Sciurus variegatoides*)

RED-TAILED SQUIRREL (*Sciurus granatensis*)

ROTHSCHILD'S PORCUPINE (*Coendou rothschildi*) – Nice looks at one looking down at us during the night drive.

CAPYBARA (*Hydrochaeris hydrochaeris*) – A few were seen by some from the train.

CENTRAL AMERICAN AGOUTI (*Dasyprocta punctata*) – Quite common.

WHITE-NOSED COATI (*Nasua narica*)

KINKAJOU (*Potos flavus*) – Good views of one during the night drive.

OLINGO (*Bassaricyon alleni*) – Known as Allen's Olingo, this was the first one we saw during the night drive.

COLLARED PECCARY (*Tayassu tajacu*) – We saw one dash across Pipeline Road on our full day there.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Totals for the tour: 276 bird taxa and 19 mammal taxa