



Costa Rica: Northwest Loop

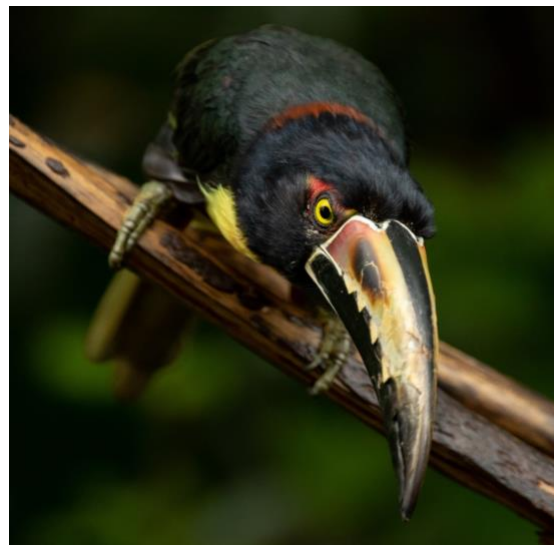
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Costa Rica is truly one of the world's great ecotourism destinations. With brilliant infrastructure, extensive forest and other natural habitats, and a strong conservation ethic, birds and wildlife are everywhere. On this trip, we spent three nights each at three different world-class eco-lodges, each just a few hours apart along a loop west and north of San Jose, each with great birding on the grounds and more great birding in protected areas nearby. We had top-notch local guides in each location, ate a lot of fresh, delicious, local food, and saw a long list of great birds, mammals (even a tapir!), reptiles, and other critters.

Top 5 Birds as Voted by the Group

1. Black-and-white Owl
2. (tie) Three-wattled Bellbird, Barred Antshrike, Rufous-tailed Jacamar
5. (tie) lots!



Arenal Volcano from our lodge (left). Collared Aracari (right). Photos by Josh Engel.

We were a day delayed arriving to San Jose, thanks to a missed flight connection, but we hit the ground running. We stopped by the beach on our way to Monteverde, where we had a lunch of fresh seafood while frigatebirds and pelicans passed by, watched Scarlet Macaws feeding in a roadside tree, and took a walk on the beach.

Our first three nights were in Monteverde, one of Costa Rica's famous cloud forest regions. Right around the hotel, we saw birds like Coppery-headed Emerald, Violet Sabrewing, Lesson's Motmot, Golden-browed Chlorophonia, Collared Trogon, Black-breasted Wood-Quail, White-eared Ground-Sparrow, and Streak-headed Woodcreeper. We also visited Curi-Cancha and Santa Elena Reserves. In Curi-Cancha, we saw Three-wattled Bellbird--belling away--from the parking lot. Another guide pointed out a Side-striped Palm Pit-Viper coiled in a bush at the start of the trail. This was followed by birds like Barred Parakeet, Purple-throated Mountain-Gem, Long-tailed Mannakin, White-naped Brushfinch, Black-faced Solitaire, and Rufous-and-white Wren. In Santa Elena, we encountered a couple of nice mixed flock that included a Prong-billed Barbet, Red-faced Spinetail, Ruddy Treerunner, Costa Rican Warbler, and Spangle-cheeked Tanager.

From Monteverde, we continued northwest to the wonderful Celeste Mountain Lodge, situated on the edge of Volcán Tenorio National Park and with a private trail in the park's buffer zone. We spent a couple of mornings birding around the lodge and trails, where even after seeing quite a few tapir tracks, we were nonetheless shocked to see an actual tapir! The birding was excellent here, and we found Snowcap, White-tipped Sicklebill, Purple-crowned Fairy, Dull-mantled Antbird, Carmiol's Tanager, Northern Schiffornis, Tody Motmot, Rufous-winged Woodpecker, and White-collared and White-ruffed Manakins. A Barred Antshrike visited us inside the hotel, and we saw Mantled Howler Monkeys and Brown-throated Three-toed Sloth nearby.

One afternoon we visited a seasonal forest not far away, where the rains of the rainy season had greened the forest. There were quite a few different birds here, including Black-throated and Elegant Trogons, Crested Bobwhite, Yellow-naped Parrot, Turquoise-browed Motmot, and Long-tailed Manakin, and Grasshopper Sparrow.

Another day we drove into the Caño Negro Wildlife Reserve and took a boat trip through its river system. Birds (and iguanas) were abundant. Of course waterbirds feature strongly here: Bare-throated Tiger-Heron, Northern Jacana, Muscovy Duck, Russet-naped Wood-Rail, Boat-billed Heron, Green Ibis, and three species of kingfishers were among the waterbirds we observed. But the waterways are lined with trees and forest, and featured another great suite of birds, like the rare Nicaraguan Grackle, Nicaraguan Seedeater, Pied Puffbird, Spot-breasted Wren, and a couple of people were lucky enough to see a Snowy Cotinga.

Our final three nights were spent in Arenal, where our private house had spectacular views of Arenal Volcano and easy access to excellent forest trails. As soon as we arrived we noticed with delight the tame Crested Guans and Great Curassows around the property, and upon nightfall

we were further delighted to hear, and then see, a Black-and-white Owl that lived next to our house.

We spent a couple of mornings birding around the lodge trails. Around the house, trails, and lodge grounds we found many other great birds, including Black-crested Coquette, Black-throated and Gartered Trogon, Barred Hawk, Dusky Antbird, Rufous Mourner, and the recently split Middle American Leaf-tosser. There were lots of toucans and parrots around, and we could often here them (and sometimes see them) right from our house.

We spent one of our Arenal days visiting a couple of local nature parks. In Místico Hanging Bridges we found a perched White Hawk and Double-toothed Kite; it's always a treat to see perched forest raptors. We found understory flocks there that included birds like Slaty Antwren, Russet Antshrike, and Spotted Antbird, as well as other mixed flocks with Rufous-winged Tanager, Tawny-crowned Greenlet, and Spotted Woodcreeper. We had great views of a Rufous Motmot with dirt on its bill, presumably from digging a nest burrow in a dirt bank. In the afternoon, we visited Sendero Bogarín, a small private reserve right on the edge of the town of La Fortuna. We waited out rainstorms in their convenient covered viewing area, where we watched Collared Aracaris and a variety of tanagers visiting fruit feeders and, amazingly, the secretive Uniform and White-throated Crakes visiting the pond. Walking the trails, we found roosting Black-and-white Owl and Pauraque, Smoky-brown Woodpecker, and Yellow-billed Cacique.

The trip was a great introduction to the wonders of Costa Rica. It was clear why it's such a popular birding destination. We only explored one small part of the country, so there's plenty of reason to return!



Spot-breasted Wren. Photo by Josh Engel.

BIRD LIST. 291 species, including 15 heard only and 4 leader only. Checklist follows Clements/eBird list, 2021 update. Names in parentheses correspond to eBird subspecies groups. H = Heard only; L = Tour leader only. Important subspecies groups in parentheses. Birdlife International threatened status: CR = Critically endangered; EN = Endangered; VU = Vulnerable; NT = Near-threatened.

Tinamous (Tinamidae)

Great Tinamou (H)	<i>Tinamus major</i>
Thicket Tinamou (H)	<i>Crypturellus cinnamomeus</i>

Swans, Geese, and Ducks (Anatidae)

Black-bellied Whistling-Duck	<i>Dendrocygna autumnalis</i>
Muscovy Duck	<i>Cairina moschata</i>

Guan, Chachalaca, and Curassows (Cracidae)

Gray-headed Chachalaca	<i>Ortalis cinereiceps</i>
Crested Guan	<i>Penelope purpurascens</i>
Great Curassow (VU)	<i>Crax rubra</i>

New World Quail (Odontophoridae)

Crested Bobwhite	<i>Colinus cristatus</i>
Black-breasted Wood-Quail	<i>Odontophorus leucolaemus</i>

Grebes (Podicipedidae)

Least Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus dominicus</i>
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Pigeons and Doves (Columbidae)

Rock Pigeon (Feral Pigeon)	<i>Columba livia (Feral Pigeon)</i>
Pale-vented Pigeon	<i>Patagioenas cayennensis</i>
Scaled Pigeon	<i>Patagioenas speciosa</i>
Red-billed Pigeon	<i>Patagioenas flavirostris</i>
Band-tailed Pigeon	<i>Patagioenas fasciata</i>
Short-billed Pigeon	<i>Patagioenas nigrirostris</i>
Inca Dove	<i>Columbina inca</i>
Common Ground Dove	<i>Columbina passerina</i>
Ruddy Ground Dove	<i>Columbina talpacoti</i>
White-tipped Dove	<i>Leptotila verreauxi</i>
Gray-chested Dove	<i>Leptotila cassinii</i>
Purplish-backed Quail-Dove (H)	<i>Zentrygon lawrencii</i>
White-winged Dove	<i>Zenaida asiatica</i>

Cuckoos (Cuculidae)

Groove-billed Ani	<i>Crotophaga sulcirostris</i>
Lesser Ground-Cuckoo (H)	<i>Morococcyx erythropygus</i>

Squirrel Cuckoo

Piaya cayana

Nightjars and Allies (Caprimulgidae)

Common Pauraque

Nyctidromus albicollis

Swifts (Apodidae)

Chestnut-collared Swift

Streptoprocne rutila

White-collared Swift

Streptoprocne zonaris

Vaux's Swift

Chaetura vauxi

Hummingbirds (Trochilidae)

White-necked Jacobin

Florisuga mellivora

White-tipped Sicklebill

Eutoxeres aquila

Green Hermit

Phaethornis guy

Long-billed Hermit

Phaethornis longirostris

Stripe-throated Hermit

Phaethornis striigularis

Lesser Violetear

Colibri cyanotus

Purple-crowned Fairy

Heliostyris barroti

Green Thorntail

Discosura conversii

Black-crested Coquette

Lophornis helenae

Green-crowned Brilliant

Heliodoxa jacula

Long-billed Starthroat

Heliomaster longirostris

Purple-throated Mountain-gem

Lampornis calolaemus

Scintillant Hummingbird

Selasphorus scintilla

Canivet's Emerald

Cynanthus canivetii

Violet-headed Hummingbird

Klais guimeti

Violet Sabrewing

Campylopterus hemileucurus

Bronze-tailed Plumeleteer (L)

Chalybura urochrysis

Crowned Woodnymph

Thalurania colombica

Snowcap

Microchera albocoronata

Coppery-headed Emerald

Microchera cupreiceps

Stripe-tailed Hummingbird

Eupherusa eximia

Scaly-breasted Hummingbird

Phaeochroa cuvierii

Blue-vented Hummingbird

Saucerottia hoffmanni

Cinnamon Hummingbird

Amazilia rutila

Rufous-tailed Hummingbird

Amazilia tzacatl

Rails, Gallinules, and Coots (Rallidae)

Uniform Crake

Amaurolimnas concolor

Russet-naped Wood-Rail

Aramides albiventris

White-throated Crake

Laterallus albigularis

Plovers and Lapwings (Charadriidae)

Southern Lapwing (L)

Vanellus chilensis

Jacanas (Jacanidae)

Northern Jacana

*Jacana spinosa***Sandpipers and Allies (Scolopacidae)**

Spotted Sandpiper

*Actitis macularius***Storks (Ciconiidae)**

Wood Stork

*Mycteria americana***Frigatebirds (Fregatidae)**

Magnificent Frigatebird

*Fregata magnificens***Darters (Anhingidae)**

Anhinga

*Anhinga anhinga***Cormorants (Phalacrocoracidae)**

Neotropic Cormorant

*Nannopterum brasilianum***Pelicans (Pelecanidae)**

Brown Pelican

*Pelecanus occidentalis***Hérons, Egrets, and Bitterns (Ardeidae)**

Bare-throated Tiger-Heron

Tigrisoma mexicanum

Great Egret

Ardea alba

Cattle Egret

Bubulcus ibis

Green Heron

Butorides virescens

Boat-billed Heron

*Cochlearius cochlearius***Ibises and Spoonbills (Threskiornithidae)**

White Ibis

Eudocimus albus

Green Ibis

*Mesembrinibis cayennensis***New World Vultures (Cathartidae)**

Black Vulture

Coragyps atratus

Turkey Vulture

*Cathartes aura***Hawks, Eagles, and Kites (Accipitridae)**

White-tailed Kite

Elanus leucurus

Swallow-tailed Kite

Elanoides forficatus

Black-collared Hawk

Busarellus nigricollis

Snail Kite

Rostrhamus sociabilis

Double-toothed Kite

Harpagus bidentatus

Barred Hawk

Morphnarchus princeps

Roadside Hawk
 White Hawk
 Gray Hawk
 Short-tailed Hawk

Rupornis magnirostris
Pseudastur albicollis
Buteo plagiatus
Buteo brachyurus

Typical Owls (Strigidae)

Crested Owl (H)
 Mottled Owl
 Black-and-white Owl

Lophotrix cristata
Ciccaba virgata
Ciccaba nigrolineata

Trogons (Trogonidae)

Slaty-tailed Trogon (H)
 Black-headed Trogon
 Gartered Trogon
 Black-throated Trogon
 Elegant Trogon
 Collared Trogon (Orange-bellied)

Trogon massena
Trogon melanocephalus
Trogon caligatus
Trogon rufus
Trogon elegans
Trogon collaris

Motmots (Momotidae)

Tody Motmot
 Lesson's Motmot
 Rufous Motmot
 Broad-billed Motmot
 Turquoise-browed Motmot

Hylomanes momotula
Momotus lessonii
Baryphthengus martii
Electron platyrhynchum
Eumomota superciliosa

Kingfishers (Alcedinidae)

Ringed Kingfisher
 Amazon Kingfisher
 American Pygmy Kingfisher
 Green Kingfisher

Megaceryle torquata
Chloroceryle amazona
Chloroceryle aenea
Chloroceryle americana

Puffbirds (Bucconidae)

Pied Puffbird

Notharchus tectus

Jacamars (Galbulidae)

Rufous-tailed Jacamar

Galbula ruficauda

Toucan-Barbets (Semnornithidae)

Prong-billed Barbet

Semnornis frantzii

Toucans (Ramphastidae)

Northern Emerald-Toucanet
 Collared Aracari
 Yellow-throated Toucan

Aulacorhynchus prasinus
Pteroglossus torquatus
Ramphastos ambiguus

Keel-billed Toucan

Ramphastos sulfuratus

Woodpeckers (Picidae)

Black-cheeked Woodpecker

Melanerpes pucherani

Hoffmann's Woodpecker

Melanerpes hoffmannii

Smoky-brown Woodpecker

Dryobates fumigatus

Pale-billed Woodpecker

Campephilus guatemalensis

Lineated Woodpecker

Dryocopus lineatus

Rufous-winged Woodpecker

Piculus simplex

Golden-olive Woodpecker

Colaptes rubiginosus

Falcons and Caracaras (Falconidae)

Crested Caracara (Northern)

Caracara plancus [cheriway Group]

Yellow-headed Caracara

Milvago chimachima

Laughing Falcon

Herpetotheres cachinnans

New World and African Parrots (Psittacidae)

Barred Parakeet

Bolborhynchus lineola

Orange-chinned Parakeet

Brotogeris jugularis

Brown-hooded Parrot

Pyrilia haematotis

White-crowned Parrot

Pionus senilis

Red-lored Parrot

Amazona autumnalis

Yellow-naped Parrot (EN)

Amazona auropalliata

White-fronted Parrot

Amazona albifrons

Olive-throated Parakeet

Eupsittula nana

Orange-fronted Parakeet (VU)

Eupsittula canicularis

Scarlet Macaw

Ara macao

Crimson-fronted Parakeet

Psittacara finschi

Typical Antbirds (Thamnophilidae)

Barred Antshrike

Thamnophilus doliatus

Russet Antshrike

Thamnistes anabatinus

Slaty Antwren

Myrmotherula schisticolor

Dusky Antbird

Cercomacroides tyrannina

Bare-crowned Antbird (H)

Gymnocichla nudiceps

Chestnut-backed Antbird

Poliocrania exsul

Dull-mantled Antbird

Sipia laemosticta

Spotted Antbird

Hylophylax naevioides

Ocellated Antbird

Phaenostictus mcleannani

Antpittas (Grallariidae)

Thicket Antpitta (H)

Myrmothera dives

Tapaculos (Rhinocryptidae)

Silvery-fronted Tapaculo (H)

Scytalopus argentifrons

Ovenbirds and Woodcreepers (Furnariidae)

Middle American (Tawny-throated) Leaf-tosser

Sclerurus mexicanus

Olivaceous Woodcreeper

Sittasomus griseicapillus

Ruddy Woodcreeper

Dendrocincla homochroa

Wedge-billed Woodcreeper

Glyphorhynchus spirurus

Cocoa Woodcreeper

Xiphorhynchus susurrans

Spotted Woodcreeper

Xiphorhynchus erythropygius

Streak-headed Woodcreeper

Lepidocolaptes souleyetii

Plain Xenops

Xenops minutus

Buff-throated Foliage-gleaner

Automolus ochrolaemus

Ruddy Treerunner

Margarornis rubiginosus

Red-faced Spinetail

Cranioleuca erythrops

Slaty Spinetail

Synallaxis brachyura

Manakins (Pipridae)

Long-tailed Manakin

Chiroxiphia linearis

White-ruffed Manakin

Corapipo altera

White-collared Manakin

Manacus candei

Cotingas (Cotingidae)

Three-wattled Bellbird (VU)

Procnias tricarunculatus

Snowy Cotinga

Carpodectes nitidus

Tityras and Allies (Tityridae)

Black-crowned Tityra

Tityra inquisitor

Masked Tityra

Tityra semifasciata

Northern Schiffornis

Schiffornis veraepacis

Cinnamon Becard

Pachyramphus cinnamomeus

White-winged Becard

Pachyramphus polychopterus

Sharpbill, Royal Flycatcher, and Allies (Oxyrunchidae)

Sulphur-rumped Flycatcher

Myiobius sulphureipygius

Tyrant Flycatchers (Tyrannidae)

Olive-striped Flycatcher

Mionectes olivaceus

Ochre-bellied Flycatcher

Mionectes oleagineus

Slaty-capped Flycatcher (L)

Leptopogon superciliaris

Scale-crested Pygmy-Tyrant (H)

Lophotriccus pileatus

Northern Bentbill

Oncostoma cinereigulare

Common Tody-Flycatcher

Todirostrum cinereum

Yellow-olive Flycatcher

Tolmomyias sulphurescens

Northern Beardless-Tyrannulet (H)

Camptostoma imberbe

Yellow Tyrannulet	<i>Capsiempis flaveola</i>
Greenish Elaenia	<i>Myiopagis viridicata</i>
Yellow-bellied Elaenia	<i>Elaenia flavogaster</i>
Mountain Elaenia	<i>Elaenia frantzii</i>
Mistletoe Tyrannulet	<i>Zimmerius parvus</i>
Tufted Flycatcher	<i>Mitrephanes phaeocercus</i>
Tropical Pewee	<i>Contopus cinereus</i>
Yellowish Flycatcher	<i>Empidonax flavescens</i>
Long-tailed Tyrant	<i>Colonia colonus</i>
Bright-rumped Attila	<i>Attila spadiceus</i>
Rufous Mourner	<i>Rhytipterna holerythra</i>
Dusky-capped Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus tuberculifer</i>
Brown-crested Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus tyrannulus</i>
Great Kiskadee	<i>Pitangus sulphuratus</i>
Boat-billed Flycatcher	<i>Megarynchus pitangua</i>
Social Flycatcher	<i>Myiozetetes similis</i>
Gray-capped Flycatcher	<i>Myiozetetes granadensis</i>
White-ringed Flycatcher	<i>Conopias albobittatus</i>
Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher	<i>Myiodynastes luteiventris</i>
Piratic Flycatcher (L)	<i>Legatus leucophaeus</i>
Tropical Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus melancholicus</i>

Vireos and Allies (Vireonidae)

Tawny-crowned Greenlet	<i>Tunchiornis ochraceiceps</i>
Lesser Greenlet	<i>Pachysylvia decurtata</i>

Crows, Jays, and Magpies (Corvidae)

White-throated Magpie-Jay	<i>Calocitta formosa</i>
Brown Jay	<i>Psilorhinus morio</i>

Swallows (Hirundinidae)

Blue-and-white Swallow	<i>Pygochelidon cyanoleuca</i>
Southern Rough-winged Swallow	<i>Stelgidopteryx ruficollis</i>
Gray-breasted Martin	<i>Progne chalybea</i>
Mangrove Swallow	<i>Tachycineta albilinea</i>

Gnatcatchers (Poliophtilidae)

Long-billed Gnatwren	<i>Ramphocaenus melanurus</i>
White-browed Gnatcatcher	<i>Poliophtila bilineata</i>

Wrens (Troglodytidae)

Nightingale Wren	<i>Microcerculus philomela</i>
House Wren	<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>
Ochraceous Wren	<i>Troglodytes ochraceus</i>

Spot-breasted Wren
 Black-throated Wren
 Banded Wren
 Rufous-and-white Wren
 Stripe-breasted Wren
 Cabanis's Wren
 Canebreak Wren
 Bay Wren
 White-breasted Wood-Wren
 Gray-breasted Wood-Wren
 Song Wren

Pheugopedius maculipectus
Pheugopedius atrogularis
Thryophilus pleurostictus
Thryophilus rufalbus
Cantorchilus thoracicus
Cantorchilus modestus
Cantorchilus zeledoni
Cantorchilus nigricapillus
Henicorhina leucosticta
Henicorhina leucophrys
Cyphorhinus phaeocephalus

Thrushes and Allies (Turdidae)

Black-faced Solitaire
 Orange-billed Nightingale-Thrush (H)
 Slaty-backed Nightingale-Thrush (H)
 Ruddy-capped Nightingale-Thrush
 Black-headed Nightingale-Thrush
 Mountain Thrush
 White-throated Thrush
 Clay-colored Thrush

Myadestes melanops
Catharus aurantiirostris
Catharus fuscater
Catharus frantzii
Catharus mexicanus
Turdus plebejus
Turdus assimilis
Turdus grayi

Old World Sparrows (Passeridae)

House Sparrow

Passer domesticus

Finches, Euphonias, and Allies (Fringillidae)

Golden-browed Chlorophonia
 Yellow-crowned Euphonia
 Yellow-throated Euphonia
 Olive-backed Euphonia
 Tawny-capped Euphonia

Chlorophonia collopheya
Euphonia luteicapilla
Euphonia hirundinacea
Euphonia gouldi
Euphonia anae

New World Sparrows (Passerellidae)

Common Chlorospingus
 Stripe-headed Sparrow
 Grasshopper Sparrow
 Black-striped Sparrow
 Orange-billed Sparrow
 Chestnut-capped Brushfinch
 Rufous-collared Sparrow
 White-eared Ground-Sparrow
 White-naped Brushfinch

Chlorospingus flavopectus
Peucaea ruficauda
Ammodramus savannarum
Arremonops conirostris
Arremon aurantiirostris
Arremon brunneinucha
Zonotrichia capensis
Melospiza leucotis
Atlapetes albinucha

Troupials and Allies (Icteridae)

Eastern Meadowlark (NT)
 Yellow-billed Caciue
 Chestnut-headed Oropendola
 Montezuma Oropendola
 Scarlet-rumped Caciue
 Black-cowled Oriole
 Red-winged Blackbird
 Bronzed Cowbird
 Melodious Blackbird
 Great-tailed Grackle
 Nicaraguan Grackle

Sturnella magna
Amblycercus holosericeus
Psarocolius wagleri
Psarocolius montezuma
Cacicus uropygialis
Icterus prothemelas
Agelaius phoeniceus
Molothrus aeneus
Dives dives
Quiscalus mexicanus
Quiscalus nicaraguensis

New World Warblers (Parulidae)

Black-and-white Warbler
 Gray-crowned Yellowthroat
 Olive-crowned Yellowthroat
 Tropical Parula
 Golden-crowned Warbler
 Costa Rican Warbler
 Buff-rumped Warbler
 Slate-throated Redstart
 Collared Redstart

Mniotilta varia
Geothlypis poliocephala
Geothlypis semiflava
Setophaga pitiayumi
Basileuterus culicivorus
Basileuterus melanotis
Myiothlypis fulvicauda
Myioborus miniatus
Myioborus torquatus

Cardinals and Allies (Cardinalidae)

Hepatic Tanager
 Red-throated Ant-Tanager
 Carmiol's Tanager
 Blue-black Grosbeak
 Blue Grosbeak

Piranga flava
Habia fuscicauda
Chlorothraupis carmioli
Cyanoloxia cyanooides
Passerina caerulea

Tanagers and Allies (Thraupidae)

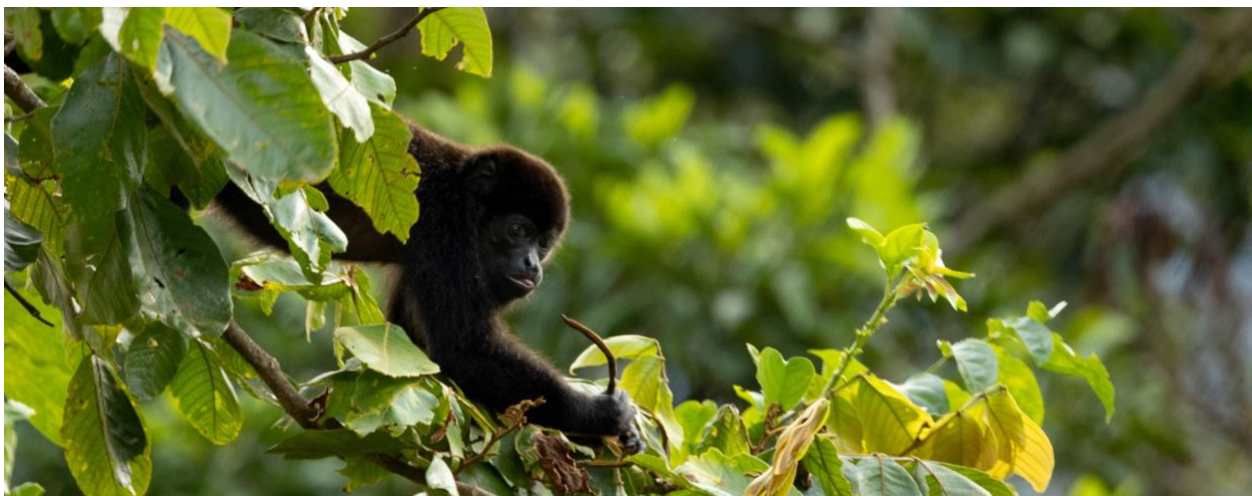
White-shouldered Tanager
 White-throated Shrike-Tanager (H)
 Crimson-collared Tanager
 Scarlet-rumped Tanager (Passerini's)
 Blue-gray Tanager
 Palm Tanager
 Golden-hooded Tanager
 Spangle-cheeked Tanager
 Rufous-winged Tanager
 Emerald Tanager
 Silver-throated Tanager
 Scarlet-thighed Dacnis
 Shining Honeycreeper

Loriotus luctuosus
Lanio leucothorax
Ramphocelus sanguinolentus
Ramphocelus passerinii passerinii
Thraupis episcopus
Thraupis palmarum
Stilpnia larvata
Tangara dowii
Tangara lavinia
Tangara florida
Tangara icterocephala
Dacnis venusta
Cyanerpes lucidus

Red-legged Honeycreeper	<i>Cyanerpes cyaneus</i>
Green Honeycreeper	<i>Chlorophanes spiza</i>
Blue-black Grassquit	<i>Volatinia jacarina</i>
Ruddy-breasted Seedeater	<i>Sporophila minuta</i>
Thick-billed Seed-Finch	<i>Sporophila funerea</i>
Nicaraguan Seed-Finch	<i>Sporophila nuttingi</i>
Variable Seedeater	<i>Sporophila corvina</i>
Morelet's Seedeater	<i>Sporophila moreletti</i>
Bananaquit	<i>Coereba flaveola</i>
Yellow-faced Grassquit	<i>Tiaris olivaceus</i>
Buff-throated Saltator	<i>Saltator maximus</i>
Black-headed Saltator	<i>Saltator atriceps</i>
Cinnamon-bellied Saltator	<i>Saltator grandis</i>
Slate-colored Grosbeak (H)	<i>Saltator grossus</i>

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Brown-throated Three-toed Sloth	<i>Bradypus variegatus</i>
Panamanian White-faced Capuchin	<i>Cebus imitator</i>
Mantled Howler Monkey	<i>Alouatta palliata</i>
Geoffroy's Spider Monkey (EN)	<i>Ateles geoffroyi</i>
Central American Agouti	<i>Dasyprocta punctata</i>
Red-tailed Squirrel	<i>Sciurus granatensis</i>
Variiegated Squirrel	<i>Sciurus variegatoides</i>
Tayra	<i>Eira barbara</i>
Baird's Tapir (EN)	<i>Tapirus bairdii</i>
Collared Peccary	<i>Dicotyles tajacu</i>
White-tailed Deer	<i>Odocoileus virginianus</i>



Mantled Howler Monkey. Photo by Josh Engel.