

Mammals of Northern Argentina

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Popayan River. El Rey National Park



Acay Mountain Pass



Trail on Santa Olga Ranch



Gaicho on the Dry Chaco

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Day 0

Saturday 12th September

Travelling from the UK

Day 1

Sunday 13th September

Salta

After an early arrival in Buenos Aires with transfers from the international airport of Ezeiza to the domestic one located on the coast of La Plata River, the group flew to Salta where we were waiting with our vehicles. We transferred to our hotel in the historic city of Salta and later went to visit a small lagoon, where hundreds of birds created a nice show for us. Red-gathered Coots, White-faced Ibis, Comb Duck, Andean Ruddy Duck, Black-headed Duck, White-checked Pintail, Yellow-billed Pintail, Coscoroba Swans, Silvery Teal, White-tufted Grebe and also some Chilean Flamingos were seen here. Short walks near the reeds produced our first mammal when a couple of Coypu appeared by the water near us. Later we saw a Snail Kite flying over the water and after that, on the corn fields, a White-tailed Kite soaring gave us a nice end to the day.

Day 2

Monday 14th September

Humahuaca Canyon

We had an early morning departure from Salta heading north along the Yungas Cloud Forest, where our first stop was for a couple of Burrowing Owls, perching on a post near the road, and a couple of Andean Lapwings also caught our attention on the lower elevations. On the hills around Campo Alegre Dam we saw new birds like, White-winged and Andean Coot, Fulvous Tree Duck, Rosy-billed Pochard, Cooi Heron, Great Egret, Ringed Kingfisher, a flock of Mitred Parakeet, Vermilion Flycatcher, and others.

After lunch, our route involved climbing up to the Humahuaca Canyon, passing by the side of the city of Jujuy. Once at the beginning of the canyon there was an incredible landscape of the Andes and colours on the rocks. Here we visited a farm in search of deer and mammals. The small dwelling on the hill side was a perfect location for our telescopes to search the Andean slopes, while drinking tea! A European Hare appeared on the grass near us and later in the distance Helen spotted a family group of Collared Peccary. We kept trying for the Andean Deer and visited a small lagoon where on the bushes a Brush-tailed Vizcacha Rat appeared briefly. Tucuman-Mountain Finch, Rufous-bellied Saltator and several Ornate Tinamous were seen here, and the day finished with a couple of Andean Condors flying at the top of the Andean Mountains at sunset.

Day 3

Tuesday 15th September

San Antonio de Los Cobres

We departed early from our hotel, and our first stop was in Purmamarca, where we did a short walk along Los Colorados trail, famous for the incredible number of colours on the rocks. From here, the road climbed up to nearly 4200m above sea level, in only 30 km! Near the top, a group of Vicunas were feeding on the grassland, but because of the altitude, sometimes these animals disappeared behind the clouds! Some other groups appeared a few minutes later by the edge of the road along the short drive to the top of these mountains. Further on, a rocky slope looked like a good place to search for Mountain Vizcacha, and we had just jumped out of the car when the first one appeared on top of the rocks. In the same place, a group of about 15 Guanacos were on the far hills and on the river bed, and near the road another group of vicuñas created a nice opportunity to study and compare both species of South American Camelids. Fresh droppings on the lower part of the rocks were an indication of some Vampire Bats but they are difficult to see during the day time. After that we visited the famous Salinas Grandes where the local people work on producing table salt and lithium and also bricks for cattle. Our day finished on San Antonio de Los Cobres, a mining town, nowadays it is a bit more touristy because of the Train to the Clouds.

Day 4

Wednesday 16th September

Acay Mountain Pass

After a nice breakfast in the hotel we left to look for one of the highest mountain passes in the world at 4969m above sea level. The day was windy and a little snow covered the surface of the road, but once there, Paul saw an Andean Red Fox sleeping on the bushes of Tola (typical evergreen bush of the Andes, used for firewood). We jumped down to try and take a picture and suddenly, another one appeared on the hill side. A few minutes later and up the road on rocky slopes, two groups of Mountain Vizcacha were seen very close to us. The road climbs on the side of a valley where Guanacos and Vicunas find protection from bad weather. Views from the top show an incredible landscape where it is possible to see Salinas Grandes 100 km away, and several peaks of the Andes over 6000m! Some typical birds along the way were Ash Breasted Sierra Finch, Plumbeous Sierra Finch, Mountain Caracara, Variable Hawk and down the road four Giant Hummingbirds feeding on tobacco flowers caught our attention. As well as that, a family group of Andean Condor flew over us, giving us a grand finale for the Andean part of the trip.

Day 5

Thursday 17th September

El Rey National Park

Another early breakfast and we set off en route eastwards to the lowlands, crossing the Sianca Valley where sugar cane crops cover the valley. Once this valley finishes the habitat changes to a typical Chaco Serrano Forest and here a couple of Brown Brocket Deer appeared on the road side. The last part of the road is along the mountains on a narrow road where it is necessary to cross several streams. In the National Park a couple of White lipped Peccary crossed the road and later some Brown Brocket Deer did the same. Once in the camping area, a couple of Red legged Seriemas, several Dusky-legged Guam and Plush-crested Jays come to welcome us here. We left the vehicles and started walking along Las Chuñas (local name for Seriema) trail.

A large number of footprints of Brazilian Tapirs told us there was a good population here, but because they are shy animals, they are very difficult to see. The trail makes a loop around the forest and back to the camping ground, and once we had returned there a nice picnic gave us the energy to keep on searching. Another trail went to Cascada de Los Lobitos, a small waterfall, where Tapirs use the salt of the rocks, necessary for them to survive. Tell-tale marks of the incisive teeth and foot prints in the soft sandy rocks were very obvious. On the way to this place a carcass was been eaten by several Black Vultures and a couple of King Vultures. The next trail was down to Popayan River, where we saw hundreds of fishes in the clear waters. Three Cream-backed Woodpeckers were seen on a dead tree here. Back at the camping area at the beginning of sunset we went spotlighting. The night drive produced a first Forest Fox near the town of J.V. Gonzales.

Day 6

Friday 18th September

Calilegua National Park

During the morning, the plan was to travel along the Dry Chaco Forest to Calilegua National Park. En route, we saw several flocks of Greater Rheas feeding on soy fields. Other birds on this road were Aplomado Falcon, White Monjita, Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle, Ringed Warbling-Finch, White-banded Mockingbird, and Chestnut-vented Conebill. A stop on the San Francisco River produced Wilson's Phalaropes, Lesser Yellow Legs, Bare-faced Ibis, Southern Martin, Brazilian Duck and Sooty Tyrannulet. The road turns to the south across the sugar cane fields, down to the city of Libertador San Martin, where we plan to spend two nights. In the afternoon we went for our first visit to the National Park, only 8 km from town and saw a Seven-banded Armadillo crossing the road. Driving up in the Park to the top it is possible to see the Yungas Cloud Forest and in the distance the Humahuaca Canyon at sunset. The road ends at 1700m on Abra (Mountain Pass) de Cañas. From here we drove down slowly to Libertador San Martin, and went spotlighting which produced a Forest Fox.

Day 7

Saturday 19th September

Calilegua National Park

We had an early breakfast and departed to visit the lower section of Calilegua National Park, following the Aguas Negras Stream. An incredible number of footprints were found during the morning walk along the stream, including Jaguar, Tapir, Crab-eating Raccoon, Tayra, Geoffroy's Cat, Peccary, and Brown Brocket Deer, but unfortunately none were seen. After lunch we visited other sections in the lower areas and some of the birds seen during today were Toco Toucan, Golden Collared Macaw, Scaly-headed Parrot, Mitred Parakeet, Black Phoebe, Dusky-capped Flycatcher, Red-tailed Comet, White-bellied Hummingbird, and Glittering-bellied Emerald. During the night we saw two Forest Foxes.

Day 8

Sunday 20th September

Ingeniero Juarez

It was an early morning departure from the Yungas Forest to the Dry Chaco. On the first part of the trip several crops are visible in the most important tropical area of Argentina - Sugar cane fields, Soy beans, Orange, Lemon, Banana and several vegetables are cultivated here. Driving northwards from Libertador San Martin, the road crosses the Bermejo River, which is one of the largest in the area. A few kilometres more and the road turns eastwards in a straight line of 600 km down to the city of Formosa.

Along this road we stopped on a small lagoon where we saw a couple of Chacoan Cavy, and also on the water several Ringed Teal and our first Caiman. In the bushes were Spot-winged and Picazuro Pigeon, Cinereous Tyrant, Monk Parakeet, Blue crowned Parakeet and Crested Hornero. Lunch on road side produced a nice Checkered Woodpecker, White-bellied Hummingbird and Ashy-tailed Swift. Later in the afternoon, we drove to Formosa Natural Reserve and another couple of Chacoan Cavy was seen on the road side. In the evening, on a secondary road we saw another three! We stopped there for tea in the forest and waited for mammals that may be crossing the road and a few minutes later, we suddenly saw a Giant Anteater!! Later that night we spotted on the main road and saw Argentine Gray Fox in a couple of places. The evening also produced Black-legged Seriema, Quebracho-crested Tinamou, Golden-billed Saltator, Tropical Parula, and several Little Nightjars.

Day 9

Monday 21st September

Formosa Natural Reserve

Very early we departed from town down to Formosa Natural Reserve. One hour later we found a nice place to prepare our breakfast at sunrise, with a fire to warm us up while the kettle was boiling. Orange juice, fresh bread, butter, jam, cheese, coffee, tea and milk from our cooler, made a nice breakfast. Golden-billed and Grayish Saltator, Red-crested Cardinal, Blue and Yellow Tanager, Saffron-billed Sparrow, Red-crested Finch, Black-capped Warbling-Finch and Solitary Cacique were seen during breakfast. Once in the Natural Reserve we were walking along trails that produced several Chacoan Cavys. On edge of the Natural Reserve, the Bermejo River produced some birds like Roseate Spoonbill, Limpkin, Southern Screamer, Ringed Teal, Great Black Hawk, Crested Caracara, Blue-tufted Starthroat, Scimitar-billed Woodcreeper and Narrow-billed Woodcreeper. Back at the town another Argentine Gray Fox and Brown Brocket Deer were seen and also a spectacular view of a rare Chaco Owl hunting a small mouse, kept our attention during the last minutes of the day.

Day 10

Tuesday 22nd September

La Estrella Marsh

We departed from Ing. Juarez to Las Lomitas our next destination, with a first stop on a road side marsh producing Rufescent-Tiger Heron, Whistling Heron, Southern Screamer, White-banded Mockingbird, and Chaco Chachalaca. Later an Argentine Gray Fox was seen on a road side. Once in town we had lunch and the hot weather started to change and an hour later was very windy and cold. We went in the afternoon to visit La Estrella Marsh. Grey clouds together with hundreds of dead trees in the water created an incredible landscape. Driving on the edge of the marsh we saw a couple of Capybaras. Neotropical Cormorant, Anhinga, Southern Screamer, Cooi Heron, Great Egret, Cinereous Harrier, Osprey and Nacunda Nighthawk, were some of the birds seen on the marsh. Back to Las Lomitas, and Forest Fox and Brown Brocket Deer were seen.

Day 11

Wednesday 23rd September

Santa Olga Ranch

Our last destination on the trip was a nice Cattle Ranch with Grasslands, Palm forest and Forest habitats. A first short trip on a trail before lunch produced a large family group of Capybaras. After a nice lunch on the ranch, we went to visit the forest and marshes and just at the beginning of the trail a Three-banded Armadillo was found digging on the edge of the marsh.

Keeping on trail, in the forest was a Brown Brocket Deer, and a few minutes later a Red Brocket Deer. In the deepest part of the forest was a big Ombú (a typical tree of the Pampas, considered in botany to be a giant herb) and at its base was a big hole where Vampire Bats roost. This part of the ranch contains birds like Jabirus, Maguari Stork, Reddish-bellied Parakeet, Solitary Cacique, Toco Toucan, Yellow-headed Caracara, Purplish Jay, Campo Flicker, Crested Becard, Black-backed Water-Tyrant, and Gilded Sapphire. A coffee during the sunset gave us a few minutes to rest, and on the way back three Brown Brocket Deers were seen on the edge of the forest.

Day 12

Thursday 24th September

Santa Olga Ranch

After an early breakfast, we went to a small lagoon where they have a nice hide to waiting for animals that come to drink. Just arriving we saw a family of South American Coati feeding at the edge of the water. On the lagoon we also saw several Caimans and later three Capybaras arrived at the far edge of the lagoon. The morning also produced birds like Toco Toucan, Cream-backed Woodpecker, Golden breasted Woodpecker, Yellow-headed Caracara, Black-collared hawk, Savana Hawk, Guira Cuckoo and Golden-winged Cacique. On the way back to the ranch a couple of Tamandua or Lesser Anteaters, were feeding on the road side, and because the first one was closer to the car it showed us it's typical defence position standing up and showing it's claws. Another nice lunch on the ranch and then we were ready for a walk on a trail near the hide. The beginning of the trail was near Pilagá River and we were following it along the riverine forest. Some Bare-faced Curassows surprised us flying across the river and other birds were there like Surucuá Trogon, and Tataupa Tinamou. Pablo, our local guide, showed us in the trees a family of Mirikina Night Monkeys. They were very curious and come closer to us, giving us the chance to take photos. At night a Brown Brocket Deer was seen driving back to the ranch.

Day 13

Friday 25th September

Santa Olga Ranch

The last day on the ranch we went to another hide not far from the previous one. Walking slowly along the edge of the first lagoon the sound of broken branches told us that a big mammal was there, and suddenly, running along the edge of the bushes a Brazilian Tapir was seen. At the hide we had a nice view of a Red Brocket Deer which was feeding slowly and finally disappeared in the reeds in front of us! Back at the first hide near our vehicle, James saw a couple of White-lipped Peccary and some Capybaras. During the afternoon we walked on a short trail where we saw several South American Coatis and also a Magellanic Horned Owl. In the evening we went back to the first hide and saw three Mirikina Night Monkeys and also male and female Howler Monkeys far away on a tree. The night drive produced five Crab-eating Raccoons on the grasslands and two Brown Brocket Deer.

Day 14

Saturday 26th September

Formosa – Buenos Aires

After a nice breakfast and some photos of the sunrise we said goodbye to our friends on the ranch and we started driving down to the city of Formosa, on the border with Paraguay where we took a flight back to Buenos Aires.

Our memories are of a great trip, beginning in the high Andes at nearly 5000m, crossing deserts, salt flats, and cloud forests, to dry and wet chaco at only 100m, and covering about 2,000 km of roads in the beautiful north of Argentina.

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Species Lists

Birds

RHEIDAE	
1. Greater Rhea	<i>Rhea Americana</i>
2. Puna Rhea	<i>Pterocnemia pennata</i>
TINAMIDAE	
3. Ornate Tinamou	<i>Nothoprocta ornata</i>
4. Brushland Tinamou	<i>Nothoprocta cinerascens</i>
5. Spotted Nothura	<i>Nothura maculosa</i>
6. Darwin's Nothura	<i>Nothura darwinii</i>
PODICIPEDIDAE	
7. Least Grebe	<i>Podiceps dominicus</i>
8. White-tufted Grebe	<i>Podiceps Rolland</i>
9. Silvery Grebe	<i>Podiceps occipitalis</i>
10. Pied-billed Grebe	<i>Podilymbus Podiceps</i>
ANHINGIDAE	
11. Anhinga	<i>Anhinga anhinga</i>
PHALACROCORACIDAE	
12. Neotropic Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax olivaceus</i>
ARDEIDAE	
13. White-necked Heron	<i>Ardea cocoi</i>
14. Rufescent Tiger-Heron	<i>Tigrisoma lineatum</i>
15. Whistling Heron	<i>Syrigma sibilatrix</i>
16. Great Egret	<i>Casmerodius albus</i>
17. Snowy Egret	<i>Egretta thula</i>
18. Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>
19. Black-crowned Night-Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>
20. Wood Stork	<i>Mycteria Americana</i>
21. Maguari Stork	<i>Euxenura Maguari</i>
22. Jabiru	<i>Jabiru mycteria</i>
THRESKIORNITHIDAE	
23. Plumbeous Ibis	<i>Harpiprion caerulescens</i>
24. Buff-necked Ibis	<i>Theristicus caudatus</i>
25. White-faced Ibis	<i>Plegadis chihi</i>
26. Roseate Spoonbill	<i>Ajaia ajaja</i>
ANHIMIDAE	
27. Southern Screamer	<i>Chauna torquata</i>
ANATIDAE	
28. Muscovy Duck	<i>Cairina moschata</i>
29. Coscoroba Swan	<i>Coscoroba Coscoroba</i>
30. Andean Goose	<i>Chloephaga melanoptera</i>
31. Yellow-billed Pintail	<i>Anas georgica</i>
32. Speckled Teal	<i>Anas flavirostris</i>
33. Torrent Duck	<i>Merganetta armata</i>
34. Rosy-billed Pochard	<i>Netta peposaca</i>
35. Brazilian Duck	<i>Amazonetta brasiliensis</i>
36. Ringed Teal	<i>Callonetta leucophrys</i>
37. Andean Ruddy Duck	<i>Oxyura ferruginea</i>

CATHARTIDAE	
38. Andean Condor	<i>Vultur gryphus</i>
39. Turkey Vulture	<i>Cathartes aura</i>
40. L. Yellow-headed Vulture	<i>Cathartes burrovianus</i>
41. Black Vulture	<i>Coragyps atratus</i>
42. King Vulture	<i>Sarcoramphus papa</i>
ACCIPITRIDAE	
43. Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle	<i>Geranoaetus melanoleucus</i>
44. Am. Swallow-tailed Kite	<i>Elanoides forficatus</i>
45. White-tailed Kite	<i>Elanus leucurus</i>
46. Great Black-Hawk	<i>Buteogallus urubitinga</i>
47. Bay-winged Hawk	<i>Parabuteo unicinctus</i>
48. Snail Kite	<i>Rostrhamus sociabilis</i>
49. Long-winged Harrier	<i>Circus buffoni</i>
50. Cinereous Harrier	<i>Circus cinereus</i>
51. Roadside Hawk	<i>Buteo magnirostris</i>
52. Variable Hawk	<i>Buteo polyosoma</i>
53. Crowned Eagle	<i>Harpyhaliaetus coronatus</i>
54. Black-collared Hawk	<i>Busarellus nigricollis</i>
55. Savanna Hawk	<i>Heterospizias meridionalis</i>
PANDIONIDAE	
56. Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>
FALCONIDAE	
57. Crested Caracara	<i>Polyborus plancus</i>
58. Chimango Caracara	<i>Milvago Chimango</i>
59. Spot-winged Falconet	<i>Spizapteryx circumcinctus</i>
60. Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>
61. Aplomado Falcon	<i>Falco femoralis</i>
62. American Kestrel	<i>Falco sparverius</i>
CRACIDAE	
63. Chaco Chachalaca	<i>Ortalis canicollis</i>
64. Dusky-legged Guan	<i>Penelope obscura</i>
ARAMIDAE	
65. Limpkin	<i>Aramus guarauna</i>
RALLIDAE	
66. Giant Wood-Rail	<i>Aramides ypecaha</i>
67. Gray-necked Wood-Rail	<i>Aramides cajanea</i>
68. Plumbeous Rail	<i>Rallus sanguinolentus</i>
69. Red-gathered Coot <i>Fulica armiliata</i> 1000	
70. White-winged Coot	<i>Fulica leucoptera</i>
71. Red-fronted Coot	<i>Fulica rufifrons</i>
72. Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>
CARIAMIDAE	
73. Black-legged Seriema	<i>Chunga burmeisteri</i>
74. Red-legged Seriema	<i>Cariama cristata</i>
JACANIDAE	
75. Wattled Jacana	<i>Jacana jacana</i>
RECURVIROSTRIDAE	
76. South American Stilt	<i>Himantopus melanurus</i>

CHARADRIIDAE	
77. Southern Lapwing	<i>Vanellus chilensis</i>
SCOLOPACIDAE	
78. Greater Yellowlegs	<i>Tringa melanoleuca</i>
79. Lesser Yellowlegs	<i>Tringa flavipes</i>
LARIDAE	
80. Andean Gull	<i>Larus serranus</i>
COLUMBIDAE	
81. Picazuro Pigeon	<i>Columba picazuro</i>
82. Spot-winged Pigeon	<i>Columba maculosa</i>
83. Eared Dove	<i>Zenaida auriculata</i>
84. Picui Ground-Dove	<i>Columbina picui</i>
86. Black-winged Ground-Dove	<i>Metriopelia melanoptera</i>
87. Golden-spotted Ground-Dove	<i>Metriopelia aymara</i>
88. Moreno's Ground-Dove	<i>Metriopelia morenoi</i>
89. White-tipped Dove	<i>Leptotila verreauxi</i>
90. Large-tailed Dove	<i>Leptotila megalura</i>
PSITTACIDAE	
91. Mitred Parakeet	<i>Aratinga mitrata</i>
92. Blue-crowned Parakeet	<i>Aratinga acuticaudata</i>
93. Monk Parakeet	<i>Myiopsitta monachus</i>
94. Green-cheeked Parakeet	<i>Pyrrhura molinae</i>
95. Scaly-headed Parrot	<i>Pionus maximiliani</i>
96. Turquoise-fronted Parrot	<i>Amazona aestiva</i>
CUCULIDAE	
97. Yellow-billed Cuckoo	<i>Coccyzus americanus</i>
98. Dark-billed Cuckoo	<i>Coccyzus melacoryphus</i>
99. Smooth-billed Ani	<i>Crotophaga ani</i>
100. Guira Cuckoo	<i>Guira guira</i>
101. Squirrel Cuckoo	<i>Piaya cayana</i>
STRIGIDAE	
102. Lesser Horned Owl	<i>Bubo virginianus</i>
103. Burrowing Owl	<i>Athene cunicularia</i>
104. Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl	<i>Glaucidium brasilianum</i>
105. Hoy's Screech Owl	<i>Otus hoyi</i>
CAPRIMULGIDAE	
106. Little Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus parvulus</i>
107. Pauraque	<i>Nyctidromus albicollis</i>
108. Nacunda Nighthawk	<i>Podager nacunda</i>
109. Scissor-tailed Nightjar	<i>Hydropsalis brasiliana</i>
APODIDAE	
110. White-collared Swift	<i>Streptoprocne zonaris</i>
111. Rothschild's Swift	<i>Cypseloides rothschildi</i>
112. Andean Swift	<i>Aeronautes andecolus</i>
TROCHILIDAE	
113. Red-tailed Comet	<i>Sappho sparganura</i>
114. Sparkling Violetear	<i>Colibri coruscans</i>
115. White-bellied Hummingbird	<i>Amazilia chionogaster</i>
116. Glittering-bellied Emerald	<i>Chlorostilbon aureoventris</i>
117. Slender-tailed Woodstar	<i>Microstilbon burmeisteri</i>

TROGONIDAE	
118. Blue-crowned Trogon	<i>Trogon curucui</i>
ALCEDINIDAE	
119. Ringed Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle torquata</i>
120. Amazon Kingfisher	<i>Chloroceryle amazona</i>
121. Green Kingfisher	<i>Chloroceryle Americana</i>
RAMHASTIDAE	
122. Toco Toucan	<i>Ramphastos toco</i>
BUCCONIDAE	
123. Chaco Puffbird	<i>Nystalus striatipectus</i>
PICIDAE	
124. Campo Flicker	<i>Colaptes campestris</i>
125. Andean Flicker	<i>Colaptes rupicola</i>
126. Golden-breast. Woodpecker	<i>Colaptes melanolaimus</i>
127. Golden-olive Woodpecker	<i>Piculus rubiginosus</i>
128. Checkered Woodpecker	<i>Picoides mixtus</i>
129. Dot-fronted Woodpecker	<i>Veniliornis frontalis</i>
130. Ocellated Piculet	<i>Picumnus dorbygnianus</i>
131. White-barred Piculet	<i>Picumnus cirratus</i>
132. Cream-backed Woodpecker	<i>Campephilus leucopogon</i>
DENDROCOLAPTIDAE	
133. Great Rufous Woodcreeper	<i>Xiphocolaptes major</i>
134. Scimitar-billed Woodcreeper	<i>Drymornis bridgesii</i>
135. Narrow-billed Woodcreeper	<i>Lepidocolaptes angustirostris 1</i>
136. Olivaceous Woodcreeper	<i>Sittasomus griseicapillus</i>
FURNARIIDAE	
137. Rufous-banded Miner	<i>Geositta rufipennis</i>
138. Common Miner	<i>Geositta cunicularia</i>
139. Puna Miner	<i>Geositta punensis</i>
140. Short-billed Miner	<i>Geositta antarctica</i>
141. Rock Earthcreeper	<i>Upucerthia andaecola</i>
142. Bar-winged Cinclodes	<i>Cinclodes fuscus</i>
143. Rufous Hornero	<i>Furnarius rufus</i>
144. Brown Cacholote	<i>Pseudoseisura lophotes</i>
145. Azara's Spinetail	<i>Synallaxis superciliosa</i>
146. Brown-capped Tit-Spinetail	<i>Leptasthenura fuliginiceps</i>
147. Plain-mantled Tit-Spinetail	<i>Leptasthenura aegithaliodes</i>
148. Common Thornbird	<i>Phacellodomus rufifrons</i>
RHINOCRYPTIDAE	
149. Crested Gallito	<i>Rhinocrypta lanceolata</i>
COTINGIDAE	
150. Crested Becard	<i>Platypsaris rufus</i>
151. White-winged Becard	<i>Pachyramphus polychopterus</i>
TYRANNIDAE	
152. Black-billed Shrike-Tyrant	<i>Agriornis montana</i>
153. White Monjita	<i>Xolmis irupero</i>
154. Andean Negrito	<i>Lessonia oreas</i>
155. Black Phoebe	<i>Sayornis nigricans</i>
156. Cattle Tyrant	<i>Machetornis rixosus</i>
157. Great Kiskadee	<i>Pitangus sulphuratus</i>

158. Tropical Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus melancholicus</i>
158. Fork-tailed Flycatcher	<i>Tyrannus savana</i>
159. Vermilion Flycatcher	<i>Pyrocephalus rubinus</i>
PHYTOTOMIDAE	
160. White-tipped Plantcutter	<i>Phytotoma rutila</i>
HIRUNDINIDAE	
161. Gray-breasted Martin	<i>Progne chalybea</i>
162. Brown-chested Martin	<i>Phaeoprogne tapera</i>
163. White-rumped Swallow	<i>Tachycineta leucorrhoa</i>
164. Blue-and-white Swallow	<i>Notiochelidon cyanoleuca</i>
165. So. Rough-winged Swallow	<i>Stelgidopteryx ruficollis</i>
166. Tawny-headed Swallow	<i>Alopocheledon fucata</i>
CORVIDAE	
167. Purplish Jay	<i>Cyanocorax cyanomelas</i>
168. Plush-crested Jay	<i>Cyanocorax chrysops</i>
CINCLIDAE	
169. Rufous-throated Dipper	<i>Cinclus schulzi</i>
TROGLODYTIDAE	
170. House Wren	<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>
MIMIDAE	
171. Brown-backed Mockingbird	<i>Mimus dorsalis</i>
172. White-banded Mockingbird	<i>Mimus triurus</i>
173. Chalk-browed Mockingbird	<i>Mimus saturninus</i>
174. Patagonian Mockingbird	<i>Mimus patagonicus</i>
TURDIDAE	
175. Creamy-bellied Thrush	<i>Turdus amaurochalinus</i>
176. Rufous-bellied Thrush	<i>Turdus rufiventris</i>
177. Chiguanco Thrush	<i>Turdus chiguanco</i>
SYLVIIDAE	
178. Masked Gnatcatcher	<i>Polioptila dumicola</i>
VIREONIDAE	
179. Rufous-browed Peppershrike H	<i>Cyclarhis gujanensis</i>
PARULIDAE	
180. Two-banded Warbler	<i>Basileuterus bivittatus</i>
181. Brown-capped Redstart	<i>Myioborus brunniceps</i>
182. Tropical Parula	<i>Parula pitiayumi</i>
THRAUPIDAE	
183. Blue-hooded Euphonia	<i>Euphonia musica</i>
184. Purple-throated Euphonia	<i>Euphonia chlorotica</i>
185. Sayaca Tanager	<i>Thraupis sayaca</i>
186. Blue-and-yellow Tanager	<i>Thraupis bonariensis</i>
EMBERIZIDAE	
187. Golden-billed Saltator	<i>Saltator aurantirostris</i>
188. Grayish Saltator	<i>Saltator caeruleus</i>
189. Red-crested Cardinal	<i>Paroaria coronata</i>
190. Ultramarine Grosbeak	<i>Cyanocompsa brissonii</i>
191. Blue-black Grassquit	<i>Volatinia jacarina</i>
192. Double-collared Seedeater	<i>Sporophila caeruleus</i>
193. Rusty-collared Seedeater	<i>Sporophila collaris</i>
194. Saffron Finch	<i>Sicalis flaveola</i>

195. Puna Yellow-Finch	<i>Sicalis lutea</i>
196. Greenish Yellow-Finch	<i>Sicalis olivascens</i>
197. Ash-breasted Sierra-Finch	<i>Phrygilus plebejus</i>
198. Gray-hooded Sierra-Finch	<i>Phrygilus gayi</i>
199. Black-hooded Sierra-Finch	<i>Phrygilus atriceps</i>
200. Mourning Sierra-Finch	<i>Phrygilus fruticeti</i>
201. Red-crested Finch	<i>Coryphospingus cucullatus</i>
202. Rufous-collared Sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia capensis</i>
203. Great Pampa-Finch	<i>Embernagra platensis</i>
FRINGILLIDAE	
204. Black Siskin	<i>Carduelis atrata</i>
205. Hooded Siskin	<i>Carduelis magellanica</i>
ICTERIDAE	
206. Crested Oropendola	<i>Psarocolius decumanus</i>
207. Golden-winged Cacique	<i>Cacicus chrysopterus</i>
208. Screaming Cowbird	<i>Molothrus rufoaxillaris</i>
209. Shiny Cowbird	<i>Molothrus bonariensis</i>
210. Bay-winged Cowbird	<i>Molothrus badius</i>
211. Yellow-winged Blackbird	<i>Agelaius thilius</i>
212. Scarlet-headed Blackbird	<i>Amblyramphus holosericeus</i>

Other Birds Seen

1.	Red-winged Tinamou	<i>Rhynchotus rufescens</i>
2.	Tataupa Tinamou	<i>Crypturellus Tataupa</i>
3.	Quebracho Crested-Tinamou	<i>Eudromia Formosa</i>
4.	Undulated Tinamou	<i>Crypturellus undulatus</i>
5.	Chilean Flamingo	<i>Phenicopterus chilensis</i>
6.	Bare-faced Ibis	<i>Phimosus infuscatus</i>
7.	Green Ibis	<i>Mesembrinibis cayennensis</i>
8.	White-cheeked Pintail	<i>Anas bahamensis</i>
9.	Red Shoveler	<i>Anas platalea</i>
10.	Comb Duck	<i>Sarkidiornis melanotos</i>
11.	Silvery Teal	<i>Anas versicolor</i>
12.	Fulvous Tree Duck	<i>Dendrocygna bicolor</i>
13.	Pearl Kite	<i>Gampsonyx swainsonii</i>
14.	Bicolored Hawk	<i>Accipiter bicolor</i>
15.	Mountain Caracara	<i>Polyborus megalopterus</i>
16.	Yellow-headed Caracara	<i>Milvago chimachima</i>
17.	Bat Falcon	<i>Falco ruficularis</i>
18.	Bare faced Curassow	<i>Crax fasciolata</i>
19.	Andean Coot	<i>Fulica ardesiaca</i>
20.	Wilson's Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus tricolor</i>
21.	Andean Lapwing	<i>Vanellus resplendens</i>
22.	Grey-breasted Seedsnipe	<i>Thinocorus orbignyianus</i>
23.	Golden-collared Macaw	<i>Ara auricollis</i>
24.	Grey-hooded Parakeet	<i>Bolborhynchus aymara</i>
25.	Mountain Parakeet	<i>Bolborhynchus aurifrons</i>
26.	Ashy-tailed Swift	<i>Chaetura Andrei</i>
27.	Chaco Owl	<i>Strix chacoensis</i>
28.	Barn Owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>

29.	Common Potoo	<i>Nyctibius griseus</i>
30.	Blue-tufted Starthroat	<i>Heliomaster furcifer</i>
31.	Giant Hummingbird	<i>Patagona gigas</i>
32.	Gilded Sapphire	<i>Hylocharis chrysura</i>
33.	Surucua Trogon	<i>Trogon curucui</i>
34.	Little Woodpecker	<i>Veniliornis spilogaster</i>
35.	White Woodpecker	<i>Melanerpes candidus</i>
36.	Crested Hornero	<i>Furnarius cristatus</i>
37.	Stripe-crowned Spinetail	<i>Stripe-crowned Spinetail</i>
38.	Rusty-vented Canastero	<i>Asthenes dorbignyi</i>
39.	Buff-browed Foliage-Gleaner	<i>Syndactyla rufosuperciliata</i>
40.	Greater Thornbird	<i>Phacellodomus ruber</i>
41.	Variable Antshrike	<i>Thamnophilus caeruleus</i>
42.	White-tailed Shrike-Tyrant	<i>Agriornis andicola</i>
43.	Puna Ground-Tyrant	<i>Muscixacicola juninensis</i>
44.	Dusky-capped Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus tuberculifer</i>
45.	Swainson's Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus swainsoni</i>
46.	Brown-crested Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus tyrannulus</i>
47.	Cinereous Tyrant	<i>Knipolegus striaticeps</i>
48.	Pearly-vented Tody-Tyrant	<i>Hemitriccus margaritaceiventer</i>
49.	Grey Monjita	<i>Xolmis cinerea</i>
50.	Black-backed Water-Tyrant	<i>Fluvicola pica</i>
51.	Sooty Tyrannulet	<i>Serpophaga nigricans</i>
52.	Chaco Suiriri	<i>Suiriri Suiriri</i>
53.	Mottled-cheeked Tyrannulet	<i>Phylloscartes ventralis</i>
54.	White-throated Tyrannulet	<i>Mecocerculus leucophrys</i>
55.	Yellow-billed Tit-Tyrant	<i>Anairetes flavirostris</i>
56.	Southern Martin	<i>Progne modesta</i>
57.	Rufous-bellied Saltator	<i>Saltator rufiventris</i>
58.	Tucuman Mountain-Finch	<i>Compsospiza baeri</i>
59.	Yellow-billed Cardinal	<i>Paroaria capitata</i>
60.	Black-capped Warbling-Finch	<i>Poospiza melanoleuca</i>
61.	Ringed Warbling-Finch	<i>Poospiza torquata</i>
62.	Saffron-billed Sparrow	<i>Arremon flavirostris</i>
63.	Stripe-capped Sparrow	<i>Aimophila strigiceps</i>
64.	Hepatic Tanager	<i>Piranga flava</i>
65.	Plumbeous Sierra-Finch	<i>Phrygilus unicolor</i>
66.	Chestnut capped Blackbird	<i>Agelaius ruficapillus</i>
67.	Epaulet Oriole	<i>Icterus cayanensis</i>
68.	Solitary Cacique	<i>Cacicus solitarius</i>

Mammals

Opossums	
White-eared Opossum	<i>Didelphis albiventris</i>
Elegant Mouse Opossum	<i>Marmosa elegans</i>
Common Mouse Opossum	<i>Marmosa pusilla</i>

Bats	
Greater Fishing Bat	Noctilio leporinus
Flat-faced Fruit-eating Bat	Artibeus planirostris
Vampire Bat	Desmodus rotundus
Argentine Brown Bat	Eptesicus furinalis
Common Myotis	Myotis levis
Monkeys	
Black Howler Monkey	Alouatta Caraya
Brown Capuchin Monkey	Cebus paella
Mirikina Night Monkey	Aotus sp.
Anteaters, Armadillos	
Giant Anteater	Myrmecophaga tridáctila
Tamandua	Tamandua tetradáctila
Screaming Armadillo	Chaetophractus vellerosus
Nine-banded Armadillo	Dasypus novemcinctus
Six –banded Armadillo	Euphractus sexcinctus
Giant Armadillo	Priodontes maximus
Southern Three-banded Armadillo	Tolypeutes matacus
Seven Banded Armadillo	
Rabbits	
Forest Rabbit	Sylvilagus brasiliensis
Squirrels	
Yungas Forest Squirrel	Sciurus ignites
Rats, Mice, Cavies	
Common Yellow-toothed Cavy	Galea musteloides
Southern Dwarf Cavy	Microcavia australis
Andean Dwarf Cavy	Microcavia shiptoni
Chacoan Cavy	Pediolagus salinicola
Capybara	Hydrochaeris hydrochaeris
Azara's Agouti	Dasyprocta azarae
Mountain Vizcacha	Lagidium viscacia
Plains Vizcacha	Lagostomus maximus
Coypo	Myocastor coypus
Brush-tailed Vizcacha Rat	Octodontomys gliroides
Highland Tuco-tuco	Ctenomys opimus
Mendoza Tuco-tuco	Ctenomys mendocinus
Salta Tuco-tuco	Ctenomys saltarius
Foxes	
Forest Fox	Cerdocyon thous
Andean Red Fox	Pseudalopex culpaeus
Argentine Gray Fox	Pseudalopex griseus

Pampa Fox	<i>Pseudalopex gymnocercus</i>
Raccon, Coatí	
South American Coati	<i>Nasua Nasua</i>
Crab-eating Raccoon	<i>Procyon cancrivorus</i>
Common Hog-nosed Skunk	<i>Conepatus chinga</i>
Tayra	<i>Eira barbara</i>
Lesser Grison (Weasel)	<i>Galictis cuja</i>
Southern River Otter	<i>Lontra longicaudis</i>
Cats	
Pampas Cat	<i>Lynchailurus pajeros</i>
Puma	<i>Puma concolor</i>
Geoffroy's Cat	<i>Oncifelis geoffroyi</i>
Jaguar	<i>Panthera onca</i>
Jaguarundi	<i>Herpailurus jagouarundi</i>
Andean Cat	<i>Oreilurus jacobita</i>
Ocelot	<i>Leopardos pardalis</i>
Tapirs	
Brazilian Tapir	<i>Tapirus terrestris</i>
Peccary	
Chacoan Peccary	<i>Catagonus wagneri</i>
Collared Peccary	<i>Tayassu tajacu</i>
White-lipped Peccary	<i>Tayassu pecari</i>
Deer	
Marsh Deer	<i>Blastocerus dichotomus</i>
Red Brocket Deer	<i>Mazama Americana</i>
Brown Brocket Deer	<i>Mazama gouazouvira</i>
Camelids	
Guanaco	<i>Lama guanicoe</i>
Vicuna	<i>Vicugna vicugna</i>
Others	
European Hare	
Lama	
Reptiles	
Yacare Caiman	
Gecko	
Teiuss Lizard	
Tegu Lizard	
False Water Cobra	