

PUERTO RICO EXTENSION

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During this year's Puerto Rico Extension to our Dominican Republic tour, we were based at the Copamarina Beach Resort for five days, and from there we took daily drives to different birding sites.

Our first full day on the island found us at the Maricao highlands where Elfin-woods Warbler, Puerto Rican Spindalis,

Puerto Rican Emerald, and Green Mango were observed nicely. The following day, at the Guanica forest and La Parguera, we saw Puerto Rican Flycatcher, Puerto Rican Woodpecker, Puerto Rican Tody, and the threatened Yellow-shouldered Blackbird. On the night of the 18th we matched the success of the morning with astonishing views of Puerto Rican Nightjar and Puerto Rican Screech-Owl, our last yet-to-see endemics of the island. (Well, except for an almost-impossible-to-see: the Puerto Rican Parrot.)

Since we had a full day to go and all the other endemic species were already nailed, we decided to try for the parrot. Romney was a key person in our pursuit, since she knew about the main locations and the recent sightings. Therefore, on April 19th we started very early in the morning and took a drive to Rio Abajo. Once there, we walked the trails and the surroundings of the aviary. We waited and waited and hoped for the impossible, and the impossible happened at noon: after hearing squawking voices on the other side of the gate, a single Puerto Rican Parrot flew into a bare tree close to us, gave us enough time to enjoy it through the scope, and then flew away. Only 30 minutes later a pair did the same, this time allowing us to take a video that has been posted at the Internet Bird Collection (you can see it by clicking the species at the hyperlink file). What a moment! This is what I would call an experience of a lifetime. When we started the tour this bird was a dream, an impossible dream I would say, and only a few days later it was a reality, and a lifer for your leader! I hope you will remember this moment as a very special birding experience. By seeing this parrot I could now say that we had seen all the endemics of the small but beautiful Puerto Rico!

Thank you very much for joining me on this short but special tour. I look forward to seeing you again on another adventure in the American Tropics.

The Birdlist

The enclosed birdlist follows the AOU taxonomy. Alternative names or taxonomic treatment from other sources is given in the comment accompanying the species.

Fregatidae

Magnificent Frigatebird. *Fregata magnificens (monotypic)*. Common around Copa Marina.

Pelecanidae

Brown Pelican *Pelecanus occidentalisoccidentalis*. Few individuals were seen in La Parguera.

Ardeidae

Great Egret. *Ardea alba egretta*. Several individuals were seen on grasslands along the highway to Guanica.

Little Blue Heron. *Egretta caerulea (monotypic)*. A single individual was observed in Copa Marina.

Cattle Egret. *Bubulcus ibis ibis*. Common at sides of the highways. It was seen every day.

Green Heron. *Butorides virescens maculata*. A single individual was seen at the beach in Copamarina.

Cathartidae

Turkey Vulture. *Cathartes auraaura*. This species was seen every day. Notice that the race of the island has a red nape.

Accipitridae

Sharp-shinned Hawk. *Accipiter striatus*. We enjoyed great views of a single individual in Maricao.

Red-tailed Hawk. *Buteo jamaicensis*. This species is fairly common in Puerto Rico. We observed it along the highway and later near Guanica.

Falconidae

American Kestrel. *Falco sparverius caribaeorum*. A single individual was observed chasing a Red-tailed Hawk.

Rallidae

Clapper Rail. *Rallus longirostris caribaeus*. A pair was found foraging in the open inside a very small wetland.

Charadriidae

Wilson's Plover. *Charadrius wilsonia rufinucha*. One individual was found in the wetland near La Parguera. The race *rufinucha* is a resident of the Greater Antilles and some of the Lesser Antilles.

Semipalmated Plover. *Charadrius semipalmatus (monotypic)*. Ten plus individuals accompanied the previous species in the mudflat near La Parguera.

Black-bellied Plover. *Pluvialis squatarola*. Three individuals were observed in the wetland near La Parguera.

Scolopacidae

Nine sandpipers were seen in the wetland near La Parguera while the Willet was observed along the beach.

Spotted Sandpiper. *Actitis macularia* (*monotypic*). One individual.

Lesser Yellowlegs. *Tringa flavipes* (*monotypic*). Three individuals.

Least Sandpiper. *Calidris minutilla* (*monotypic*). Three individuals.

Semipalmated Sandpiper. *Calidris pusilla* (*monotypic*). About 30 individuals.

Western Sandpiper. *Calidris mauri*. At least six individuals.

Solitary Sandpiper. *Tringa solitaria*. A single individual was observed walking in the dry area of the mangrove.

Stilt Sandpiper. *Calidris himantopus*. Three individuals in breeding plumage.

Sanderling. *Calidris alba*. Three individuals.

Short-billed Dowitcher. *Limnodromus griseus*. Eleven individuals, including a leucistic one!

Willet. *Tringa semipalmata*. One individual at the beach in front of La Parguera.

Recurvirostridae

Black-necked Stilt. *Himantopus mexicanus* (*monotypic*). Common and numerous around La Parguera.

Laridae

Sandwich Tern. *Sterna sandvicensis*. Three individuals were seen beyond the wetland near La Parguera, and another three individuals were enjoyed in Rio Portugues, near Ponce.

Columbidae

Scaly-naped Pigeon. *Patagioenas squamosa* (*monotypic*). Seen daily.

White-winged Dove. *Zenaida asiaticaasiatica*. This is probably the most widespread *Columbidae* in Puerto Rico. We saw it every day.

Zenaida Dove. *Zenaida aurita zenaida*. About seven individuals were seen in the desert scrub of the Guánica forest. This species has a preference for drier habitats.

Mourning Dove. *Zenaida macrouramacroura*. This species was common near San Juan.

Common Ground-Dove. *Columbina passerina portoricensis*. We had sporadic views of this small *Columbidae* throughout the dry areas of the island.

Key West Quail-Dove. *Geotrygon chrysia* (*monotypic*). Despite much search in the Susua forest, this species goes as heard-only! Nevertheless, the individual flushed in Maricao might have been this species.

Ruddy Quail-Dove. *Geotrygon montana montana*. One individual was observed through the scope at the Rio Abajo forest.

Psittacidae

Puerto Rican Parrot. *Amazona vittata*. A single individual was seen first, and later a pair was even scoped in Rio Abajo forest. This is the most threatened parrot in the Caribbean since in 2006 the total wild population was estimated at 40 individuals. Current efforts to conserve the species have expanded to the Rio Abajo forest where individuals have been reintroduced. Our sighting is probably the first in many years for any tour group.

Cuculidae

Puerto Rican Lizard-Cuckoo. *Coccyzus vieilloti vittata*. **Endemic to Puerto Rico.** Great views of a pair in the Guanica forest.

Mangrove Cuckoo. *Coccyzus minor*. One individual was seen in La Parguera.

Smooth-billed Ani. *Chrotophaga ani*. Mostly seen along the highways.

Strigidae

Puerto Rican Screech-Owl. *Megascops nudipes nudipes*. **Endemic to Puerto Rico.** What a view! We had VERY close views of an individual in Guanica. Probably among the top five of the tour.

Caprimulgidae

Antillean Nighthawk. *Chordeiles gundlachii (monotypic)*. About three individuals were seen giving an aerial display on the grounds above the Guanica forest.

Puerto Rican Nightjar. *Caprimulgus noctitherus (monotypic)*. **Endemic to Puerto Rico.** We were extremely lucky this time to see an individual perched and later to have another individual flying very close to us. In one evening we heard about eight individuals!

Trochilidae

Antillean Mango. *Anthracothorax dominicus aurulentus*. This species was seen twice near Copa Marina.

Green Mango. *Anthracothorax viridis (monotypic)*. **Endemic to Puerto Rico.** Common in the Maricao highlands. We reported five individuals in one morning.

Puerto Rican Emerald. *Chlorostilbon maugaeus (monotypic)*. **Endemic to Puerto Rico.** The first encounter with this species was at the Maricao highlands. Also, a female was seen in Susua forest.

Todidae

Fossil evidence suggests that todies evolved from Central America but became extinct for unknown reasons. Five species remain in the Great Antilles and one is represented in Puerto Rico. Todies are relatives of the motmots, and more distantly to the kingfishers.

Puerto Rican Tody. *Todus mexicanus (monotypic)*. **Endemic to Puerto Rico.** What a little beauty. We enjoyed several encounters with this very unique species. Look at the hyperlink document to enjoy some video of it!

Picidae

Puerto Rican Woodpecker. *Melanerpes portoricensis (monotypic)*. **Endemic to Puerto Rico.** Mainly heard in Susua forest and later seen very well in Rio Abajo.

Tyrannidae

Caribbean Elaenia. *Elaenia martinica martinica*. A pair was observed in Guanica. The genus *Elaenia* is known for the similarity of the species. In bird-rich countries the voice and the habitat are relevant for species identification.

Lesser Antillean Pewee. *Contopus latirostris portoricensis*. (Puerto Rican Pewee. *Contopus portoricensis*). Treated by some taxonomists as a **Puerto Rico endemic** (*Contopus portoricensis*). A single individual was seen in Susua forest and later seen well in Rio Abajo.

Puerto Rican Flycatcher. *Myiarchus antillarum (monotypic)*. **Endemic to Puerto Rico.** After a bit of search we found a pair in the Susua forest.

Gray Kingbird. *Tyrannus dominicensis dominicensis*. This one was common and widespread throughout the island. Notice that the bill is not as heavy as the ones found in the Lesser Antilles.

Loggerhead Kingbird. *Tyrannus caudifasciatus taylori*. Three pairs were observed in Rio Abajo. This species has a resemblance with Gray Kingbird, but the voice is clearly distinct.

Vireonidae

Puerto Rican Vireo. *Vireo latimeri(monotypic)*. **Endemic to Puerto Rico.** We had a pair in the Maricao highlands. After a bit of a search, we found this pair calling softly near the entrance of the forest.

Black-whiskered Vireo. *Vireo altiloquus altiloquus*. This species proved to be common and widespread in the dry forest around Guánica and in San Juan.

Hirundinidae

Caribbean Martin. *Progne dominicensis dominicensis*. Several individuals were seen at the San Juan airport.

Cave Swallow. *Petrochelidon fulva*. A few individuals were seen near San Juan.

Turdidae

Red-legged Thrush. *Turdus plumbeus ardosiaceus*. Common in forested areas in both the highlands and the lowlands.

Mimidae

Northern Mockingbird. *Mimus polyglottos orpheus*. This species was common and widespread in non-forested areas. It was seen every day.

Pearly-eyed Thrasher. *Margarops fuscatus fuscatus*. What a loud voice for a bird! Also, it is tolerant of human presence. It was seen every day at Copa Marina.

Parulidae

Yellow Warbler. *Dendroica petechia*. A single individual was seen in La Parguera.

Adelaide's Warbler. *Dendroica adelaidae (monotypic)*. **Endemic to Puerto Rico.** We enjoyed various pairs in Guanica and Susua. The individuals found on the island of St. Lucia are rewarded today as a separate species.

Elfin-Woods Warbler. *Dendroica angelae (monotypic)*. **Endemic to Puerto Rico.** I believe this might have been the first endemic species we saw in Maricao, and what a way to see it! One individual was enjoyed in the top of an isolated tree near the entrance of the forest.

Black-throated Blue-Warbler. *Dendroica caerulescens*. A single individual was seen in the Rio Abajo reserve.

American Redstart. *Setophaga ruticilla*. One individual in Susua forest.

Genus incerta sedis

Bananaquit. *Coereba flaveola*. Common and widespread in forest edge, secondary growth and urban areas. This species was seen every day. The individuals found in Puerto Rico seem to have a repertoire similar to that of the populations in Central America.

Thraupidae

Puerto Rican Tanager. *Nesospingus speculiferus (monotypic)*. **Endemic to Puerto Rico.** More than 20 individuals were enjoyed in the Maricao highlands. This species moves in small groups, prooving fruits and feeding on the infrutescence of the *Cecropia* trees. The genus *nesospingus* means a finch restricted to the island and refers to its unique distribution.

Puerto Rican Spindalis. *Spindalis portoricensis (monotypic)*. **Endemic to Puerto Rico.** This is another *Thraupidae* that forages in groups. We enjoyed a small family group of about six individuals feeding on berries at almost eye level. This species was named Stripe-headed Tanager previously.

Emberizidae

Yellow-faced Grassquit. *Tiaris olivaceus bryanti*. A single individual was seen in La Parguera. Not a common species in Puerto Rico.

Black-faced Grassquit. *Tiaris bicolor omissus*. Unlike the case in the Lesser Antilles, this is the common *Tiaris* in Puerto Rico. It was seen regularly in the lowlands.

Puerto Rican Bullfinch. *Loxigilla portoricensis portoricensis*.
Endemic to Puerto Rico. Several pairs were seen in Mariaco, Susua and in Guanica. Common voice this time of the year.

Icteridae

Yellow-shouldered Blackbird. *Agelaius xanthomus*. **Endemic to Puerto Rico.** Amazing views in La Parguera where we made nice studies of the foraging strategy of a small group. This species is threatened due to habitat loss.

Greater Antillean Grackle. *Quiscalus niger brachypterus*. Unlike the case in the Dominican Republic, this species is numerous and widespread in Puerto Rico. I wonder if such contrast is related with the amount of opened areas (highways, parks, etc).

Black-cowled Oriole (Greater Antillean Oriole). *Icterus dominicensis portoricensis*. Several pairs were seen in Maricao, Susua and Rio Abajo.

Fringillidae

Antillean Euphonia. *Euphonia musica sclateri*. Heard in Maricao. The plumage of this species suggests an affinity with Golden-rumped Euphonia (*E. cyanocephala*) in South America. The Antillean Euphonia was formerly considered part of the Blue-hooded Euphonia superspecies that have been split into three species: one for Central America, one for the Antilles and another for South America.

Introduced species

Columbidae

Rock Pigeon. *Columba livia*. This one was common around urban areas.

Eurasian Collared-Dove. *Streptopelia decaocto*. More than ten individuals were seen around La Parguera.

Psittacidae

Canary-winged Parakeet. *Brotogeris versicolurus*. Two individuals were observed along the road near Sabana Grande.

Passeridae

House Sparrow. *Passer domesticus*. Common around La Parguera.

Icteridae

Venezuelan Troupial. *Icterus icterus*. Great views of various individuals near Copa Marina. This is the national bird of Venezuela!

Amphibians, Reptiles and Mammals

Bufo

Marine Toad. *Bufo marinus*.

Leptodactylidae

Common Coquí. *Eleutherodactylus coqui*. This is one of the most common frogs in Puerto Rico.

Polychrotidae

Puerto Rican Crested Anole. *Anolis cristatellus*.

Herpestidae

Small Asian Mongoose. *Herpestes javanicus*.

Unidentified family

Puerto Rican Flat Snail

Arboreal Termites

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HYPERLINK FILES



La Selle Thrush *Turdus swalesi*. D.Ascanio

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Dear Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico Extension Tour Participants,

Here are the hyperlinks to the videos and photos taken during our Dominican Republic tour and the extension to Puerto Rico.

By clicking on each of the hyperlinks, you will be taken to the species video-taped or photographed during either tour and hopefully this will bring memories of the great time we spent birding on both islands.

Additionally, I am providing hyperlinks to videos of bird species I recorded on other VENT tours. I invite you to consider joining us to any of our destinations ranking from "*hard-core birding*" to "*relaxed & easy*" birding tours.

I hope to see you again in the American tropics!

Sincerely,

David Ascanio

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC & PUERTO RICO

HYPERLINK FILES

PHOTOS

Hyperlink to the photos taken during our tour

THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/davidascanio/sets/72157626557834628/>

PUERTO RICO EXTENSION

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/davidascanio/sets/72157626557966404/>

VIDEOS

THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

La Selle Thrush ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/species/la-selle-thrush-turdus-swalesi?only=videos#videos>

While clicking at the above hyperlink please click again at any of the videos as these are the first ones ever posted of the species at the Internet Bird Collection!

Hispaniolan Crossbill ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/hispaniolan-crossbill-loxia-megaplaga/amazing-views-individual-female-plumage-coming-drink-wat>

Eastern Chat-Tanager ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/eastern-chat-tanager-calyptophilus-frugivorus/4-pairs-were-singing-dawn-remaining-thick-uderst>

(This is the first video ever posted of the species at the Internet Bird Collection!)

Stolid Flycatcher

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/stolid-flycatcher-myiarchus-stolidus/individual-perched-wire-kate-wallace-property>

(This is the first video ever posted of the species at the Internet Bird Collection!)

Hispaniolan Trogon ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/hispaniolan-trogon-temnotrogon-roseigaster/male-was-singing-regularly-while-visiting-fruiting->

(This is the first video ever posted of the species at the Internet Bird Collection!)

Rufous-throated Solitaire

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/rufous-throated-solitaire-myadestes-genibarbis/individual-singing-dawn>

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/rufous-throated-solitaire-myadestes-genibarbis/individual-singing-dawn-0>

Antillean Piculet ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/antillean-piculet-nesocites-micromegas/very-vocal-individual-was-found-near-border-haiti>

(This is the first video ever posted of the species at the Internet Bird Collection!)

West Indian Whistling-Duck

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/west-indian-whistling-duck-dendrocygna-arborea/individual-botanical-gardens>

Snowy Plover

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/kentish-plover-charadrius-alexandrinus/several-scattered-individuals-were-observed-flooding-pl>

White-cheeked Pintail

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/white-cheeked-pintail-anas-bahamensis/pair-was-swimming-recently-flooded-area-lake>

Common Moorhen

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/common-moorhen-gallinula-chloropus/adult-leaving-nest-four-chicks-following>

Village Weaver

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/village-weaver-ploceus-cucullatus/female-foraging-petals-small-flowering-tree>

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Puerto Rican Parrot ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/puerto-rican-amazon-amazona-vittata/three-individuals-were-seen-entrance-aviary-feeding-hard--0>

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/puerto-rican-amazon-amazona-vittata/three-individuals-were-seen-entrance-aviary-feeding-hard-s>

Clapper Rail

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/clapper-rail-rallus-longirostris/individual-exposed-small-pond-contiguous-mangrove>

Yellow-shouldered Blackbird ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/yellow-shouldered-blackbird-agelaius-xanthomus/small-group-was-perched-mangrove-near-main-squa>

Puerto Rican Pewee ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/lesser-antillean-pewee-contopus-latiostris/pair-foraging-midstrata-fairly-open-understorey-ri>

Zenaida Dove

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/zenaida-dove-zenaida-aurita/individual-perched-exposed-branch-near-picnic-area>

Puerto Rican Tody ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/puerto-rican-tody-todus-mexicanus/individual-was-perched-without-surprisingly-moving-head-too->

VIDEOS UPLOADED DURING LAST YEAR'S TOUR THAT YOU MIGHT ENJOY SEEING!

Hispaniolan Parakeet ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/hispaniolan-parakeet-aratinga-chloroptera/three-birds-preening-together-branch>

Black-whiskered Vireo

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/black-whiskered-vireo-vireo-altiloquus/individual-botanical-gardens>

Red-legged Thrush

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/red-legged-thrush-turdus-plumbeus/individual-side-trail-botanical-gardens>

Palmchat ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/palmchat-dulus-dominicus/individual-nest-0>

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/palmchat-dulus-dominicus/individual-nest>

Greater Antillean Bullfinch

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/species/greater-antillean-bullfinch-loxigilla-violacea>

You can click at the several videos in the above link.

White-winged Warbler (Tanager) ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/white-winged-warbler-xenoligea-montana/individual-feeding-caterpillar>

Hispaniolan Spindalis ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/hispaniolan-spindalis-spindalis-dominicensis/individual-smashing-fruit>

Hispaniolan Emerald ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/hispaniolan-emerald-chlorostilbon-swainsonii/male-perched-forest-edge>

Loggerhead Kingbird

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/loggerhead-kingbird-tyrannus-caudifasciatus/individual-perched-near-citrus-plantation-lowlands>

Hispaniolan Parrot ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/hispaniolan-amazon-amazona-ventralis/individual-perched-edge-road>

White-fronted Quail-Dove ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/grey-headed-quail-dove-geotrygon-caniceps/individual-visiting-area-covered-fig-tree-dawn>

Puerto Rican Flycatcher ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/puerto-rican-flycatcher-myiarchus-antillarum/individual-was-perched-fairly-open-area-edge-mois>

Adelaide's Warbler ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/adelaide039s-warbler-dendroica-adelaidae/very-active-individual-foraging-inside-forest-underst>

Puerto Rican Pewee ENDEMIC

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/lesser-antillean-pewee-contopus-latiostris/view-individual-below>

Videos recorded on other VENT tours

I have uploaded most of my videos at the Internet Bird Collection. Currently, I have posted 1,283 videos covering 555 species of birds. You can see my bio and the videos at:

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/users/david-ascanio>

Also, you can enjoy the photos taken during several tours by clicking at the folders on the following link:

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/48938938@N04/sets/>

Among the species video-taped on other tours, some of my favorites include:

* The amazing and gorgeous **Agami Heron**. This species is usually seen in our Andes & Hato El Cedral R&E (Relaxed & Easy) tour.

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/agami-heron-agamia-agami/individual-foraging-dry-channel-inside-gallery-forest-río-matiyure-du>

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/agami-heron-agamia-agami/individual-foraging-dry-channel-inside-gallery-forest-río-matiyure-d-0>

*The beautiful **Scarlet Ibis**. This species can be seen in our R&E (Relaxed and Easy) Casa María & Hato Piñero tour.

<http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/scarlet-ibis-eudocimus-ruber/adult-juvenile-were-video-taped-while-perched-forest-edge-la-esco>

* If you would like to go birding on a bit harder tour, consider the *Eastern Venezuela Tour*. There, we walk along the road or on trails while searching for the Tepui endemics, **Crimson Topaz, Harpy Eagle**, and army ant specialists. The tour ends with a memorable boat trip along the southern side of the Orinoco. Look at the following videos to enjoy some of the key birds we try to find for you!

White-plumed Antbird. <http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/white-plumed-antbird-pithys-albifrons/perched-bird-showing-back-turning-around-rubbing-bill>

Harpy Eagle. <http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/harpy-eagle-harpia-harpyja/bird-standing-branch-looking-around>

Crimson Topaz. <http://ibc.lynxeds.com/video/crimson-topaz-topaza-pella/male-branch-flying-returnig-several-times>

Last but not least. In the American tropics, there is a lot to see. You can look at the tours I lead by clicking at the following links on the VENT website:

<http://www.ventbird.com/people/david-ascanio>

I hope to see you again!