

# **ECUADOR: TINALANDIA PRE-TRIP**

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Green Honeycreeper

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**TOUR REPORT**  
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This November's Tinalandia Pre-Trip lived up nobly to its expectations as a solid complement to our Northwestern Andean Slopes tour and brought us several unexpected surprises, t'boot! Our first day's slow, winding drive along the "Old" or Chiriboga Road offered the opportunity to experience the diversity of Andean birding as we descended from the capital city of Quito through various montane bio-zones en route toward the Pacific coastal lowlands. We sampled our first species of highland hummers, including Speckled Hummingbird, Black-tailed Trainbearer, Tyrian Metaltail, Sapphire-vented Puffleg, and Collared Inca; initiated our incursion into the world of Neotropical tyrant flycatchers with close views of White-tailed and White-throated tyrannulets and Rufous-breasted Chat-Tyrant; and reveled in some spectacular tanagers, most memorably Scarlet-bellied Mountain-Tanager, Blue-and-black and Beryl-spangled tanagers, and our first Glossy, Black, and Masked flowerpiercers. Other highlights, including a wonderful family of Torrent Ducks, a White-capped Dipper threesome, characteristically perched Red-crested Cotingas, and small bands of Rufous-naped/Yellow-breasted Brush-Finches were also enjoyed by all. The following two-and-a-half days, based out of classic birding site Tinalandia, presented two different tropical lowland experiences, each focused on somewhat different birds.

Tinalandia presents a really great birding "workshop" environment, and we explored the grounds in an easy manner, first with a leisurely pre-breakfast walk, and then spent the rest of the day hanging out at the dining room terrace with its productive fruit feeders, and working forest edge, open trails, and gardens. A wide spectrum of bird species from a broad array of Neotropical avian families were encountered—notably, Neotropical Cormorant; Pale-vented Pigeon; Squirrel Cuckoo; White-collared and Gray-rumped swifts; White-whiskered and Baron's hermits; Green Thorntail; Green-crowned Brilliant; Western Emerald; Long-billed Starthroat; Crowned Woodnymph; Rufous-tailed Hummingbird; Rufous and Broad-billed motmots; Rufous-tailed Jacamar; Crimson-rumped Toucanet; Pale-mandibled Araçari; Black-cheeked, Red-rumped, Golden-olive, and Guayaquil woodpeckers; Chestnut-backed, Zeledon's, and Bicolored antbirds; Plain-brown, Spotted, and Streak-headed woodcreepers; Scaly-breasted and Band-backed wrens; Ecuadorian Thrush; and a whole slew of tanagers—Lemon-rumped, Blue-necked, Bay-headed, Silver-throated, Dusky-faced, and Swallow tanagers among them—not to mention Scarlet-rumped Cacique, Black-winged Saltator, and Yellow-tufted Dacnis along with Purple and Green honeycreepers.

We spent the following day exploring lower elevation Río Palenque Tropical Forest Reserve, about one hour south of Tinalandia. The overcast weather turned out to be quite favorable and here we walked trails and birded edge in this isolated island of remnant lowland forest. It was pretty birdy and we were able to observe quite a few specialties (including both Tumbesian and Chocó bioregional endemics) at this classic site: a pair of Little Cuckoos; Spectacled Owls (in broad daylight!); Ecuadorian, White-tailed, and Collared trogons; White-necked Puffbird; at least eight Orange-fronted Barbets; Red-headed Barbet; Olivaceous Piculet; Great Antshrike; Dot-winged Antwren; Red-billed Scythebill; Olivaceous Woodcreeper; Sooty-headed Tyrannulet; Common Tody-Flycatcher; Ochraceous Attila;

Sooty-crowned Flycatcher; Streaked Flycatcher; Snowy-throated Kingbird; Rufous-browed Peppershrike; Long-billed Gnatwren; Gray-and-gold Warbler; White-shouldered and Golden-hooded tanagers; Slate-colored Grosbeak; Orange-billed Sparrow; and Yellow-rumped Cacique were memorable.

Our last morning was slotted as a final “clean-up” around the Tinalandia grounds. We retraced our steps and checked out at least one area we hadn’t visited before to see a few “old” friends and to hopefully find whatever we might have missed earlier. We added some good sightings: a nicely perched Laughing Falcon, bands of Maroon-tailed Parakeets, perched Bronze-winged Parrots, a lovely pair of Pacific Antwrens, Pacific Hornero, Southern Beardless Tyrannulet, good views of Scale-crested Pygmy-Tyrant, a nice pair of Slaty-capped Shrike-Vireos, a female White-lined Tanager, Fawn-breasted Tanager in superb light, another Orange-billed Sparrow, Yellow-tailed Oriole, and a male Orange-crowned Euphonia, but our best bird, and most probably, the bird of the trip, was a female Esmeraldas Woodstar! This tiny species (an Ecuadorian endemic species) is range-restricted to Ecuador’s coastal cordillera which runs parallel to the Pacific Ocean, and has only rarely been recorded away from that area—the female of the species (what we saw!) was only correctly described a few years ago, in 2008! This was a tremendous find!

## ITINERARY

Nov. 6 – Arrival in Quito. Overnight Hotel Quito.

Nov. 7 – All-day along Chiriboga Road to Tinalandia (3000-800m). Overnight Tinalandia

Nov. 8 – Tinalandia grounds all day (700-800m). Overnight Tinalandia

Nov. 9 – Río Palenque day trip (250m). Overnight Tinalandia

Nov. 10 – Tinalandia grounds through lunch (700-800m);  
return to Quito along the Panamerican Highway. Overnight Hotel Quito.

Nov. 11 – NW Andean Slopes Tour begins (all participants took part in both trips)

## CHECKLIST

### KEY:

CHR = Chiriboga Road; T = Tinalandia; RP = Río Palenque

**H** = Heard only; Species names in **bold** = of special interest

### TINAMOUS: TINAMIDAE

Little Tinamou (*Crypturellus soui*)—**H** at RP & T

### DUCKS, GEESE & WATERFOWL: ANATIDAE

**Torrent Duck** (*Merganetta armata*)—Beautiful pair with juvenile at CHR bridge

Blue-winged Teal (*Anas discors*)—Group of 3-6 at RP

### GUANS, CHACHALACAS & CURASSOWS: CRACIDAE

Rufous-headed Chachalaca (*Ortalis erythroptera*)—**H** at RP

CORMORANTS: PHALACROCORACIDAE

Neotropic Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax brasilianus*)—3-6 seen daily at T (Río Toachi) and a surprising 125 or so at RP

HERONS & BITTERNS: ARDEIDAE

Great Egret (*Ardea alba*)—1 at RP

Snowy Egret (*Egretta thula*)—25 or so at RP

Little Blue Heron (*Egretta caerulea*)—1 adult at RP

Cattle Egret (*Bubulcus ibis*)—Common-abundant daily including huge roosts (several hundred birds)

AMERICAN VULTURES: CATHARTIDAE

Black Vulture (*Coragyps atratus*)—Very common throughout—seen daily

Turkey Vulture (*Cathartes aura*)—Fairly common throughout—seen daily

OSPREY: PANDIONIDAE

Osprey (*Pandion haliaetus*)—1 perched at RP

KITES, EAGLES & HAWKS: ACCIPITRIDAE

Swallow-tailed Kite (*Elanoides forficatus*)—Only singles seen at RP & T

Roadside Hawk (*Bureo magirostris*)—1 seen and heard on two days at T; another at RP

Broad-winged Hawk (*Buteo platypterus*)—1 at T

SANDPIPERS & ALLIES: SCOLOPACIDAE

Spotted Sandpiper (*Actitis macularia*)—2 briefly along CHR, another at T (Río Toachi)

PIGEONS & DOVES: COLUMBIDAE

Rock Pigeon (*Columba livia*)—Seen around a few towns on our return from RP

Pale-vented Pigeon (*Patagioenas cayennensis*)—3-4 at T; 2 plus **H** at RP

Plumbeous Pigeon (*Patagioenas plumbea*)—**H** along CHR

Eared Dove (*Zenaida auriculata*)—Common around Quito and in the highlands

Blue Ground-Dove (*Claravis pretiosa*)—1 seen at RP

White-tipped Dove (*Leptotila verreauxi*)—2 at T; **H** at RP

Pallid Dove (*Leptotia palida*)—2 seen briefly at T

CUCKOOS: CUCULIDAE

Little Cuckoo (*Piaya minuta*)—2 at RP; possibly another at T

Squirrel Cuckoo (*Piaya cayana*)—5 seen in all; T & RP

Smooth-billed Ani (*Crotophaga ani*)—Seen CHR, T, and most commonly at RP

TYPICAL OWLS: STRIGIDAE

Chocó Screech-Owl (*Megascops centralis*)—**H** at T

**Spectacled Owl** (*Pulsatrix perspicillata*)—2 (especially 1) were seen (scoped and photographed) by day in a stand of *Guadua* bamboo at RP

SWIFTS: APODIDAE

White-collared Swift (*Streptoprocne zonaris*)—Various sized bands were seen at T & RP

Gray-rumped Swift (*Chaetura cinereiventris*)—20 or so /then 3 at T

#### HUMMINGBIRD: TROCHILIDAE

White-whiskered Hermit (*Phaethornis yaruqui*)—3/1 on two days at T

**Baron's Hermit** (*Phaethornis baroni*)—Considered a race of Long-billed Hermit (*P. longirostris*) by some authors. 3 seen at T

Purple-crowned Fairy (*Heliathryx barroti*)—At least 1 at RP

Green Thorntail (*Popelairia conversii*)—2 males on two days at T

Speckled Hummingbird (*Adelomyia melanogenys*)—1 or so along the CHR

Black-tailed Trainbearer (*Lesbia victoriae*)—At least 1 along upper CHR

Tyrian Metaltail (*Metallura tyrianthina*)—1-2 seen along the upper CHR

Sapphire-vented Puffleg (*Eriocnemis luciani*)—1 or so seen nicely along the upper CHR

Collared Inca (*Coeligena torquata*)—1 seen along the CHR

Green-crowned Brilliant (*Heliodoxa jacula*)—1 male at T feeders on two days

Long-billed Starthroat (*Heliothraupis longirostris*)—1 seen at T

**Esmeraldas Woodstar** (*Chaetocercus berlepschi*)—A shocker!! 1 female of this rare, range-restricted and endemic hummingbird was seen hovering around shrubs in the back pastures at T on Nov. 10th. First record for this site.

**Western Emerald** (*Chlorostilbon melanorhynchus*)—1 male was seen at T. Probably the lowest altitude record for the species and first record for T

Green-crowned Woodnymph (*Thalurania fannyi*)—2 males at RP; another male at T

Rufous-tailed Hummingbird (*Amazilia tzacatl*)—The most common W lowland species in gardens and edge; along lower CHR and at T and RP

#### QUETZALS & TROGONS: TROGONIDAE

Chocó Trogon (*Trogon comptus*)—Aka as Blue-tailed Trogon by some authors. **H** at T

**Ecuadorian Trogon** (*Trogon mesurus*)—1 male seen well at RP; Tumbesian endemic species

White-tailed Trogon (*Trogon chionurus*)—2 males were seen beautifully at RP

Collared Trogon (*Trogon collaris*)—1 female was seen well at RP

#### MOTMOTS: MOMOTIDAE

Rufous Motmot (*Baryphthengus martii*)—4 seen on two days at T; another by Dale along CHR

Broad-billed Motmot (*Electron platyrhynchum*)—1 seen well at T; 2 seen at RP; others **H**

#### PUFFBIRDS: BUCCONIDAE

White-necked Puffbird (*Notharchus hyperrhynchus*)—1 was seen at RP

#### JACAMARS: GALBULIDAE

Rufous-tailed Jacamar (*Galbula ruficauda*)—Single males were seen at T on two days

#### BARBETS: CAPITONIDAE

**Orange-fronted Barbet** (*Capito squamatus*)—At least 8 were seen at RP

Red-headed Barbet (*Eubucco bourcierii*)—A pair seen at RP; 1 female at T

#### TOUCAN-BARBETS: SEMNORNITHIDAE

Toucan Barbet (*Semnornis ramphastinus*)—**H** along CHR

#### TOUCANS: RAMPHASTIDAE

Crimson-rumped Toucanet (*Aulacorhynchus haematopygus*)—3 seen at T

**Pale-mandibled Araçari** (*Pteroglossua erythrogygius*)—At least 7 of this Ecuadorian endemic at T (including fruit feeders); 2 seen on our last day at T. Considered a race of Collared Araçari (*P. torquatus*) by some authors  
Chocó Toucan (*Ramphastos brevis*)—**H** at T

#### WOODPECKERS: PICIDAE

Olivaceous Piculet (*Picumnus olivaceus*)—Singles seen w/ mixed foraging flocks at RP & T  
Black-cheeked Woodpecker (*Melanerpes pucherani*)—2 was seen at T and 1 (others **H**) at RP

Red-rumped Woodpecker (*Veniliornis kirkii*)—2 seen well at T; another 1 at RP

Golden-olive Woodpecker (*Piculus rubiginosus*)—Several seen on both days at T; **H** at RP

Lineated Woodpecker (*Dryocopus lineatus*)—**H** on two days at T

**Guayaquil Woodpecker** (*Campephilus gayaquilensis*)—Beautiful pair seen well at T

#### FALCONS & CARACARAS: FALCONIDAE

Laughing Falcon (*Herpetotheres cachinans*)—A pair was seen on two days at T; 1 was seen well at T on our last day

American Kestrel (*Falco sparverius*)—1 was seen on our first morning *en route* to CHR

Bat Falcon (*Falco ruficularis*)—1 female was seen perched at T

#### PARROTS & MACAWS: PSITTACIDAE

Maroon-tailed Parakeet (*Pyrhura melanura*)—Fly-by flocks of 6 at T; then another 14 or so seen at T on our last morning

Bronze-winged Parrot (*Pionus chalcopterus*)—36 seen in flight at T; 2 seen perched at T on our last morning

#### TYPICAL ANTBIRDS: THAMNOPHILIDAE

Great Antshrike (*Tabara major*)—1 male was seen at RP

Western Slaty-Antshrike (*Thamnophilus atrinucha*)—**H** at T

**Pacific Antwren** (*Myrmotherula pacifica*)—Beautiful pair seen well at T back pastures

Dot-winged Antwren (*Microrhopias quixensis*)—At least 4 were seen at RP

White-backed Fire-eye (*Pyriglena leuconota*)—mostly **H** at T on two days; 2 were briefly glimpsed

Chestnut-backed Antbird (*Myrmeciza exsul*)—1 was seen well at an ant swarm at T; at least 2 at RP; also **H** on our last morning at T

Blue-lored/Zeledon's Antbird (*Myrmeciza zeledoni*)—Aka Immaculate Antbird (*M. immaculata*) in Birds of Ecuador, but now split. At least 1 was seen at an ant swarm at T; another was glimpsed at T on our last morning

Bicolored Antbird (*Gymnopithys leucaspis*)—2 were seen well at an ant swarm at T

#### ANTPITTAS: GRALLARIIDAE

Chestnut-crowned Antpitta (*Grallaria ruficapilla*)—**H** along CHR

Rufous Antpitta (*Grallaria rufula*)—**H** along upper CHR

Tawny Antpitta (*Grallaria quitensis*)—**H** along upper CHR

#### TAPACULOS: RHINOCRYPTIDAE

Ocellated Tapaculo (*Acropternis orthonyx*)—**H** along upper CHR

Blackish Tapaculo (*Scytalopus latrans*)—**H** along the upper CHR

## OVENBIRDS: FURNARIIDAE

- Plain-brown Woodcreeper (*Dendrocincla fuliginosa*)—1 seen at T  
**Olivaceous Woodcreeper** (*Sittasomus griseicapillus*)—1 was seen at RP; a deciduous/semi-humid woodland species in W Ecuador  
Spotted Woodcreeper (*Xiphorhynchus erythropygius*)—2 seen at T  
Red-billed Scythebill (*Campylorhynchus trochilirostris*)—1 was seen briefly, and **H** at RP  
Streak-headed Woodcreeper (*Lepidocolaptes souleyetii*)—1-2 seen well on three days at both T and RP  
Pacific Hornero (*Furnarius cinnamomeus*)—several seen at T, 1 at RP; Considered a race of Pale-legged Hornero (*F. leucopus*) by some authors  
Buff-fronted Foliage-gleaner (*Philydor rufum*)—1 was seen with a mixed flock at T  
Red-faced Spinetail (*Cranioleuca erythrops*)—Singles seen on two days at T  
Slaty Spinetail (*Synallaxis brachyura*)—**H**, then 1 seen at T

## TYRANT FLYCATCHERS: TYRANNIDAE

- Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet (*Camptostoma obsoletum*)—1 seen at T our last morning  
**White-banded Tyrannulet** (*Mecocerculus stiptopterus*)—2 seen point blank along upper CHR  
White-throated Tyrannulet (*Mecocerculus leucophrys*)—1 was seen closely along upper CHR  
Sooty-headed Tyrannulet (*Phyllomyias griseiceps*)—At least 2 seen at RP  
Golden-faced Tyrannulet (*Zimmerius chrysops*)—1-2 or so at T on two days and RP  
Scale-crested Pygmy-Tyrant (*Lophotriccus pileatus*)—Singles seen at T (two days) and RP (including good looks)  
Common Tody-Flycatcher (*Todirostrum cinereum*)—1 was seen at RP  
Bran-colored Flycatcher (*Myiophobus fasciatus*)—1 seen at T in back pastures  
Olive-sided Flycatcher (*Contopus cooperi*)—1 at RP, typically perched atop a bare snag  
Western Wood-Pewee (*Contopus sordidulus*)—Singles of this boreal migrant at T on two days  
Acadian Flycatcher (*Empidonax virescens*)—Several **H** at RP  
Black Phoebe (*Sayornis nigricans*)—2 along CHR; another 1 at T  
Rufous-breasted Chat-Tyrant (*Ochthoeca rufipectoralis*)—Nice close pair along upper CHR  
**Ochraceous Attila** (*Attila torridus*)—1 seen in canopy at RP  
Dusky-capped Flycatcher (*Myarchus tuberculifer*)—Singles at T and RP  
Boat-billed Flycatcher (*Megarynchus pitangua*)—Pairs were seen at T and RP; another 1 at T on our last morning  
Rusty-margined Flycatcher (*Myiozetetes cayanensis*)—Common at T  
Social Flycatcher (*Myiozetetes similis*)—2 seen at RP  
Gray-capped Flycatcher (*Myiozetetes granadensis*)—Singles on two days at T  
Golden-crowned Flycatcher (*Myiodynastes chrysocephalus*)—**H** on our last morning at T  
Streaked Flycatcher (*Myiodynastes maculatus*)—1-2 seen at both T (two days) and RP  
**Snowy-throated Kingbird** (*Tyrannus niveigularis*)—1 seen well at T; another 2 at RP  
Tropical Kingbird (*Tyrannus melancholicus*)—A rather common species, seen on all days

## COTINGAS: COTINGIDAE

- Red-crested Cotinga (*Ampelion rubrocristatus*)—2 separate birds seen perched along upper CHR; thanks Vicky for spotting both!!  
Purple-throated Fruitcrow (*Querula purpurata*)—**H** at RP

#### MANAKINS: PIPRIDAE

White-bearded Manakin (*Manacus manacus*)—**H** at RP

#### TITYRAS & ALLIES: TITYRIDAE

Masked Tityra (*Tityra semifaciata*)—Single males on two days at T

Cinnamon Becard (*Pachyramphus cinnamomeus*)—Common at T and also at RP

One-colored Becard (*Platypsaris homochrous*)—Common at both T at RP

#### VIREOS & ALLIES: VIREONIDAE

Red-eyed Vireo (*Vireo olivaceus*)—3 or so seen daily at T, 5-6 or so at RP

Lesser Greenlet (*Hylophilus decurtatus*)—6 glimpsed high in canopy at RP

**Slaty-capped Shrike-Vireo** (*Vireolanus leucotis*)—Pair seen well in canopy at T

Rufous-browed Peppershrike (*Cyclarhis gujanensis*)—Singles seen at both T and RP (this species is definitely expanding its range)

#### SWALLOWS: HIRUNDINIDAE

Blue-and-white Swallow (*Notiochelidon cyanoleuca*)—Seen daily; most common swallow

Southern Rough-winged Swallow (*Stelgidopteryx ruficollis*)—only 1-2 at T and RP

#### WRENS: TROGLODYTIDAE

Southern Nightingale-Wren (*Microcerculus marginatus*)—1 was seen at T; **H** at RP. Aka Scaly-breasted Wren by some authors

House Wren (*Troglodytes aedon*)—Several seen and **H** at both T and RP

Band-backed Wren (*Campylorhynchus zonatus*)—Singles were seen at T on two days; **H** at RP; somewhat scarce this trip

Plain-tailed Wren (*Pheugopedius euophrys*)—**H** along CHR; always from *Chusquea* bamboo

Whiskered Wren (*Pheugopedius mysticalis*)—This genuine skulker!! **H**, 1 glimpsed, at RP

Bay Wren (*Cantorchilus nigricapillus*)—**H** at T

Gray-breasted Wood-Wren (*Henicorhina leucophrys*)—1 was seen, others **H** along CHR

#### GNATCATCHERS & ALLIES: POLIOPTILIDAE

Long-billed Gnatwren (*Ramphocaenus melanurus*)—Several **H** and 1 seen at RP

#### DIPPERS: CINCLIDAE

**White-capped Dipper** (*Cinclus leucocephalus*)—3 were seen well CHR bridge

#### THRUSHES & ALLIES: TURDIDAE

Swainson's Thrush (*Catharus ustulatus*)—Only singles seen along CHR and T

Ecuadorian Thrush (*Turdus maculirostris*)—3-4 seen well at T (fruit feeders), also a few more at RP (a Tumbesian endemic species)

Great Thrush (*Turdus fuscater*)—A common highland species

#### NEW WORLD WARBLERS: PARULIDAE

Tropical Parula (*Parula pitiayumi*)—1 seen at T by Dale and Vicky (surprisingly scarce this trip)

Blackburnian Warbler (*Dendroica fusca*)—Only 1 or so was seen along the CHR; scarce this trip

Buff-rumped Warbler (*Basileuterus fulvicauda*)—**H** on at T on our last morning



**Gray-and-gold Warbler** (*Basileuterus fraseri*)—4 were finally seen (and well) at RP (a Tumbesian endemic species)

Slate-throated Whitestart (*Myioborus miniatus*)—Only singles were seen; along the CHR and at T on our last morning; surprisingly scarce this trip

#### TANAGERS & ALLIES: THRAUPIDAE

White-shouldered Tanager (*Tachyphonus luctuosus*)—5 or so were seen at RP; nother 4 at T

White-lined Tanager (*Tachyphonus rufus*)—1 female was seen at T feeders

Lemon-rumped Tanager (*Ramphocelus icteronotus*)—Aka Flame-rumped Tanager (*R. flammigerus*) when lumped by some authors. Very common in W lowlands—seen on all days; males are very flashy!

Blue-gray Tanager (*Thraupis episcopus*)—Very common at lower elevations; seen daily

Palm Tanager (*Thraupis palmarum*)—Common at lower elevations; seen on three days

**Scarlet-bellied Mountain-Tanager** (*Anisognathus igniventris*)—1-2 were seen well along Upper CHR

**Fawn-breasted Tanager** (*Pipraeidea melanonota*)—1 was seen beautifully at T back pastures area

Golden-hooded Tanager (*Tangara larvata*)—1-2 seen in canopy at RP

**Blue-necked Tanager** (*Tangara cyanicollis*)—Spectacular! This common but stunning species was seen *glowing* at T fruit feeders. Common at T on two days, also 2 at RP

**Blue-and-black Tanager** (*Tangara vassorii*)—1 was seen in beautiful light along CHR

**Beryl-spangled Tanager** (*Tangara nigroviridis*)—A pair was seen in great light along CHR

Bay-headed Tanager (*Tangara gyrola*)—Several were seen on three days, at both T and RP

Silver-throated Tanager (*Tangara icterocephala*)—A beautiful pair were seen in great light at T fruit feeders; another on our last morning

**Swallow Tanager** (*Tersina viridis*)—1 snappy juvenile male was seen at T

**Yellow-tufted Dacnis** (*Dacnis egregia*)—This stunning Chocó endemic species was seen well at T on two days. Some authors lump this species with Black-faced Dacnis (*D. lineata*) of Amazonia

Purple Honeycreeper (*Cyanerpes caeruleus*)—1 male was seen at T

Green Honeycreeper (*Chlorophanes spiza*)—Spectacular at T fruit feeders (at least 3); also 1 male at RP

Glossy Flowerpiercer (*Diglossalafresnayii*)—Quite common along the upper CHR

Black Flowerpiercer (*Diglossa humeralis*)—2 or so along the upper CHR

Masked Flowerpiercer (*Diglossa cyanea*)—1 was seen along the CHR

Yellow-bellied Seedeater (*Sporophila nigricollis*)—4-5 along the lower CHR; 6 or so at T

Bananaquit (*Coereba flaveola*)—Singles seen at both T and RP

**Dusky-faced Tanager** (*Mitrospingus cassinii*)—5-6 were seen at T fruit feeders; another 5 at RP

Buff-throated Saltator (*Saltator maximus*)—Quite common at T and RP

**Black-winged Saltator** (*Saltator atripennis*)—2 were seen at T on our last morning

Slate-colored Grosbeak (*Saltator grossus*)—1 male was seen at RP

#### BUNTINGS, SPARROWS & ALLIES: EMBERIZIDAE

**Orange-billed Sparrow** (*Arremon aurantiirostris*)—Singles were seen at T on two days (also around fruit feeders!) and at RP

Rufous-naped Brush-Finch (*Atlapetes latinuchus*)— Aka Yellow-breasted Brush-Finch by some authors. **6** were seen along upper CHR

Rufous-collared Sparrow (*Zonotrichia capensis*)—Common highland species throughout the Andes

#### CARDINALS & ALLIES: CARDINALIDAE

Summer Tanager (*Piranga rubra*)—**H** at T

Blue-black Grosbeak (*Cyanocompsa cyanoides*)—**H** at RP

#### TROUPIALS & ALLIES: ICTERIDAE

Scrub Blackbird (*Dives warszewiczi*)—Spreading northward; 1 seen (also **H**) along lower CHR; common at T

Shiny Cowbird (*Molothrus bonariensis*)—A pair was seen at RP

Yellow-tailed Oriole (*Icterus mesomelus*)—**H**, then 1 seen at T

Scarlet-rumped Cacique (*Cacicus uropygialis*)—3 or so were seen on two days at T

Yellow-rumped Cacique (*Cacicus cela*)—1 was seen at RP; apparently a new record for this site

#### SISKINS, CROSSBILLS & ALLIES: FRINGILLIDAE

**Orange-crowned Euphonia** (*Euphonia saturata*)—1 male was seen at T from the dining area

Thick-billed Euphonia (*Euphonia laniirostris*)—Fairly common at T and RP

Orange-bellied Euphonia (*Euphonia xanthogaster*)—5 or so were seen at T

#### OLD WORLD SPARROWS: PASSERIDAE

House Sparrow (*Passer domesticus*)—1 was spotted *en route* between RP and T

#### OTHER FAUNA

#### SQUIRRELS: SCIURIDAE

Red-tailed Squirrel (*Sciurus granatensis*)—2 were seen at T

#### NEW WORLD LEAF-NOSED BATS: PHYLOSTOMIDAE

Tailed Tailless Bat (*Anoura caudifer*)—2 of what is probably this species visited the nectar feeders at T on our second night there