

Galapagos Islands

Trip Bird List, Mammal List, Reptile List, and Fish List

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TOUR REPORT
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The Andes Mountains, lush tropical forest, snow-covered volcanoes, and the Galapagos Islands, along with Ecuador's dazzling diversity, are some of its greatest attractions. And although this cruise was designed to explore, enjoy, and try to understand the unique environment of the most celebrated wildlife laboratory on the planet, we also had two-and-a-half days (our half-day was shortened due to an erupting volcano) to visit the mainland in order to experience some of the vivid diversity the small country of Ecuador has to offer.

Our adventure began driving along the valley of volcanoes as we made our way out of Quito, crossing the equator at four different locations and making our way down the west slope of the Andes to explore the Tandayapa Valley. It was a beautiful clear morning with spectacular views of snow-covered volcanoes such as Cotopaxi and Antisana, as well as Illiniza, Pichincha, and Cayambe. The arid desert-like habitat of the inner Andean Valley quickly changed to lush green cloud forest as we drove down the western slope. We spent most of this day birding within the Tandayapa Valley where we saw Plate-billed Mountain-Toucan, Toucan Barbet, Sickle-winged Guan, Golden Tanager, Golden-naped Tanager, Beryl-spangled Tanager, Blue-capped Tanager, and Blue-winged Mountain-Tanager, just to name a few. But the various species of hummingbirds seen in abundance from the elevated porch of my house were today's highlights—such Choco endemics as Purple-bibbed Whitetip; Brown Inca; and Violet-tailed Sylph; alongside Collared Inca; Brown, Green, and Sparkling violet-ears; plus Andean Emerald; Western Emerald; and many others. A spectacular show to say the least, with extended views at both flowers and feeders.

Our second day found us high in the Andes at the base of Antisana Volcano—a stark contrast from the previous day of tropical cloud forest to the upper elevation habitat of the Paramo—all the while the snow-capped volcano of Antisana rising majestically on the horizon. Here we saw Andean Teal, Yellow-billed Pintail, and Andean Ruddy Duck on the lake with Andean Coot and Andean Gull. Andean Lapwings were in abundance as they fed in the fields nearby alongside Carunculated Caracara. An Aplomado Falcon flew over and later a Cinereous Harrier was seen gliding on the wind over the fields. There were also good views of Variable Hawk and Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle as they took advantage of the heavy winds and early morning thermals. These, along with many other high Andean specialties, were accented by an authentic traditional Ecuadorian luncheon of “Locro de Papas and Tomatoes” that we enjoyed at hacienda Antisana as they skillfully sheared sheep in the farmyard, and Ecuadorian Hillstars fed at the feeders outside the window.

The next day we boarded a bus to drive to the Quito airport, boarded a plane to fly to San Cristobal Island in the Galapagos, and then boarded the MY *Parranda* chartered especially for us, and our home for the next seven days. Although it sounds like a full day of traveling, all this took place before we sat down to have lunch aboard the ship. And no sooner had we sat down to enjoy our meal were we tempted to get up again to see Galapagos Petrel, White-vented Storm-Petrel, and Brown Noddy feeding in the waters just around the ship. That afternoon we took a short Panga (Spanish for small boat) ride to Playa Ochoa to do more birding, and to practice snorkeling. Here we saw Chatman Mockingbird at our feet and Galapagos Flycatcher, and enjoyed our first look at one of Darwin's finches, the Small

Ground-Finch. After birding, some practiced their first attempt at snorkeling in the Galapagos, while marine iguanas and Galapagos turtles swam around them.

We woke up the next day at Tower Island, had an early breakfast, and then a dry landing to walk the one-mile lava trail starting at Prince Philip's steps. No sooner had we climbed these steps to begin the walk were we met by a flock of Darwin finches. A pair of Large Ground-Finches sat and sang atop a leafless shrub, while a pair of Warbler Finches fed just below the singing pair. A few meters over in another shrub sat a Large Cactus-Finch. And then to top it all, a solitary Sharp-beaked Ground-Finch flew in and began to feed just a few feet away. Oh—the excitement of being at the Galapagos, the awesome view of the early morning mist on the sea from our perch atop Prince Philip's steps, all these finches at our feet, and we haven't even taken one step along the trail yet! But wait, there's more! A pair of Galapagos Doves flew in to add to the excitement, and sat pretty as a picture for all to photograph as a Galapagos Mockingbird hopped around our feet. A pair of Swallow-tailed Gulls sat on the cliff edge as Great Frigatebirds flew just overhead to land in nearby nests, and Red-footed Boobies whistled and danced for one another.

And only “now” do we begin to take our first steps along the trail! We made our way along the trail where frigatebird and booby nests were present almost every step of the way. As we reached the other side of Tower Island we were amazed to see thousands of Wedge-rumped Storm-Petrels flying just above the rocks, as a Short-eared Owl hid in the rocks waiting to feed on the abundant food source flying all around him; it was here that we found a Red-billed Tropicbird sitting on her nest.

After finishing our hike we boarded the *Parranda* once again to gear up for deep-water snorkeling. Fitted with flippers, masks, and wet suits, we gingerly slid into the water to experience the beauty of the undersea world of the Galapagos. The abundance of life below the sea is in great contrast to the fragile desert-like habitat and volcanic landscape back on the island. Here we swam in awe of the many different species of multicolored tropical fish, as Galapagos fur seals slid into the water from their rocky perches as if to see what these clumsy swimmers were doing paddling along the water's edge. With our buoyant bodies floating just above the surface and our masks looking just below, we witnessed countless schools of Cortez rainbow wrasse along with numerous king angelfish, Moorish idol, blue-chinned parrotfish, barred snapper, and guinea fowl puffers, just to name a few. With our mouths full of snorkel and our eyes wide open we leisurely drifted along in slow motion and silence, enjoying the peaceful ballet of the many multicolored dancers swimming gracefully below.

If it all sounds like a dream, well, it's because it was—a real, once-in-a-lifetime dream coming true right before our eyes. All the saving and the planning for this adventure go way beyond any expectation one could imagine. And I've only described the first morning's activities! There were still a week's worth of adventures and many more islands to explore. I won't dare to give you a blow by blow of each day's adventures; it is truly something one has to experience personally. I have only described the first morning to give you an idea of the overwhelming excitement and awesome experience each island and day's outings have in store for the visitor to the Galapagos. Of course I could mention the rest of the finches we saw, the flightless cormorants, all the mockingbirds, the Galapagos Rail, the bottlenose dolphins swimming at the bow of the boat, a group of us snorkeling while sharks fed around us, and another time a Galapagos Penguin swam swiftly back and forth amongst the group. Yes, I could go into pages of details of the incredible sightings we had in such a short visit to this most famous and celebrated wildlife laboratory, but I'll stop here.

I include a bird, reptile, fish, and mammal list of each island. And in closing I confirm that if you are saving and planning to go on a VENT tour of the Galapagos Islands, there is no amount of literature that can compare to the real life excitement of being there.

- July; 8 San Cristóbal Island, Playa Ochoa, Puerto Baquerizo Moreno, Practise Snorkeling
- 9 A.M.: Tower Island, Prince Philip's Steps, Panga Snorkeling
P.M.: Darwin Bay Beach, Hike, Swim
- 10 Isabela Island, Punta Vicente Roca, Panga Snorkeling, Black Turtle Beach
- 11 Santiago (James) Island, Puerto Egas, Beach Snorkeling, Bartolomé Island, Pinnacle Rock
- 12 Santa Cruz Island, Charles Darwin Research Station, Highlands, Twin Craters, Puerto Ayroa
- 13 Floreana (Charles) Island highlands, Champion Rock, Panga Snorkeling "Devil's Crown", Cormorant Point
- 14 Hood Island, Puerto Suarez, Panga Snorkeling, Gardner Bay

Abbreviations used in the bird list for the localities:

SC	=	San Cristóbal Island	
T	=	Tower Island	
IS	=	Isabela Island	
SB	=	Santiago Island, Bartolomé	
StC	=	Santa Cruz Island	
Fl	=	Floreana Island	
H	=	Hood Island	E = Endemic

English Name	Scientific Name	SC	T	IS	SB	StC	Fl	H
Penguins	Spheniscidae							
Galapagos Penguin E	<i>Spheniscus mendiculus</i>			X	X		X	
Albatrosses	Diomedidae							
Waved Albatross	<i>Phoebastria irrorata</i>						X	X
Shearwaters	Procellariidae							
Galapagos Petrel	<i>Pterodroma sandwichensis</i>	X		X	X		X	X
Audubon's Shearwater	<i>Puffinus lherminieri</i>		X	X	X		X	X
Storm-Petrels	Hydrobatidae							
White-vented Storm-Petrel	<i>Oceanites gracilis</i>	X		X	X		X	X
Wedge-rumped Storm-Petrel	<i>Oceanodroma tethys</i>		X	X	X		X	X
Band-rumped Storm-Petrel	<i>Oceanodroma castro</i>			X	X		X	X
Tropicbirds	Phaethontidae							
Red-billed Tropicbird	<i>Phaethon aethereus</i>		X				X	X
Pelicans	Pelicanidae							
Brown Pelican	<i>Pelecanus occidentalis</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Boobies & Gannets	Sulidae							
Blue-footed Booby	<i>Sula nebouxii</i>	X		X	X		X	X
Nazca Booby	<i>Sula granti</i>		X	X	X		X	X
Red-footed Booby	<i>Sula sula</i>		X					
Cormorants & Shags	Phalacrocoracidae							
Flightless Cormorant E	<i>Phalacrocorax harrisi</i>			X				
Frigatebirds	Fregatidae							
Magnificent Frigatebird	<i>Fregata magnificens</i>	X		X	X	X	X	X
Great Frigatebird	<i>Fregata minor</i>		X					
Herons, Egrets & Bitterns	Ardeidae							

Great Blue Heron	<i>Ardea herodias</i>					X	X	
Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>					X	X	
Lava Heron E	<i>Butorides sundevalli</i>		X	X	X		X	
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	<i>Nyctanassa violacea</i>		X				X	X
Flamingos	Phoenicopteridae							
Caribbean Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopus ruber</i>						X	
Ducks, Geese & Swans	Anatidae							
White-cheeked Pintail	<i>Anas bahamensis</i>						X	
Hawks, Eagles & Kites	Accipitridae							
Galapagos Hawk E	<i>Buteo galapagoensis</i>				X			X
Rails, Gallinules & Coots	Rallidae							
Galapagos Rail E	<i>Laterallus spilonotus</i>					X		
Oystercatchers	Haematopodidae							
American Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus palliatus</i>				X			X
Avocets & Stilts	Recurvirostridae							
Black-necked Stilt	<i>Himantopus mexicanus</i>						X	
Plovers & Lapwings	Charadriidae							
Semipalmated Plover	<i>Charadrius semipalmatus</i>				X		X	
Sandpipers	Scolopacidae							
Wandering Tattler	<i>Heterosceles incanus</i>		X		X		X	
Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>		X				X	
Gulls	Laridae							
Lava Gull E	<i>Larus fuliginosus</i>		X					
Swallow-tailed Gull	<i>Creagrus furcatus</i>		X	X	X		X	X
Terns	Sternidae							
Brown Noddy	<i>Anous stolidus</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Pigeons & Doves	Columbidae							
Galapagos Dove E	<i>Zenaida galapagoensis</i>		X		X	X		
Cuckoos	Cuculidae							
Smooth-billed Ani	<i>Crotophaga ani</i>					X	X	
Barn-Owls	Tytonidae							
Barn Owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>					X		
English Name	Scientific Name	SC	T	IS	SB	StC	Fl	H
Typical Owls	Strigidae							
Short-eared Owl	<i>Asio flammeus</i>		X					
Tyrant Flycatchers	Tyrannidae							
Vermilion Flycatcher	<i>Pyrocephalus rubinus</i>					X		
Galapagos Flycatcher E	<i>Myiarchus magnirostris</i>	X			X	X	X	X
Mockingbirds & Thrashers	Mimidae							
Galapagos Mockingbird E	<i>Nesomimus parvulus bauri</i> <i>Nesomimus p. parvulus</i> <i>Nesomimus parvulus personatus</i>		X		X	X		
Charles Mockingbird E	<i>Nesomimus trifasciatus</i>						X	
Hood Mockingbird E	<i>Nesomimus macdonaldi</i>							X
San Cristobal Mockingbird E	<i>Nesomimus melanotis</i>	X						
New World Warblers	Parulidae							
Yellow Warbler	<i>Dendroica petechia</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Buntings, Sparrows & Allies	Emberizidae							
Large Ground-Finch E	<i>Geospiza magnirostris</i>		X			X		
Medium Ground-Finch E	<i>Geospiza fortis</i>			X	X	X		
Small Ground-Finch E	<i>Geospiza fuliginosa</i>	X		X	X	X	X	X
Sharp-beaked Ground-Finch E	<i>Geospiza d. difficilis</i> <i>Geospiza difficilis debiliostris</i>		X			X		
Common Cactus-Finch E	<i>Geospiza scandens intermedia</i>					X	X	
Large Cactus-Finch E	<i>Geospiza conirostris propinqua</i>		X					
Vegetarian Finch E	<i>Camarhynchus crassirostris</i>					X		
Large Tree-Finch E	<i>Camarhynchus p. psittacula</i>					X		
Small Tree-Finch E	<i>Camarhynchus p. parvulus</i>				X	X	X	

Medium Tree-Finch E	<i>Camarhynchus pauper</i>						X	
Woodpecker Finch E	<i>Camarhynchus p. pallidus</i>					X		
Warbler Finch E	<i>Certhidea olivacea mentalis</i> <i>Certhidea o. olivacea</i> <i>Certhidea olivacea cinerascens</i>		X			X		X

Reptile and Mammal Trip List

English Name	Scientific Name	SC	T	IS	SB	StC	Fl	H
Iguanas & Lizards	Iguanidae							
San Cristóbal Lava Lizard E	<i>Microlophus bivittatus</i>	X						
Marine Iguana E	<i>Amblyrhynchus cristatus mertensi</i> <i>Amblyrhynchus cristatus nanus</i> <i>Amblyrhynchus cristatus albemarlensis</i> <i>Amblyrhynchus cristatus hassi</i> <i>Amblyrhynchus cristatus ssp</i> <i>Amblyrhynchus cristatus venustissimus</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Land Iguana E	<i>Conolophus subcristatus</i>					X		
Tortoises	Testudinidae							
Galapagos (Giant) Tortoise E	<i>Geochelone elephantopus porteri</i>					X		
Turtles	Cheloniidae							
Black (Pacific Green) Turtle	<i>Chelonia mydas agassizi</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sea Lions	Otaridae							
Galápagos Sea Lion	<i>Zalophus californianus wollebacki</i>	X		X	X	X	X	X
Galápagos Fur Seal E	<i>Arctocephalus galapagoensis</i>		X		X			
Dolphins	Delphinidae							
Risso's Dolphin	<i>Grampus griseus</i>			X				
Bottle-nosed Dolphin	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>				X			

Mainland Excursions of the Galapagos Islands Cruise Tour

Trip Bird List

July 6-8 and July 16, 2006

July, 7 Tandayapa and Quito
8 Antisana and Quito
16 Guayaquil and Cerro Blanco

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TQ = Tandayapa – Quito

AQ = Antisana – Quito

GC = Guayaquil – Cerro Blanco

h = heard

English Name	Scientific Name	TQ	AQ	GC
Ducks, Geese & Swans	Anatidae			
Andean Teal	<i>Anas andinum</i>		X	
Yellow-billed Pintail	<i>Anas georgica</i>		X	
Andean Ruddy-Duck	<i>Oxyura ferruginea</i>		X	
American Vultures	Cathartidae			
Black Vulture	<i>Coragyps atratus</i>	X	X	X
Turkey Vulture	<i>Cathartes aura</i>	X		X
Kites, Eagles & Hawks	Accipitridae			
Plain-breasted Hawk	<i>Accipiter ventralis</i>	X	X	
Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle	<i>Geranoaetus melanoleucus</i>		X	
Cinereous Harrier	<i>Circus cinereus</i>		X	
Variable Hawk	<i>Buteo polyosoma</i>	X		
Falcons & Caracaras	Falconidae			
Carunculated Caracara	<i>Phalcoeboenus carunculatus</i>		X	
American Kestrel	<i>Falco sparverius</i>	X	X	
Aplomado Falcon	<i>Falco femoralis</i>		X	
Curassows, Guans & Chachalacas	Cracidae			
Sickle-winged Guan	<i>Chamaepetes goudotii</i>	X		
Rails, Gallinules & Coots	Rallidae			
Andean Coot	<i>Fulica ardesiaca</i>		X	
Plovers & Lapwings	Charadriidae			
Andean Lapwing	<i>Vanellus resplendens</i>		X	
Gulls & Terns	Laridae			
Andean Gull	<i>Larus serranus</i>		X	
Pigeons & Doves	Columbidae			
Band-tailed Pigeon	<i>Columba fasciata</i>	X		
Plumbeous Pigeon	<i>Columba plumbea</i>	X		
Eared Dove	<i>Zenaida auriculata</i>	X	X	
Ecuadorian Ground-Dove	<i>Columbina buckleyi</i>			X
Blue Ground-Dove	<i>Claravis pretiosa</i>			X h
Black-winged Ground-Dove	<i>Metriopelia melanoptera</i>		X	
White-tipped Dove	<i>Leptotila verreauxi</i>	X		
Parrots & Macaws	Psittacidae			
Pacific Parrotlet	<i>Forpus sclateri</i>			X
Bronze-winged Parrot	<i>Pionus chalcopterus</i>			X
Red-lored Amazon	<i>Amazona autumnalis</i>			X
Cuckoos & Anis	Cuculidae			
Squirrel Cuckoo	<i>Piaya cayana</i>	X		
Smooth-billed Ani	<i>Crotophaga ani</i>			X
Typical Owls	Strigidae			
Pacific Pygmy-Owl	<i>Glaucidium peruanum</i>			X
Swifts	Apodidae			
White-collared Swift	<i>Streptoprocne zonaris</i>		X	
Short-tailed Swift	<i>Chaetura brachyura</i>			X
Hummingbirds	Trochilidae			
Tawny-bellied Hermit	<i>Phaethornis symmatophorus</i>	X		
Brown Violetear	<i>Colibri delphinae</i>	X		
Green Violetear	<i>Colibri thalassinus</i>	X		
Sparkling Violetear	<i>Colibri coruscans</i>	X		
Western Emerald	<i>Chlorostilbon mellisugus</i>	X		
Rufous-tailed Hummingbird	<i>Amazilia tzacatl</i>	X		
Amazilia Hummingbird	<i>Amazilia amazilia</i>			X
Andean Emerald	<i>Amazilia franciae</i>	X		
Speckled Hummingbird	<i>Adelomyia melanogenys</i>	X		
Purple-bibbed Whitetip	<i>Urosticte benjamini</i>	X		
Fawn-breasted Brilliant	<i>Heliodoxa rubinoides</i>	X		
Ecuadorian Hillstar	<i>Oreotrochilus chimborazo</i>		X	
Giant Hummingbird	<i>Patagona gigas</i>		X	

English Name	Scientific Name	TQ	AQ	GC
Brown Inca	<i>Coeligena wilsoni</i>	X		
Collared Inca	<i>Coeligena torquata</i>	X		
Buff-tailed Coronet	<i>Boissonneaua flavescens</i>	X		
Booted Racket-tail	<i>Ocreatus underwoodii</i>	X		
Black-tailed Trainbearer	<i>Lesbia victoriae</i>		X	
Green-tailed Trainbearer	<i>Lesbia nuna</i>	X		
Tyrian Metaltail	<i>Metallura tyrianthina</i>		X	
Rainbow-bearded Thornbill	<i>Chalcostigma herrani</i>		X	
Violet-tailed Sylph	<i>Agelaiocercus coelestis</i>	X		
Long-billed Starthroat	<i>Heliomaster longirostris</i>			X
Purple-throated Woodstar	<i>Calliphlox mitchellii</i>	X		
White-bellied Woodstar	<i>Chaetocercus mulsant</i>	X		
Trogon & Quetzals	Trogonidae			
Golden-headed Quetzal	<i>Pharomachrus auriceps</i>	X h		
Masked Trogon	<i>Trogon personatus</i>	X		
New World Barbets	Capitonidae			
Toucan Barbet	<i>Semnornis ramphastinus</i>	X		
Toucans	Ramphastidae			
Crimson-rumped Toucanet	<i>Aulacorhynchus haemastopygus</i>	X		
Plate-billed Mountain-Toucan	<i>Andigena laminirostris</i>	X		
Ovenbirds	Furnariidae			
Bar-winged Cinclodes	<i>Cinclodes fuscus</i>		X	
Stout-billed Cinclodes	<i>Cinclodes excelsior</i>		X	
Lineated Foliage-Gleaner	<i>Syndactyla subalaris</i>	X		
Woodcreepers	Dendrocolaptidae			
Streak-headed Woodcreeper	<i>Lepidocolaptes souleyetii</i>			X
Montane Woodcreeper	<i>Lepidocolaptes lacrymiger</i>	X		
Tapaculos	Rhinocryptidae			
Nariño Tapaculo	<i>Scytalopus viciniior</i>	X h		
Spillman's Tapaculo	<i>Scytalopus spillmanni</i>	X h		
Tyrant Flycatchers	Tyrannidae			
Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet	<i>Camptostoma obsoletum</i>			X
Pacific Elaenia	<i>Myiopagis subplacens</i>			X
Ochre-bellied Flycatcher	<i>Mionectes oleagineus</i>			X
Smoke-colored Pewee	<i>Contopus fumigatus</i>	X		
Black Phoebe	<i>Sayornis nigricans</i>	X		
Brown-backed Chat-Tyrant	<i>Ochthoeca fumicolor</i>		X	
Black-billed Shrike-Tyrant	<i>Agriornis montana</i>		X	
Paramo Ground-Tyrant	<i>Muscisaxicola alpina</i>		X	
Golden-crowned Flycatcher	<i>Myiodynastes chrysocephalus</i>	X		
Tropical Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus melancholicus</i>	X		X
Barred Becard	<i>Pachyramphus versicolor</i>	X		
Jays	Corvidae			
Turquoise Jay	<i>Cyanlyca turcosa</i>	X h		
White-tailed Jay	<i>Cyanocorax mystacalis</i>		X	
Vireos	Vireonidae			
Red-eyed Vireo	<i>Vireo olivaceus</i>	X		
Brown-capped Vireo	<i>Vireo leucophrys</i>	X		
Thrushes	Turdidae			
Andean Solitaire	<i>Myadestes ralloides</i>	X h		
Great Thrush	<i>Turdus fuscater</i>	X	X	
Glossy-black Thrush	<i>Turdus serranus</i>	X		
Ecuadorian Thrush	<i>Turdus maculirostris</i>			X
Mockingbirds	Mimidae			
Tropical Mockingbird	<i>Mimus gilvus</i>			X
Dippers	Cinclidae			
White-capped Dipper	<i>Cinclus leucocephalus</i>	X		

English Name	Scientific Name	TQ	AQ	GC
Swallows & Martins	Hirundinidae			
Gray-breasted Martin	<i>Progne chalybea</i>			X
Brown-bellied Swallow	<i>Notiochelidon murina</i>	X	X	
Blue-and-white Swallow	<i>Notiochelidon cyanoleuca</i>	X		
Southern Rough-winged Swallow	<i>Stelgidopteryx ruficollis</i>	X		
Wrens	Troglodytidae			
Fasciated Wren	<i>Campylorhynchus fasciatus</i>			X h
Grass Wren	<i>Cistothorus platensis</i>		X	
House Wren	<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>	X		X
Gray-breasted Wood-Wren	<i>Henicorhina leucophrys</i>	X h		
Gnatcatchers, Gnatwrens & Verdin	Poliopitidae			
Tropical Gnatcatcher	<i>Poliopitila plumbea</i>			X
New World Warblers	Parulidae			
Tropical Parula	<i>Parula pitaiayumi</i>	X		X
Slate-throated Whitestart	<i>Myioborus miniatus</i>	X		
Russet-crowned Warbler	<i>Basileuterus coronatus</i>	X		
Tanagers & Allies	Thraupidae			
Cinereous Conebill	<i>Conirostrum cinereum</i>		X	
Black Flowerpiercer	<i>Diglossa humeralis</i>	X		
Guira Tanager	<i>Hemithraupis guira</i>			X
Golden-rumped Euphonia	<i>Euphonia cyanocephala</i>	X		
Orange-bellied Euphonia	<i>Euphonia xanthogaster</i>	X		
Golden Tanager	<i>Tangara arthus</i>	X		
Golden-naped Tanager	<i>Tangara ruficervix</i>	X		
Beryl-spangled Tanager	<i>Tangara nigroviridis</i>	X		
Black-capped Tanager	<i>Tangara heinei</i>	X		
Blue-winged Mountain-Tanager	<i>Anisognathus somptuosus</i>	X		
Blue-gray Tanager	<i>Thraupis episcopus</i>			X
Blue-capped Tanager	<i>Thraupis cyanocephala</i>	X		
Buntings, Sparrows & Allies	Emberizidae			
Crimson-breasted Finch	<i>Rhodospingus cruentus</i>			X
Blue-black Grassquit	<i>Volatinia jacarini</i>	X		
Plain-colored Seedeater	<i>Catamenia inornata</i>		X	
Plumbeous Sierra-Finch	<i>Phrygilus unicolor</i>		X	
White-winged Brush-Finch	<i>Atlapetes leucopterus</i>	X		
Rufous-collared Sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia capensis</i>	X	X	
New World Blackbirds & Orioles	Icteridae			
Shiny Cowbird	<i>Molothrus bonariensis</i>			X
Yellow-tailed Oriole	<i>Icterus mesomelas</i>			X
Cardueline Finches	Fringillidae			
Hooded Siskin	<i>Carduelis magellanica</i>		X	

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ANGELFISHES	POMACANTHIDAE							
King Angelfish	Holacanthus passer		X	X	X		X	X
	Juvenile		X					
Barberfish	Johnrandallia nigrirostris							X
SURGEONFISHES	ACANTHURIDAE							
Razor Surgeonfish	Prionurus laticlavus		X		X		X	X
Yellowfin Surgeonfish	Acathurus xanthopertus						X	
Moorish Idol	Zanclus cornutus		X				X	
JACKS	CARANGIDAE							
Pacific Crevalle Jack	Caranx caninus						X	
PORGIES	SPARIDAE							
Galapagos Seabream E	Archosargus pourtalesii				X			
HALFBEAKS	HEMIRAMPHIDAE							
Longfin Halfbeak	Hemiramphus saltator				X			
MULLETS	MUGILIDAE							
Striped Mullet	Mugil cephalus				X		X	
Galapagos Mullet E	Mugil galapagensis				X		X	
GRUNTS	HAEMULIDAE							
Galapagos Grunt E	Orthopristis forbesi							
Black Striped Salema E	Xenocys jessiae			X	X		X	X
Juvenile Grunts	Haemulidae				X			X
SNAPPERS	LUTJANIDAE							
Barred Snapper	Hoplopagrus guentheri		X					
DAMSELFISHES	POMACENTRIDAE							
Giant Damsel fish	Microspathodon dorsalis		X	X	X		X	X
	Juvenile							X
Bumphead Damsel fish	Microspathodon bairdii		X				X	X
Galapagos Ringtail Damsel fish	Stegastes beebei				X			X
	Juvenile							X
Yellowtail Damsel fish	Stegastes arcifrons		X		X			X
	Juvenile				X			
Panamic Sergeant Major	Abudefduf troschelii				X		X	X
SEA BASSES	SERRANDIAE							
Bacalao	Mycteroperca olfax		X	X	X			
Spotted Cabrilla	Epinephelus analogus				X		X	
Flag Cabrilla	Epinephelus labriformis		X	X	X		X	X
Panamic Graysby Cabrilla	Cephalopholis panamensis				X			X
Camotillo E	Paralabrax albomaculatus			X	X			
Rainbow Basslet	Liopropoma fasciatum				X			
Leather Bass	Dermatolepis dermatolepis			X	X			X
Barred Serrano	Serranus psittacinus				X			
Pacific Creolefish	Paranthias colonus		X	X	X		X	
PARROTFISHES	SCARIDAE							
Blue-Chin Parrotfish	Scarus ghobban		X		X		X	X
	Initial Phase				X		X	X
Bicolor Parrotfish	Scarus rubroviolaceus			X	X			X
	Initial Phase				X		X	X
Azure Parrotfish	Scarus compressus		X		X			

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WRASSES	LABRIDAE							
Cartez Rainbow Wrasse	Thalassoma lucasanum Initial Phase		X X	X	X X		X	X X
Spinster Wrasse	Halichoeres nicholsi juvenile							X X
Mexican Hogfish	Bodianus diplotainia Young Terminal Phase Initial Phase		X	X	X X		X X	X X X
SQUIRRELFISHES	HOLOCENTRIDAE							
Panamic Soldierfish	Myripristis leiognathos				X			
BLENNIES	BLENNIIDAE							
Panamic Fanged Blenny	Ophioblennius steindachneri				X			
CARDINALFISHES	APOGONIDAE							
Pink Cardinalfish	Apogon pacificus				X		X	
FLOUNDERS	BOTHIDAE							
Pacific Leopard Flounder	Bothus leopardinus				X			
SCORPIONFISH	SCORPAENIDAE							
Stone Scorpionfish	Scorpaena plumieri mystes				X			
HAWKFISH	CIRRHITIDAE							
Giant Hawkfish	Cirrhites rivulatus				X			
SMOOTH/SPINY PUFFERS	TETRAODONTIDAE DIODONTIDAE							
Guineaffowl Puffer	Arothron meleagris Golden Phase		X				X	
Porcupinefish	Diodon hystrix				X			
TRIGGERFISHES	BALISTIDAE							
Orangeside Triggerfish	Sufflamen verres		X		X			X
TRUMPETFISHES	AULOSTOMIDEA							
Trumpetfish	Aulostomus chinensis				X		X	
CORNETFISHES	FISTULARIIDAE							
Reef Cornetfish	Fistularia commersonii							X
MOLAS	MOLIDAE							
Ocean Sunfish	Mola mola			X				
SNAKE EELS	OPHICHTHIDAE							
Tiger Snake Eel	Myrichthys tigrinus				X			
HAMMERHEADS	SPHYRNIDAE							
Scalloped Hammerhead	Sahyrna lewifii				X			
REQUIEM SHARKS	VARIOUS							
Galapagos Shark	Carcharhinus galapagensis						X	
White-tipped Reef Shark	Triaenodon obesus				X		X	
RAYS	RAJIFORMES							
Manta Ray	Manta hamiltoni							