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Summer in Panama is a time of incredible abundance and a frenzy of activity. Due to daily rains, the vegetation is lush, the flowers are blooming, and the birds are either nesting or feeding their recently fledged young. Abundance of resident birds reaches its peak at this season. Although the "green season" produces daily rain showers, they come in a predictable pattern, usually for an hour or two in the afternoon (during siesta time!). The result is cooler temperatures and increased bird activity compared to the dry season. The Canopy Tower itself is simply spectacular. At each level, large windows offer views of wildlife at every forest stratus. The lounge and restaurant area offer an incredible 270-degree panoramic view, so distractions during mealtime are frequent! From the top of the tower one can see the Panama Canal, the skyscrapers of Panama City, the Pacific Ocean, and miles of forest including the 55,000-acre Soberania National Park that runs along much of the Panama Canal. One can also see incredible birds such as the canopy-specialist Green Shrike-Vireo that is rarely glimpsed from ground level, or the spectacular Blue Cotinga that frequently perches on treetops. The tower is also a fine vantage point from which to listen to the dawn chorus, to watch soaring raptors at midday, or to watch bats foraging at dusk.

On this year's tour, we began our first morning atop the tower where we became acquainted with many of the local species, including some magnificent ones. Scaled Pigeon; Brown-hooded, Red-lored, and Mealy parrots; Band-rumped Swift; Purple-crowned Fairy; Keel-billed Toucan; Brown-capped Tyrannulet; White-shouldered, Crimson-backed, and Plain-colored tanagers; Blue Dacnis; Green Honeycreeper; and Scarlet-rumped Cacique all greeted us that morning. We heard a host of other species as well, including a Mottled Owl for those who got up early. But the real prize was the Blue Cotinga that sat out briefly in full view under dazzling morning light! We're supposed to work a little harder for that one!

After a fabulous breakfast (the food at Canopy Tower is incredible!), we took a stroll down Semaphore Hill and were able to track down many of those other forest species we were hearing from the tower. On that walk we found Black Hawk-Eagle (soaring and calling overhead), Squirrel Cuckoo, Stripe-throated Hermit, Black-throated Trogon, Broad-billed Motmot, Black-breasted Puffbird, Plain Xenops, Cocoa Woodcreeper, Fasciated Antshrike, Checker-throated and Dot-winged antwrens, Olivaceous Flatbill (building a nest!), Blue-crowned Manakin, Song Wren, Long-billed Gnatwren, and Slate-colored Grosbeak. Our afternoon outing took us to the Ammo Ponds which introduced us to a completely different marsh and edge habitat where we saw a host of new birds including Black-bellied Whistling-Duck; Anhinga; Rufescent Tiger-Heron; Wattled Jacana; Greater Ani; Red-crowned Woodpecker; Yellow-bellied Elaenia; Panama, Rusty-margined, Social, and Streaked flycatchers; Great Kiskadee; Gray-breasted Martin; and Scrub Greenlet. Thus was the beginning of a wonderful week at the Canopy Tower.

Through the week we visited many wonderful sites and had many, many highlights. Some especially memorable sights included the Striped Cuckoo at Tocumen Marsh; the Stripe-cheeked Woodpecker and some dazzling hummers and tanagers at Cerro Azul; intimate views of a Streak-chested Antpitta at Pipeline Road; the White-throated Crakes and White-winged Becard at Chagres River; the roosting Great Potoo at the base of Semaphore Hill; the Choco Screech-Owl on the night drive; the Green Shrike-Vireo at the tower; stunning views of Capped Heron, Collared Forest-Falcon, and Spectacled Owl at Old Gamboa Road; a Golden-collared Manakin lek at Achiote Road; the hummingbirds, euphonias, and honeycreepers at Fort San Lorenzo; the Rufous-and-white Wren at Metropolitan Park; the flocks of shorebirds including many Collared Plovers at Costa de Este; and that quick (and much talked-about!) view of a Great Tinamou dashing across the road.

Birds were not the only highlights on this tour. A family group of mantled howler monkeys were seen munching on cecropia leaves right outside the Canopy Tower on most days. We saw both two-toed and three-toed sloths almost daily and counted an amazing 12 sloths on our night drive. Also on the night drive were two woolly opossums and two kinkajous. At Metropolitan Park we saw a mother and baby Geoffroy's tamarin dashing through the canopy. Butterflies were everywhere including some spectacular gems such as Regal Greatstreak, Two-eyed Eighty-eight, Pointed Leafwing, and All-blue Morpho. We ended the tour with a fascinating visit to the Miraflores Locks where we toured the museum and watched a ship pass through the locks.

ITINERARY

Day 1, 2 August: Arrivals; night at Canopy Tower.

Day 2, 3 August: Canopy Tower; Semaphore Hill; Ammo Ponds; night at Canopy Tower.

Day 3, 4 August: Tocumen Marsh; Cerro Azul; night at Canopy Tower.

Day 4, 5 August: Pipeline Road; Chagres River (Gamboa Resort); night drive w/Alexis; night at Canopy Tower.

Day 5, 6 August: Canopy Tower; Old Gamboa Road/Summit Ponds; Summit Gardens; night at Canopy Tower.

Day 6, 7 August: Achiote Road; Fort San Lorenzo; train ride from Colon to Panama City; night at Canopy Tower.

Day 7, 8 August: Metropolitan Park; Costa del Este; Miraflores Locks; Gamboa feeders; night at Canopy Tower.

Day 8, 9 August: early morning birding at Canopy Tower and Semaphore Hill; late morning departures or transfer to El Valle extension.

BIRDS

Great Tinamou – a few heard; 1 seen briefly as it ran across the road near Canopy Tower

Little Tinamou – heard at Tocumen Marsh, Pipeline Road, and Old Gamboa Road

Black-bellied Whistling-Duck – numerous at Tocumen Marsh and Chagres River

Gray-headed Chachalaca – 1 heard at Old Gamboa Road

Least Grebe – 2 at Summit Ponds

Brown Pelican – numerous along the coast

Neotropic Cormorant – numerous along the coast

Anhinga – seen at the Ammo Ponds, Tocumen Marsh, and Chagres River
Magnificent Frigatebird - numerous along the coast
Rufescent Tiger-Heron – adult and juvenile seen at Ammo Ponds
Bare-throated Tiger-Heron – 1 at Tocumen Marsh
Cocoi Heron – numerous at Tocumen Marsh; one each at Chagres River and Costa del Este
Great Egret – seen at several locations; particularly numerous at Tocumen Marsh
Snowy Egret – numerous at Tocumen Marsh
Little Blue Heron – seen at several locations
Tricolored Heron – 2 at Tocumen Marsh
Cattle Egret – seen at several locations
Green Heron – seen at several locations
Striated Heron – several at Tocumen Marsh
Capped Heron – seen at Tocumen Marsh and Summit Ponds
Black-crowned Night-Heron
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron
Boat-billed Heron – 2 at Summit Ponds
White Ibis – seen at Tocumen Marsh and Costa del Este
Roseate Spoonbill – small flock seen at Tocumen Marsh
Wood Stork – numerous at Tocumen Marsh
Black Vulture – seen daily, often by the 100's
Turkey Vulture – seen daily; not as numerous as Black Vulture
Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture – several at Tocumen Marsh
King Vulture – 1 subadult soaring at Cerro Azul
Osprey – seen at Tocumen Marsh and Fort San Lorenzo
Gray-headed Kite – 1 at Summit Ponds
Swallow-tailed Kite – several at Cerro Azul
White-tailed Kite – 2 at Tocumen Marsh
Snail Kite – numerous around Gatun Lake on the train ride from Colon to Panama City
Plumbeous Kite - 1 from the Canopy Tower on our final morning
Northern Harrier – 1 at Tocumen Marsh
Crane Hawk – 1 at Tocumen Marsh
Common Black-Hawk – seen at Achiote Road
Savanna Hawk – several at Tocumen Marsh
Roadside Hawk – several at Tocumen Marsh
Gray Hawk – seen at Summit Gardens, Achite Road, and Metropolitan Park
Short-tailed Hawk – 1 at Old Gamboa Road
Zone-tailed Hawk – 1 at Summit Gardens
Black Hawk-Eagle – 1 at Samaphore Hill
Barred Forest-Falcon – heard at Canopy Tower
Slaty-backed Forest-Falcon – heard at Achiote Road
Collared Forest-Falcon – seen at Old Gamboa Road; heard at Canopy Tower and Achiote Road
Crested Caracara – several around Tocumen Marsh
Yellow-headed Caracara – several around Achiote Road and elsewhere
Laughing Falcon – heard at Tocumen Marsh and Achiote Road
American Kestrel – 1 from the train in Colon
Bat Falcon – 2 at the Canopy Tower
White-throated Crake – nice views of 2 at Chagres River; a few others heard
Gray-necked Wood-Rail – 1 seen well at Old Gamboa Road; several others heard
Purple Gallinule – seen at Tocumen Marsh and Chagres River
Common Moorhen – several at Chagres River
Southern Lapwing – numerous at Tocumen Marsh; several others seen

Black-bellied Plover – several at Costa del Este
Collared Plover - 20+ at Costa del Este
Semipalmated Plover – numerous at Costa del Este
Black-necked Stilt – numerous at Tocumen Marsh
Wattled Jacana – seen almost daily
Spotted Sandpiper – seen on 3 days
Solitary Sandpiper – 2 at Tocumen Marsh
Willet – several at Tocumen Marsh; 50+ at Costa del Este; all of these were of the interior-breeding subspecies, *T. s. inornata*
Lesser Yellowlegs – several at Tocumen Marsh
Whimbrel – several at Tocumen Marsh and Costa del Este
Marbled Godwit – 2 at Costa del Este
Semipalmated Sandpiper – at least 1 at Tocumen Marsh; dozens at Costa del Este
Western Sandpiper – dozens at Tocumen Marsh; hundreds at Costa del Este
Least Sandpiper - several at Tocumen Marsh
Short-billed Dowitcher – dozens at Tocumen Marsh and Costa del Este
Laughing Gull – numerous along both coasts; all were subadult nonbreeders
Black Tern – 22 at Fort San Lorenzo
Royal Tern – numerous at Costa del Este
Rock Pigeon (I) – numerous in urban/suburban areas
Pale-vented Pigeon – numerous in open areas; seen on 4 days
Scaled Pigeon – seen on 3 days, mostly at Canopy Tower
Short-billed Pigeon – 1 at Fort San Lorenzo
Ruddy Ground-Dove – numerous in open areas; seen on 4 days
Blue Ground-Dove – 1 fly-by at Achiote Road
White-tipped Dove – numerous; seen on 5 days
Gray-chested Dove – 1 seen at Metropolitan Park; a few others heard
Orange-chinned Parakeet – numerous in open areas; our best views were at Chagres River
Brown-hooded Parrot – seen on 3 days at Canopy Tower
Blue-headed Parrot – seen at Old Gamboa Road and Achiote Road
Red-lored Parrot – seen on most days at Canopy Tower and elsewhere
Mealy Parrot – seen on 4 days, mostly at Canopy Tower
Squirrel Cuckoo – seen at Ammo Ponds and Samaphore Hill; heard several others
Striped Cuckoo – 1 seen well at Tocumen Marsh
Greater Ani – seen at Ammo Ponds and Chagres River; 1 bird was seen eating a Red-eyed Treefrog!
Smooth-billed Ani – numerous in open areas; seen on most days
Choco Screech-Owl – 1 seen well on the night drive
Spectacled Owl – family group seen at Old Gamboa Road
Mottled Owl – heard just before dawn on our first morning at Canopy Tower
Lesser Nighthawk – 1 seen roosting in Gamboa
Common Pauraque – 1 seen on the night drive
Great Potoo – 1 seen roosting at the base of Samaphore Hill
White-collared Swift – small flocks seen at Cerro Azul and Achiote Road
Short-tailed Swift – numerous around Gamboa and Achiote Road
Band-rumped Swift – seen daily from Canopy Tower and elsewhere
Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift – seen at Canopy Tower and Gamboa
Rufous-breasted Hermit – 1 at Old Gamboa Road
Green Hermit – heard singing at Achiote Road
Stripe-throated Hermit – seen at Pipeline Road and Samaphore Hill
White-necked Jacobin – several at Cerro Azul

Black-throated Mango – 1 at Fort San Lorenzo
 Violet-headed Hummingbird – 1 at Cerro Azul
 Violet-crowned Woodnymph – several at Achiote Road and Fort San Lorenzo
 Violet-bellied Hummingbird – 1 at Metropolitan Park
 Sapphire-thrtd. Hummingbird – 1 at Fort San Lorenzo
 Blue-chested Hummingbird – seen almost daily at Canopy Tower
 Snowy-bellied Hummingbird – seen at Cerro Azul and Metropolitan Park
 Rufous-tailed Hummingbird – seen almost daily
 Bronze-tailed Plumeleteer – 3 at Cerro Azul
 Purple-crowned Fairy – 1 at Canopy Tower and 2 at Fort San Lorenzo
 White-tailed Trogon – several seen at Pipeline Road
 Violaceous Trogon – seen at Pipeline Road and Achiote Road
 Black-throated Trogon – seen at Samaphore Hill and heard at Pipeline Road
 Black-tailed Trogon – heard at Pipeline Road and seen at Achiote Road
 Slaty-tailed Trogon – seen at Pipeline Road and Metropolitan Park; a few others heard
 Blue-crowned Motmot – seen at Old Gamboa Road and Metropolitan Park
 Rufous Motmot – seen at Pipeline Road, Old Gamboa Road, and Samaphore Hill
 Broad-billed Motmot – seen at Samaphore Hill; heard elsewhere
 Ringed Kingfisher – seen at Tocumen Marsh and near Colon
 Amazon Kingfisher – 1 at Tocumen Marsh
 Green Kingfisher – seen at Tocumen Marsh, Summit Ponds, and near Colon
 White-necked Puffbird – 2 along a roadside near Canopy Tower
 Black-breasted Puffbird – seen several times at Canopy Tower and Samaphore Hill
 White-whiskered Puffbird – seen at Samaphore Hill and Pipeline Road
 Spot-crowned Barbet – 2 at Achiote Road
 Collared Aracari – seen on multiple days at Canopy Tower and elsewhere
 Keel-billed Toucan – seen almost daily at Canopy Tower and elsewhere
 Chestnut-mandibled Toucan – seen at Pipeline Road, Achiote Road, and Metropolitan Park
 Black-cheeked Woodpecker – seen at Pipeline Road and Achiote Road
 Red-crowned Woodpecker – seen daily in most open areas
 Stripe-cheeked Woodpecker (E) - 1 male at Cerro Azul
 Cinnamon Woodpecker – heard several times at Canopy Tower, Pipeline Road, and Achiote Road
 Lineated Woodpecker – seen at Old Gamboa Road, Summit Gardens, and Achiote Road
 Crimson-crested Woodpecker – seen at Summit Gardens and Metropolitan Park
 Pale-breasted Spinetail – seen at Tocumen Marsh
 Plain Xenops – 2 at Samaphore Hill
 Straight-billed Woodcreeper – 1 at Tocumen Marsh
 Cocoa Woodcreeper – seen or heard almost daily around Canopy Tower and elsewhere
 Black-striped Woodcreeper – 1 at Pipeline Road
 Streak-headed Woodcreeper – 1 at Tocumen Marsh
 Fasciated Antshrike – seen at Samaphore Hill; heard at Pipeline Road
 Great Antshrike - heard at Chagres River, Old Gamboa Road, and Achiote Road
 Barred Antshrike – seen at Chagres River; heard almost daily in open areas
 Western Slaty-Antshrike – seen or heard almost daily around Canopy Tower and elsewhere
 Checker-throated Antwren – seen at Samaphore Hill, Pipeline Road, and Cerro Azul
 White-flanked Antwren – seen at Pipeline Road
 Dot-winged Antwren – seen at Samaphore Hill, Pipeline Road, and Cerro Azul
 Dusky Antbird – seen at Samaphore Hill; heard at several other locales
 Jet Antbird – heard at Old Gamboa Road
 White-bellied Antbird – heard at Old Gamboa Road and Metropolitan Park

Chestnut-backed Antbird – heard at Pipeline Road
Spotted Antbird – heard at Samophore Hill
Bicolored Antbird – 4 at Achiote Road
Ocellated Antbird – 2 at Achiote Road
Black-faced Antthrush – seen briefly at Metropolitan Park; heard at several other locales
Streak-chested Antpitta – wonderful views at Pipeline Road
Brown-capped Tyrannulet – seen well at Canopy Tower
Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet – 1 at Old Gamboa Road
Yellow Tyrannulet – seen at Metropolitan Park
Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet – seen at Ammo Ponds, Old Gamboa Road, and Metropolitan Park
Forest Elaenia – heard at Samaphore Hill and Pipeline Road
Greenish Elaenia – 1 at Old Gamboa Road
Yellow-bellied Elaenia – seen at Ammo Ponds, Tocumen Marsh, and Fort San Lorenzo (where we saw one on a nest!)

Ochre-bellied Flycatcher – 1 at Metropolitan Park
Paltry Tyrannulet – seen at Cerro Azul and Canopy Tower; heard at Old Gamboa Road
Scale-crested Pygmy-Tyrant – 1 at Cerro Azul
Southern Bentbill – seen at Metropolitan Park and Samophore Hill
Common Tody-Flycatcher – seen daily
Black-headed Tody-Flycatcher – heard at Old Gamboa Road
Olivaceous Flatbill – seen building a nest at Samaphore Hill
Yellow-olive Flycatcher - heard at Old Gamboa Road
Yellow-margined Flycatcher – seen at Canopy Tower, Pipeline Road, Old Gamboa Road, and Metropolitan Park
Royal Flycatcher – heard at Old Gamboa Road
Ruddy-tailed Flycatcher – seen at Pipeline Road; heard at Metropolitan Park
Black-tailed Flycatcher – seen at Old Gamboa Road
Tropical Pewee – seen twice at Canopy Tower
Black Phoebe – 1 at Cerro Azul
Pied Water-Tyrant – 3 at Tocumen Marsh
Bright-rumped Attila – heard at Canopy Tower, Old Gamboa Road, and Achiote Road
Rufous Mourner – seen at Achiote Road
Dusky-capped Flycatcher – heard daily
Panama Flycatcher – seen at Ammo Ponds and Tocumen Marsh
Lesser Kiskadee – seen at Chagres River and Summit Ponds
Great Kiskadee – seen daily
Boat-billed Flycatcher – seen at Achiote Road and Fort San Lorenzo
Rusty-margined Flycatcher – seen at Ammo Ponds, Chagres River, and Summit Ponds
Social Flycatcher – seen daily in open areas
Streaked Flycatcher – seen at Ammo Ponds, Chagres River, and Achiote Road
Piratic Flycatcher – 2 at Chagres River; 1 at Metropolitan Park
Tropical Kingbird – seen daily in open areas
Fork-tailed Flycatcher – small groups seen at Tocumen Marsh and near Colon
Thrush-like Schiffornis – 1 at Metropolitan Park
Cinnamon Becard – seen at Pipeline Road and Gamboa
White-winged Becard – 1 at Chagres River and 1 at Old Gamboa Road
Masked Tityra – seen at Summit Gardens, Achiote Road, and Metropolitan Park
Blue Cotinga – saw a pair on our first morning at Canopy Tower; another pair at Pipeline Road
Purple-throated Fruitcrow – small groups seen at Pipeline Road and Achiote Road
Golden-collared Manakin – seen on lek at Achiote Road
Lance-tailed Manakin – heard at Metropolitan Park

Blue-crowned Manakin – seen at Samaphore Hill and Pipeline Road
Red-capped Manakin – seen at Samaphore Hill, Pipeline Road, and Achiote Road
Scrub Greenlet – seen at Ammo Ponds and Old Gamboa Road
Golden-fronted Greenlet – heard at Ammo Ponds
Lesser Greenlet – seen at Cerro Azul; heard at a few other sites, including Canopy Tower
Green Shrike-Vireo – 1 seen from Canopy Tower
Black-chested Jay – seen at Summit Gardens, Achiote Road, and Fort San Lorenzo
Purple Martin – several among Gray-breasted Martins near Colon
Gray-breasted Martin – seen daily, especially along the canal
Mangrove Swallow – seen almost daily, especially along the canal
Tree Swallow – several near Colon
Sthrn. Rough-wing. Swallow – seen almost daily
Bank Swallow – 1 at Tocumen Marsh
Barn Swallow – seen at Tocumen Marsh and near Colon
White-headed Wren – 1 at Achiote Road
Black-bellied Wren – seen at Samaphore Hill and Pipeline Road; heard daily from Canopy Tower
Bay Wren – seen at Achiote Road
Rufous-breasted Wren – seen at Metropolitan Park
Rufous-and-white Wren – seen at Metropolitan Park; heard at Old Gamboa Road
Buff-breasted Wren – seen at Old Gamboa Road
Plain Wren – seen near Achiote Road; heard at several other locales
House Wren – seen almost daily
White-breasted Wood-Wren – seen at Pipeline Road; a few others heard
Song Wren – seen at Samaphore Hill
Long-billed Gnatwren – seen at Samaphore Hill
Tropical Gnatcatcher – seen at Canopy Tower and Old Gamboa Road
Clay-colored Robin – seen daily in open areas
Tropical Mockingbird (I) – seen on several occasions in suburban areas such as Gamboa
Yellow Warbler – 1 at Fort San Lorenzo
Bananaquit – seen at Cerro Azul and Fort San Lorenzo
Rosy Thrush-Tanager – heard at Metropolitan Park
White-shouldered Tanager – seen at Canopy Tower, Old Gamboa Road, Achiote Road, and Metropolitan Park
Red-throated Ant-Tanager – seen at Old Gamboa Road
Hepatic Tanager – several seen at Cerro Azul
Crimson-backed Tanager – seen daily in good numbers
Flame (Lemon)-rumped Tanager – several seen at Achiote Road
Blue-gray Tanager – seen daily in good numbers
Palm Tanager – seen on multiple days
Plain-colored Tanager – seen daily, especially at Canopy Tower
Emerald Tanager – 1 immature seen at Cerro Azul
Golden-hooded Tanager - seen at Cerro Azul, Chagres River, and Fort San Lorenzo
Blue Dacnis – seen on most days, including at Canopy Tower
Green Honeycreeper – seen at Canopy Tower and Metropolitan Park
Shining Honeycreeper – seen at Achiote Road and Gamboa feeders
Red-legged Honeycreeper – seen at Gamboa feeders
Blue-black Grassquit – seen on most days, in open areas
Variable Seedeater – seen daily, in open areas
Yellow-bellied Seedeater – seen at Ammo Ponds and Old Gamboa Road
Ruddy-breasted Seedeater – seen at Tocumen Marsh and Ammo Ponds
Thick-billed Seed-Finch – seen at Ammo Ponds, Old Gamboa Road, and Fort San Lorenzo

Yellow-faced Grassquit – seen at Cerro Azul
Saffron Finch (I) – seen by Pablo near Colon
Orange-billed Sparrow – seen at Metropolitan Park
Black-striped Sparrow – seen near Achiote Road
Streaked Saltator – seen at Achiote Road
Buff-throated Saltator – seen at Old Gamboa Road and Achiote Road
Black-headed Saltator – seen at Achiote Road
Slate-colored Grosbeak – seen at Canopy Tower and Samaphore Hill
Blue-black Grosbeak – seen at Metropolitan Park
Red-breasted Blackbird – seen near Colon
Great-tailed Grackle – seen daily in open areas
Shiny Cowbird – seen at Tocumen Marsh and Chagres River
Bronzed Cowbird – seen at Chagres River
Yellow-backed Oriole – heard at Old Gamboa Road and Summit Gardens
Yellow-tailed Oriole – seen at Chagres River
Yellow-billed Cacique – seen at Old Gamboa Road and Achiote Road
Yellow-rumped Cacique – seen at Canopy Tower
Scarlet-rumped Cacique - seen almost daily around Canopy Tower and elsewhere
Crested Oropendola – seen at Achiote Road
Chestnut-headed Oropendola – seen at Samaphore Hill, Pipeline Road, Summit Gardens, and
Achiote Road
Yellow-crowned Euphonia – seen at Fort San Lorenzo; heard at several other locales
Thick-billed Euphonia – seen at Cerro Azul, Old Gamboa Road, Achiote Road, and Metropolitan
Park
Fulvous-vented Euphonia – seen at Canopy Tower, Cerro Azul, Achiote Road, and Metropolitan
Park

MAMMALS

Common Opossum – 1 seen on the night drive
Central American Woolly Opossum – 2 seen on the night drive
Hoffman's Two-toed Sloth – seen on 3 days
Brown-throated Three-toed Sloth – seen on most days; a total of 12 sloths (both species) were
seen on the night drive!
Nine-banded Armadillo – 1 seen at Metropolitan Park
Geoffroy's Tamarin – a mother with babies seen at Metropolitan Park
Mantled Howler Monkey – seen on most days at Canopy Tower
Red-tailed Squirrel – seen on most days
Central American Agouti – seen on most days
White-nosed Coati – a few seen on roadsides
Kinkajou – 2 seen on the night drive

AMPHIBIANS & REPTILES

Rain Toad – seen at Canopy Tower
Green-and-black Poison-Frog – seen on a trail near Achiote Road
Red-eyed Treefrog – two of these frogs were seen at Chagres River as they were being consumed
by Greater Anis!
Narrow-snouted Spectacled Caimen – seen at Tocumen Marsh and Summit Ponds
Black Spiny-tailed Iguana – seen from train in Colon
Green Iguana – seen at Canopy Tower
Central American Ameiva – seen at Cerro Azul
Common Slider – seen at Summit Ponds