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# Ecuador

## Zagorski Private Tour

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## Tour Summary

It was with great excitement when we met up in Quito the capital of Ecuador to begin a short but action packed bird tour. On our first day before dawn we headed to the Papallacta Pass above Quito for some high altitude birding. Our first stop was Guango Lodge where many well placed feeders attracted several hummingbird species including Collared Inca, the rare Gorgeted Woodstar and the very impressive Sword-billed Hummingbird to name a few. A nearby river crossing produced a stunning pair of the impressive Torrent Duck's. Climbing higher up the pass we soon found our target close to the radio tower, the much-desired Rufous-bellied Seedsnipe, a pair seen very well at close range and even allowed photo opportunities! The following morning saw us driving to Antisana National Park, an area of upland grasslands and lakes, also within a short drive of the capital. We enjoyed an excellent day here and the undoubted highlight was watching three Andean Condor's flying close by along cliff faces and several times overhead! Other highlights included a pair of Aplomado Falcon, Carunculated Caracara stalking the grasslands and the scarce and threatened Black-faced Ibis. From the highlands we flew down to the lowlands at Coca and swapped our plane for a speedboat to take us down the Napo River to Sacha Lodge for a five-night stay. Sacha Lodge was a fabulous stay and our visits to the canopy walkway being a highlight. There were many birding highlights here including brief views of a calling Zigzag Heron, Rufescent Tiger Heron, point-black looks at Sungrebe, Paradise Tanager, Ornate Hawk-Eagle, Crested Owl at a day roost and the incredible and prehistoric looking Hoatzin.

After our fabulous stay at Sacha Lodge we moved to Bellavista Lodge on the eastern slope. The gardens were alive with hummingbird species attracted to the feeders and a fruiting tree in the car park allowed excellent daily looks at Plate-billed Mountain Toucan, Toucan Barbet and Sicklewinged Guan. Birding the trails around the lodge produced Chestnut-crowned Antpitta, Turquoise Jay, Grass-green Tanager and incredible looks at the mind-blowing Ocellated Tapuculo! While at Bellavista we visited Angel Paz's Farm below Bellavista to witness an antpitta extravaganza. First off at dawn we visited a small hide strategically placed overlooking an Andean Cock-of-the-rock Lek. As the light grew stronger these magnificently coloured birds were watched in awe as they



jumped around calling allowing awesome looks. Then we followed Angel along the trails calling venga (come), venga (come) Maria. After a short while we located a confiding Maria and enjoyed good close looks as she gobbled up a few choice worms. Further walking along the trails produced great looks at a pair of Yellow-breasted Antpitta's and we heard the endemic Dark-backed Wood-Quail calling nearby. And so ended a fabulous tour to one of the richest bird destinations in the world and a big hearty thank's to Sara from all the group for making the tour a reality.

Photos: Giant Antpitta, Rufous-bellied Seedsnipe, Sword-billed Hummingbird, Hoatzin, Plate-billed Mountain Toucan and Collared Inca. All photos by David Hoddinott taken during the tour.

### Annotated list of Bird species recorded



Checklist follows taxonomy treated as a full species by International Ornithological Congress (IOC): "Birds of the World. A Checklist."

#### Tinamous Tinamidae

##### Great Tinamou

Heard on two days at Sacha Lodge.

*Tinamus major*

##### Cinereous Tinamou

Heard on three days at Sacha Lodge.

*Crypturellus cinereus*

##### Little Tinamou

Heard once at Sacha Lodge.

*Crypturellus soui*

##### Undulated Tinamou

Heard on three days at Sacha Lodge.

*Crypturellus undulatus*

##### Variegated Tinamou

Heard on three days at Sacha Lodge.

*Crypturellus variegatus*

#### Chachalacas, Currasows & Guans Cracidae

##### Speckled Chachalaca

Heard and seen on two days around Sacha Lodge.

*Ortalis guttata*



**Andean Guan***Penelope montagnii*

We enjoyed great views of 4 birds at Yanacocha.

**Spix's Guan***Penelope jacquacu*

2 birds were seen from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.

**Sickle-winged Guan***Chamaepetes goudotii*

Seen daily at Bellavista where they fed in a fruiting tree at our lodge.

**New World Quail Odontophoridae****Marbled Wood Quail***Odontophorus gujanensis*

Heard only at Sacha Lodge.

**Dark-backed Wood Quail (E)***Odontophorus melanonotus*

Heard at Bellavista.

**Ducks Geese & Swans Anatidae****Torrent Duck***Merganetta armata*

A pair of these stunners was seen at a river below Papallacta Pass.

**Andean Teal***Anas andium*

8 were seen at a lake on Papallacta Pass with a further 20 at Antisana NP.

**Yellow-billed Pintail***Anas georgica*

8 were seen at a lake on Papallacta Pass with a further 4 at Antisana NP.

**Andean Duck***Oxyura ferruginea*

14 were seen at Antisana NP.

**Grebes Podicipedidae****Silvery Grebe***Podiceps occipitalis*

10 of these attractive birds were seen at Antisana NP.

**Ibises & Spoonbills Threskiornithidae****Black-faced Ibis***Theristicus melanopis*

14 of these endangered birds were seen at the stunning Antisana NP.

**Green Ibis***Mesembrinibis cayennensis*

Heard at Sacha Lodge.

**Hérons & Bitterns Ardeidae****Rufescent Tiger Heron***Tigrisoma lineatum*

2 birds were seen in the evening on two days at Sacha Lodge.

**Boat-billed Heron***Cochlearius cochlearius*

6 birds were found at dusk on the oxbow lake in front of Sacha Lodge.

**Zigzag Heron***Zebrius undulatus*

This highly desired species was heard on three days and seen briefly in swamp forest at Sacha Lodge.

**Striated Heron***Butorides striata*

3 birds were seen in the Sacha Lodge area.

**Cattle Egret***Bubulcus ibis*

10 in Quito with further sightings near Los Banchos.

**Cocoi Heron***Ardea cocoi*

3 birds were seen at Sacha Lodge.

**Great Egret***Ardea alba*

2 birds were seen on the Napo River at Coca.

**Snowy Egret***Egretta thula*

Regularly seen at waterbodies in the lowlands.

### New World Vultures Cathartidae

#### Turkey Vulture

*Cathartes aura*

Small numbers recorded on the Eastern slope around Mindo.

#### Greater Yellow-headed Vulture

*Cathartes melambrotus*

Seen daily in small numbers in the lowlands around Sacha Lodge.

#### Black Vulture

*Coragyps atratus*

Commonly seen daily in the lowlands.

#### Andean Condor

*Vultur gryphus*

One of the many highlights of the tour. 5 of these giants were watched at Antisana NP.

### Caracaras & Falcons Falconidae

#### Black Caracara

*Daptrius ater*

Seen daily in the lowlands around Sacha Lodge.

#### Carunculated Caracara

*Phalcoboenus carunculatus*

Fairly common in higher grasslands around Papallacta Pass and Antisana NP.

#### Yellow-headed Caracara

*Milvago chimachima*

Small numbers in the lowlands around Sacha Lodge.

#### Laughing Falcon

*Herpetotheres cachinnans*

A single bird was seen on the Napo River at Coca.

#### American Kestrel

*Falco sparverius*

Recorded in the open high lying areas around Papallacta, Antisana, Mindo and Quito.

#### Bat Falcon

*Falco rufigularis*

A singleton was seen while on the Napo River.

#### Aplomado Falcon

*Falco femoralis*

A pair of these scarce birds was seen at Antisana NP.

### Kites, Hawks & Eagles Accipitridae

#### Osprey

*Pandion haliaetus*

A singleton was seen on the river below our lunch stop at Los Banchos.

#### Grey-headed Kite

*Leptodon cayanensis*

A singleton was seen at Sacha Lodge.

#### Swallow-tailed Kite

*Elanoides forficatus*

A flock of 15 were seen on the eastern slope with a further 5 near Mindo.

#### Snail Kite

*Rostrhamus sociabilis*

An immature bird was heard and then seen at Sacha Lodge.

#### Slender-billed Kite

*Rosrtrhamus hamatus*

Recorded on two days whilst at Sacha Lodge.

#### Double-toothed Kite

*Harpagus bidentatus*

2 birds seen on two days at Sacha Lodge.

#### Plumbeous Kite

*Ictinia plumbea*

Seen daily around Sacha Lodge.

#### Plain-breasted Hawk

*Accipiter ventralis*

One was seen en route to Yanacochoa.

#### Slate-colored Hawk

*Leucopternis schistaceus*

Recorded daily at Sacha Lodge.

#### White Hawk

*Leucopternis albicollis*

A singleton was seen at Sacha Lodge.

#### Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle

*Geranoaetus melanoleucus*



We enjoyed excellent views of one at Papallacta Pass.

**Roadside Hawk** *Buteo magnirostris*

Recorded at both Sacha Lodge and near Quito.

**Variable Hawk** *Buteo polyosoma*

Recorded in the highland areas around Papallacta Pass and Antisana NP.

**Ornate Hawk-Eagle** *Spizaetus ornatus*

One of these magnificent raptors was seen at Sacha Lodge.

### Rails, Crakes & Coots Rallidae

**Chestnut-headed Crake** *Anurolimnas castaneiceps*

A single bird was seen on a riverbank near the Napo River at Sacha Lodge.

**Black-banded Crake** *Laterallus fasciatus*

We enjoyed excellent views of 2 of these seldom seen birds at Sacha Lodge.

**Rufous-sided Crake** *Laterallus melanophaius*

Seen very briefly as it ran across the road near Mindo.

**Grey-necked Wood Rail** *Aramides cajanea*

Heard on two days at Sacha Lodge.

**Andean Coot** *Fulica ardesiaca*

10 birds were seen at Antisana NP.

### Finfoots Heliornithidae

**Sungrebe** *Heliornis fulica*

2 birds were seen exceptionally well at the oxbow lake at Sacha Lodge.

### Trumpeters Psophiidae

**Grey-winged Trumpeter** *Psophia crepitans*

Heard only at Sacha Lodge.

### Plovers Charadriidae

**Southern Lapwing** *Vanellus chilensis*

One was seen on Coca airstrip.

**Andean Lapwing** *Vanellus resplendens*

Up to 800 birds were seen at Antisana NP.

**Collared Plover** *Charadrius collaris*

Small numbers were seen along the Napo River.

### Seedsnipes Thinocoridae

**Rufous-bellied Seedsnipe** *Attagis gayi*

Excellent close looks at 2 birds on Papallacta Pass.

### Gulls, Terns & Skimmers Laridae

**Andean Gull** *Larus serranus*

Recorded at a lake near Papallacta Pass and at Antisana NP.

**Yellow-billed Tern** *Sterna superciliaris*

Several were seen along the Napo River.

**Black Skimmer** *Rynchops niger*

Four birds were seen on the Napo River.

### Pigeons & Doves Columbidae

**Common (Rock) Pigeon** *Columba livia*



Common in urban environs.

**Band-tailed Pigeon***Patagioenas fasciata*

Two birds were seen at Antisana NP.

**Pale-vented Pigeon***Patagioenas cayennensis*

Seen daily around the lowlands at Sacha Lodge.

**Plumbeous Pigeon***Patagioenas plumbea*

Two individuals were seen on 2 days at Sacha Lodge.

**Ruddy Pigeon***Patagioenas subvinacea*

One was seen on the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge

**Eared Dove***Zenaida auriculata*

Common in the high lying areas of Papallacta, Antisana, Bellavista and Quito.

**Plain-breasted Ground Dove***Columbina minuta*

5 birds were seen in the Paramo around Quito.

**Ruddy Ground Dove***Columbina talpacoti*

Small numbers recorded near Sacha Lodge.

**Black-winged Ground Dove***Metriopelia melanoptera*

70 recorded in the grasslands at Antisana NP.

**White-tipped Dove***Leptotila verreauxi*

3 birds recorded in the dry Paramo at Quito.

**Grey-fronted Dove***Leptotila rufaxilla*

Heard daily at Sacha Lodge.

**Sapphire Quail-Dove***Geotrygon saphirina*

We enjoyed fantastic views of one at Sacha Lodge.

**Parrots & Macaws Psittacidae****Red-bellied Macaw***Orthopsittaca manilata*

Recorded daily around Sacha Lodge.

**White-eyed Parakeet***Aratinga leucophthalma*

A pair was seen from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.

**Dusky-headed Parakeet***Aratinga weddellii*

A common species around Sacha Lodge.

**Maroon-tailed Parakeet***Pyrrhura melanura*

6 birds were seen from the canopy walkway.

**Cobalt-winged Parakeet***Brotogeris cyanoptera*

Commonly recorded around Sacha Lodge.

**Scarlet-shouldered Parrotlet***Touit huetii*

Recorded daily at Sacha Lodge.

**Black-headed Parrot***Pionites melanocephalus*

2 birds were seen at Sacha Lodge.

**Blue-headed Parrot***Pionus menstruus*

8 sightings at Sacha Lodge.

**Red-billed Parrot***Pionus sordidus*

Fairly common at higher elevations at Bellavista.

**Yellow-crowned Amazon***Amazona ochrocephala*

A pair was seen at Sacha Lodge.

**Orange-winged Amazon***Amazona amazonica*

Small numbers daily around Sacha Lodge.

**Mealy Amazon***Amazona farinosa*

Seen on 2 days at Sacha Lodge.



**Hoatzin Opisthocomidae****Hoatzin***Opisthocomus hoazin*

A highlight of the tour and the most wanted species. Resident at Sacha Lodge where we enjoyed daily encounters with this large prehistoric looking bird.

**Cuckoos Cuculidae****Greater Ani***Crotophaga major*

Resident in the grounds at Sacha Lodge.

**Smooth-billed Ani***Crotophaga ani*

Fairly common in the lowlands at Sacha Lodge and at Mindo.

**Squirrel Cuckoo***Piaya cayana*

Regularly recorded in forest around Sacha Lodge and at Mindo.

**Black-bellied Cuckoo***Piaya melanogaster*

One was seen from the canopy tower on the south bank of the Napo, near Sacha Lodge.

**Typical Owls Strigidae****Tropical Screech Owl***Megascops choliba*

Heard on 2 days at Sacha Lodge.

**Tawny-bellied Screech Owl***Megascops watsonii*

2 birds seen on day roosts at Sacha Lodge.

**Crested Owl***Lophotrix cristata*

A pair of these stunning owls was seen at their day roost at Sacha Lodge.

**Ferruginous Pygmy Owl***Glaucidium brasilianum*

Heard at Sacha Lodge.

**Short-eared Owl***Asio flammeus*

One was found hunting at Yanacocha.

**Potoos Nyctibiidae****Common Potoo***Nyctibius griseus*

This bizarre looking creature was seen both at Sacha Lodge and at Bellavista.

**Nightjars Caprimulgidae****Pauraque***Nyctidromus albicollis*

Recorded at Sacha Lodge and Bellavista.

**Ladder-tailed Nightjar***Hydropsalis climacocerca*

3 birds were recorded at Sacha Lodge including a fine male roosting along the Napo River.

**Lyre-tailed Nightjar***Uropsalis lyra*

A stunning male was seen below Bellavista.

**Apodidae Swifts****White-collared Swift***Streptoprocne zonaris*

10 birds were seen at Mindo.

**Short-tailed Swift***Chaetura brachyura*

Recorded in the lowlands.

**Neotropical Palm Swift***Tachornis squamata*

Recorded in small numbers on 3 days at Sacha Lodge.

**Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift***Panyptila cayennensis*

One was seen at Sacha Lodge.

**Trochilidae Hummingbirds**

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<b>Rufous-breasted Hermit</b> 5 sightings along the Napo River.	<i>Glaucis hirsutus</i>
<b>White-whiskered Hermit</b> 2 were seen well at Mindo.	<i>Phaethornis yaruqui</i>
<b>Great-billed Hermit</b> 2 birds at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Phaethornis malaris</i>
<b>Straight-billed Hermit</b> One was seen at Bellavista.	<i>Phaethornis bourcierii</i>
<b>White-necked Jacobin</b> 2 at Los Banchos.	<i>Florisuga mellivora</i>
<b>Green Violetear</b> Regularly recorded at Bellavista and Los Banchos and in Quito.	<i>Colibri thalassinus</i>
<b>Sparkling Violetear</b> A common bird in the highlands.	<i>Colibri coruscans</i>
<b>Green Thorntail</b> 6 birds were seen near Mindo.	<i>Popelairia conversii</i>
<b>Western Emerald</b> A male was seen at Bellavista.	<i>Chlorostilbon melanorhynchus</i>
<b>Green-crowned Woodnymph</b> Seen at Bellavista and at Quito.	<i>Thalurania fannyi</i>
<b>Rufous-throated Sapphire</b> One was seen at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Hylocharis sapphirina</i>
<b>Golden-tailed Sapphire</b> Recorded at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Chrysuronia oenone</i>
<b>Rufous-tailed Hummingbird</b> Common from the eastern slope where we recorded it from Bellavista to Quito	<i>Amazilia tzacatl</i>
<b>Andean Emerald</b> Recorded at Bellavista and at Los Banchos.	<i>Amazilia franciae</i>
<b>Glittering-throated Emerald</b> 3 males were seen at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Amazilia fimbriata</i>
<b>Speckled Hummingbird</b> Common on the eastern slope where we recorded it at Antisana, Bellavista to Quito.	<i>Adelomyia melanogenys</i>
<b>Black-throated Brilliant</b> A female was seen at Los Banchos.	<i>Heliodoxa schreibersii</i>
<b>Fawn-breasted Brilliant</b> Recorded on the eastern slope at Bellavista and Los Banchos.	<i>Heliodoxa rubinoides</i>
<b>Green-crowned Brilliant</b> 8 at Los Banchos.	<i>Heliodoxa jacula</i>
<b>Buff-tailed Coronet</b> Common on the eastern slope at Bellavista.	<i>Boissonneaua flavescens</i>
<b>Chestnut-breasted Coronet</b> 8 near the Papallacta Pass.	<i>Boissonneaua matthewsii</i>
<b>Velvet-purple Coronet</b> 3 were recorded near Mindo.	<i>Boissonneaua jardini</i>
<b>Shining Sunbeam</b> This beauty was recorded at Yanacocha and Antisana.	<i>Aglaeactis cupripennis</i>
<b>Ecuadorian Hillstar</b> 4 birds including 3 stunning males were seen at Antisana NP.	<i>Oreotrochilus chimborazo</i>
<b>Mountain Velvetbreast</b> 2 at Yanacocha and a singleton en route to Papallacta Pass.	<i>Lafresnaya lafresnayi</i>
<b>Brown Inca</b>	<i>Coeligena wilsoni</i>

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A singleton was seen at Los Banchos.

**Collared Inca**

*Coeligena torquata*

Common at Yanacocha and 2 at Papallacta Pass.

**Sword-billed Hummingbird**

*Ensifera ensifera*

2 at Yanacocha and 2 at Papallacta Pass.

**Great Sapphirewing**

*Pterophanes cyanopterus*

4 were seen at Yanacocha.

**Giant Hummingbird**

*Patagona gigas*

3 of these “large hummers” were seen feeding on Sisal flowers near Quito.

**Gorgeted Sunangel**

*Heliangelus strophianus*

Recorded daily at Bellavista.

**Tourmaline Sunangel**

*Heliangelus exortis*

20 recorded at the Papallacta Pass.

**Black-breasted Puffleg (E)**

*Eriocnemis nigrivestis*

A male was seen at Yanacocha. A rarely recorded species.

**Sapphire-vented Puffleg**

*Eriocnemis luciani*

10 at Yanacocha.

**Golden-breasted Puffleg**

*Eriocnemis mosquera*

4 at Yanacocha and 1 at Papallacta.

**Purple-bibbed Whitetip**

*Urosticte benjamini*

Recorded near Bellavista.

**Booted Racket-tail**

*Ocreatus underwoodii*

Common on the Eastern Slope.

**Black-tailed Trainbearer**

*Lesbia victoriae*

Small numbers seen in the high lying areas around Quito.

**Purple-backed Thornbill**

*Ramphomicron microrhynchum*

4 birds seen at Yanacocha.

**Tyrian Metaltail**

*Metallura tyrianthina*

Recorded at Yanacocha, Papallacta and Antisana.

**Viridian Metaltail**

*Metallura williami*

A singleton at Guango Lodge near the Papallacta Pass.

**Blue-mantled Thornbill**

*Chalcostigma stanleyi*

3 at Guango Lodge near Papallacta Pass.

**Rainbow-bearded Thornbill**

*Chalcostigma herrani*

2 of these exquisite birds were seen at Yanacocha.

**Long-tailed Sylph**

*Agelaiocercus kingi*

6 birds were at Guango Lodge near the Papallacta Pass.

**Violet-tailed Sylph**

*Agelaiocercus coelestis*

Recorded on the eastern slope at Bellavista.

**Black-eared Fairy**

*Heliothryx auritus*

Seen twice in the lowlands at Sacha Lodge.

**Long-billed Starthroat**

*Heliomaster longirostris*

3 birds in the lowlands at Sacha Lodge and a singleton at Bellavista.

**Purple-throated Woodstar**

*Calliphlox mitchellii*

Recorded on the eastern slope at Bellavista.

**White-bellied Woodstar**

*Chaetocercus mulsanti*

5 at Guango Lodge and 2 at Los Banchos.

**Gorgeted Woodstar**

*Chaetocercus heliodor*

A male was seen at Guango Lodge below Papallacta.

**Trogons Trogonidae**



**Amazonian White-tailed Trogon**

Seen and heard at Sacha Lodge.

*Trogon viridis*

**Violaceous Trogon**

Recorded twice at Sacha Lodge.

*Trogon violaceus*

**Masked Trogon**

A male was seen at Guango Lodge and 2 at Bellavista.

*Trogon personatus*

**Black-tailed Trogon**

A single bird was seen from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.

*Trogon melanurus*

**Golden-headed Quetzal**

A female was seen in cloud forest near Mindo.

*Pharomachrus auriceps*

**Kingfishers Alcedinidae****American Pygmy Kingfisher**

We enjoyed good views of one at Sacha Lodge.

*Chloroceryle aenea*

**Green-and-rufous Kingfisher**

A singleton was seen on the Napo River.

*Chloroceryle inda*

**Green Kingfisher**

A single bird was seen near Bellavista.

*Chloroceryle americana*

**Amazon Kingfisher**

2 birds were seen on the Napo River.

*Chloroceryle amazona*

**Ringed Kingfisher**

Single birds were seen on the Napo River on 3 days.

*Megaceryle torquata*

**Motmots Momotidae****Blue-crowned Motmot**

This stunner was seen and heard on 5 days at Sacha Lodge.

*Momotus momota*

**Broad-billed Motmot**

Heard at Sacha Lodge.

*Electron platyrhynchum*

**Toucans & Barbets Ramphastidae****Chestnut-tipped Toucanet**

5 birds were seen near Mindo.

*Aulacorhynchus derbianus*

**Lettered Aracari**

Seen on 2 days at Sacha Lodge.

*Pteroglossus inscriptus*

**Ivory-billed Aracari**

Recorded daily from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.

*Pteroglossus azara*

**Chestnut-eared Aracari**

5 birds were seen in the lowlands around Sacha Lodge.

*Pteroglossus castanotis*

**Many banded Aracari**

Recorded daily around Sacha Lodge.

*Pteroglossus pluricinctus*

**Pale-mandibled Aracari**

2 birds were seen near Mindo.

*Pteroglossus erythropygius*

**Golden-collared Toucanet**

2 at Sacha Lodge.

*Selenidera reinwardtii*

**Plate-billed Mountain Toucan (E)**

We enjoyed excellent close looks at Bellavista.

*Andigena laminirostris*

**Channel-billed Toucan**

Up to 5 sightings at Sacha Lodge.

*Ramphastos vitellinus*

**White-throated Toucan**

Recorded in good numbers at Sacha Lodge.

*Ramphastos tucanus*



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<b>Scarlet-crowned Barbet</b> 5 sightings at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Capito aurovirens</i>
<b>Gilded Barbet</b> Seen well from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Capito auratus</i>
<b>Red-headed Barbet</b> 2 birds were seen in the eastern slope near Quito.	<i>Eubucco bourcierii</i>
<b>Toucan Barbet</b> We enjoyed close encounters with this mega barbet at Bellavista and Los Banchos.	<i>Semnornis ramphastinus</i>

### Woodpeckers Picidae

<b>Olivaceous Piculet</b> One was seen very well at Mindo.	<i>Picumnus olivaceus</i>
<b>Yellow-tufted Woodpecker</b> Commonly seen from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Melanerpes cruentatus</i>
<b>Black-cheeked Woodpecker</b> One was seen at Bellavista.	<i>Melanerpes pucherani</i>
<b>Scarlet-backed Woodpecker</b> Recorded at Los Banchos.	<i>Veniliornis callonotus</i>
<b>Bar-bellied Woodpecker</b> Seen at Yanacocha.	<i>Veniliornis nigriceps</i>
<b>Smoky-brown Woodpecker</b> 2 were seen at Mindo.	<i>Veniliornis fumigatus</i>
<b>Little Woodpecker</b> A single bird was seen at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Veniliornis passerinus</i>
<b>Red-stained Woodpecker</b> 3 birds at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Veniliornis affinis</i>
<b>Crimson-mantled Woodpecker</b> Heard at Bellavista.	<i>Piculus rivolii</i>
<b>Spot-breasted Woodpecker</b> A singleton was seen at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Chrysoptilus punctigula</i>
<b>Chestnut Woodpecker</b> A singleton at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Celeus elegans</i>
<b>Cream-colored Woodpecker</b> This stunner was seen from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Celeus flavus</i>
<b>Ringed Woodpecker</b> Heard at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Celeus torquatus</i>
<b>Lineated Woodpecker</b> Recorded at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Dryocopus lineatus</i>
<b>Powerful Woodpecker</b> Recorded near Mindo.	<i>Campephilus pollens</i>
<b>Crimson-crested Woodpecker</b> Recorded in the lowlands around Sacha Lodge.	<i>Campephilus melanoleucos</i>

### Jacamars Galbulidae

<b>White-eared Jacamar</b> 2 birds were seen at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Galbalcyrhynchus leucotis</i>
<b>White-chinned Jacamar</b> Good scope looks at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Galbula tombacea</i>
<b>Purplish Jacamar</b> We enjoyed excellent looks near Sacha Lodge.	<i>Galbula chalcothorax</i>



**Great Jacamar***Jacamerops aureus*

We had good views of a pair at Sacha Lodge.

**Puffbirds Bucconidae****White-necked Puffbird***Notharchus macrorhynchos*

3 birds were seen at the canopy walkway, Sacha Lodge.

**Pied Puffbird***Notharchus tectus*

2 birds were seen sitting on the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.

**Chestnut-capped Puffbird***Bucco macrodactylus*

Heard at Sacha Lodge.

**Brown Nunlet***Nonnula brunnea*

One was seen well near Sacha Lodge.

**Black-fronted Nunbird***Monasa nigrifrons*

A pair recorded on 2 days at Sacha Lodge.

**White-fronted Nunbird***Monasa morphoeus*

Seen daily from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.

**Swallow-winged Puffbird***Chelidoptera tenebrosa*

Recorded from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.

**Manakins Pipridae****Blue-crowned Manakin***Lepidothrix coronata*

A female was seen at Sacha Lodge.

**Blue-backed Manakin***Chiroxiphia pareola*

A stunning male was scoped in the lowlands at Sacha Lodge.

**Orange-crested Manakin***Heterocercus aurantiivertex*

One was seen at Sacha Lodge.

**Golden-headed Manakin***Pipra erythrocephala*

A male was seen buzzing around at Sacha Lodge and was difficult to observe.

**Cotingas Cotingidae****Black-tailed Tityra***Tityra cayana*

Seen daily from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.

**Cinnamon Becard***Pachyramphus cinnamomeus*

A singleton at Los Banchos.

**White-winged Becard***Pachyramphus polychopterus*

3 at Sacha Lodge and a single bird at Mindo.

**Black-and-white Becard***Pachyramphus albogriseus*

A female at Los Banchos.

**Pink-throated Becard***Platypsaris minor*

5 recorded at Sacha Lodge and seen from the canopy walkway.

**Red-crested Cotinga***Ampelion rubrocristatus*

Small numbers seen in the highlands at Yanacocha, Papallacta Pass and Antisana.

**Green-and-black Fruiteater***Pipreola riefferii*

3 birds were seen extremely well at Bellavista.

**Barred Fruiteater***Pireola arcuata*

A female was seen at Yanacocha.

**Scaled Fruiteater***Ampelioides tschudii*

Good views of one at Mindo.

**Andean Cock-of-the-rock***Rupicola peruvianus*

One of the many highlights of our tour. A pre-dawn visit to a lek of displaying males was an awesome experience. These bright “orange balls” of color stood out in their forest habitat and we were in awe during our visit. Wow!

**Plum-throated Cotinga** *Cotinga maynana*

This striking species was seen daily from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.

**Spangled Cotinga** *Cotinga cayana*

Similar looking to the above species we saw this bird daily from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.

**Screaming Piha** *Lipaugus vociferans*

Heard daily and one bird scoped at Sacha Lodge.

**Bare-necked Fruitcrow** *Gymnoderus foetidus*

This bizarre looking species was seen regularly from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.

**Purple-throated Fruitcrow** *Querula purpurata*

3 birds were seen from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.

### Family Uncertain Incertae sedis

**Wing-barred Piprites** *Piprites chloris*

Heard only at Sacha Lodge.

### Tyrant Flycatchers Tyrannidae

**Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet** *Tyrannulus elatus*

Scoped from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.

**White-crested Elaenia** *Elaenia albiceps*

Recorded in the high lying areas at Yanacocha, Papallacta and at Antisana.

**Southern Beardless Tyrannulet** *Camptostoma obsoletum*

A singleton was seen near Quito.

**White-tailed Tyrannulet** *Mecocerculus poecilocercus*

Recorded at Sacha Lodge.

**White-banded Tyrannulet** *Mecocerculus stictopterus*

Recorded on the eastern slope at Yannococha and at Los Banchos.

**Agile Tit-Tyrant** *Uromyias agilis*

A singleton was seen by the guides only.

**Torrent Tyrannulet** *Serpophaga cinerea*

2 near Guango Lodge and 4 at a river crossings en route to Quito.

**Yellow Tyrannulet** *Capsiempis flaveola*

A single bird was seen at Mindo.

**Slender-footed Tyrannulet** *Zimmerius gracilipes*

Seen on 3 days from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.

**Golden-faced Tyrannulet** *Zimmerius chrysops*

2 birds were seen at Los Banchos.

**Variiegated Bristle Tyrant** *Pogonotriccus poecilotis*

2 birds were seen at Mindo.

**White-lored Tyrannulet** *Ornithion inerme*

This scarce species was seen from the canopy at Sacha Lodge.

**Streak-necked Flycatcher** *Mionectes striaticollis*

Recorded at Bellavista.

**Olive-striped Flycatcher** *Mionectes olivaceus*

Similar to the above species but identified on call. Recorded at Bellavista.

**Bran-colored Flycatcher** *Myiophobus fasciatus*

A singleton at Los Banchos.



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<b>Spotted Tody–Flycatcher</b> A singleton near Sacha Lodge.	<i>Todirostrum maculatum</i>
<b>Common Tody–Flycatcher</b> A single bird was seen at Los Banchos.	<i>Todirostrum cinereum</i>
<b>Yellow-browed Tody–Flycatcher</b> A single bird was seen at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Todirostrum chrysocrotaphum</i>
<b>Grey-crowned Flatbill (Flycatcher)</b> 2 sightings at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Tolmomyias poliocephalus</i>
<b>Ochre-ored Flatbill (Yellow-breasted Flycatcher)</b> 2 scoped from the tower at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Tolmomyias flaviventris</i>
<b>Dwarf Tyranneutes</b> This minute critter was seen well at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Tyranneutes stolzmanni</i>
<b>Cinnamon Flycatcher</b> Occurring in the high lying areas at Papallacta Pass and at Los Banchos.	<i>Pyrrhomyias cinnamomeus</i>
<b>Black Phoebe</b> Occurring on the higher elevation areas at Papallacta, Antisana, Bellavista and Los Banchos.	<i>Sayornis nigricans</i>
<b>Smoke-colored Pewee</b> Good looks at Angel Paz’s farm near Bellavista.	<i>Contopus fumigatus</i>
<b>Willow (Trails) Flycatcher</b> Singleton’s recorded on 2 days at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Empidonax traillii</i>
<b>Vermilion Flycatcher</b> A strikingly obvious beauty seen around the high lying areas of Quito.	<i>Pyrocephalus rubinus</i>
<b>Drab Water Tyrant</b> Regularly seen on snags overhanging the Napo River at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Ochthornis littoralis</i>
<b>Plain-capped Ground Tyrant</b> Recorded at Papallacta and Antisana.	<i>Muscisaxicola griseus</i>
<b>Black-billed Shrike-Tyrant</b> 4 at Antisana.	<i>Agriornis montanus</i>
<b>Red-rumped Bush Tyrant</b> A singleton was seen briefly at Papallacta Pass.	<i>Cnemarchus erythropygius</i>
<b>Masked Water Tyrant</b> We were fortunate to spot a bird on a rooftop near Los Banchos.	<i>Fluvicola nengeta</i>
<b>Yellow-bellied Chat-Tyrant</b> 4 recorded at Bellavista.	<i>Ochthoeca diadema</i>
<b>Brown-backed Chat-Tyrant</b> Recorded at the higher elevated areas around the Papallacta Pass and Antisana.	<i>Ochthoeca fumicolor</i>
<b>Rusty-margined Flycatcher</b> 4 seen at Mindo.	<i>Myiozetetes cayanensis</i>
<b>Social Flycatcher</b> Recorded daily in the lowlands around Sacha Lodge.	<i>Myiozetetes similis</i>
<b>Grey-capped Flycatcher</b> 2 seen at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Myiozetetes granadensis</i>
<b>Great Kiskadee</b> Recorded daily in the lowlands.	<i>Pitangus sulphuratus</i>
<b>Golden-crowned Flycatcher</b> 4 birds on the eastern slope at Bellavista and Los Banchos.	<i>Myiodynastes chrysocephalus</i>
<b>Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher</b> A single bird at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Myiodynastes luteiventris</i>
<b>Streaked Flycatcher</b> Scoped from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Myiodynastes maculatus</i>
<b>Boat-billed Flycatcher</b>	<i>Megarynchus pitangua</i>

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A single bird at Sacha Lodge.

**Variegated Flycatcher**

*Empidonomous varius*

3 seen from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.

**Crowned Slaty Flycatcher**

*Griseotyrannus aurantioatrocristatus*

Recorded daily from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.

**Tropical Kingbird**

*Tyrannus melancholicus*

A common species recorded on most days of the tour.

**Fork-tailed Flycatcher**

*Tyrannus savana*

This migrant from North America was seen from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.

**Greyish Mourner**

*Rhytipterna simplex*

A singleton at Sacha Lodge.

**Short-crested Flycatcher**

*Myiarchus ferox*

3 sightings in the lowlands around Sacha Lodge.

**Citron-bellied Attila**

*Attila citriniventris*

Recorded at Sacha Lodge.

**Bright-rumped Attila**

*Attila spadiceus*

Heard at Sacha Lodge.

**Antbirds Thamnophilidae**

**Fasciated Antshrike**

*Cymbilaimus lineatus*

Heard only at Sacha Lodge.

**Great Antshrike**

*Taraba major*

A stunning male was seen at Sacha Lodge.

**Castelnaud's Antshrike**

*Thamnophilus cryptoleucus*

One was seen at Sacha Lodge.

**Uniform Antshrike**

*Thamnophilus unicolor*

A singleton at Bellavista.

**Mouse-colored Antshrike**

*Thamnophilus murinus*

A singleton seen at Sacha Lodge.

**Dusky-throated Antshrike**

*Thamnomanes ardesiacus*

Regularly recorded at Sacha Lodge.

**Cinereous Antshrike**

*Thamnomanes caesius*

Good looks at Sacha Lodge.

**Spot-winged Antshrike**

*Pygiptila stellaris*

Good looks in the jungle at Sacha Lodge.

**Pygmy Antwren**

*Myrmotherula brachyura*

Heard only at Sacha Lodge.

**Plain-throated Antwren**

*Myrmotherula hauxwelli*

2 at Sacha Lodge.

**White-flanked Antwren**

*Myrmotherula axillaris*

A singleton at Sacha Lodge.

**Long-winged Antwren**

*Myrmotherula longipennis*

Heard at Sacha Lodge.

**Grey Antwren**

*Myrmotherula menetriesii*

Good views at Sacha Lodge.

**Banded Antbird**

*Dichrozona cincta*

Heard at Sacha Lodge.

**Dugand's Antwren**

*Herpsilochmus dugandi*

Heard at Sacha Lodge.

**Grey Antbird**

*Cercomacra cinerascens*

Recorded at Sacha Lodge on 2 days.



**Blackish Antbird**

Heard at Sacha Lodge.

*Cercomacra nigrescens*

**Black-faced Antbird**

Recorded daily at Sacha Lodge.

*Myrmoborus myotherinus*

**Warbling Antbird**

A pair was seen well at Sacha Lodge.

*Hypocnemis cantator*

**Silvered Antbird**

2 were seen well at Sacha Lodge.

*Sclateria naevia*

**White-shouldered Antbird**

Heard and seen daily at Sacha Lodge.

*Myrmeciza melanoceps*

**Plumbeous Antbird**

A singleton seen well at Sacha Lodge.

*Myrmeciza hyperythra*

**Sooty Antbird**

Heard on 2 days and then a male was seen at Sacha Lodge.

*Myrmeciza fortis*

**Bicolored Antbird**

Heard at Sacha Lodge.

*Gymnopithys leucaspis*

**Spot-backed Antbird**

Excellent views of this little gem at Sacha Lodge.

*Hylophylax naevius*

**Dot-backed Antbird**

Recorded at Sacha Lodge.

*Hylophylax punctulatus*

**Scale-backed Antbird**

A single bird was seen at Sacha Lodge.

*Hylophylax poecilinotus*

**Black-spotted Bare-eye**

Heard at Sacha Lodge.

*Phlegopsis nigromaculata*

**Tapaculos Rhinocryptidae****Ocellated Tapaculo**

Another mega, which was an unexpected highlight. We were amazed to see this bird calling through a “window” in thick vegetation near Bellavista Lodge.

*Acropternis orthonyx*

**Rusty-belted Tapaculo**

We enjoyed close looks at this terrestrial species near Sacha Lodge.

*Liosceles thoracicus*

**Spillmann’s Tapaculo**

Heard at Yanacotcha.

*Scytalopus spillmanni*

**Antthrushes & Antpittas Formicariidae****Rufous-capped Antthrush**

Heard only at Sacha Lodge.

*Formicarius colma*

**Black-faced Antthrush**

Heard daily and then good looks as a bird walked by at Sacha Lodge.

*Formicarius analis*

**Giant Antpitta**

One of the many highlights of our tour to Ecuador was to visit Angel Paz’s Farm and see his famous antpitta’s including a Giant Antpitta affectionately known as Maria who comes closer when it is called. Venga...venga Maria! We also found a confiding immature bird at Bellavista.

*Grallaria gigantea*

**Chestnut-crowned Antpitta**

Good views were had at Bellavista.

*Grallaria ruficapilla*

**Yellow-breasted Antpitta**

Good looks at 2 birds at Angel Paz’s Farm below Bellavista.

*Grallaria flavotincta*

**Tawny Antpitta**

Pleasantly common in the high lying areas at Papallacta Pass and Antisana NP.

*Grallaria quitensis*

**White-lored Antpitta**

*Hylopezus fulviventris*



Only glimpsed by Erik near Sacha Lodge.

**Thrush-like Antpitta**

Heard at Sacha Lodge.

*Myrmothera campanisona*

**Ovenbirds Furnariidae**

**Stout-billed Cinclodes**

Recorded in the high lying areas around Papallacta Pass and Antisana.

*Cinclodes excelsior*

**Bar-winged Cinclodes**

Recorded in the high lying areas around Papallacta Pass and Antisana.

*Cinclodes fuscus*

**Pacific Hornero**

3 birds were seen near Quito.

*Furnarius cinnamomeus*

**Andean Tit-Spinetail**

3 at Papallacta.

*Leptasthenura andicola*

**Many striped Canastero**

3 at Papallacta and 1 at Antisana.

*Asthenes flammulata*

**Azara's Spinetail**

2 at Bellavista.

*Synallaxis azarae*

**Dark-breasted Spinetail**

Heard at Sacha Lodge.

*Synallaxis albigularis*

**White-bellied Spinetail**

An Island specialist recorded on the Napo River.

*Synallaxis propinqua*

**Plain-crowned Spinetail**

Heard at Sacha Lodge.

*Synallaxis gujanensis*

**Red-faced Spinetail**

2 near Bellavista.

*Cranioleuca erythrops*

**Spotted Barbtail**

A singleton at Bellavista.

*Premnoplex brunnescens*

**Pearled Treerunner**

3 of these stunners were seen near the Papallacta Pass.

*Margarornis squamiger*

**Streaked Tuftedcheek**

A singleton recorded at Papallacta Pass.

*Pseudocolaptes boissonneautii*

**Scaly-throated Foliage-gleaner**

A singleton recorded at Mindo.

*Anabacerthia variegaticeps*

**Chestnut-winged Hookbill**

Recorded at Sacha Lodge.

*Ancistrops strigilatus*

**Cinnamon-rumped Foliage-gleaner**

Heard at Sacha Lodge.

*Philydor pyrrhodes*

**Buff-throated Foliage-gleaner**

Heard at Sacha Lodge.

*Automolus ochrolaemus*

**Olive-backed Foliage-gleaner**

Recorded at Sacha Lodge.

*Automolus infuscatus*

**Chestnut-crowned Foliage-gleaner**

2 were seen well at Sacha Lodge.

*Automolus rufipileatus*

**Short-billed Leaf-tosser**

A singleton at Sacha Lodge.

*Sclerurus ruficularis*

**Black-tailed Leaf-tosser**

Heard only at Sacha Lodge.

*Sclerurus caudacutus*

**Woodcreepers Dendrocolaptidae**

**Plain-brown Woodcreeper**

*Dendrocincla fuliginosa*



Recorded daily at Sacha Lodge.

**Wedge-billed Woodcreeper**

3 birds were seen at Sacha Lodge.

**Long-billed Woodcreeper**

Heard only at Sacha Lodge.

**Cinnamon-throated Woodcreeper**

Recorded twice at Sacha Lodge.

**Strong-billed Woodcreeper**

2 at Mindo.

**Black-banded Woodcreeper**

2 at Sacha Lodge.

**Striped Woodcreeper**

A single bird at Sacha Lodge.

**Buff-throated Woodcreeper**

2 birds at Sacha Lodge.

**Spotted Woodcreeper**

One was seen at Los Banchos.

**Montane Woodcreeper**

5 sightings at Bellavista.

**Red-billed Scythebill**

We enjoyed excellent looks at one near Sacha Lodge.

*Glyphorhynchus spirurus*

*Nasica longirostris*

*Dendrexetastes rufigula*

*Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchus*

*Dendrocolaptes picumnus*

*Xiphorhynchus obsoletus*

*Xiphorhynchus guttatus*

*Xiphorhynchus erythropygius*

*Lepidocolaptes lacrymiger*

*Campylorhamphus trochilirostris*

**Vireos & Greenlets Vireonidae**

**Brown-capped Vireo**

2 at Mindo.

**Red-eyed Vireo**

2 at Los Banchos and a single bird at Mindo.

**Dusky-capped Greenlet**

Heard only at Sacha Lodge.

**Crows & Jays Corvidae**

**Turquoise Jay**

This stunning species was seen well at Bellavista.

**Violaceous Jay**

Pleasingly common at Sacha Lodge where it was scoped from the canopy walkway.

*Vireo leucophrys*

*Vireo olivaceus*

*Hylophilus hypoxanthus*

*Cyanolyca turcosa*

*Cyanocorax violaceus*

**Swallows & Martins Hirundinidae**

**Sand Martin**

2 on the Napo River at Coca.

**White-winged Swallow**

This smart hirundine was common on the Napo River.

**Grey-breasted Martin**

A pair seen twice on the Napo River at Coca.

**Brown-chested Martin**

Recorded on the Napo River at Coca.

**Blue-and-white Swallow**

Recorded at several high lying lakes and rivers. First recorded at Antisana.

**Brown-bellied Swallow**

Recorded at high elevations around Quito.

**White-banded Swallow**

Recorded along the Napo River at Sacha Lodge.

*Riparia riparia*

*Tachycineta albiventer*

*Progne chalybea*

*Progne tapera*

*Notiochelidon cyanoleuca*

*Notiochelidon murina*

*Atticora fasciata*



**Southern Rough-winged Swallow***Stelgidopteryx ruficollis*

First recorded in the lowlands at Sacha Lodge with further sightings on the eastern slope.

**Wrens Troglodytidae****Thrush-like Wren***Campylorhynchus turdinus*

Heard at Sacha Lodge.

**Rufous Wren***Cinnycerthia unirufa*

2 at Yanacocha.

**Sedge (Grass) Wren***Cistothorus platensis*

2 at the Papallacta Pass.

**Plain-tailed Wren***Thryothorus euophrys*

Heard at Bellavista.

**Coraya Wren***Thryothorus coraya*

One was seen near Sacha Lodge.

**House Wren***Troglodytes aedon*

Recorded at Bellavista and Los Banchos.

**Mountain Wren***Troglodytes solstitialis*

Recorded at the Papallacta Pass.

**White-breasted Wood Wren***Henicorhina leucosticta*

Heard at Sacha Lodge.

**Grey-breasted Wood Wren***Henicorhina leucophrys*

One was seen near Mindo.

**Southern Nightingale-Wren***Microcerculus marginatus*

Heard only at Sacha Lodge.

**Musician Wren***Cyphorhinus arada*

We enjoyed good looks at this stunner in full song at Sacha Lodge.

**Black-capped Donacobius***Donacobius atricapilla*

3 of these stunners were seen in swamp forest at Sacha Lodge.

**Gnatcatchers Polioptilidae****Long-billed Gnatwren***Ramphocaenus melanurus*

One was seen near Sacha Lodge.

**Thrushes Turdidae****Slaty-backed Nightingale-Thrush***Catharus fuscater*

One was seen near Bellavista.

**Great Thrush***Turdus fuscater*

Common in the high lying areas. First recorded in Quito.

**Glossy-black Thrush***Turdus serranus*

Recorded on the eastern slope at Bellavista, Mindo and Los Banchos.

**Black-billed Thrush***Turdus ignobilis*

A single bird at Sacha Lodge.

**Hauxwell's Thrush***Turdus hauxwelli*

Heard only at Sacha Lodge.

**Ecuadorian Thrush***Turdus maculirostris*

3 birds seen at Los Banchos.

**White-necked Thrush***Turdus albicollis*

A singleton seen at the parrot lick near Sacha Lodge.

**Dippers Cinclidae**

**White-capped Dipper***Cinclus leucocephalus*

Sara spotted a pair of these stunners (at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour) as the bus was pulling away from a known site much to the relief of the group.

**Pipits Motacillidae****Paramo Pipit***Anthus bogotensis*

3 birds seen at Antisana NP.

**Finches Fringillidae****Thick-billed Euphonia***Euphonia laniirostris*

Recorded at Sacha Lodge as well as Bellavista.

**White-lored Euphonia***Euphonia chrysopasta*

4 sightings at Sacha Lodge.

**White-vented Euphonia***Euphonia minuta*

2 at Sacha Lodge.

**Orange-bellied Euphonia***Euphonia xanthogaster*

Recorded at Sacha Lodge, Mindo and at Bellavista.

**Rufous-bellied Euphonia***Euphonia rufiventris*

3 at Sacha Lodge.

**Andean Siskin***Carduelis spinescens*

8 recorded in Quito.

**Hooded Siskin***Carduelis magellanica*

Recorded at Yanacocha, Papallacta and Antisana.

**Yellow-bellied Siskin***Carduelis xanthogastra*

2 at Bellavista.

**New World Warblers Parulidae****Tropical Parula***Parula pitaiyumi*

Small numbers recorded on the eastern slope.

**Olive-crowned Yellowthroat***Geothlypis semiflava*

2 at Mindo

**Slate-throated Whitestart***Myioborus miniatus*

Recorded on the eastern slope at Bellavista, Mindo and Los Banchos.

**Spectacled Whitestart***Myioborus melanocephalus*

4 each at Yanacocha and Papallacta with a further 2 at Mindo.

**Black-crested Warbler***Basileuterus nigrocristatus*

A singleton at Yanacocha and 2 at Bellavista.

**Russet-crowned Warbler***Basileuterus coronatus*

Recorded on the eastern slope at Bellavista.

**Three-striped Warbler***Basileuterus tristriatus*

4 birds recorded at Mindo.

**New World Blackbirds Icteridae****Casqued Oropendola***Clypicterus oseryi*

4 seen at Sacha Lodge.

**Crested Oropendola***Psarocolius decumanus*

Seen daily at Sacha Lodge.

**Russet-backed Oropendola***Psarocolius angustifrons*

Recorded in good numbers at Sacha Lodge.

**Yellow-rumped Cacique***Cacicus cela*

Recorded daily at Sacha Lodge.

**Red-rumped Cacique**

*Cacicus haemorrhous*

A pair was seen from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.

**Ecuadorian Cacique**

*Cacicus sclateri*

Heard only at Sacha Lodge.

**Solitary Cacique**

*Cacicus solitarius*

Heard only at Sacha Lodge.

**Orange-backed Troupial**

*Icterus croconotus*

One of these stunners was seen at Sacha Lodge.

**Moriche Oriole**

*Icterus chryscephalus*

One seen at Sacha Lodge.

**Oriole Blackbird**

*Gymnomystax mexicanus*

Small numbers seen at Sacha Lodge.

**Giant Cowbird**

*Molothrus oryzivorus*

2 seen in terra firma at Sacha Lodge.

**Shiny Cowbird**

*Molothrus bonariensis*

10 birds each in open grassy areas at Sacha Lodge and near Mindo.

**Red-breasted Blackbird**

*Sturnella militaris*

Recorded twice at Coca Airstrip.

**Peruvian Meadowlark**

*Sturnella bellicosa*

A male was seen at Guayaquil Airstrip.

**Bananaquit Coerebidae**

**Bananaquit**

*Coereba flaveola*

2 were seen at Mindo.

**New World Sparrows & Allies Emberizidae**

**Rufous-collared Sparrow**

*Zonotrichia capensis*

A very common species at higher elevations, especially near Quito.

**Yellow-browed Sparrow**

*Myospiza aurifrons*

3 were seen on an island on the Napo River.

**Pale-naped Brush Finch**

*Atlapetes pallidinucha*

One was seen at Papallacta Pass.

**Tricolored Brush Finch**

*Atlapetes tricolor*

Recorded at Bellavista, Mindo and at Los Banchos.

**Rufous-naped Brush Finch**

*Atlapetes latinuchus*

Recorded at Yanacocha, Papallacta and Antisana.

**White-winged Brush Finch**

*Atlapetes leucopterus*

A singleton at Bellavista.

**Red-capped Cardinal**

*Paroaria gularis*

5 recorded at Sacha Lodge.

**Tanagers & Allies Thraupidae**

**Magpie Tanager**

*Cissopis leveriana*

2 of these scarce birds were seen at Provedencia, Sacha Lodge.

**Superciliaried Hemispingus**

*Hemispingus superciliaris*

A singleton at Yanacocha.

**Oleaginous Hemispingus**

*Hemispingus frontalis*

2 at Bellavista.

**Black-headed Hemispingus**

*Hemispingus verticalis*



2 at Papallacta.	
<b>Grey-hooded Bush Tanager</b>	<i>Cnemoscopus rubrirostris</i>
2 at the Papallacta Pass.	
<b>Grey-headed Tanager</b>	<i>Eucometis penicillata</i>
A singleton at Sacha Lodge.	
<b>White-shouldered Tanager</b>	<i>Tachyphonus luctuosus</i>
Recorded at Mindo and at Los Banchos.	
<b>White-lined Tanager</b>	<i>Tachyphonus rufus</i>
3 at Bellavista.	
<b>Masked Crimson Tanager</b>	<i>Ramphocelus nigrogularis</i>
3 of these stunners seen daily at Sacha Lodge.	
<b>Lemon-rumped Tanager</b>	<i>Ramphocelus icteronotus</i>
Recorded on the eastern slope.	
<b>Blue-grey Tanager</b>	<i>Thraupis episcopus</i>
Reasonably common throughout.	
<b>Palm Tanager</b>	<i>Thraupis palmarum</i>
Recorded at Sacha Lodge from the canopy walkway.	
<b>Blue-capped Tanager</b>	<i>Thraupis cyanocephala</i>
4 at Mindo	
<b>Moss-backed Tanager</b>	<i>Bangsia edwardsi</i>
This stunner was seen near Mindo.	
<b>Hooded Mountain Tanager</b>	<i>Buthraupis montana</i>
6 at Yanacocha.	
<b>Scarlet-bellied Mountain Tanager</b>	<i>Anisognathus igniventris</i>
8 at Yanacocha.	
<b>Blue-winged Mountain Tanager</b>	<i>Anisognathus somptuosus</i>
5 at Bellavista.	
<b>Black-chinned Mountain Tanager</b>	<i>Anisognathus notabilis</i>
Daily at Bellavista.	
<b>Grass-green Tanager</b>	<i>Chlorornis riefferii</i>
These stunning birds were seen twice above Bellavista.	
<b>Turquoise Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara mexicana</i>
4 sightings at Sacha Lodge.	
<b>Paradise Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara chilensis</i>
This beauty plumed in various bright colours was seen daily from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.	
<b>Green-and-gold Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara schrankii</i>
4 at the canopy walkway, Sacha Lodge.	
<b>Emerald Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara florida</i>
A singleton at Los Banchos.	
<b>Golden Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara arthus</i>
Common on the eastern slope.	
<b>Silver-throated Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara icterocephala</i>
Common at Los Banchos.	
<b>Flame-faced Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara parzudakii</i>
Recorded on the eastern slope.	
<b>Rufous-throated Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara rufigula</i>
3 at Bellavista.	
<b>Bay-headed Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara gyrola</i>
3 on the eastern slope at Bellavista and Los Banchos.	
<b>Golden-naped Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara ruficervix</i>



Recorded on the eastern slope	
<b>Blue-necked Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara cyanicollis</i>
3 on the eastern slope.	
<b>Masked Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara nigrocincta</i>
Seen daily at Sacha Lodge.	
<b>Beryl-spangled Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara nigroviridis</i>
Recorded on the eastern slope.	
<b>Blue-and-black Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara vassorii</i>
3 at Bellavista.	
<b>Opal-rumped Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara velia</i>
Recorded at Sacha Lodge from the canopy walkway.	
<b>Opal-crowned Tanager</b>	<i>Tangara callophrys</i>
Scoped from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.	
<b>Swallow Tanager</b>	<i>Tersina viridis</i>
5 at Bellavista.	
<b>Black-faced Dacnis</b>	<i>Dacnis lineata</i>
Recorded in small numbers from the Sacha canopy walkway.	
<b>Yellow-bellied Dacnis</b>	<i>Dacnis flaviventer</i>
2 at Sacha Lodge.	
<b>Blue Dacnis</b>	<i>Dacnis cayana</i>
Recorded from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.	
<b>Purple Honeycreeper</b>	<i>Cyanerpes caeruleus</i>
2 daily scoped from the canopy walkway at Sacha Lodge.	
<b>Green Honeycreeper</b>	<i>Chlorophanes spiza</i>
Also recorded almost daily at Sacha Lodge.	
<b>Guira Tanager</b>	<i>Hemithraupis guira</i>
2 seen at Mindo.	
<b>Cinereous Conebill</b>	<i>Conirostrum cinereum</i>
Recorded at higher elevations. First recorded at Quito.	
<b>Blue-backed Conebill</b>	<i>Conirostrum sitticolor</i>
Recorded at Yanacocha and Papallacta.	
<b>Capped Conebill</b>	<i>Conirostrum albifrons</i>
A singleton at Bellavista.	
<b>Rusty Flowerpiercer</b>	<i>Diglossa sittoides</i>
2 daily in Quito.	
<b>Glossy Flowerpiercer</b>	<i>Diglossa lafresnayii</i>
Common at Yanacocha.	
<b>Black Flowerpiercer</b>	<i>Diglossa humeralis</i>
Recorded at Yanacocha, Papallacta and Antisana.	
<b>White-sided Flowerpiercer</b>	<i>Diglossa albilatera</i>
5 at Bellavista.	
<b>Masked Flowerpiercer</b>	<i>Diglossa cyanea</i>
Recorded at higher elevations at Yanacocha, Papallacta and Bellavista.	
<b>Plumbeous Sierra Finch</b>	<i>Phrygilus unicolor</i>
Common in higher lying areas at Papallacta and Antisana.	
<b>Ash-breasted Sierra Finch</b>	<i>Phrygilus plebejus</i>
4 seen near Quito.	
<b>Saffron Finch</b>	<i>Sicalis flaveola</i>
A pair seen daily at our lodge grounds in Quito.	
<b>Blue-black Grassquit</b>	<i>Volatinia jacarina</i>
2 en route to Bellavista.	



<b>Lesson's Seedeater</b>	<i>Sporophila bouvronides</i>
2 of these scarce birds were seen on an island in the Napo River.	
<b>Yellow-bellied Seedeater</b>	<i>Sporophila nigricollis</i>
2 in Quito.	
<b>Parrot-billed Seedeater</b>	<i>Sporophila peruviana</i>
A singleton was seen in Quito.	
<b>Chestnut-bellied Seedeater</b>	<i>Sporophila castaneiventris</i>
Seen in small numbers in open areas along the Napo River.	
<b>Band-tailed Seedeater</b>	<i>Catamenia analis</i>
A singleton near Quito.	
<b>Plain-colored Seedeater</b>	<i>Catamenia inornata</i>
Common in the high lying areas around Yanacocha, Papallacta and at Antisana.	
<b>Paramo Seedeater</b>	<i>Catamenia homochroa</i>
2 near Papallacta.	
<b>Yellow-faced Grassquit</b>	<i>Tiaris olivaceus</i>
A singleton at Bellavista.	
<b>Dull-colored Grassquit</b>	<i>Tiaris obscurus</i>
A singleton below Bellavista.	
<b>Dusky Bush Tanager</b>	<i>Chlorospingus semifuscus</i>
Recorded daily on the eastern slope at Bellavista.	
<b>Yellow-throated Bush Tanager</b>	<i>Chlorospingus flavigularis</i>
3 at Los Banchos.	
<b>Red-crowned Ant Tanager</b>	<i>Habia rubica</i>
Heard only at Sacha Lodge.	
<b>Plushcap</b>	<i>Catamblyrhynchus diadema</i>
A singleton was seen in the eastern slope at Bellavista.	

### Grosbeaks, Saltators & Allies Cardinalidae

<b>Southern Yellow Grosbeak</b>	<i>Pheucticus chrysogaster</i>
This large and attractive seedeater was recorded daily around Quito.	
<b>Buff-throated Saltator</b>	<i>Saltator maximus</i>
Singletons at Sacha Lodge and Bellavista.	
<b>Black-winged Saltator</b>	<i>Saltator atripennis</i>
2 at Bellavista.	
<b>Greyish Saltator</b>	<i>Saltator coerulescens</i>
2 at Sacha Lodge and 2 at Bellavista.	

### Annotated list of Mammal species recorded

<b>Silky Shrew Opossum</b>	<i>Caenolestes fuliginosus</i>
It was a huge relief when this beast was trapped and identified at the only possible site on the tour, a highlight for David Redfield....well done!	
<b>Western Red Squirrel</b>	<i>Tamiasciurus hudsonicus</i>
A singleton at Bellavista	
<b>Amazonian Dwarf Squirrel</b>	<i>Microsciurus flaviventer</i>
A singleton was recorded at Sacha.	
<b>Brown-throated Three-toed Sloth</b>	<i>Bradypus variegatus</i>
We had excellent scope looks at 2 from the canopy towers at Sacha.	
<b>Brazilian Rabbit</b>	<i>Sylvilagus brasiliensis</i>
Commonly encountered in the higher elevated areas of Papallacta and Antisana	



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<b>Capuchin Monkey</b> Good looks at 10 at Sacha.	<i>Cebus capucinus</i>
<b>Squirrel Monkey</b> Recorded in the lowland forests at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Saimiri sciureus</i>
<b>Red Howler Monkey</b> Small groups seen most days from the canopy tower at Sacha.	<i>Alouatta seniculus</i>
<b>Spix's Night Monkey</b> A single animal was found at it's day roost at Sacha.	<i>Aotus vociferans</i>
<b>Golden-mantled Tamarin</b> A family group of 8 were admired at Sacha.	<i>Saguinus tripartitus</i>
<b>Pygmy Marmoset</b> A single animal was watched at close range at Sacha.	<i>Callithrix pygmaea</i>
<b>Black-mantled Tamarin</b> 6 of these scarce primates were seen at Sacha.	<i>Saguinus nigricollis</i>
<b>Black Agouti</b> 2 were seen at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Dasyprocta fuliginosa</i>
<b>Green Agouti</b> A singleton seen well at Sacha.	<i>Myoprocta pratti</i>
<b>Kinkajou</b> A singleton was seen on our night walk at Sacha.	<i>Potos flavus</i>
<b>Nine Banded Armadillo</b> We had good looks of a single animal on our night walk at Sacha.	<i>Dasybus novemcinctus</i>
<b>Long-nosed Bat</b> 5 recorded at Sacha at a day roost.	<i>Leptonycteris nivalis</i>
<b>White-lined sac-winged Bat</b> 4 recorded at Sacha at a day roost.	<i>Saccopteryx bilineata</i>
<b>Fishing Bat</b> 10 seen well as they hunted in the evening at the oxbow lake in front of Sacha.	<i>Noctilio leporinus</i>
<b>Reptiles &amp; Amphibians:</b>	
<b>Black Caiman</b> Close looks of a large adult were enjoyed at the oxbow lake at Sacha Lodge.	<i>Caiman crocodilus</i>
<b>Amazonian Giant Toad</b> One of these impressive toads was seen at Sacha Lodge.	

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