

Bird observations between 11 February 2005 and 12 March 2005 from the following localities:

- In and around Caracas, including Avila National Park
- Henri Pittier National Park
- Puerto Columbia and Chuao
- Hato Piñero
- Parque Nacional Morrocoy (flooded and no success)
- Merida, Pico Humboldt trail
- Lower Llanos
- Hotel Los Frailes
- Azulita
- San Casimiro, Aragua state
- Cano Colorado
- Claritas, Escalera and Capuchin Bird road
- Guyana Trail

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Bird list nomenclature follows "Birds of Venezuela" 2nd Edition by Steven L. Hilty.

We also used the book "Birding in Venezuela" by Mary Lou Goodwin and Nelles
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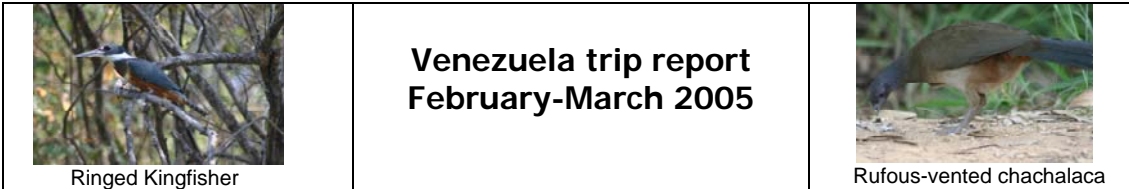
As background literature and travelling guide we used "Footprint, Venezuela Handbook".

Comments:

We had some dilemmas before going to Venezuela. One of them was whether to stay in Caracas a few days or not. Our flight package included 2 nights a hotel Avila in San Bernardino which should be the only choice if you want to or need to stay in Caracas just after arrival to Venezuela. We did not see any birds in or around Caracas that we did not see another place in Venezuela but we saw many of the birds closer and it gives a very good introduction to the birds of Venezuela (especially Parque Este and Avila NP). Among many species in Avila NP we saw several Inca (Green) Jays close up, Rufous-vented chachalacas and a mating pair of Bat falcons.

The area around Hotel Avila seems to be safe but not very inspiring. When we returned to Caracas the day before we left we stayed at Hotel Cid in Altamira. This is a much nicer area and it was near Parque Este. The range of good restaurants is much here. If you are looking for a beer or two to celebrate all the species you have seen the area La Mercedes is among the livelier.

Another issue is how to get around in Venezuela and whether to rent a car or not. Getting around by bus is effective but long distances should be covered by plane or night buses in order to save time. Make sure that you get the seat and the type of bus you pay for. Buy the most expensive (25-30\$) it is worth it. From Valencia to Merida we were put a wrong bus (against our protests) and the trip was not



comfortable. From Puerto Ordaz to Caracas we got the seat we paid for and the 10 hours during the night passed without noticing. We flew from Merida to Caracas but these flights are cheaper if you buy them outside Venezuela (e.g. through your travel agency).

When we saw the traffic from the airport to downtown Caracas (after only one hour in the country) we decided not to rent a car. It is fairly expensive and you can almost hire a taxi for a whole day for the same price.

We manage to privately hire one of the guides at Hato Pinero to take us to Eastern Venezuela in his car with him being the guide. We paid him around 50\$ pr day and then we shared the cheap gasoline. We paid for his accommodation (triples cost almost the same as doubles) and we shared the food. This is the minimum you pay for a rented car and in this way you both have a driver and a guide. It is also a chance for the guide to make some extra money and see other parts of Venezuela. Our guide looked like he would have done it for free when we saw 5-6 Capuchin Birds outside Las Claritas or a White Bellbird on Escalera. Nevertheless you should expect to pay a bit more than we did since our guide really wanted to visit Escalera.

Itinerary:

11-13 February: Caracas

We decided to stay the weekend in Caracas. If you don't have a month to travel it is recommended to get out of Caracas and head in any direction away from the capital. On the other hand a weekend is well spent if the schedule allows it.

11 February: Arrival to hotel Avila mid afternoon. The birding was amazing, at least for new comers, and we easily spotted 15-20 species of birds in a couple of hours not even leaving the floor of our nice room.

12 February: Botanical garden, the university area and Caracas in general. Hotel Avila is a very nice birding area but the area just outside the hotel is not particular exciting. Nevertheless we saw **brown-throated and scarlet fronted parakeets** close up in the streets around the hotel. The Botanical garden is nice if you are spending time in Caracas and some patience will generate nice species. The university just next to the botanical garden is also nice for birding.

13 February: Early taxi ride to Parque Este. Sunday is crazy with locals and at 6 a.m. we were absolutely not alone. It is a great park for birding and you'll see **orioles** (3 species), **orange-winged parrots** and several species of **herons**. Just bear in mind that you will much likely see all the birds of Parque Este elsewhere in Venezuela.



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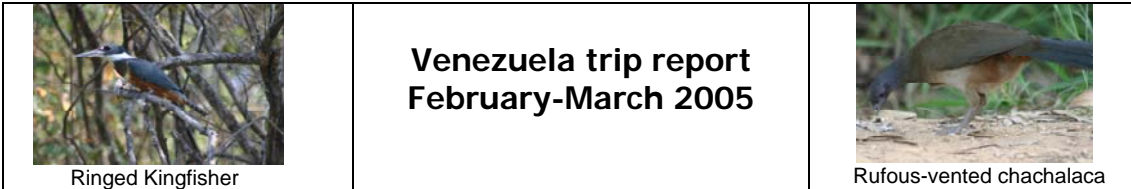
Brown-throated parakeet, in a street in Caracas

13-15 February: Rancho Grande, HP National Park

13 February: We arrived with taxi at mid afternoon. Take a bus from Caracas to Maracay and bargain hard for a taxi to Rancho Grande. We arrived to the bizarre noise of **Russet-Backed Oropendolas** flying around Rancho Grande. Despite heavy fog we manage many different birds, including a pair of **Swallow Tanagers**, **Bay-headed Tanager** and **Groove-billed Toucanets**. Some were only seen after being attracted by banana and melon. Bring fruits.



Swallow Tanager, Rancho Grande, Henri Pittier



14 February: Beside the basic rooms Rancho Grande is actually very comfortably. You walk out from your room right into birding heaven. The distance from your bed is 20 meters. We saw many birds at the station from 6:30 a.m. until 10 a.m. The afternoon was spent walking from La Trilla-junction direction away from Maracay (we easily had a ride with a local truck) for around 5 km. This walk was during the "hot" hours but we were amazed with the numbers of birds we saw, including **Wire-tailed Manakin** and **Laughing Falcon**. It is a very great walk.

15 February: Birding around Rancho Grande, a bit above the station, gave us some new birds with **Black-Faced Anttrush** in close-up as a favourite.

15-16 February: Puerto Columbia and Choroní

15 February: We arrived at Puerto Columbia in the late afternoon to a perfectly situated hotel at the beach (20\$ for a double). First sights of seabirds were recorded from a hammock on the top of the hotel. It is a relaxed fishing town with some tourism.

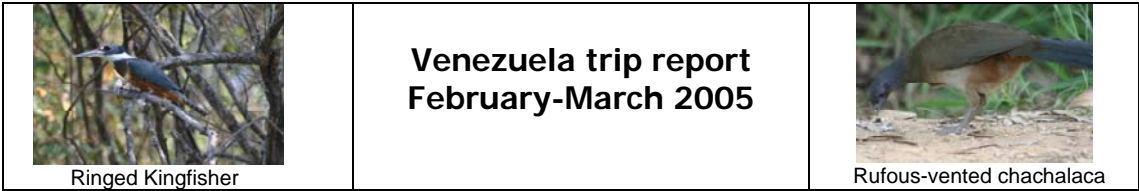
16 February: In Puerto Columbia we were talked into a local birding trip to Choroní with a so called "very good bird watching guide". The place where we booked the trip was full of good intentions with a very friendly guy called Pablo but the birding guide was not very good. He spent many important quarters looking in his book of birds. Many of the birds he claimed he saw were highly endemic birds (often from the Amazons). We hope you have better luck, there were many birds but we spotted them all ourselves without any help from the guide.

16-17 February: Chuao

A boat to the beach at Chuao was arranged by Pablo. It is recommended to arrange everything from Puerto Columbia especially the boat back the following day. You can leave your back packs in Puerto Columbia. In Chuao we stayed at Morrochos which is highly recommended. He will cook for you and he even gave us raw chocolate mass from the world famous cocoa plantation.



White-vented Plumeleteer, Chuao



From the beach where the boat sets you off there is a 4-5 km walk to the village of Chuao. This walk is particular good for birding and among many species we had very nice views of **Red-legged Honeycreeper** and **White-vented Plumeleteer**.

18-20 February: Hato Pinero

This place needs no further introduction. We stayed here for 3days/2 nights which should be enough even though one could spend weeks in this paradise. The afternoon drive on the arrival day will still remain one of the most outstanding experiences we have ever had. This is one of the few places in the world where you have a very hard time remembering all the species of storks, herons and ibises seen on one single drive.





Sunbittern, Hato Pinero

Birding around the ranch is also excellent; here we saw **Troupial** for the first time, but since the package includes 8 hours of birding daily you might choose to rest. We made special early morning arrangements with one guide.

A boat trip gave good views of **Ringed Kingfisher**, **Yellow-crowned Night-heron** and **Agami Heron**

Overall their package prices are very reasonable.

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20-21 February: Tucacas

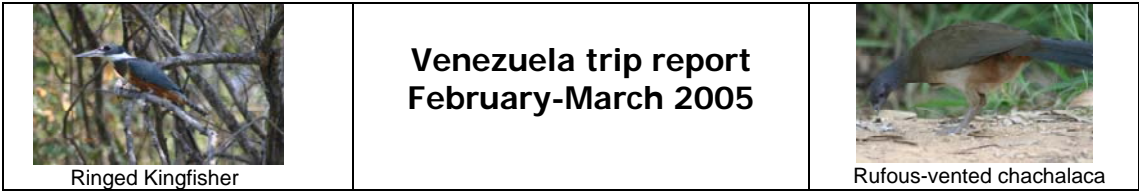
This was not geographically on our way and unfortunately it ended up being completely worthless. It rained and stormed the days before we got there and it continued while we were there. Morrocoy NP was closed due to flooding and garbage clean-up. We had expected 10-15 new species (only to be seen here) but we ended up with none.



Agami Heron, Hato Pinero



Lineated Woodpecker, Hato Pinero



22-24 February: Merida

We expected Merida to be a nice place and it surely was. Is it the cooler climate, the scenery, the local people or just the fact that birding is extraordinary that makes Merida such a pleasant place to be?

Accommodation is easily found and the excellent Pico Humboldt trail is reached within an hour, by car/taxi only 40 minutes.

Pico Humboldt offers excellent birding and nice mountain air. We saw 20 new species each day we were there and we even met Steven Hilty up there. He could easily help us with a difficult bird. Take an early bus from Merida to Tabay, eat and buy eatable stuff here and take one of the cheap and frequent running minibuses to the start of the trail. Allow many hours here. We totally lost track of time and missed 1st half of a Champions League football game between Chelsea and Barcelona, a game that later became a classic.

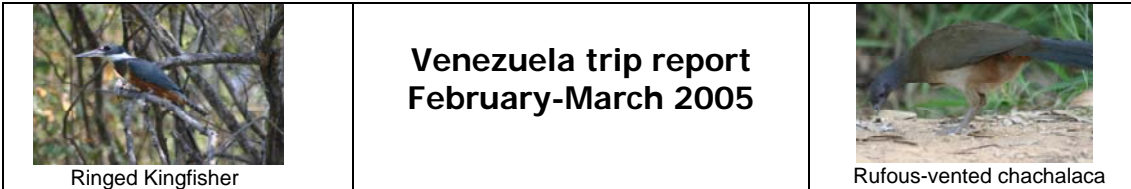


Rufous-collared sparrow, Pico Humboldt trail

One whole day on the trail will be good, two whole days will be much better.

24-27 February: Arassari Trek, lower Llanos

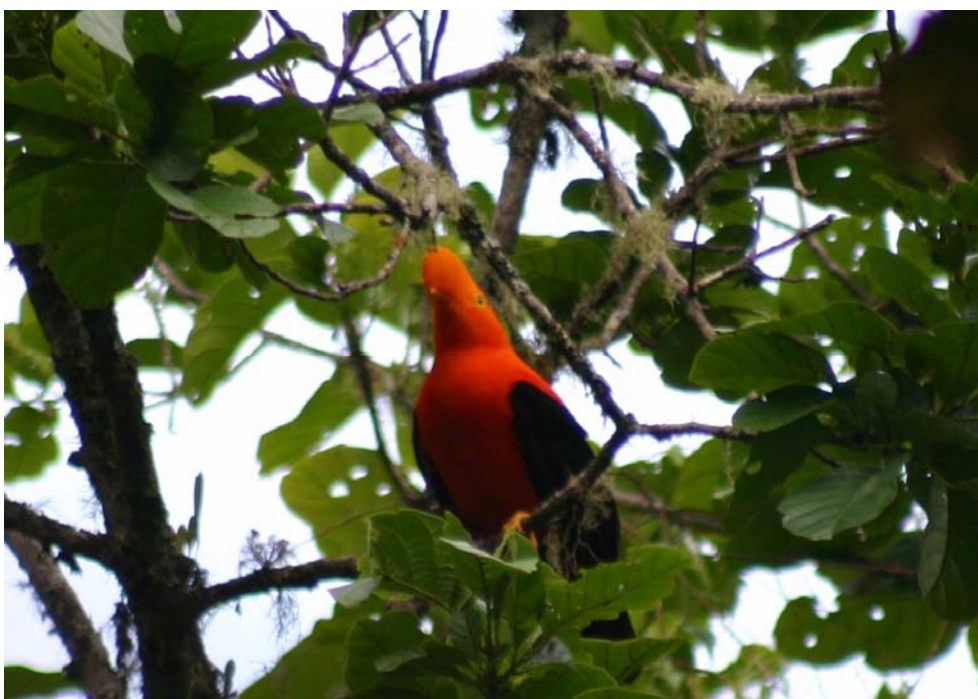
We have booked a trip with Arassari Trek to cover lower llanos and the area around Barinas. Birding is not top priority but it is still recommendable, especially with the guide Allan Highton. After all you will see a lot of birds and it is a really good price. One night we slept in a hammock in the forest along Apure River. This was actually one of the best nights. We saw several birds here in lower Llanos, that we did not see around Hato Pinero, including **Maguari stork**. The last day we stayed at the new Arassari Camp in Barinas. This is a fantastic place, both the wooden construction of the camp and the birding around.



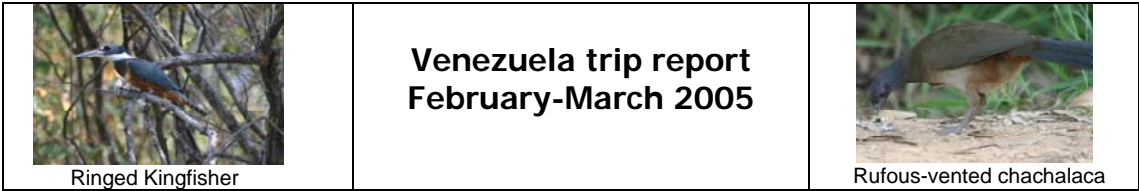
On the way back to Merida Allan Highton took us to the Cock-of the Rock trail. Beside the Andean cock of the rock it was a bit disappointing but we went there in the afternoon and the whole area looked very promising. We saw around 15 **Andean Cock-of-the-rocks** (this bird can easily be seen in the afternoon) and an **Andean Guan**.



Roadside Hawk, numerous along Apure River



Andean cock-of-the-rock, San Isidro Tunnel Road



27-28 February: Hotel Los Frailes

We were dropped off at Hotel Frailes mainly to see Torrent Duck. We saw a juvenile only but many other new species were recorded here. The hotel and the area are worth a visit in itself but the birding is also nice. Be aware that they did not accept credit card. You are isolated up here without a car and when we were there this hotel was the only one open in the area. Buses will pick you up but hitching is also possible.

28 February-2 March: Merida, Pico Humboldt

1 March: We returned to the Pico Humboldt trail instead of trying other trails but there were others. If we return to Merida we will take the Cable car up to the mountains and then walk down to Merida. This should be a nice whole day trip offering similar species as seen on the Pico Humboldt trail.

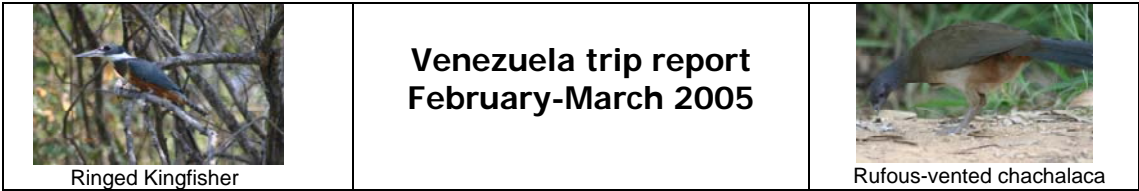
2-3 March: Azulita

2 March: we left Merida around 11 am. Public transportation to Azulita is easy. In Azulita there is only one place to stay for birders and that is at the "Centro Ecologico El Tao". Take a taxi.

At Tao nice cabins are spread all over the park/garden and you will have plenty of birds just outside your cabin door. Here we saw **Sooty-capped Hermit**, **Social Flycatcher** (showing the red top) and **Yellow-bellied Seedeater**. The relaxed atmosphere at Tao is extraordinary and the food is prepared for you there.



Sooty-capped Hermit, Azulita



In the afternoon we followed Mary Lou's instructions (page 168 in her book) and walked out of Azulita beyond the National Guard post. There were plenty of macaws and parrots, but best sight was **Black-mandibled Toucan**.

4 March: Merida-Caracas flight

We were picked up in the airport by the guide we hired at Hato Pinero. We stayed one night at his farm just outside the village San Casimiro (he called the area Golfo Triste). Here he was a real expert and we saw many birds around his farm including **Lance-tailed Manakin**, **Bronzy Inca** and **Ornate Hawk-Eagle**. The area is not described in Mary Lou's book and we cannot really recommend it unless it is visited with a local guide, but then it also a very positive surprise.

The evening was spent with barbecue and cold beers at the farm.

5 March: All day drive to Maturin

Surprisingly refreshed after another hammock night we had a very productive morning walk before we left in the 4 WD truck bound for Maturin. This is a very long drive and we arrived at Maturin in the late evening. If you do not have a guide with a car you should seriously consider flying from Caracas to Maturin.

6 March: Cano Colorado, night in El Callao

We had an early departure for Cano Colorado. We had great expectation to this area but we realised that it is a very confusing area to cover, even with a guide and a 4 WD. A local guide should be considered, but it is a fact that the roads are very challenging. We saw less different species than expected, but then it was very good species, including **King Vulture**, **Black-necked Aracari**, **Red-and-green Macaw** and **Reddish Hermit**. Public transportation does not exist.



Having partly wasted a day we drove as far south as we could and ended in the village El Callao. It is a soulless gold digging town, avoid it if possible and go all the way to Claritas.

7 March: Claritas, Escalera and Capuchin bird road

Nothing positive can be said about Claritas except its position close to the Escalera and the Capuchin bird road. Find a hotel (we stayed at a hotel called Landolfi which is recommendable) and spend as little time as possible here.

We went straight from Callao to Escalera. Although not optimal around noon we had some good hours of birding.

At 5 pm we went to the Capuchin bird road and following the instructions in Mary Lou we found 6-8 **Capuchin birds**. They are easily heard but more difficult to see. Since it is always around dusk they roam the canopy you should be aware that you easily get lost in the thick forest. Following the noises makes one forget the orientation. Seeing these birds was one of the highlights of the whole trip.

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Capuchinbirds, Capuchinbird Road

The junction at the mining area is a fantastic place to set up your telescope and just look up in the trees. The more interesting species were **Turquoise Tanager**, **Green Aracari**, **Paradise Jacamar**, **Swallow-winged Puffbird** and suddenly a flying **Capuchinbird** crossing the open space.

There are absolute no recommendable restaurants in the area of Claritas.

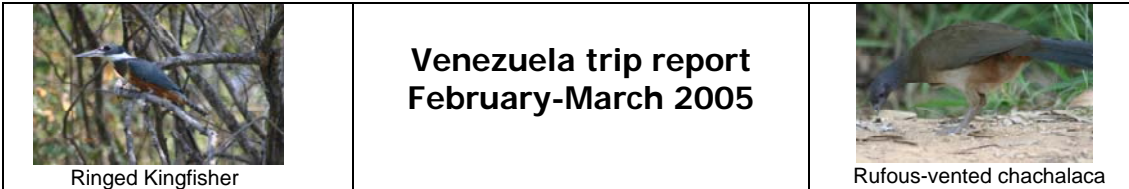
8 March: Claritas, Capuchin bird road

Since our guide had to fix the car and change some spare parts he drove us to the junction to drop us there. The birding was so fantastic that he stayed. We didn't move more than 50 meters and we continuously discovered interesting (and for us new) birds for a couple of hours, including **Black-spotted Barbet**, **Black-headed Parrot**, **Blue-headed Parrot** and **Cayenne Jay**.

On the way back along the Capuchin bird road the guide dropped us off about a kilometre from the junction to the main road because some toucans crossed the road.

This was a good idea since the area was full of birds. We did not do it, but we will recommend others to walk the whole road or at least parts of it. Both places are fantastic but we actually saw more birds here than we did on the Escalera.

In the afternoon we covered the area around the hotel (we had no car!). First we went to the garden of Henry Cleve (see Mary Lou). We did not stay at his place but from the road you can cover parts of his garden and the forest behind. Some good hummers are attracted by his flowerings trees.



Later we went to the area behind our hotel. There is an area with a river where we were surprised to see a pair of **Amazonian White-tailed Trogons** and a **Green-tailed Jacamar**. Sometimes the locals swim in the river (not very tempting) and then you can forget about birding.

9 March: Escalera

We had a whole day of birding on the Escalera. We went to the statue of the Pioneer Soldier and back. At km 111 we saw **Guianan Cock-of-the-rock** and at km 115 we first heard and later saw **White bellbird** very clear sitting in a dead tree. At km 122 we saw a **Bat falcon** sitting very close up.



White Bellbird, Escalera km 115

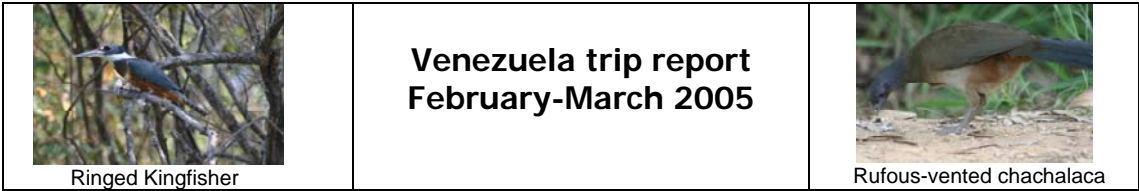
10 March: Guyana Trail

On the way back to Ciudad Guyana/Puerto Ordaz we stopped at the Guyana Trail. First we took the wrong trail, it is not the easiest trail to find without a local guide but we managed to find it. We had excellent views of two **White-throated Toucans** sitting on a dead branch and a **Blackish Nightjar** sitting on the ground rather undisturbed by our presence.

10-11 March: Night bus from Puerto Ordaz to Caracas

11 March: Caracas, Parque Este and Avila NP

After a good night sleep in the bus we went straight to Parque Este. It must be admitted that it was not very exiting compared to the experience in the beginning of the trip. We saw a **Golden-green woodpecker** despite Caracas is somehow out its normal range.



In the afternoon we took a bus to the entrance to Avila NP. From our hotel the park was within walking distance. It is a nice park for walking with good views of Caracas. For privacy you should avoid the weekends. Among Caracas citizens working out etc we still had some really nice birding, but no new species for us.



Green Jay, Avila National Park

12 March: Departure for Copenhagen

We saw a total of 388 species and this number could have been higher if we have had more local guides. For us the challenge is to spot the birds ourselves and our focus is more to see specific target species than to see and differentiate 20 different Tyrant Flycatchers.

Species List

1. **Crested Bobwhite**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
2. **Magnificent Frigatebird**
Henri Pittier (Ocumare del playon, Puerto Columbia)
3. **Brown Pelican**
Henri Pittier (Ocumare del playon, Puerto Columbia)
4. **Anhinga**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
5. **Neotropic Cormorant**
Henri Pittier (Ocumare del playon, Puerto Columbia), Hato Pinero
6. **Brown Boobie**
Henri Pittier (Ocumare del playon, Puerto Columbia)
7. **Limpkin**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
8. **Glossy Ibis**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
9. **White Ibis**
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10. **Scarlet Ibis**
Parque del Este, Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
11. **Buff-necked Ibis**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
12. **Green Ibis**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
13. **Bare-faced Ibis**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
14. **Sharp-tailed Ibis**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
15. **Brazilian Teal**
Lower Llanos
16. **Andean Teal**
Andes, around the village Mucuchies
17. **Torrent Duck**
Hotel Los Frailes
18. **Black-bellied Whistling-Duck**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
19. **White-faced Whistling-Duck**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
20. **Muscovy Duck**
Hato Pinero
21. **Black-crowned Night-Heron**
Parque del Este, Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
22. **Yellow-crowned Night-Heron**
Hato Pinero
23. **Cocoi Heron**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
24. **Great Egret**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
25. **Cattle Egret**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
26. **Snowy Egret**
Hato Pinero
27. **Little Blue Heron**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
28. **Tricolored Heron**
Lower Llanos
29. **Roseate Spoonbill**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
30. **Maguari Stork**
Lower Llanos
31. **Jabirú**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
32. **Wood Stork**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
33. **Boat-billed Heron**
Hato Pinero
34. **Capped Heron**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
35. **Fasciated Tiger-Heron**
Henri Pittier
36. **Rufescent Tiger-Heron**
Parque del Este, Henri Pittier, Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
37. **Striated Heron**



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- Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
38. **Whistling Heron**
Hato Pinero
39. **Agami Heron**
Hato Pinero
40. **Yellow-headed Caracara**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos, Escalera
41. **Crested Caracara**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
42. **Plumbeous Kite**
Caño Colorado, Capuchinbird road nesting, Guyana trail
43. **Black Vulture**
Omnipresent
44. **King Vulture**
Caño Colorado
45. **Turkey Vulture**
Common in Llanos and Bolívar State
46. **Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture**
Lower Llanos
47. **Laughing Falcon**
Henri Pittier, Hato Pinero
48. **Crane Hawk**
Hato Pinero
49. **Snail Kite**
Hato Pinero
50. **Savanna Hawk**
Henri Pittier, Puerto Columbia, Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
51. **Black-collared Hawk**
Henri Pittier, Lower Llanos
52. **Bat Falcon**
Escalera 122 km, Avila NP (mating)
53. **Aplomado Falcon**
Hato Pinero
54. **American Kestrel**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
55. **Pearl Kite**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
56. **Gray Hawk**
Hato Pinero
57. **Roadside Hawk**
Henri Pittier, Puerto Columbia Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos, common elsewhere
58. **Broad-winged Hawk**
Pico Humboldt trail
59. **Barred Forest-Falcon**
Parque del Este
60. **Osprey**
Morrocoy, Lower Llanos
61. **White-tailed Hawk**
Hato Pinero
62. **Common Black-Hawk**
Henri Pittier, Choroni (mating)
63. **Great Black-Hawk**
Caracas, Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
64. **Ornate Hawk-Eagle**
Near San Casimiro



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- 65. **Black Hawk-Eagle**
Escalera 111 km
- 66. **Swallow-tailed Kite**
Near San Casimiro, Escalera
- 67. **Hoatzin**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
- 68. **Rufous-vented Chachalaca**
Hotel Avila, Avila NP, Hato Pinero, Near San Casimiro
- 69. **Band-tailed Guan**
Cock-of-the-Rock trail
- 70. **Andean Guan**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 71. **Yellow-knobbed Curassow**
Hato Pinero
- 72. **Horned Screamer**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
- 73. **Pied Plover**
Lower Llanos
- 74. **Southern Lapwing**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
- 75. **Gray-necked Wood-Rail**
Hato Pinero
- 76. **Sunbittern**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos, Claritas
- 77. **Wattled Jacana**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
- 78. **Double-striped Thick-knee**
Hato Pinero
- 79. **Snowy Plover**
Henri Pittier, Puerto Columbia
- 80. **Solitary Sandpiper**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
- 81. **Least Sandpiper**
Hato Pinero
- 82. **Black-necked Stilt**
Hato Pinero
- 83. **Greater Yellowlegs**
Hato Pinero
- 84. **Lesser Yellowlegs**
Hato Pinero
- 85. **Ring-billed Gull**
Henri Pittier, Ocumare de la Playon
- 86. **Large-billed Tern**
Lower Llanos
- 87. **Sandwich Tern, Cayenne**
Henri Pittier, Puerto Columbia
- 88. **Least Tern**
Henri Pittier, Chuao
- 89. **Yellow-billed Tern**
Lower Llanos
- 90. **Black Skimmer**
Lower Llanos
- 91. **Bare-eyed Pigeon**
Parque del Este
- 92. **Pale-vented Pigeon**



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- Hato Pinero, Caracas, Parque del Este
93. **Scaled Pigeon**
Guyana trail
94. **Ruddy Pigeon**
Lower Llanos
95. **Scaled Dove**
Common in north
96. **Common Ground-Dove**
Parque del Este
97. **Ruddy Ground-Dove**
Common in north
98. **Plain-breasted Ground-Dove**
Parque del Este
99. **Blue Ground-Dove**
Hato Pinero
100. **White-tipped Dove**
Common
101. **Blue-and-yellow Macaw**
Choroni, it seemed to be a wild macaw but it is much out its range
102. **Red-and-green Macaw**
Caño Colorado
103. **Scarlet Macaw**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
104. **Chestnut-fronted Macaw**
Common in most parts of Venezuela
105. **Red-billed Parrot**
Near San Casimiro, Capuchin bird road
106. **Blue-headed Parrot**
Capuchinbird road
107. **Orange-winged Parrot**
Parque del Este, Choroni
108. **Blue-cheeked Parrot**
Capuchinbird road
109. **Yellow-crowned Parrot**
Hato Pinero
110. **Brown-throated Parakeet**
Common in Llanos, Caracas
111. **White-eyed Parakeet**
Near the village El Dorado
112. **Scarlet-fronted Parakeet**
Caracas, Azulita
113. **Blood-eared Parakeet**
Rancho Grande
114. **Fiery-shouldered Parakeet**
Escalera 122 km
115. **Rose-crowned Parakeet**
Pico Humboldt trail
116. **Green-rumped Parrotlet**
Hotel Avila, Choroni, Hato Pinero
117. **Orange-chinned Parakeet**
Hato Pinero
118. **Black-headed Parrot**
Capuchinbird road
119. **Striped Cuckoo**
Hato Pinero, Caño Colorado



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- 120. **Squirrel Cuckoo**
Common
- 121. **Smooth-billed Ani**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos, Azulita, Caño Colorado
- 122. **Groove-billed Ani**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
- 123. **Black-collared Jay**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 124. **Green Jay**
Pico Humboldt trail, Avila NP
- 125. **Violaceous Jay**
Barinas (Arassari Camp)
- 126. **Cayenne Jay**
Capuchinbird road
- 127. **Barn Owl**
Lower Llanos
- 128. **Great Horned Owl**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
- 129. **Great potoo**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
- 130. **Nacunda Nighthawk**
Hato Pinero
- 131. **Least Nighthawk**
Claritas
- 132. **Band-tailed Nighthawk**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
- 133. **Blackish Nightjar**
Guyana trail
- 134. **White-tailed Nightjar**
Hato Pinero
- 135. **Pauraque Nightjar**
Hato Pinero
- 136. **Gray-rumped Swift**
Claritas
- 137. **White-tipped Swift**
Rancho Grande
- 138. **Neotropical Palm-swift**
Chuao
- 139. **Rufous-shafted Woodstar**
Avila NP
- 140. **Blue-tailed Emerald**
Hato Pinero
- 141. **White-chested Emerald**
Caño Colorado
- 142. **Glittering-throated Emerald**
Hato Pinero, Near San Casimiro
- 143. **Speckled Hummingbird**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 144. **Rufous-tailed Hummingbird**
Mérida
- 145. **Copper-rumped Hummingbird**
Hotel Avila
- 146. **Fork-tailed Woodnymph**
Claritas
- 147. **White-chinned Sapphire**



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- Near San Casimiro
148. **White-vented Plumeleteer**
Choroni, Chuao
149. **Orange-throated Sunangel**
Hotel Los Frailes
150. **Tyrian Metaltail**
Pico Humboldt trail
151. **Black-throated Mango**
Tucacas
152. **Long-billed Starthroat**
Claritas
153. **Lazuline Sabrewing**
Rancho Grande
154. **Gray-breasted Sabrewing**
Claritas
155. **Collared Inca**
Pico Humboldt trail
156. **Bronzy Inca**
Near San Casimiro
157. **Sooty-capped Hermit**
Azulita
158. **Eastern Long-tailed Hermit**
Escalera 111
159. **Reddish Hermit**
Caño Colorado
160. **Amazonian White-tailed Trogon**
Claritas
161. **Masked Trogon**
Escalera 111 km
162. **Swallow-winged Puffbird**
Capuchinbird road, Claritas
163. **Russet-throated Puffbird**
Hato Pinero
164. **Green-tailed Jacamar**
Claritas
165. **Rufous-tailed Jacamar**
La Trilla-Ocumare road
166. **Paradise Jacamar**
Capuchinbird road
167. **Amazon Kingfisher**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
168. **Green Kingfisher**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
169. **Green-and-rufous Kingfisher**
La Trilla-Ocumare road
170. **Ringed Kingfisher**
Puerto Columbia, Chuao, Hato Pinero
171. **Belted Kingfisher**
Henri Pittier, La Trilla-Ocumare road
172. **Black-spotted Barbet**
Capuchinbird road
173. **Groove-billed Toucanet**
Rancho Grande
174. **Chestnut-tipped Toucanet**
Escalera 132 km



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- 175. **Emerald Toucanet**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 176. **White-throated Toucan**
Guyana trail
- 177. **Channel-billed Toucan**
Claritas
- 178. **Black-mandibled Toucan**
Azulita
- 179. **Green Aracari**
Capuchinbird road, Guyana trail
- 180. **Black-necked Aracari**
Caño Colorado
- 181. **Spot-breasted Woodpecker**
Hato Pinero
- 182. **Golden-olive Woodpecker**
Capuchinbird road
- 183. **Golden-green Woodpecker**
Parque del Este
- 184. **Crimson-mantled Woodpecker**
Hotel Los Frailes
- 185. **Smoky-brown Woodpecker**
Rancho Grande
- 186. **Red-rumped Woodpecker**
Choroni
- 187. **Red-crowned Woodpecker**
Common everywhere
- 188. **Yellow-tufted Woodpecker**
Capuchinbird road
- 189. **Lineated Woodpecker**
Common
- 190. **Red-necked Woodpecker**
Capuchinbird road
- 191. **Scaled Piculet**
Rancho Grande, Near San Casimiro
- 192. **Wedge-billed Woodcreeper**
Escalera 111 km
- 193. **Plain-brown Woodcreeper**
Caño Colorado
- 194. **Streak-headed Woodcreeper**
Azulita, Near San Casimiro
- 195. **Montane Woodcreeper**
La Trilla-Ocumare road
- 196. **Olive-backed Woodcreeper**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 197. **Buff-throated Woodcreeper, Cocoa**
Chuaó
- 198. **Straight-billed Woodcreeper**
Hato Pinero
- 199. **Black-banded Woodcreeper**
Caño Colorado
- 200. **Black-throated Spinetail**
Rancho Grande
- 201. **Plain Thornbird**
Hato Pinero
- 202. **Yellow-chinned Spinetail**



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203. **Crested Spinetail**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
Rancho Grande
204. **Pearled Treerunner**
Pico Humboldt trail
205. **Buff-fronted Foilage-gleaner**
Rancho Grande
206. **Tepui Foilage-gleaner**
Escalera 122 km
207. **Barred Antshrike**
Hato Pinero
208. **Black-crested Antskrike**
Hato Pinero
209. **Northern White-fringed Antwren**
Chuao
210. **Plain Antvireo**
Choroni
211. **Slate-crowned Antpitta**
Pico Humboldt trail
212. **Black-faced Antpitta**
Rancho Grande
213. **Azara's Spinetail**
Azulita
214. **Streaked Xenops**
Pico Humboldt trail
215. **Lance-tailed Manakin**
Near San Casimiro
216. **Wire-tailed Manakin**
La Trilla-Ocumare road
217. **Cinnamon Flycatcher**
Rancho Grande
218. **Brown-backed Chat-Tyrant**
Hotel Los Frailes
219. **Vermillion Flycatcher**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
220. **Bran-colored Flycatcher**
Near San Casimiro
221. **Olivaceous Flatbill**
Capuchinbird road
222. **Yellow-bellied Elaenia**
Azulita
223. **Common Tody-flycatcher**
Hotel Avila, Parque del Este, Hato Pinero
224. **Pale-eyed Pygmy-Tyrant**
Hato Pinero
225. **Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet**
Hato Pinero
226. **White-throated Tyrannulet**
Pico Humboldt trail
227. **Venezuelan Tyrannulet**
Near San Casimiro
228. **Olive-striped Flycatcher**
Near San Casimiro
229. **Cattle Tyrant**
Parque del Este, Lower Llanos



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- 230. **Cliff Flycatcher**
Cock-of-the-Rock trail, Escalera 98 km
- 231. **Tropical Kingbird**
Widespread and common
- 232. **Social Flycatcher**
Azulita
- 233. **White-bearded Flycatcher**
Hato Pinero
- 234. **Streaked Flycatcher**
Common
- 235. **Golden-crowned Flycatcher**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 236. **Boat-billed Flycatcher**
Hato Pinero
- 237. **Great Kiskadee**
Widespread and common
- 238. **Lesser Kiskadee**
Widespread
- 239. **Piractic Flycatcher**
Capuchinbird road
- 240. **Smoke-colored Pewee**
Rancho Grande
- 241. **Eastern Pewee**
La Trilla-Ocumare road
- 242. **Tropical Pewee**
Azulita
- 243. **White-headed Marsh-Tyrant**
Hato Pinero
- 244. **Pied Water-Tyrant**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
- 245. **Black Phoebe**
Widespread in north and Andes
- 246. **Yellow-crowned Elaenia**
Caño Colorado
- 247. **Fork-tailed Flycatcher**
Hato Pinero, Lower Llanos
- 248. **Brown-crested Flycatcher**
Hato Pinero
- 249. **Venezuelan Flycatcher**
Common
- 250. **Tropical Mockingbird**
Puerto Columbia, Hato Pinero
- 251. **Black-capped Donacobius**
Hato Pinero
- 252. **White-capped Dipper**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 253. **Black-tailed Tityra**
Barinas (Arassari Camp)
- 254. **Cinereous Becard**
Hato Pinero
- 255. **Grayish Mourner**
Escalera 111 km
- 256. **Screaming Piha**
Guyana trail
- 257. **Rose-collared Piha**



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- Escalera 122 km
- 258. **Green-and-black Fruiteater**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 259. **Andean Cock-of-the-rock**
Cock-of-the-Rock trail
- 260. **Guianan Cock-of-the-rock**
Escalera 111 km
- 261. **White Bellbird**
Escalera 115 km
- 262. **Capuchinbird**
Capuchinbird road
- 263. **Blue-and-white Swallow**
Common in north
- 264. **Barn Swallow**
Hato Pinero
- 265. **Brown-bellied Swallow**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 266. **Tawny-headed Swallow**
Rancho Grande
- 267. **Southern Rough-winged Swallow**
Near San Casimiro
- 268. **White-winged Swallow**
Hato Pinero
- 269. **Gray-breasted Martin**
Hato Pinero
- 270. **Caracas Tapaculo,**
Hotel Avila
- 271. **Bicoloured Wren**
Barinas (Arassari Camp)
- 272. **Stripe-backed Wren**
Hato Pinero, Parque del Este
- 273. **Rufous-and-white Wren**
Near San Casimiro
- 274. **House Wren**
Widespread and common
- 275. **Long-billed Gnatwren**
Near San Casimiro
- 276. **Tropical Gnatcatcher**
Hato Pinero
- 277. **Orange-billed Nightingale-Trush**
Near San Casimiro
- 278. **Chestnut-bellied Thrush**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 279. **Yellow-legged Thrush**
Azulita
- 280. **Glossy-backed Thrush**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 281. **Great Thrush**
Common in the Andes
- 282. **White-necked Thrush**
Rancho Grande
- 283. **Pale-breasted Thrush**
Parque del Este
- 284. **Bare-eyed Thrush**
Widespread and common



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- 285. **Rufous-browed Peppershrike**
Hotel Avila, Caño Colorado
- 286. **Red-eyed Vireo**
Hato Pinero
- 287. **Buff-cheeked Greenlet**
Escalera 111 km
- 288. **Tennessee Warbler**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 289. **Black-and-white Warbler**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 290. **Blackburnian Warbler**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 291. **Blackpoll**
Henri Pittier, Rancho Grande
- 292. **Golden-crowned Warbler**
Henri Pittier, Rancho Grande
- 293. **Russet-crowned Warbler**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 294. **Three-striped Warbler**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 295. **Canada Warbler**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 296. **Yellow Warbler**
Claritas
- 297. **Tropical Parula**
Rancho Grande
- 298. **Prothonotary Warbler**
La Trilla- Ocumare road
- 299. **Northern Waterthrush**
La Trilla-Ocumare road
- 300. **American Redstart**
Rancho Grande, Hato Pinero
- 301. **Slate-throated Whitestart**
Rancho Grande, Pico Humboldt trail
- 302. **White-fronted Whitestart**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 303. **Bluish Flowerpiercer**
Hotel Los Frailes
- 304. **Mérida Flowerpiercer**
Hotel Los Frailes
- 305. **Capped Conebill**
Choroni
- 306. **Superciliaried Hemispingus**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 307. **Common Bush-tanager**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 308. **Summer Tanager**
Merida-Barinas road
- 309. **White-winged Tanager**
Rancho Grande
- 310. **Blue-capped Tanager**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 311. **Fawn-breasted Tanager**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 312. **Blue-winged Mountain-Tanager**



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- 313. **Red-legged Honeycreeper**
Chuao
- 314. **Purple Honeycreeper**
Escalera 111 km
- 315. **Green Honeycreeper**
Near San Casimiro
- 316. **Blue Dacnis**
Capuchin bird road
- 317. **Bananaquit *Coreba Flaveola***
Widespread and common
- 318. **Bananaquit *Coreba Flaveola Lutea***
Chuao
- 319. **Guira Tanager**
Near San Casimiro
- 320. **Blue-naped Chlorophonia**
Azulita
- 321. **Swallow Tanager**
Rancho Grande
- 322. **Golden Tanager**
Rancho Grande
- 323. **Blue-and-black Tanager**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 324. **Beryl-sprangled Tanager**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 325. **Blue-necked Tanager**
Merida-Barinas road
- 326. **Burnished-buff Tanager**
Barinas (Arassari camp)
- 327. **Black-headed Tanager**
Escalera 132 km
- 328. **Bay-headed Tanager**
Hotel Ávila, Rancho Grande
- 329. **Turquoise Tanager**
Capuchinbird road
- 330. **Speckled Tanager**
Hotel Ávila, Rancho Grande
- 331. **Spotted Tanager**
Escalera 111 km
- 332. **Yellow-bellied Tanager**
Capuchinbird road
- 333. **Paradise Tanager**
Escalera 132 km, Capuchinbird road
- 334. **Thick-billed Euphonia**
Pico Humboldt trail, Azulita
- 335. **Violaceous Euphonia**
Claritas (Henry Cleeve)
- 336. **Trinidad Euphonia**
Jardin bótanico (Caracas)
- 337. **Purple-throated Euphonia**
Escalera 111 km
- 338. **Orange-bellied Euphonia**
Rancho Grande
- 339. **Golden-rumped Euphonia**
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- 340. **White-lored Euphonia**
Capuchinbird road
- 341. **Palm Tanager**
Widespread
- 342. **Blue-gray Tanager**
Widespread
- 343. **Silver-beaked Tanager**
Widespread in Rancho Grande and Andes
- 344. **Crimson-backed Tanager**
Azulita
- 345. **White-lined Tanager**
Widespread
- 346. **White-shouldered Tanager**
Guyana trail
- 347. **Olive-backed Tanager**
Escalera 111 km
- 348. **Gray-headed Tanager**
Near San Casimiro
- 349. **Black-faced Tanager**
Escalera 136 km
- 350. **Buff-throated Saltator**
Rancho Grande
- 351. **Grayish Saltator**
Hato Pinero
- 352. **Orinocan Saltator**
Hato Pinero
- 353. **Streaked Saltator**
Rancho Grande
- 354. **Black-striped Sparrow**
Caño Colorado
- 355. **Chestnut-capped Brush-Finch**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 356. **Slaty Brush-Finch**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 357. **Moustached Brush-Finch**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 358. **Tepui Brush-Finch**
Escalera 132 km
- 359. **Plumbeous Sierra-Finch**
Pico Humboldt trail
- 360. **Lesser Seed-Finch**
Guyana trail
- 361. **Blue-Black Grosbeak**
Near San Casimiro
- 362. **Blue-Black Grassquit**
Near San Casimiro
- 363. **Gray Seedeater**
Hato Pinero
- 364. **Yellow-bellied Seedeater**
Azulita
- 365. **Ruddy-breasted Seedeater**
Hato Pinero
- 366. **Rufous-collared Sparrow**
Common in the Andes
- 367. **Lesser Goldfinch**



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- Pico Humboldt trail
368. **Red-capped Cardinal**
Parque del Este, Apure River, Hato Pinero
369. **Yellow-browed Sparrow**
Hato Pinero
370. **Dickcissel**
Lower Llanos around Apure River
371. **Saffron Finch**
Common at Hato Pinero
372. **Yellow-backed Oriole**
Choroni
373. **Orange-crowned Oriole**
Choroni
374. **Yellow Oriole**
Hotel Ávila, Parque del este
375. **Venezuelan Troupial**
Hato Pinero
376. **Golden-tufted Mountain-Grackle**
Escalera 122 km
377. **Velvet-fronted Grackle**
Caño Colorado
378. **Carib Grackle**
Common
379. **Shiny Cowbird**
Common
380. **Giant Cowbird**
Arassari camp near Barinas
381. **Russet-backed Oropendola**
Nesting at Rancho Grande
382. **Crested Oropendola**
Common in Henri Pittier
383. **Red-rumped Cacique**
Claritas
384. **Yellow-rumped Cacique**
Widespread
385. **Red-breasted Blackbird**
Hato Pinero
386. **Eastern Meadowlark**
Hotel los Frailes
387. **Oriole Blackbird**
Widespread
388. **Yellow-hooded Blackbird**
Lower Llanos