

Guyana: Unspoiled Wilderness Species Report | March 9 – 20, 2024 with Naturalist Journeys



Compiled by guide Bryan Shirley with 6 clients: Diane, Beth, Darren, Dennis, Brian, and Gary.

Birding was great on this trip into the interior of Guyana. We stayed at 4 different lodges as we traveled through the interior, plus one nice hotel in Georgetown and covered a variety of habitats including rainforest and dry savannahs. Two boat trips, one on the Maiaca River near Georgetown and later on the Rupununi River, allowed for easy and comfortable birding for a variety of waterbirds. We tallied a total of 340 species of birds total, including fantastic species like the Guianan Cock-of-the-Rock, Capuchinbird, Sun Parakeet, and many others.

The eBird link below details the 340 species of birds our group observed during the tour. If you're new to eBird, be sure to click "Show All Details" on the right side of the list to expand the report and reveal where and when each of the birds were seen and how many.

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Mammals (8):

Giant Anteater *Myrmecophaga tridactyla* – 5 spotted as we drove across the savannahs in the early morning toward Karasabai

Weeper (Wedge-capped) Capuchin *Cebus olivaceus* – A couple of brief views at Suruma. Also a pet hanging around Rockview Lodge

Giant Otter *Pteronura brasiliensis* – A group was in the almost dry river along the road near Atta Lodge. Also had a small group during our boat trip on the Rupununi River

Neotropic Otter *Lontra longicaudis* – Brief views at a waterhole along the road near Atta Lodge

Black Mastiff Bat *Molossus rufus* – recorded on Beth's bat echolocation spectrogram device

Greater Sac-winged Bat *Saccopteryx bilineata* – Roosting in the eaves of the lodge at Karasabai

Northern Ghost Bat *Diclidurus albus* - recorded on Beth's bat echolocation spectrogram device

Capybara *Hydrochoerus hydrochaeris* – A few around JR Ranch Pond in the evening

Reptiles & Amphibians (7):

Giant Ameiva *Ameiva ameiva*

Green Iguana *Iguana iguana*

Gold Tegu *Tupinambis teguixin*

Black Caiman *Melanosuchus niger*

Spectacled Caiman *Caiman crocodilus*

Cane Toad *Rhinella marina*

Golden Rocket Frog *Anomaloglossus beebei*