

Brazil's Pantanal: Jaguars! And More...

w/ Atlantic Forest extension

Species List

August 10 – 20, 2024 with Naturalist Journeys



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Pantanal, one of the world's largest tropical wetlands. Our trip spanned both the southern and northern regions, truly a haven for biodiversity, home of an astonishing array of wildlife, from colorful birds and stealthy jaguars to giant otters, anteaters and capybaras.

Whether navigating its rivers, traversing the iconic Transpantaneira or staying in local pousadas (lodges), every moment is an opportunity to witness the raw beauty and incredible richness of Brazil.

Our journey started in Southern Pantanal in Pousada Aguapé, where, right from the start we were delighted by Giant Anteaters along the road, every morning waking up with the loud Dusky-legged Chachalacas, having meals next to Toco Toucans and walking next to Hyacinth Macaws and Capybaras.

Later we headed north via the famous Transpantaneira road, despite the harsh dry weather, we manage to see lots of birds feeding around the over hundred bridges, with caimans and deer, and the pink Tabebuia tree painting the landscape.

The peak of the trip was when we reached two jaguars resting by the riverbank, their power and grace were delightful.

Giant Otters and the troops of Black Capuchin monkeys were present every day too.

To finalize a fabulous adventure, on our way back we stayed in Pousada Santa Teresa, where the highlight happened the last night when an ocelot showed off in the feeding station that the lodge has set.

Our last day was to drive back to Cuiabá, not passing the chance to visit Mãe Bonifaca Park for a final walk before to start our trips back to home.

BIRDS: (163) species were recorded of which 3 were heard only. Details are included below.

The eBird link below details the 163 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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Four participants of this group did pre-tour Atlantic Forest extension, where 133 bird species were seen, 1 was heard only and 74 were endemic of the region; the link below takes you to the full information of the species seen.

[Brazil's Pantanal: Jaguars! And More... Pre-tour Atlantic Forest Extension | August 7-10, 2024 | eBird Trip Report](#)

Following is a list of mammals, reptiles and amphibians we were fortunate to observe during the trip.

Family or Species Common Name Scientific Name —()

ATL = Atlantic Rainforest extension

MAMMALS: (24)

Southern Tamandua *Tamandua tetradactyla* —(X) Few minutes after the night safari started, one individual was seen along the road.

Giant Anteater *Myrmecophaga tridactyla* —(X) Several views of this magnificent animal, as soon as we hit the dirt road towards Pousada Aguapé the first was seen and at least eight more to get to the lodge.

Six-banded Armadillo *Euphractus sexcinctus* —(X) A regular armadillo seen in Pousada Aguapé moving around the main area.

Nine-banded Armadillo *Dasypus novemcinctus* —(X) Seen during the pre tour in Atlantic Forest.

Lesser Bulldog Bat *Noctilio albiventris* —(X) Along Cuiabá river, on our way back to Panoramic Flotel.

Black-tailed Marmoset *Micro melanurus* —(X) A little troop in Mãe Bonifacia Park by the trails.

Black-and-gold Howler Monkey *Alouatta caraya* —(X) Along River Aquidahuana in Pousada Aguapé and later in Cuiabá river.

Black Capuchin (ATL) *Sapajus nigritus* —(X) Coming to feeders in Hotel Do Ypé.

Black-striped Capuchin *Sapajus libidinosus* —(X) The most spread in North Pantanal.

Crab-eating Raccoon *Procyon cancrivorus* —(X) During the night safari in Pousada Rio Claro a family was walking by the fence.

South American Coati *Nasua nasua* —(X) Seen several times in open fields.

Crab-eating Fox *Cerdocyon thous* —(X) Day and night time, crossing the fields.

Ocelot *Leopardus pardalis* —(X) Seen the second night in Pousada Santa Teresa visiting the hide.

Jaguar *Panthera onca* —(X) The first pair were resting by the riverbank in Cuiabá River, later different individuals were seen well.

Giant Otter *Pteronura brasiliensis* —(X) Different sights but the most remarkable was a pair that stayed along the boat for a while.

South American Tapir *Tapirus terrestris* —(X) On our last day in Cuiabá River by taking a detour in Piquiri River.

Collared Peccary *Pecari tajacu* —(X) A little family walking in the dry shore in Pixie River.

Gray Brocket *Mazama gouazoubira* —(X) An elusive specie usually hidden by the thick vegetation.

Red Brocket *Mazama americana* —(X) This one is a bit more used to open areas.

Pampas Deer *Ozotoceros bezoarticus* —(X) The most common specie of deer in Pantanal.

Marsh Deer *Blastocercus dichotomus* —(X) The largest deer, seen night and day time.

Guianan Squirrel (ATL) *Sciurus aestuans* —(X) Seen in Atlantic Forest.

Azara's Agouti *Dasyprocta azarae* —(X) Seen in the open fields.

Capybara *Hydrochoerus hydrochaeris* —(X) Enjoying every little corner by the water in Pantanal!

REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS: —(8)

Tropical House Gecko (I) *Hemidactylus mabouia* —(X) By the buildings.

Chaco Spiny Lizard *Tropidurus lagunablanca* —(X) Dave spotted one in Pousada Rio Claro.

Paraguay Caiman Lizard *Dracaena paraguayensis* —(X) Dave and Martin describe the sight.

Green Iguana *Iguana iguana* —(X) Different views along the rivers.

Yacare Caiman *Caiman yacare* —(X) Together with capybaras, all over.

Miranda's White-lipped Frog *Leptodactylus macrosternum* —(X) Dave took a picture of one.

Head-striped leaf-litter snake *Echivanthera cephalostriata*—(X) Midday, by the main entrance of Pousada Rio Claro.

Lichtenstein's green Racer *Philodryas olfersii* —(X) Seen by everyone after our morning activity in Pousada Rio Claro.