Colombia: Birding From Bogota
Species List | July 28 – August 3, 2025
with Naturalist Journeys

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Summary: Great trip to Bogota and the surrounding areas. We spent the first half of the trip in the Eastern Andes around Bogota. La Florida Park in Bogota was a great stop for a variety of waterbirds including the endemic Bogota Rail. The forests above Guasca were rainy the day we visited, but we were still able to have a great day and got lots of birds between showers! Our morning at Sumapaz National Park was fabulous. The unique Paramo habitat was so interesting and the birds were marvelous as well. The last few days were spent in the lowlands and foothills where we had an entirely different group of birds including lots of Hoatzin and a Sunbittern in the parking lot of our hotel!

We totaled **243** bird species on the trip. eBird trip list of all species along with birding locations can be found here:

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

Mammals: (5)

Brazilian Guinea Pig *Cavia aperea* – we saw several of these cute guys at Florida Wetlands in Bogota
Capybara *Hydrochoerus hydrochaeris* – Good numbers in the early morning and evening around hotel Aitabu
Humboldt's Squirrel Monkey *Saimiri cassiquiarensis* - A few were normally hanging out in the trees near the parking area at Hotel Aitabu and also we saw a group moving through the trees at Bavaria
Mountain Coati Nasua olivacea – Only seen by a couple people at Bavaria when one ran down the road in the dim evening light
Oncilla *Leopardus tigrinus* - Brief views by the front vehicle when one ran across the road in Chingaza National Park

Reptiles: (2)

Green Iguana
Asian House Gecko

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