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PANAMA SAMPLER NATURALIST JOURNEYS TOUR February 4-12, 2015

Annotated Species List

BIRDS

- **Greater Tinamou** *Tinamus major* (its haunting tones heard twice, including by Sheryl during barbecue at Canopy Tower. Canopy guide Jen played a recording to confirm it!)
- **Little Tinamou** *Crypturelius soui* (heard several times including at Canopy Lodge on last day)
- **Black-bellied Whistling-Duck** *Dendrocygna autumnalis* – Many on Chagres River and Gatun Lake
- **Muscovy Duck** *Cairina moschata* – Spotted by Molly in agricultural fields along Achote Road
- **American Wigeon** *Anas americana* – A small group found on Chagres River
- **Blue-winged Teal** *Anas discors* – Several seen on Chagres River
- **Masked Duck** *Nomonyx dominicus* – A flock of six seen on Chagres River – the first time our local guide, Carlos, had seen them in this area.
- **Gray-headed Chachalaca** *Ortalis cinereiceps* – Seen most days, often at feeders
- **Pied-billed Grebe** *Podilymbus podiceps* – Several seen on Chagres River
- **Wood Stork** *Mycteria americana* – Several seen in rice fields near El Chiru
- **Magnificent Frigatebird** *Fregata magnificens* – Seen most days soaring above when near water (often the Canal).
- **Blue-footed Booby** *Sula nebouxii* – One swam near several of us who were also swimming at beach in Farallon.
- **Brown Booby** *Sula leucogaster* – Many seen from afar on and around Farallon Island
- **Neotropic Cormorant** *Phalacrocorax brasilianus* – Several seen flying over Pacific near Farallon
- **Anhinga** *Anhinga anhinga* – First spotted by Molly in Chagres River. Later seen again along Canal and fresh water wetland areas.
- **Brown Pelican** *Pelecanus occidentalis* – Common, numerous birds seen along Canal and in both oceans.
- **Great Blue Heron** *Ardea Herodias* – A few seen on Chagres River and Summit Ponds
- **Cocoi Heron** *Ardea alba* – Just one of these glorious herons seen at Chagres River
- **Great Egret** *Ardea alba* – Seen most days in lakes, rivers and wetland areas
- **Snowy Egret** *Egretta thula* – Seen most days in wetland environs
- **Little Blue Heron** *Egretta caerulea* – Seen on three days in lakes, rivers and wetlands
- **Tricolored Heron** *Egretta tricolor* – Several seen well from boat on Chagres River
- **Cattle Egret** *Bubulcus ibis* – Common in most farm fields and wetlands
- **Green Heron** *Butorides virescens* – Several seen up close at Chagres River and Summit Ponds
- **Boat-billed Heron** *Cochlearius cochlearius* – Nine clustered along shoreline of main Summit Pond
- **White Ibis** *Eudocimus albus* – A number mixed in with Glossy Ibis in El Chiru rice fields

- **Glossy Ibis** *Plegadis falcinellus* – Dozens flocking in and around El Chiru rice fields
- **Black Vulture** *Coragyps atratus* – Seen daily in all locations
- **Turkey Vulture** *Cathartes aura* – A few mixed in with the daily hordes of Black Vultures
- **Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture** *Cathartes burrovianus* – Really nice looks in the morning sun in the agricultural fields near El Chiru
- **Osprey** *Pandion haliaetus* – Seen most days along the Canal and over other large bodies of water
- **Gray-headed Kite** *Leptodon cayanensis* - A beautiful early morning view of one perching at eye-level from the Canopy Tower
- **White-tailed Kite** *Elanus leucurus* – One perched in tree tops on edge of agricultural fields near El Chiru
- **Snail Kite** *Rostrhamus sociabilis* – At least 10 seen catching and eating snails on Chagres River
- **Double-toothed Kite** *Harpagus bidentatus* – Barbara found one perched conspicuously on tree limb near Canopy Tower entrance. We could actually see the double tooth through the scope!
- **Crane Hawk** *Geranospiza caerulescens* – One perched just above ground level, only 15 feet away from us along Semaphore Road. It glared at us with its reddish eye.
- **Common Black Hawk** *Buteogallus anthracinus* – One soared above us and another perched close by near Gatun Lake
- **Savanna Hawk** *Buteogallus meridionalis* - Woody spotted one near Gatun Locks on east side of Panama Canal. Another was seen on 7th day near El Chiru.
- **White Hawk** *Pseudastur albicollis* – Spotted by Barbara soaring above Achiote Road
- **Roadside Hawk** *Buteo magnirostris* – Seen appropriately along the road between Canopy Tower and El Valle, and several times more in agricultural fields in the El Valle area.
- **Broad-winged Hawk** *Buteo platypterus* – A few seen along Achiote Road
- **Gray-lined Hawk** *Buteo nitidus* – Heard from Canopy Tower
- **Short-tailed Hawk** *Buteo brachyurus* – Seen along Achiote Road
- **Sunbittern** *Eurypyga helias* – Two seen in stream near Canopy Lodge shortly after we arrived
- **Gray-necked Wood-Rail** *Aramides cajaneus* – One spotted by Woody taking a bath in the Canopy Lodge river – Rio Guayabo; several more seen in and around this river in the 4 days at this lodge.
- **Purple Gallinule** *Porphyrio martinicus* – Some seen in Chagres River and in wetlands along Achiote Road
- **Common Moorhen** *Gallinula goteata* – Many at Chagres River; a few more at Summit Ponds
- **Limpkin** *Aramus guarauna* – We only saw one, but it was a great look along the Chagres River
- **Southern Lapwing** *Vanellus chilensis* – Common in moist farm fields and wetlands in second half of trip around El Valle and El Chiru
- **Wattled Jacana** *Jacana jacana* – Common in wetlands around Canal and in El Chiru Rice Fields
- **Spotted Sandpiper** *Actitis macularia* – A few seen flying with their stiff wing beats and perching along the shore of Gatun Lake
- **Willet** *Tringa semipalmata* – Several seen by Woody and Bill on the Pacific coast beach in Farallon
- **Laughing Gull** *Leucophaeus atricilla* – The most common gull seen in both oceans of Panama and along the Canal in between.
- **Royal Tern** *Thalasseus maximus* – A half-dozen flying and fishing along Pacific beach in Farallon
- **Sandwich Tern** *Thalasseus sandvicensis* – More than a dozen flying and fishing along Farallon beach on the Pacific
- **Rock Pigeon** *Columba livia* – Seen most days in urban areas
- **Pale-vented Pigeon** *Patagioenas cayennensis* – Several seen, primarily in open agricultural areas
- **Scaled Pigeon** *Patagioenas speciosa* – Nice views in rosy morning light were had from top of Canopy Tower
- **Mourning Dove** *Zenaida macroura* – Seen and heard on the first day of our trip
- **Plain-breasted Ground-Dove** *Columbina minuta* – One beautiful bird seen in morning light (its breast is not so pale after all – it has a rosy hue) in El Chiru agricultural fields
- **Ruddy Ground-Dove** *Columbina talpacoti* – Seen on most days in agricultural and urban areas

- **White-tipped Dove** *Leptotila verreauxi* – Close look on road near Ammo Ponds, around Canopy Tower and Canopy Lodge
- **Squirrel Cuckoo** *Piaya cayana* – This colorful bird with an oversized tail made showy appearances on most days in forested environs.
- **Greater Ani** *Crotophaga major* – Sheryl spotted three Greater Ani on the shore of one of the Summit Ponds
- **Smooth-billed Ani** *Crotophaga ani* – Seen along shore of Chagres River and Gatun Lake
- **Groove-billed Ani** *Crotophaga sulcirostris* – Three seen well in El Chiru agricultural fields
- **Mottled Owl** *Ciccaba virgata* – Two seen clearly through spotting scope on trail behind Canopy Adventure Center
- **Common Pauraque** *Nyctidromus albicollis* – One illuminated by van headlight in pre-dawn hours enroute to El Chiru and the Pacific Coast
- **Short-tailed Swift** *Chaetura brachyuran* – Abundant in the early and evening skies around the Canopy Tower
- **Band-rumped Swift** *Chaetura spinicaudus* – Common in skies above Canopy Tower and in El Valle area
- **White-necked Jacobin** *Florisuga mellivora* – The most common and most aggressive hummingbird on the trip – seen often at feeders.
- **Green Hermit** *Phaethornis strigularis* – A few seen of these relatively large hummers seen in El Valle area
- **Long-billed Hermit** *Phaethornis longirostris* – Regular visitor to feeders at Canopy Lodge and Discovery Center
- **Stripe-throated Hermit** *Phaethornis strigularis* – A few seen in the El Valle Area along La Mesa Road
- **Black-throated Mango** *Anthracothorax nigricollis* – Great view of one in nest and driving off a Rusty-margined Flycatcher that landed in the same tree, at Ammo Ponds.
- **Rufous-crested Coquette** *Lophornis delattrei* – Two seen very well at Discovery Center, including one that perched for several minutes on a tree branch, its crested head clearly visible.
- **Garden Emerald** *Chlorostilbon assimilis* – One seen well by everyone in El Chiru area
- **Violet-headed Hummingbird** *Klais guimeti* – Seen while walking road above Canopy Lodge
- **White-vented Plumeleteer** *Chalybura buffonii* – First spotted by Stef on the hummingbird feeders at Canopy Lodge.
- **Crowned Woodnymph** *Thalurania colombica* – Spotted by Woody while waiting his turn to see the Mottled Owls at Canopy Adventure Center
- **Blue-chested Hummingbird** *Amazilia amabilis* – Seen and heard most days at Canopy Tower, then seen again in El Valle area.
- **Snowy-bellied Hummingbird** *Amazilia Edward* – Frequented the Purple Verbena near the Canopy Lodge
- **Rufous-tailed Hummingbird** *Amazilia tzacatl* – Another regular hummer adding to the amazing bird show at the Canopy Lodge feeders
- **Violet-bellied Hummingbird** *Damophila Julie* – This hummer that appears to be illuminated from within, was conspicuously present at the Canopy Tower feeders
- **Gartered Trogon** *Trogon caligatus* – Perched for a long time along Semaphore Road
- **Black-throated Trogon** *Trogon rufus* – Seen on several occasions, but especially well on walk in forest near Pipeline Road
- **Orange-bellied Trogon** *Trogon aurantiventris* – Woody spotted first one high in tree canopy, then Molly found a pair much closer to us. The male caught and ate a caterpillar in front of us!
- **Tody Motmot** *Hylomanes momotula* – On the second attempt by Carlos, we were rewarded with two of them in an opening in the vegetation. Most got scope views of this iconic Motmot.
- **Whooping Motmot** *Momotus subrufescens* – Lori spotted this beautiful member of the Motmot family perched on a fence off La Mesa Road. We saw several more in the El Valle area.
- **Rufous Motmot** *Baryphthengus martii* – Seen daily and clearly around Canopy Lodge
- **Broad-billed Motmot** *Electron platyrhynchum* – The most common Motmot in the Canopy Tower area.
- **Ringed Kingfisher** *Megaceryle alcyon* – Seen well on Summit Ponds, Gatun Lake and other bodies of water

- **Amazon Kingfisher** *Chloroceryle amazona* – Seen well at Summit Ponds and the Rio Guayabo flowing through Canopy Lodge grounds.
- **Green Kingfisher** *Chloroceryle Americana* – Seen best at Summit Ponds, but also in El Valle
- **American Pygmy Kingfisher** *Chloroceryle aenea* – One seen very well on high perch over one of Summit Ponds
- **Black-breasted Puffbird** *Notharchus pectoralis* – Seen well above Semaphore Road and from the Canopy Tower
- **Pied Puffbird** *Notharchus tectus* – Alertly spotted by Molly along Achiote Road
- **White-whiskered Puffbird** *Malacoptila panamensis* – A great spot by Andy in brush along Pipeline Road. Another seen on walk along Semaphore Road.
- **Spot-crowned Barbet** *Capito maculicoronatus* – A pair seen well in leafless tree above Achiote road; later two came close to feeders at Canopy Lodge
- **Blue-throated Toucanet** *Aulacorhynchus caeruleogularis* – Sue spotted several flying and perching on trees surrounding Las Minas Road
- **Collared Aracari** *Pteroglossus torquatus* – First seen near Summit Ponds; later several seen on feeders at Canopy Lodge
- **Keel-billed Toucan** *Ramphastos sulfuratus* – Seen or heard on every day of trip, including especially good looks at Ammo Ponds
- **Black-mandibled Toucan** *Ramphastos ambiguous* – Seen first perching above us at Ammo Ponds; seen again from Canopy Platform and at Canopy Lodge
- **Black-cheeked Woodpecker** *Melanerpes pucherani* – A common visitor to dead snags and utility poles in the Canopy Tower area, and along La Mesa Road in La Valle area
- **Red-crowned Woodpecker** *Melanerpes rubricapillus* – Seen on three days in multiple locations in the La Valle area
- **Cinnamon Woodpecker** *Celeus loricatus* – One of these gorgeous woodpeckers seen extremely well along a Semaphore Hill road walk.
- **Lineated Woodpecker** *Dryocopus lineatus* – This large, charismatic woodpecker was seen or heard on most days, including an excellent view of one from the Canopy Platform
- **Crimson-crested Woodpecker** *Campephilus melanoleucos* – One seen and heard well along Semaphore Road while several other bird species competed for our attention
- **Crested Caracara** *Caracara cheriway* – Seen in agricultural fields near El Chiru
- **Yellow-headed Caracara** *Milvago chimachima* – Seen most days, but especially well with young on Chagres River and along Pacific beach in Farallon
- **Aplomado Falcon** *Falco femoralis* – Spotted by Andy perched beyond open farm fields near El Chiru
- **Bat Falcon** *Falco ruficularis* – Seen in flight in forested area near El Valle
- **Orange-chinned Parakeet** *Brotogeris jugularis* – Several flew overhead at Ammo Ponds
- **Blue-headed Parrot** *Pionus menstruus* – Seen in small flocks flying and perching near us on most days. Best looks were from top of Canopy Tower
- **Red-lored Parrot** *Amazona autumnalis* - Seen daily in Canopy Tower (first) half of trip
- **Mealy Parrot** *Amazona farinosa* – Spotted by Ron on Semaphore Road. Seen again well from top of Canopy Tower.
- **Yellow-crowned Parrot** *Amazona ochrocephalia* – Small flocks flew overhead near El Chiru
- **Fasciated Antshrike** *Cymbilaimus lineatus* – Great look amid Army Ant swarm on Semaphore Road
- **Barred Antshrike** *Thamnophilus doliatus* – This territorial, vocal and distinctly-patterned Antshrike with a crest was seen very well in the El Valle area
- **Black-crowned Antshrike** *Thamnophilus atrinucha* – Spotted by Bill, this bird was associated with the Semaphore hill Army Ant Swarm and consequent feeding frenzy
- **Plain Antvireo** *Dysithamnus mentalis* – Several seen in thick brush in El Valle area
- **Spot-crowned Antvireo** *Dysithamnus puncticeps* – Seen along La Mesa Road in mixed woodlands and agricultural areas

- **White-flanked Antwren** *Myrmotherula axillaris* – Nice look at one along Pipeline Road
- **Checker-throated Antwren** *Epinecrophylla fulviventris* – Several seen well on Pipeline Road from small foot bridge over a stream
- **Dot-winged Antwren** *Microrhopias quixensis* – Initially found by Andy who led the rest of us to see it on Pipeline Road
- **Chestnut-backed Antbird** *Myrmeciza exsul* – Part of the feeding frenzy caused by the Army Ant swarm on Semaphore Road. What an interesting Antbird/Ant convergence!
- **Spotted Antbird** *Hylophylax naevioides* – Semaphore Hill Road/Army Ant feeding frenzy
- **Bicolored Antbird** *Gymnopithys leucaspis* – One of the first Antbirds on the scene at Semaphore Hill during the Army Ant swarm. Carlos suggested we wait for the others to arrive. They did!
- **Ocellated Antbird** *Phaenostictus mcleannani* – A trophy Antbird for serious birders, Carlos found us one amid the ant swarm on Semaphore Hill. What a gorgeous creature!
- **Streak-chested Antpitta** *Hylopezus perspicillatus* – Carlos worked hard to find this bird, and he did – by sound. Two called persistently from two directions but we did not see them.
- **Black-faced Antthrush** *Formicarius analis* – Yet another species seen during the Semaphore Hill Army Ant swarm and Antbird feeding frenzy
- **Plain-brown Woodcreeper** *Dendrocincla fuliginosa* – Also part of Semaphore Hill ant swarm and feeding frenzy
- **Northern Barred Woodcreeper** *Dendrocolaptes sanctithomae* – This relatively large and showy Woodcreeper was also seen at Semaphore Hill ant swarm/feeding frenzy
- **Cocoa Woodcreeper** *Xiphorhynchus susurrans* – Most common woodcreeper of trip, seen or heard on every day but one (the Pacific coast day).
- **Black-striped Woodcreeper** *Xiphorhynchus lachrymosus* – Seen on Pipeline Road
- **Spotted Woodcreeper** *Dendroplex erythropygius* - Seen on two days in the El Valle area
- **Straight-billed Woodcreeper** *Xiphorhynchus picus* – Seen in El Chiru Agricultural fields and woodlands
- **Plain Xenops** *Xenops minutes* – First spotted by Andy along Achiote Road, we saw another one on Semaphore Hill Road.
- **Brown-capped Tyrannulet** *Ornithion brunneicapillus* – Seen well looking slightly down from the Canopy Tower.
- **Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet** *Camptostoma obsoletum* – First seen at Ammo Ponds; another found in El Chiru agricultural fields
- **Mouse-colored Tyrannulet** *Phaeomyias murina* – Two of these demure flycatchers seen well in trees alongside the road bordering the El Chiru agricultural fields.
- **Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet** *Tyrannulus elatus* – Found while walking along Achiote Road
- **Forest Elaenia** *Myiopagis gaimardii* – Spotted along Semaphore Hill Road
- **Yellow-bellied Elaenia** *Elaenia flavogaster* – Common bird in El Valle area
- **Lesser Elaenia** *Elaenia chiriquensis* – One found by Carlos on Semaphore Hill Road
- **Ochre-bellied Flycatcher** *Mionectes oleaginous* – Spotted by Lori on Semaphore Hill Road
- **Paltry Tyrannulet** *Zimmerius vilissimus* – One seen in El Valle Area
- **Northern Scrub-Flycatcher** *Sublegatus arenarum* – Several perched low in hedgerow trees bordering El Chiru agricultural fields
- **Black-capped Pygmy-Tyrant** *Myiornis atricapillus* – Seen off of Canopy Tower
- **Scale-crested Pygmy-Tyrant** *Laphotriccus pileatus* – Several seen in trees along La Mesa Road
- **Pale-eyed Pygmy-Tyrant** *Lophotriccus pilaris* – Incredibly, Carlos was able to scope this subtly-colored, diminutive bird for us in the El Chiru agricultural fields
- **Southern Bentbill** *Oncostoma olivaceum*- Seen on Pipeline Road
- **Common Tody-Flycatcher** *Todirostrum cinereum* – Seen at boat landing after our tour of Chagres River and Gatun Lake. Seen twice again in La Valle area.

- **Olivaceous Flatbill** *Rhynchocyclus olivaceus* – Watched this bird for some time moving through brush along Pipeline Road
- **Panama Flycatcher** *Myiarchus panamensis* – Spotted and photographed (see trip report) by Woody along Achiote Road, then seen again in El Chiru area.
- **Lesser Kiskadee** *Pitangus lektor* – Seen well on Chagres River, Gatun Lake and Summit Ponds
- **Great Kiskadee** *Pitangus sulphuratus* – Seen and heard daily as it called out its name
- **Boat-billed Flycatcher** *Megarynchus pitangua* – Seen well on Chagres River and at Summit Ponds
- **Tropical Kingbird** *Tyrannus melancholicus* – Along with Great Kiskadee and Great-tailed Grackle, one of most common birds of trip, seen every day.
- **Gray Kingbird** *Tyrannus dominicensis* – Only seen once, in rice fields near El Chiru
- **Fork-tailed Flycatcher** *Tyrannus savanna* – First spotted by Andy, and then seen often in El Chiru agricultural areas
- **Masked Tityra** *Tityra semifasciata* – First seen along Achiote Road and then several times more, including once spotted by Molly, perched above the Canopy Lodge
- **Black-crowned Tityra** *Tityra inquisitor* – Seen in same tree with Masked Tityra along Achiote Road
- **Purple-throated Fruitcrow** *Querula purpurata* – Several seen flying through the canopy from the Canopy Tower
- **Blue Cotinga** *Cotinga nattererii* – This iconic indigo-blue bird was seen from afar but well in the scope from Canopy Platform. The next day, Woody spotted a female up close on Semaphore Hill Road.
- **Lance-tailed Manakin** *Chiroxiphia lanceolata* – Woody spotted one of several in the El Chiru agricultural fields
- **Red-capped Manakin** *Ceratopipra mentalis* – Woody found one of these on our first walk along Semaphore Hill Road.
- **Golden-crowned Manakin** *Manacus vitellinus* – Heard their distinct wing “snaps” then saw several clearly on last day along Las Minas Road.
- **Blue-crowned Manakin** *Manacus vitellinus* – One seen on Semaphore Hill Road
- **Yellow-throated Vireo** *Vireo flavifrons* – Along Semaphore Hill Road
- **Scrub Greenlet** *Hylophilus flavipes* – Seen in agricultural fields near El Chiru
- **Golden-fronted Greenlet** *Hylophilus aurantiifrons* – Several seen in El Chiru area
- **Green Shrike-Vireo** *Vireolanus pulchellus* – Heard on multiple occasions at Canopy Tower, then seen briefly along Semaphore Hill Road
- **Black-chested Jay** *Cyanocorax affinis* – Several seen and heard clearly along Achiote Road; several more seen in El Valle area
- **Gray-breasted Martin** *Progne chalybea* – A common part of the sky-scape on Canopy Tower and in El Chiru area
- **Mangrove Swallow** *Tachycineta albilinea* – Abundant in Chagres River and Gatun Lake
- **Blue-and-white Swallow** *Pygochelidon cyanoleuca* – Common along Panama Canal
- **Southern Rough-winged Swallow** *Stelgidopteryx ruficollis* – Seen especially well at San Lorenzo Fortress and at Summit Ponds
- **Barn Swallow** *Hirundo rustica* – Common along Panama Canal
- **House Wren** *Troglodytes aedon* – Seen and heard most days in urban and agricultural areas, including at both lodges
- **Rufous-breasted Wren** *Pheugopedius rutilus* – Found along La Mesa Road, La Valle
- **Black-bellied Wren** *Pheugopedius fasciatoventris* – Seen and photographed (trip report) along Semaphore Hill Road
- **Plain Wren** *Cantorchilus modestus* – Found in El Chiru agricultural fields
- **Bay Wren** *Cantorchilus nigricapillus* – Seen and heard most days, especially around Canopy Lodge. Its song resembles the sound of an alarm clock.

- **White-breasted Wood-wren** *Henicorhina leucosticte* – Part of the great bird convergence associated with the Army Ant swarm on Semaphore Hill Road
- **Song Wren** *Cyphorhinus phaeocephalus* – We had short but memorable looks at this beautiful rufous-colored wren with an aqua-blue eye patch near Canopy Platform
- **Tawny-faced Gnatwren** *Microbates cineriventris* – Seen along Las Minas Road
- **Long-billed Gnatwren** *Ramphocaenus melanurus* – Yet another sighting on the super productive morning we had on Semaphore Hill Road. This bird's tail vibrates when it sings its chattering song
- **Tropical Gnatcatcher** *Polioptila plumbea* – Spotted by Andy along Achiotte Road where it was perched in a long, hanging vine
- **Pale-vented Thrush** *Turdus obsoletus* – Seen along Las Minas Road
- **Clay-colored Thrush** *Turdus grayi* – The national bird of Costa Rica, this thrush was a serious contender for most common bird species of the trip
- **Tropical Mockingbird** *Mimus gilvus* – Seen on each of the first four days of the trip in the Canopy Tower and Canal zone of the trip
- **Louisiana Waterthrush** *Parkesia noveboracensis* – Several found by Bill and Stef in the Rio Guayabo that flows through the Canopy Lodge Grounds
- **Northern Waterthrush** *Parkesia noveboracensis* – Seen well with tail bobbing in moist ravine near Ammo Ponds
- **Golden-winged Warbler** *Vermivora chrysoptera* – Beautiful looks at this beautiful warbler along La Mesa Road
- **Black-and-white Warbler** *Mniotilta varia* – Lori spotted one of these next to a chapel on La Mesa Road
- **Prothonotary Warbler** *Prothonotaria citrea* – One seen clearly in brambles along one of Summit Ponds
- **Tennessee Warbler** *Oreothlypis peregrina* – Frequenting Purple Verbena flowers at Canopy Lodge
- **Mourning Warbler** *Geothlypis philadelphia* – Sue spotted one by the chapel along La Mesa Road
- **American Redstart** *Setophaga ruticilla* – Heard loudly and clearly as it sang to us just as we were departing from the Canopy Lodge on a birding excursion
- **Bay-breasted Warbler** *Setophaga castanea* – Common warbler around both lodges
- **Blackburnian Warbler** *Setophaga fusca* – Denise spotted this Neotropical migrant
- **Yellow Warbler** *Setophaga petechia* – Seen on most days in riparian habitat
- **Chestnut-sided Warbler** *Setophaga pensylvanica* – Seen especially well around Canopy Lodge in El Valle
- **Buff-rumped Warbler** *Basileuterus rufifrons* – Great looks were had of these intriguing warblers with conspicuous white rumps and a crescendo of chirping calls as they moved along the banks of the Rio Guayaba on the Canopy Lodge grounds
- **Canada Warbler** *Cardellina canadensis* – Clear views of this migratory warbler and its “necklace” were had along La Mesa Road
- **Bananaquit** *Coereba flaveola* – Seen most days of the trip around both lodges
- **Dusky-faced Tanager** *Mitrospingus cassinii* – Seen on Canopy Lodge grounds
- **Gray-headed Tanager** *Eucometis penicillata* – Several seen well on Semaphore Hill Road
- **White-shouldered Tanager** *Tachyphonus fuctuosus* – Spotted by Andy on Semaphore Hill Road
- **Tawny-crested Tanager** *Tachyphonus delatrii* – Seen on three consecutive days in the El Valle and El Chiru areas
- **White-lined Tanager** *Tachyphonus rufus* – Andy spotted one on our last morning birding with Carlos on Las Minas Road
- **Crimson-backed Tanager** *Ramphocelus dimidiatus* – This gorgeous bird was seen on most days in multiple locations, including at feeders at Canopy Lodge
- **Flame-rumped Tanager** *Ramphocelus flammigerus* – Commonly-seen tanager – especially in La Valle area and on feeders at Canopy Lodge
- **Blue-gray Tanager** *Thraupis episcopus* – Common tanager, seen every day

- **Palm Tanager** - *Thraupis palmarum* – Seen daily, but seen and heard in all its glory from Canopy Tower where golden early light brought out all of its subtle color tones
- **Golden-hooded Tanager** *Tangara larvata* – Great looks boat ramp after Chagres River and Gatun Lake tour
- **Plain-colored Tanager** *Tangara inornata* – First seen near Gatun Lake; then seen on next two days
- **Bay-headed Tanager** *Tangara gyrola* – This somewhat gaudy yet beautiful tanager frequented the Canopy Lodge grounds
- **Silver-throated Tanager** *Tangara icterocephala* – Flock of six seen in wooded area along La Mesa Road. Ron took nice photographs (see trip report)
- **Blue Dacnis** *Dacnis cayana* – Spectacular views of pair from Canopy Tower
- **Green Honeycreeper** *Chlorophanes spiza* – First seen in all of its fluorescent green glory off of Canopy Tower in the early morning light
- **Red-legged Honeycreeper** *Cyanerpes cyaneus* – Seen at boat ramp prior to Chagres River/Gatun Lake tour; then again on three other days near both lodges
- **Streaked Saltator** *Saltator striatipectus* – Seen along Achote Road, at La Valle and El Chiru agricultural areas
- **Buff-throated Saltator** *Saltator maximus* – First spotted by Bill at Ammo Ponds; then seen on next five consecutive days
- **Black-headed Saltator** *Saltator grossus* – Seen near chapel along La Mesa Road, El Valle
- **Blue-black Grassquit** *Volatinia jacarina* – Well seen in grasslands around El Chiru
- **Variable Seedeater** *Sporophila Americana* – Seen most days in roadside grasslands
- **Yellow-bellied Seedeater** *Sporophila nigricollis* – Found by Bill on edge of roadside puddle near Gatun Locks on the Panama Canal
- **Ruddy-breasted Seedeater** *Sporophila minuta* – We all enjoyed a great look at this pretty Seedeater perched on a fence in the morning light near El Chiru
- **Yellow-faced Grassquit** *Tiaris olivaceus* – Common but charismatic roadside birds seen on the last three days of the tour
- **Saffron Finch** *Sicalis flaveola* – Several seen at pond near Gatun Locks
- **Orange-billed Sparrow** *Arremon aurantirostris* – Great look at one just outside the open air dining and living area of Canopy Lodge
- **Chestnut-capped Brush-Finch** *Arremon brunneinucha* – Seen moving through brush from trail near Las Minas Road
- **Black-striped Sparrow** *Arremonops conirostris* – One seen very well while walking along Las Minas Road
- **Hepatic Tanager** *Piranga flava* – Several flew overhead and perched nearby, their colors projecting through the fog-shrouded morning along Las Minas Road
- **Summer Tanager** *Piranga rubra* – Seen well at Ammo and Summit Ponds
- **Red-crowned Ant Tanager** *Habia rubica* – A pair graced us with their presence on the feeders at Canopy Lodge
- **Red-breasted Blackbird** *Sturnella militaris* – Seen on grassy area near Canal zone and again in grasslands near El Chiru
- **Eastern Meadowlark** *Sturnella magna* – Woody spotted several in El Chiru grasslands
- **Great-tailed Grackle** *Quiscalus mexicanus* – Seen and heard daily from our hotels in Panama City throughout the rest of the tour
- **Shiny Cowbird** *Molothrus bonariensis* – Seen along La Mesa Road, El Valle
- **Bronzed Cowbird** *Molothrus aeneus* – Encountered along Achote Road
- **Giant Cowbird** *Molothrus oryzivorus* – Seen well attempting to lay eggs in the hanging nests of Chestnut-headed Oropendolas at San Lorenzo Park
- **Yellow-backed Oriole** *Icterus chrysater* – Woody spotted one from the top of Canopy Platform
- **Yellow-tailed Oriole** *Icterus mesomelas* – Seen on ground and perched on fences at Ammo Ponds

- **Baltimore Oriole** *Icterus galbula* – Seen at Ammo and Summit Ponds
- **Yellow-billed Cacique** *Amblycercus holosericeus* – Seen several times, most clearly and often at Canopy Lodge feeders
- **Scarlet-rumped Cacique** *Cacicus uropygialis* – Several seen well from Pipeline Road
- **Yellow-rumped Cacique** *Cacicuscia* – Visited active nesting colony along Achiotte Road
- **Chestnut-headed Oropendola** *Psarocolius wagleri* – Seen most days; Best views on grounds of Canopy Lodge where they sometimes came to the feeders
- **Yellow-crowned Euphonia** *Euphonia luteicapilla*- Identified by Carlos while searching for Tody Motmots just outside of Canopy Lodge
- **Thick-billed Euphonia** *Euphonia laniirostris* – Seen daily but especially well from top of Canopy Tower
- **Tawny-capped Euphonia** *Euphonia annae* – Seen on last three days of tour in El Valle and El Chiru areas
- **Lesser Goldfinch** *Spinus psaltria* – Seen near chapel along La Mesa Road and again in El Chiru grasslands
- **House Sparrow** *Passer domesticus* – Seen at the beginning and the end of tour in urban areas, along the canal and even at the airport

MAMMALS

- **Hoffman's Two-toed Sloth** *Choloepus hoffmanni* – Seen from Canopy Tower
- **Brown-throated Three-toed Sloth** *Bradypus variegates* – Seen on multiple days, but best view was near Las Minas Road where sloth was eating leaves near location where we first saw an Orange-bellied Trogon
- **Nine-banded Armadillo** *Dasypus novemcinctus* – Spotted by Bill from open vehicle on Semaphore Hill Road
- **Proboscis Bat** *Rhynchonycteris*- Saw 25 roosting upside down on overhanging piece of wood above Gatun Lake
- **Little Mastif Bat** *Molossus molossus* – Common outdoors and occasionally inside at the Canopy Tower
- **Geoffroy's Tamarin** *Sanguinus geoffroyi* – Enjoyed close looks at a troop from our boat on the shore of Gatun Lake
- **White-faced Capucin** *Cebus capucinus* – Also had great, close-in looks at a troop of Capucin at Gatun Lake
- **Mantled Howler** *Alouatta palliata* – A daily presence via occasional appearances and frequent howling (growling?) heard at Canopy Tower
- **Variegated Squirrel** *Sciurus variegatoides* – One seen clearly near Summit Ponds
- **Red-tailed Squirrel** *Sciurus granatensis* – Common in woodlands and feeders near Canopy Lodge
- **Western Pygmy Squirrel** *Microsciurus mimulus* – One individual seen along Las Minas Road by Carlos and shown to all
- **Central American Agouti** *Dasyprocta punctata* – Seen most days, especially along Semaphore Hill Road
- **Forest Rabbit** *Sylvilagus gabbi* – Seen near Ammo Ponds
- **White-nosed Coati** *Nasua narica* – Seen by Sheryl and Andy from open-air vehicle near Gamboa
- **Jaguarundi** *Puma yagouaroundi* – This amazing spot made by Barbara as she crested a hill on a trail we were walking on a side road off of La Mesa Road searching for Tody Motmots
- **Coyote** *Canis latrans* – One spotted by Carlos perusing El Chiru rice fields from a raised mound

AMPHIBIANS & REPTILES

Buffo Frog *Bufo marinus* – Seen in Colon province of Panama on Day 3

Tropical Slider Turtle *Trachemys scripta elegans* – Abundant on Summit Ponds

Black Iguana *Ctenosaura similis* – Great look at one displaying on a stone wall near Ammo Ponds

Green Iguana *Iguana iguana* – AKA Common Iguana, seen in trees near Summit Ponds and in El Valle

Basilisk Lizard *Basiliscus basiliscus*- Found basking on rocks in Rio Guayabo near Canopy Lodge
House Gecko *Hemidactylus frenatus* – Ever present in sound and appearance around Canopy Tower

BUTTERFLIES

Blue Morpho *Morpho peleides* – Abundant at Canopy Lodge but seen on most days

Small Postman *Heliconius erato* – Molly found and identified this one at Ammo Ponds

Iphicleola Sister *Adelpha iphicleola iphicleola* – Seen at Canopy Platform; photographed by Lori

Tutia Clearwing *Ceratinia tutia dorilla* – Spotted by Sue along Pipeline Road; photographed by Woody

Rusty-tipped Page *Siproeta epaphus* – Seen near Canopy Lodge; photographed by Woody

Starry Night Cracker *Hamadryas laodamia* – Seen along road between Canopy Lodge and Canopy Adventure Center; Ron took photo (see report)

Great Sheenmark *Eurybia patrona persona* – Molly found one on Semaphore Hill Road