

Veracruz Mexico: River of Raptors & More Species List | October 16-27, 2025 with Naturalist Journeys



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From the beaches to the mountains, we birded in many varying habitats. Much time was spent in the lowland areas around Veracruz, which consisted of Tropical Savannah, and is home to many of our favorite species, like Mexican Sheartail and Veracruz Wren. We sat gazing up at rivers of raptors, as they moved through the most important migration corridor in the world. We covered coffee farms, rivers, and high-elevation mountain forest. We saw Red Warbler at 8,000 ft. in elevation, and Aplomado Falcons at sea level. Massive grasslands provided Common Tody-flycatchers, and the slopes of volcanoes produced Tuxtla Quail-Dove. The state of Veracruz and its magnitude of climate zones created a rich experience for us along our travels.

BIRDS 232 species were recorded, of which 4 were heard only.

The eBird link below details the 232 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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Following is a list of the birds, mammals, reptiles and amphibians we were fortunate to observe during the trip.

Family Species or Common Name Scientific Name:

MAMMALS: — (7)

Nine-banded Armadillo *Dasypus novemcinctus*

Common Raccoon *Procyon lotor*

White-nosed Coati *Nasua narica*

Red-bellied Squirrel *Sciurus aureogaster*

Mantled Howler Monkey *Alouatta palliata* — Heard calling in a few locations

Eastern Cottontail *Sylvilagus floridanus*

Aguti *Dasyprocta mexicana*

REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS: — (2)

Northern Spiny-tailed Iguana *Ctenosaura acanthura*

Green Iguana *Iguana iguana*