

# Lesser Antilles Endemics: A 3-Island Classic Species List | December 3-13, 2025 with Naturalist Journeys



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The group of ten participants, met with Naturalist Journeys host, Chris, at the fabulous Balenbouche Estate, some arriving early, other later due to flight problems. We were to visit St Lucia, Dominica and St Vincent with a short stop on the bonus island of Barbados. Our main targets were the island and regional endemic birds, as well as any other wonderful wildlife on the way. We were lucky with the weather being at the tail end of the rainy season and only had a few of periods of downpour during the trip.

St Lucia delivered several endemics on the first morning with great views of the St Lucia Amazon and St Lucia Warbler and next day we saw St Lucia Thrasher and the often difficult St Lucia Black Finch. Chocolate making and a volcano added color to our time there, and on our last day on the island we saw the St Lucia Oriole and the St Lucia Wren. Other regional endemics included Purple-throated Carib, Gray Tumbler, Lesser Antillean Bullfinch, Lesser Antillean Flycatcher and Lesser Antillean Saltator. On Dominica the main target was the very rare Imperial Amazon, which was sadly only heard but we saw the other endemics - Red-necked Amazon, Kalinago Wren, Plumbeous Warbler and Blue-headed Hummingbird. On our whale watch we only saw Pantropical Spotted Dolphins, with the whales remaining submerged. Our final island, St Vincent delivered its endemic parrot, the St Vincent Amazon, and the often elusive Whistling Warbler put on a good show for us. The final full day was spent on a boat tour round Bequia in the Grenadines, with lots of boobies and terns. The morning of our departure we made a last-ditch attempt to see the endemic St Vincent Wren, which was successful, but sadly we missed the Lesser Antillean Tanager.

92 species of birds, three mammals, ten reptiles and amphibians (many endemic), 13 butterflies and three dragonflies.

**BIRDS:** 92 species were recorded of which two were heard only, 26 were endemic to the Lesser Antilles and four were introduced. The eBird link below details the 92 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 mammals, reptiles and amphibians we were fortunate to observe during the trip.

**Family or Species Common Name: Scientific Name** — ()

**Mammals (3):**

**MONGOOSEES: Herpestidae**

**Small Indian Mongoose (I)** *Herpestes javanicus*

Seen crossing the road on St Lucia

**Red-rumped Agouti (I)** *Dasyprocta leporina*

Seen crossing the road in Dominica

**Pantropical Spotted Dolphin** *Stenella attenuata*

Seen offshore along the west coast of Dominica

**Reptiles (7):**

**IGUANAS Iguanidae** — (1)

**Lesser Antillean Iguana (E-L Antilles)** *Iguana delicatissima*

Seen on the Indian River boat trip

**ANOLES: Dactyloidae** — (4)

**Dominican Anole (E-Dominica)** *Anolis oculatus*

Common, seen almost everywhere on Dominica

**St. Vincent Bush Anole (E-St. Vincent)** *Anolis trinitatis*

Common on St Vincent

**St. Lucian Anole (E-St. Lucia)** *Anolis luciae*

Seen in many locations in St Lucia

**Cuban Brown Anole (I)** *Anolis sagrei*

Seen at Brighton Beach Road, St Vincent

**AMEIVAS AND WHIPTAILS: Teiidae** — (2)

**Dominican Ameiva (E-Dominica)** *Pholidoscelis fuscatus* — ()

Seen at Tamarind Tree and several other places

**St. Lucia Whiptail (E-St Lucia)** *Cnemidophorus vanzoi*

Rare and endangered, several seen on Praslin Island

**Amphibians (3):**

**WHISTLING FROGS: Eleutherodactylidae**

**Lesser Antillean Whistling Frog** - *Eleutherodactylus johnstonei*

Common on St Lucia and Dominica where it is noisy at night

**St Vincent Whistling Frog (E-Dominica)** *Eleutherodactylus shrevei*

One tiny found individual found by our guide in the Montreal area

**TOADS: Bufonidae**

**Cane Toad** - *Bufo marinus*

One seen at night at Balenbouche, St Lucia

**Butterflies and moths: Lepidoptera (17):**

**Butterflies (13):**

**Great Southern White** *Ascia monuste*

Seen on all islands

**Marcellina Sulphur** *Phoebis marcellina*

Seen on all islands

**Little Yellow** *Eurema lisa*

Seen on all islands

**Banded Yellow** *Eurema alatheia*

Seen at Balenbouche, St Lucia

**White Peacock** *Anartia jatrophae*

Seen on all islands

**Julia Heliconian (Flambeau)** *Dryas julia*

Common on all islands

**Northern Tropical Buckeye** *Junonia zonalis*

Seen on all islands

**Orion Cecropian** *Historis odius*

Seen on Dominica

**Hanno Blue** *Hemiargus hanno*

Tiny blue butterfly, seen on all islands

**Antillean Hammock Skipper** *Polygonus leo*

Seen on Dominica and St Lucia

**Long-tailed Skipper** *Urbanus proteus*

Seen on Dominica

**Tropical Checkered Skipper** *Pyrgus oileus*

Seen on St Lucia

**Orcus Checkered Skipper** *Pyrgus orcus*

Seen on St Lucia

**Moths (4):**

**Ornate Bella** - *Utethesia ornatrix*

Seen on grasses at Eau Piquant, St Lucia

**Tetrio Sphinx** - *Pseudosphinx tetrio*

Striking black, white and red caterpillars seen on St Lucia and St Vincent

**Fig Sphinx** - *Pachylia ficus*

Adult seen inside the house at Balenbouche

**Rustic Sphinx** - *Manduca rustica*

Caterpillar seen at Montreal, St Vincent

**DRAGONFLIES & DAMSELFLIES: Odonata (3):**

**Rambur's Forktail** *Ischnura ramburii*

Common, seen on St Lucia and St Vincent

**Antillean Skimmer** *Orthemis macrostigma*

Very common. Seen on St Lucia, Dominica and St Vincent

**Band-winged Dragonlet** *Erythrodiplax umbrata*

A widespread species, seen on St Lucia and Dominica.