



## Brazil: Pantanal, Caraça & Trilha dos Toucanos Species List July 2016

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### BIRDS (308 species)

(E) = Endemic

RE = Regional endemic, shared with neighboring countries having similar habitat

ATL = Atlantic Forest Specialty

#### Rheidae: Rheas (1)

**Greater Rhea** *Rhea americana*— Pantanal, seen on our first day and then daily from there, sometimes small groups of not-yet adults, sometimes tall and more stately adults. Groups were typically 2-5 and no young chicks were seen.

#### Tinamidae: Tinamous (1)

**Undulated Tinamou** *Crypturellus undulatus*— Pantanal, Bob had a good look, and Peg and others a glimpse at one individual in a small areas of trees close to Pouso Alegre, the evening we arrived. We heard them on several other occasions.

#### Anhimidae: Screamers (1)

**Southern Screamer** *Chauna torquata*— Pantanal, their huge size and commanding presence was great to observe. Often seen in pairs atop marshland shrubs.

#### Anatidae: Ducks & Geese (4)

**White-faced Whistling Duck** *Dendrocygna bicolor*— Pantanal, one group of 8 or so seen as we traveled the Transpantanierra.

**Black-bellied Whistling Duck** *Dendrocygna autumnalis*— Pantanal, seen in big numbers at the lagoon we traveled to by tractor from Pousada Piuval our first full day.

**Muscovy Duck** *Cairina moschata*— Pantanal, we had very good looks while at Piuval and a few other locations

**Brazilian Teal** *Amazonetta brasiliensis*— Pantanal, widely distributed in marsh settings

### **Cracidae: Chachalacas, Guans & Curassows (7)**

**Chaco Chachalaca** *Ortalis canicollis*— Pantanal, our alarm clock. Their chanting began before day, and certainly brought one out of bed. They were avidly feeding on the large purple flowering trees, *Tabebuia impetiginosa*, locally called Piúva or Ipê, by visitors the Purple Trumpet Tree.

**Dusky-legged Guan** *Penelope obscura*— Caraça, this was the only guan there and numerous. One flock waited at the main entrance to the church for visitors to toss them snacks, one group of children squealed with delight in doing so. We had them by the small pond, out on trails, daily counts of 30 or more.

**Chestnut-bellied Guan (E)** *Penelope ochrogaster*— Pantanal, our best looks were a pair seen at Pouso Alegre, shy but somewhat acclimated to the routine of the ranch comings and goings. We also saw them when walking in forested areas, on four of our days.

**Blue-throated Piping-Guan** *Pipile cumanensis grayi* — Pantanal, most of the large Piping-guans we saw had blue throats, and this species seems to be thriving. We saw them on four of our days, a high day count of 15.

**Red-throated Piping-Guan** *Pipile cufubi*— Pantanal, feeding alongside a Blue-throated Piping-Guan.

**Black-fronted Piping-Guan (RE, ATL)** *Pipile jacutinga*— Atlantic Forest, Trilha dos Toucanos, one individual seen on our day in Atlantic Forest at this location. It made a great fly through pass just as we were loading the van to go.

**Bare-faced Curassow** *Crax fasciolata*— Pantanal, the ranches we visited all had fairly tame individuals hanging around feeders and organic waste areas, affording some great photo ops. But we saw them far from the ranches as well, alongside lagoons and on forest trails.

### **Ciconiidae: Storks (2)**

**Jabiru** *Jabiru mycteria*— Pantanal, this regal species was an icon for our trip. We waited patiently to see chicks poking out of a nest on the road by Pouso Alegre, only to have a bird's eye view from the tower at South Wild. Several days we saw at dozen or more, wow!

**Wood Stork** *Mycteria americana*— Pantanal, good numbers, we enjoyed them flying overhead in early morning light, feeding along the lagoons and rivers, and carrying nest sticks to chosen trees.

### **Phalacrocoracidae: Cormorants (1)**

**Neotropic Cormorant** *Phalacrocorax brasilianus*— Pantanal, numerous and seen daily. Best moments were watching them wrangle prey down their long necks, when seemingly the item could never fit.

### **Anhingidae: Darters**

**Anhinga** *Anhinga anhinga*—Pantanal, this elegant species was seen daily.

### **Ardeidae: Herons, Egrets & Bitterns (11)**

**Rufescent Tiger-Heron** *Tigrisoma lineatum*—Pantanal, surprising numbers, especially on the boat trip downriver from South Wild. We had remarkable close up views and got to watch them from numerous angles.

**Cocoi Heron** *Ardea cocoi*—Pantanal, common, sporting breeding plumes.

**Great Egret** *Ardea alba*— Pantanal, seen most days in small but regular numbers.

**Snowy Egret** *Egretta thula*—Pantanal, more common than Great Egrets.

**Little Blue Heron** *Egretta caerulea*—Seen only in the upper part of the Transpantaneira in small numbers.

**Cattle Egret** *Bubulcus ibis*—Pantanal, seen daily our first four days when in the cattle ranching part of the region.

**Striated Heron** *Butorides striatus*—Pantanal, seen daily, high number 75.

**Agami Heron** *Agami agami*—Pantanal, we worked hard for looks at this elusive species, seeing one and hearing another on the same stretch of stream from South Wild.

**Whistling Heron** *Syrigma sibilatrix*—Pantanal, seen on four days, with a second day count of 40 of this stunning creature. Caraça, three seen on our first day from Belo Horizonte.

**Capped Heron** *Pilherodius pileatus*—Pantanal, seen on four days, one very close as we walked down the road from Pouso Alegre, hiding in thick brush alongside a lagoon. We saw them on travel down the Transpantaneira, one or two each day.

**Black-crowned Night-Heron** *Nycticorax nycticorax*—Pantanal, seen on six days with high count of 40. Seen roosting, flying, often in the company of Boat-billed Heron.

**Boat-billed Heron** *Cochlearius cochlearius*—Pantanal, Peg spied the first ones from one of the bridges we stopped at, a chocolate colored juvenile preening itself with its spatula bill. We had 15 on the morning down-river boat trip from South Wild, impressive.

### **Threskiornithiae: Ibises & Spoonbills (5)**

**Green Ibis** *Mesembrinibis cayennensis*— Pantanal, seen on five of our days, six the high count on our first day. Trilha dos Toucanos, two.

**Bare-faced Ibis** *Phimosus infuscatus*— Pantanal, seen on four of our days, with a high count of 20 at Pouso Alegre. Not seen in the lower part of the Transpantaneira.

**Plumbeous Ibis** *Theristicus caerulescens*— Pantanal, seen on five days, so amazing to watch from the tractor ride at Piuval and then at Pouso Alegre, with 80 the high count for a day.

**Buff-necked Ibis** *Theristicus caudatus*— Pantanal, seen on six days, with a high count of 45. This robust species was fun to watch, often occurring in pairs. Spied at the airport as we landed in Cuiabá.

**Roseate Spoonbill** *Platalea ajaja*— Pantanal, seen on four days of our journey. Best close views were those overhead flying along the river we reached on our tractor drive from Piuval. There we had a roost tree as well, with a high count of 50.

### **Carthartidae: American Vultures (4)**

**Black Vulture** *Coragyps atratus*— Seen throughout the trip, at all locations, over 100 individuals several days, we quit counting.

**Turkey Vulture** *Cathartes aura*— Seen near the airport at Sao Paulo, but absent from Pantanal. Once we arrived in Belo Horizonte, we saw them regularly in small numbers.

**Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture** *Cathartes burrovianus*— Pantanal, seen daily. High counts were 70+. We had regular, good close views in flight.

**King Vulture** *Sarcoramphus papa*— Caraça and Ouro Preto. Two sightings on our trip, one from the patio of the monastery and the other spotted by Barry as we had lunch after our tour of the historic city, a great find. We had a nice long time to admire both.

### **Accipitridae: Hawks, Eagles & Kites (8)**

**White-tailed Kite** *Elanus leucurus*—Pantanal, Peg spied one individual in the air, hovering, with terns around it as we left Pto. Jofre and past over vast open wetlands.

**Black-collared Hawk** *Busarellus nigricollis*— Pantanal, this gorgeous hawk was particularly common, we heard them calling, and watched their acrobatic flight and landings.

**Snail Kite** *Rostrhamus sociabilis*—Pantanal, most numerous (100+) in the wide lagoon area from Piuval. We had them on all days, often passing their snail and crab refuse piles as we walked on trails and boardwalks. Great flight shows.

**Plumbeous Kite** *Ictinia plumbea*—One individual seen from Pouso Alegre.

**Crane Hawk** *Geranospiza caerulescens*—Pantanal, just one sighting from the tractors traversing the wetlands near Piuval. We watched it land and got fairly close for good views.

**Savanna Hawk** *Buteogallus meridionalis*—Pantanal, they seemed to pose for us. We spied several very dark individuals in the mix, seen daily while in that region.

**Great Black Hawk** *Buteogallus urubitinga*—Pantanal, seen daily, up to 8 individuals.

**Roadside Hawk** *Rupornis magnirostris*—Pantanal, seen daily, high count of 8 individuals midway through. Trilha dos Toucanos, one individual seen en route from Sao Paulo.

### **Eurypygidae: Sunbittern (1)**

**Sunbittern** *Eurypyga helias*—Pantanal, great to see them on multiple days, at one point near the entry gate we had one at very close range, intent on feeding and ignoring us. One entertained us as we waited at a pond for possible mammals to come in one evening. Several times we saw the spread wing pattern in flight.

### **Rallidae: Rails, Gallinules & Coots (5)**

**Gray-cowled (Gray-necked) Wood-Rail** *Aramides cajaneus cajaneus* —Pantanal, seen all but one day, high count of 15. Excellent looks at this sometimes furtive species.

**Slaty-breasted Wood-Rail (RE, ATL)** *Aramides saracura*—Trilha do Toucanos, one individual in the pond, then seen both days we went to the farm at Caraça, bold as they came out onto the grassy areas.

**Ash-throated Crake** *Porzana albicollis*—Pantanal, heard only on one occasion.

**Blackish Rail** *Pardirallus nigricans*—Pantanal, Bob and Kelly had quick looks on one of our roadside wetland stops. Caraça, seen well by all that were on the pre-breakfast walk, at the small pond right near check-in.

**Purple Gallinule** *Porphyrio martinicus*—Pantanal, just one sighting, at the pond we awaited for hopeful sightings of tapir and other mammals.

### **Aramidae: Limpkin (1)**

**Limpkin** *Aramus guarauna*—Pantanal, in rather amazing numbers, on the tractor ride from Piuval we had over 100 our first full morning.

### **Recurvirostridae: Stilts and Avocets (1)**

**Black-necked (White-backed) Stilt** *Himantopus mexicanus*—Pantanal, very distinctive in plumage, we had several individuals of this white-backed form.

### **Charadriidae: Lapwings & Plovers (3)**

**Pied Lapwing** *Vanellus cayanus*—Pantanal, seen both days along the big rivers from Pto. Jofre, on beaches and sandbars.

**Southern Lapwing** *Vanellus chilensis*—Pantanal, common, several pairs nesting, seen incubating, courting, and being highly territorial. Not hard to track this highly vocal species!

**Collared Plover** *Charadrius collaris*—Pantanal, where Kelly spied one from our tractor ride at Piuval; the rest of us caught up to her sighting later in the week while on the large rivers from Pto. Jofre.

### **Jacanidae: Jacanas (1)**

**Wattled Jacana** *Jacana jacana*—Pantanal, regular sightings, adults and large juveniles. We watched them climb over capybaras and navigate the ponds on their snow-shoe style feet.

### **Scolopacidae: Sandpipers and Allies (1)**

**Solitary Sandpiper** *Tringa solitaria*—Pantanal, a couple individuals seen on one day.

### **Laridae: Gulls & Terns (2)**

**Yellow-billed Tern** *Sternula superciliaris*— Pantanal, this delicate and acrobatic tern was often with its larger cousin. Seen on four days, with a high count of 35.

**Large-billed Tern** *Phaetusa simplex*— Pantanal, most numerous in the lagoon we reached by tractor at Piuval, and then seen along the river each day from our floating hotel as we looked for Jaguars. Seen on four days of the trip.

### **Rynchopidae: Skimmers (1)**

**Black Skimmer** *Rynchops niger*—Pantanal, great to watch them on beaches of the big rivers from Pto. Jofre, they would leave the sandbars as the boats went by, then swirl around to land again. Kelly and Bob really wanted to see them and they had a good show!

### **Columbidae: Pigeons & Doves (13)**

**Rock Pigeon** *Columba livia*— Urban areas

**Pale-vented Pigeon** *Patagioenas cayennensis*— Pantanal, seen on six days, with higher numbers around the river while searching for Jaguars. High count of 30.

**Picazuro Pigeon** *Patagioenas picazuro*— Widespread. Pantanal, seen daily. Our high count was 250, at South Wild (Fazenda Teresa) where huge numbers came in each night to roost. Cacara seen on two days, and present at Trilha dos Toucanos, mainly in travel to get there and return to Sao Paolo.

**Plumbeous Pigeon** *Patagioenas plumbea*— Pantanal, the stealth pigeon seen on four days, or two individuals, so only the pigeon alert scored on this one.

**Plain-breasted Ground Dove** *Columbina minuta*—Pantanal, seen on two days, high count of 4, so not common.

**Ruddy Ground-Dove** *Columbina talpacoti*—Pantanal and Caraça, seen often, high count of 12 in Pantanal and 20 in Caraça.

**Scaled Dove** *Columbina squammata*—Pantanal, seen on four days, with a high count of six at Pouso Alegre.

**Picui Ground-Dove** *Columbina picui*—Pantanal, seen almost daily with high count of 40. Caraça, one day at the farm, count of six.

**Long-tailed Ground-Dove** *Uropelia campestris*—Pantanal, just one sighting of two perched individuals in the scopes, early morning light, lovely!

**White-tipped Dove** *Leptotila verreauxi*—Pantanal, seen almost daily, high count of 35.

**Gray-fronted Dove** *Leptotila rufaxilla*—Pantanal, Bob spotted a few in the mid-day down time at Pouso Alegre on one day. Trilha dos Toucanos, Peg had one by the feeders.

**Eared Dove** *Zenaida auriculata*—Pantanal, seen on three days being most numerous (30) at Piuval. Caraça, also seen on three days, high count of six.

### **Cuculidae: Cuckoos & Anis (5)**

**Squirrel Cuckoo** *Piaya cayana*—Pantanal, seen on four days, best looks on our last morning walk at Pouso Alegre at close range.

**Guira Cuckoo** *Guira guira*—Pantanal, a favorite for many with its wild plumage. On a morning walk from Pouso Alegre, we enjoyed watching a dozen or more wake up to sun themselves in the warmth of a grand old tree.

**Striped Cuckoo** *Tapera naevia*—Pantanal, we heard them several days, but finally got good looks on a morning walk at Pouso Alegre.

**Greater Ani** *Crotophaga major*—Pantanal, Kelly spied one that Xavier confirmed in a quiet bay of the river where Caimen, Jabiru, and Capybara mingled at sunset.

**Smooth-billed Ani** *Crotophaga ani*— Widespread, seen almost daily, easy to observe, high counts of 40.

### **Strigidae: Typical Owls (2)**

**Great Horned Owl** *Bubo virginianus*— We had two adults and a very large youngster at the “Owl Place” where we got super looks.

**Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl** *Glaucidium brasilianum*— Pantanal, we found two on arrival to Pouso Alegre close to the lodge. Heard on four other evenings.

### **Caprimulgidae: Nighthawks & Nightjars (3)**

**Nacunda Nighthawk** *Podager nacunda*— Pantanal, Martyn spied our first ones, flying low over the wetlands at Piuval. We were able to watch them in flight and perched. They seem fairly common here, with sightings on four days, and high count of 22.

**Band-tailed Nighthawk** *Nyctiprogne leucopyga*— Pantanal, seen on three days, best seen in the lights of our floating hotel, and also seen at South Wild.

**Common Pauraque** *Nyctidromus albicollis*— Pantanal, seen on two days and heard on another, high count of 6 on our night drive from Pouso Alegre.

### **Nyctibiidae: Potoos (1)**

**Great Potoo** *Nyctibius grandis*—Pantanal, a roosting individual on a walk from South Wild amazed everyone with its marvelous camouflage and enormous size.

### **Apodidae: Swifts (2)**

**White-collared Swift** *Streptoprocne zonaris*—Trilha dos Toucanos, a high flying group of 20.

**Gray-rumped Swift** *Chaetura cinereiventris*—Pantanal, we noticed them on our travel day down to Pto. Jofre. We also spied a small flock of five seen from Trilha dos Toucanos.

### **Trochilidae: Hummingbirds (13)**

**Black Jacobin (RE, ATL)** *Florisuga fusca*— Caraça, one individual seen at our first viewpoint stop above the sanctuary buildings in their spectacular setting.

**Scale-throated Hermit (RE, ATL)** *Phaethornis eurynome*— Seen very well for extended time at the feeders at Trilha dos Toucanos. Also seen at Caraça, one day, two individuals.

**White-vented Violetear** *Colibri serrirostris*— Caraça, seen each day with a high count of four individuals.

**Black-throated Mango** *Anthracothorax nigricollis*— Pantanal, one individual seen in flowering shrubs as we returned to the lodge grounds at Pto. Jofre from our floating hotel.

**Festive Coquette** *Lophornis chalybeus*— Trilha dos Toucanos, five individuals including two bright males, in flowering trees near the lodge. Wow!

**Brazilian Ruby (E)** *Clytolaema rubricauda*— Trilha dos Toucanos,

**Amethyst Woodstar** *Calliphlox amethystina*— Caraça, one flew in while we hiked a trail, Martyn called it and it came back to give us all super looks.

**Glittering-bellied Emerald** *Chlorostilbon aureoventris*— Good looks at one at the “Owl Place” Km 105, and then another individual seen at the farm below the monastery.

**Swallow-tailed Hummingbird** *Eupetomena macroura*— Our first sighting for those arriving early was a city park in Sao Paulo. We had them on our walk at Trilha dos Toucanos and on all three days at Caraça.

**Fork-tailed Woodnymph** *Thalurania furcata*— Pantanal: a female seen on flowers near the river where we needed our tractor ride at Piuval.

**Violet-capped Woodnymph** *Thalurania glaucopis*— Trilha dos Toucanos at the feeders, we had eight individuals! Bob found one on a walk at Caraça.

**White-throated Hummingbird** *Leucochloris albicollis*— Caraça, good looks at two individuals on one of our walks.

**Versicolored Emerald** *Amazilia versicolor*— Trilha dos Toucanos, four individuals at the feeders and in flowering trees.

**Glittering-throated Emerald** *Amazilia fimbriata*— Pantanal, seen on four days, including feeders at South Wild, and flowering shrubs at Pto. Jofre.

### **Trogonidae: Trogons & Quetzals (1)**

**Blue-crowned Trogon** *Trogon curucui*— Pantanal, all of us were so happy to see a pair of this stunning species. We found them on the morning boat ride at South Wild, and got very good looks, though too high for photography. Stunning!

### **Alcedinidae: Kingfishers (5)**

**Ringed Kingfisher** *Megaceryle torquata*— Pantanal, the most numerous and regularly seen kingfisher on our tour, on two days we had the high count of 35. Seen daily. Don got a stunning shot of one flying with a fish in its mouth, all spots showing, wow! Bob also found one at Trilha dos Toucanos, in a small pond.

**Amazon Kingfisher** *Chloroceryle amazona*— Pantanal, the second most common kingfisher, seen daily, with high counts on the same two days we peaked for Ringed, of 20 each day.

**Green Kingfisher** *Chloroceryle americana*— Pantanal, seen on seven of our eight days there, high count of six.

**Green-and-rufous Kingfisher** *Chloroceryle inda*— Pantanal, as so often the case an elusive one. We had one individual on two days, at the “Owl Place” km 105 on our return, and one day on the river at South Wild.

**American Pygmy Kingfisher** *Chloroceryle aenea*— Also present at the “Owl Place”, one posed at a close distance for good viewing. Peg spied another as we were looking for an Agami Heron and one boat got good views.

### **Momotidae: Motmots (1)**

**Amazonian Motmot** *Momotus momota*— Pantanal, Bob and Kelly found one individual at Pouso Alegre on a walk into a forested area one morning of our stay.

### **Bucconidae: Puffbirds (1)**

**Black-fronted Nunbird** *Monasa nigrifrons*— Pantanal, seen on three days of our trip, a high count of 25 on our day fully on the large river from Pto. Jofre.

### **Galbulidae: Jacamars (1)**

**Rufous-tailed Jacamar** *Galbula ruficauda*— Pantanal, seen on seven days, our first really close look on the evening trip to the “blind” where we hoped to spy tapirs. It posed and just ignored us. Caraça, we had good looks at a couple of spots, the closest view on the road into the farm below the Monastery.

### **Ramphastidae: Toucans & Aracaris (5)**

**Saffron Toucanet (E, ATL)** *Pteroglossus bailloni*— Trilha dos Toucanos, we had a group of eight come in to the feeders, astonishing us. If any bird can be said to glare this is it! They came in twice, and we just had fun admiring them.

**Chestnut-eared Aracari** *Pteroglossus castanotis*— Pantanal, fairly common especially around our lodges where they came in for fruit. Also seen as we traversed the rivers. Seen on five days, with a high count of six.

**Spot-billed Toucanet (E, ATL)** *Selenidera maculirostris*— Trilha dos Toucanos. One shy individual followed the first wave of Saffron Toucanets into the feeders. The bananas held its interest and we were happy to have time to stare.

**Toco Toucan** *Ramphastos toco*— Pantanal, seen daily. This bird emerged as a signature species, with a high count of seven at Pouso Alegre. We found two in a fruiting tree just at sunset, and Don got some memorable photos, intense color in those “fruit loops” bills.

**Red-breasted Toucan** *Ramphastos dicolorus*— Trilha dos Toucanos. This larger toucan stayed higher in trees surrounding the lodge, but in time we got good views despite the rains

### **Picidae: Woodpeckers & Piculets (8)**

**White Woodpecker** *Melanerpes candidus*— Pantanal, we had four our first day at Piuval and thought they would continue, but it turns out that was a treat. We had one fly over the tower our final outing from South Wild, and two on another day there.

**Yellow-fronted Woodpecker (RE, ATL)** *Melanerpes flavifrons*— Trilha dos Toucanos. This is one fancy woodpecker, and we had five individuals.

**Little Woodpecker** *Veniliornis passerinus*— Pantanal, seen on four days, good views on the morning walk at Pouso Alegre, seen at close range in large trees at the “Owl Place Km 105, and on both days at South Wild, high count of three.

**Green-barred Woodpecker** *Colaptes melanochloros*— Seen on two days, first two spotted by Bob and Kelly on an early morning forest walk at Piuval, and then the rest of us caught up with a walk the next morning out to the boardwalk at Pouso Alegre.

**Campo Flicker** *Colaptes campestris*— Pantanal, seen on four days with a high count of three. We had two on the ground at Piuval as we left on the tractor ride, and then sightings on three other days, three other locations. Regular, but not numerous.

**Cream-colored Woodpecker** *Ceelus flavus*—Pantanal, a great sighting, not expected, but close enough for photographs on a trail from South Wild into the drier forest habitat. Pale-crested is the expected one, but we had Barry’s great pix to help us sort this with a distinct pale breast. This was in the dry forest, coming back from finding Great Potoo and Helmeted Manakin.

**Lineated Woodpecker** *Dryocopus lineatus*— Pantanal, seen just one day, at Pouso Alegre.

**Robust Woodpecker** *Campephilus robustus*— Trilha dos Toucanos, heard only by the pond

**Crimson-crested Woodpecker** *Campephilus melanoleucus*— Pantanal, a pair seen flying across the ranch yard at South Wild, for those in the tower great to look down on the male.

### **Cariamidae: Seriemas (1)**

**Red-legged Seriema** *Cariama cristata*— Pantanal and Caraça. This is another iconic species for the trip. We’ll never forget finding them at distance, in the early morning light on a chilly walk from Piuval. We had them much closer at Caraça, at the farm below the Monastery.

### **Falconidae: Falcons & Caraçaras (5)**

**Southern Caraçara** *Caraçara plancus*— Pantanal and Caraça, an “every day” bird with a big personality. The high count was 40 around Pouso Alegre.

**Yellow-headed Caraçara** *Milvago chimachima*— Pantanal, seen at Pocone just after the first lunch, and then not seen again until we arrived in Caraça. There we had ten each day.

**Laughing Falcon** *Herpetotheres cachinnans*— Sao Paulo, Bob had one from the bus as we drove to Trilha dos Toucanos. We then heard two calling loudly and back and forth in thick tree cover at the farm below the Caraça Monastery.

**Aplomado Falcon** *Falco femoralis*— Pantanal, one individual seen by those on the horseback ride.

**Bat Falcon** *Falco ruficularis*— Pantanal, seen on two days, one or two individuals – one very cooperative for our photographers.

### **Psittacidae: Macaws, Parrots & Parakeets (15)**

**Monk Parakeet** *Myiopsitta monachus*— Pantanal, abundant and sharing their enormous, colonial nests with Jabiru. High count of 60.

**Plain Parakeet (E)** *Brotogeris tirica*— Sao Paulo, two seen in the city park we first ventured out to. We had 35 on our day at Trilha dos Toucanos, and then saw them at Caraça (8) and Ouro Preto (2).

**Yellow-chevroned Parakeet** *Brotogeris chiriri*— Pantanal, seen every day there, with a high count of 20.

**Scaly-headed Parrot** *Pionus maximiliani*— Pantanal, two seen well from the tower our final outing at South Wild, sunning on top of the canopy.

**Blue-headed Parrot** *Pionus menstruus*— Caraça, four seen at dusk, posing on a tree with bare dead limbs at the farm below the Monastery at Caraça.

**Turquoise-fronted Parrot** *Amazona aestiva*—Pantanal, the common Amazon, seen on six days, with a high count of 12.

**Orange-winged Parrot** *Amazon amazonica*— Pantanal, seen on our final three days, two individuals each day.

**Blue-winged Parrotlet** *Forpus xanthopterygius*— Caraça, two seen on our full day walking the trails there.

**Maroon-bellied Parakeet** *Pyrrhura frontalis*— Trilha dos Toucanos, 12 individuals, at close range on the feeders.

**Hyacinth Macaw** *Anodorhynchus hyacinthinus*— Pantanal. This bird makes the trip worthwhile on its own! Intense color, tame behavior around the ranches and lodges, we had really close looks at Pto. Jofre as they ripped apart palm seeds. Watching them fly to roost at sunset, and preen in the morning light – all great opportunities of the Pantanal! Seen on seven days of our eight in Pantanal!

**Peach-fronted Parakeet** *Eupsittula aurea*— Pantanal, a common sighting, seen on five days with a high count of ten at our first stop at Piuval.

**Blue-winged Macaw** *Primolius maracana*— Caraça, seen on both days at the farm below the Monastery, beautiful in flight.

**Golden-collared (Yellow-collared) Macaw** *Primolius auricollis*— Pantanal, three of this stunning species were seen from the tower on our final day.

**Blue-and-yellow Macaw** *Ara ararauna*— We had a great surprise on a morning walk at Pouso Alegre when a foursome flew over in the distance, just shining in the light

**White-eyed Parakeet** *Psittacara leucophthalmus*— Pantanal and Caraça, five days in Pantanal with a high count of 15, and then two days at Cacara, three each day.

### **Thamnophilidae: Typical Antbirds (9)**

**Great Antshrike** *Taraba major*— Pantanal, a pair of this striking species were seen at Pouso Alegre, and then we heard them on two other days.

**Barred Antshrike** *Thamnophilus doliatus*— Pantanal, seen on three days (two of the at the “Owl Place” Km 105, and heard on two others.

**Variable Antshrike** *Thamnophilus caerulescens*— Caraça, Peg spotted a pair just over the rim of the road we walked at the farm below the Monastery.

**White-flanked (Silvery-flanked) Antwren** *Myrmotherula axillaris*— Pantanal, one individual in dry forest on the trail to the Tanque Grande at Caraça.

**Black-capped Antwren** *Herpsilochmus atricapillus*— Caraça, one individual.

**Large-billed Antwren** *Herpsilochmus longirostris*— Pantanal, seen along the river on two days from South Wild, one or two individuals.

**Mato Grosso Antbird (RE)** *Cercomacra melanaria*— Xavier picked up on the vocalization of this sought-after species on our river trip from South Wild and we had super views of the male and female.

**White-shouldered Fire-eye** *Pyriglena leucoptera*— Caraça, seen both days with a high count of 4. Trilha dos Toucanos, Demis found us our first one by hearing it calling but it was our new to birding bus driver that spied it, fun!

**Band-tailed Antbird** *Hypocnemoides maculicauda*— Pantanal. Seen by one of the boats on our morning outing from South Wild, one individual. Behavior is much like Silvered Antbird.

### **Furnaridae: Ovenbirds (19)**

**Olivaceous Woodcreeper** *Sittasomus griseicapillus*— Caraça, seen in the woods on our first afternoon walk, and again the following day, high count of 3.

**Planalto Woodcreeper** *Dendrocolaptes platyrostris*— Tilha dos Toucanos, one individual.

**Great Rufous Woodcreeper** *Xiphocolaptes major*— Pantanal, just one day, on the porch of Pouso Alegre and around the ranch buildings. Three seen that day, one impressive bird!

**Red-billed Scythebill** *Campylorhamphus trochilirostris*— Pantanal, it was heard mid-way through our time there, but finally seen at South Wild on a morning walk behind the ranch buildings.

**Narrow-billed Woodcreeper** *Lepidocolaptes angustirostris*— Pantanal. We first saw this species as we entered the Pantanal, and then saw it regularly in small numbers on five total days.

**Scalloped Woodcreeper (RE, ATL)** *Lepidocolaptes falcinellus*— Trilha dos Toucanos. One individual seen above the lodge as we were mesmerized by all the activity at the feeders.

**Streaked Xenops** *Xenops rutilans*— Caraça, one individual seen in a mixed flock of colorful tanagers.

**Pale-legged Hornero** *Furnarius leucopus*— Pantanal and Caraça. Seen on four days in Pantanal with a high count of 4, then also seen at the farm below the Monastery below Caraça.

**Rufous Hornero** *Furnarius rufus*— Widespread. An “every day” bird with a high count of 12.

**Sharp-tailed Streamcreeper** *Lochmias nematura*— Caraça. Xavier had several spots in mind for us to look and one paid off well as we had good looks at two below us from a bridge.

**Rufous-fronted Thornbird** *Phacellodomus rufifrons*— Pantanal, seen on two days early on in our time there.

**Greater Thornbird** *Phacellodomus ruber*— Pantanal, seen on three days with a high count of three.

**Pallid Spinetail (E)** *Cranioleuca pallida*— Caraça, two seen each day we were at Caraça. Our first one was spotted at Trilha dos Toucanos, one individual.

**Gray-crested (Rufous) Cacholote** *Pseudoseisura unirufa*— Pantanal. Our first pair was seen just above our heads on a morning walk at Pouso Alegre, just after we saw the pile of sunning Guira Cuckoos. Their red eyes are gleaming! Seen on five days with a high count of 4.

**Chotoy Spinetail** *Schoeniophylax phryganophilus*— Pantanal, seen on two days, one and two individuals. The first was near the sunning Guira Cuckoos, and it too seemed to enjoy the sun, allowing us to photograph it, and observe all its field marks in detail as it perched on shrubs and marsh vegetation.

**Yellow-chinned Spinetail** *Certhiaxis cinnamomeus*— Pantanal, in lush marsh vegetation, often singing. Seen on three days with a high count of six at Pouso Alegre.

**Rufous-capped Spinetail** *Synallaxis ruficapilla*— Pantanal, seen briefly by some on the morning boat outing from South Wild, in lush cover near the Agami Heron spot.

**White-lored Spinetail (RE)** *Synallaxis albilora*— Pantanal, this was the most common spinetail encountered.

**Ochre-cheeked Spinetail** *Synallaxis scutata*— Pantanal, one individual seen on our return up the Transpantaneira, at the “Owl Place” Km 105.

### **Tyrannidae: Flycatchers (43)**

**Southern Beardless Tyrannulet** *Camptostoma obsoletum*— Pantanal and Caraça lower elevation just one day at each location, 1 or 2 individuals.

**Yellowish Tyrannulet** *Capsiempis flaveola*— Pantanal, one individual, one day

**Greenish Elaenia** *Myiopagis viridicata*— Caraça, good looks at the farm below the Monastery

**Plain-crested Elaenia** *Elaenia cristata*— Caraça, one individual, one day our final morning

**Lesser Elaenia** *Elaenia chiriquensis*— Pantanal, one individual our first pass through the “Owl Place” Km 105.

**Sooty Tyrannulet** *Serpophaga nigricans*— Travel day to Ouro Preto, nice pick up at a small reservoir, two individuals

**Mouse-colored Tyrannulet** *Phaeomyias murina*— Pantanal, spotted by Xavier during our time at South Wild.

**Gray-hooded Flycatcher (RE, ATL)** *Mionectes rufiventris*— Caraça, one individual high in the canopy as we walked down the road from the Monastery

**Sepia-capped Flycatcher** *Leptopogon amaurocephalus*— Caraça, one or two individuals seen each day, the first afternoon we had two repeatedly calling

**Oustalet’s Tyrannulet (E)** *Phylloscartes oustaleti*— Caraça, as the rains came in, a few of us lingering back from viewing hummingbirds at the flowering tree had the chance to hear and see this endemic species.

**Planalto Tyrannulet** *Phyllomyias fasciatus*— Caraça, seen both days, two the first and one the second.

**Gray-capped Tyrannulet (E)** *Phyllomyias griseocapilla*— Caraça, one individual seen on the road our first afternoon walk.

**Eared Pygmy-Tyrant (RE, ATL)** *Myiornis auricularis*— Trilha dos Toucanos, good looks with our local guide Demis, what a cutie!

**Hangnest Tody-Tyrant (E)** *Hemitriccus nidipendulus*— Caraça, we had long and wonderful views of this species close to the road as we stopped for photo ops of the Monastery, wow!

**Pearly-vented Tody-Tyrant** *Hemitriccus margaritaceiventer*— Pantanal, Heard only, the call picked up by our keen guide Xavier and we tried but no response.

**Rusty-fronted Tody-Flycatcher** *Poecilatriccus latirostris*—

**Gray-headed (Yellow-lored) Tody-Tyrant (E)** *Todirostrum poliocephalum*—

**Common Tody-Flycatcher** *Todirostrum cinereum*—

**Cliff Flycatcher** *Hirundinea ferruginea*— Caraça, this bird was waiting for us on the eaves and rooftops of the Monastery, we had a great time watching them sally out for insects over the next three days.

**Bran-colored Flycatcher** *Myiophobus fasciatus*— Caraça, one quick view below us as we walked around buildings of the farm below the Monastery, rich chocolate in the brush.

**Euler’s Flycatcher** *Lathrotriccus euleri* — Carefully checked by Bob, outside of Caraça Sanctuary.

**Fuscous Flycatcher** *Cnemotriccus fuscatus*— Pantanal, we had great views at the “Owl Place” Km 105 at close range.

**Vermilion Flycatcher** *Pyrocephalus rubinus*— Pantanal, a species from home we were familiar with, but no less stunning here. We had them on six days, with a high count of 8. A species much at home in the Pantanal.

**Crested Black-Tyrant** *Knipolegus lophotes*— Caraça, once in its terrain we saw it each day, with a high count of 8.

**Velvety Black-Tyrant (E)** *Knipolegus nigerrimus*— Caraça, a regular sighting from Belo Horizontes to Caraça, Ouro Preto – seen on four days with high count of 10.

**Yellow-browed Tyrant** *Satrapa icterophrys*— Pantanal one individual on a morning walk from Pouso Alegre, perched in reeds almost posing, a good find

**White-rumped Monjita** *Xolmis velatus*—Pantanal, Pousada Piuval

**Streamer-tailed Tyrant** *Gubernetes yetapa*— Ouro Preto to Belo Horizontes, Xavier did a quick command to pull the bus over, “I saw a bird”. We piled out to see this amazing species, its intricate displays, they lined up on a wire, as if wanting us to view, wow!

**Black-backed Water-Tyrant** *Fluvicola albiventer*—Pantanal, seen daily in small numbers, 2-4 per day

**Masked Water-Tyrant** *Fluvicola nengeta*— Caraça, Ouro Preto, and Trilha dos Toucanos, daily with counts in the range of 1-5

**White-headed Marsh-Tyrant** *Arundinicola leucocephala*—Pantanal, one individual seen on two days out in rushes and marsh vegetation, white heads shining like little beacons

**Long-tailed Tyrant** *Colonia colonus*— Caraça, seen each day, two very distant from our resting spot by Tanque Grande, the reservoir we hiked to. A lone individual seen at Trilha dos Toucanos.

**Cattle Tyrant** *Machetornis rixosa*—Pantanal, 10-130 per day; Caraça 2 - 3

**Gray-hooded Attila (E)** *Attila rufus*— Trilha dos Toucanos, good look at one individual as we hid out from the rain on the porch across the from Lodge, it came in to give us good looks at close range.

**Rufous Casiornis** *Casiornis rufus*— Pantanal, seen well on two days, lone individuals, heard on a third day

**Short-crested Flycatcher** *Myiarchus ferox*—Pantanal, noted on four days, with 2 days recorded in Caraça

**Brown-crested Flycatcher** *Myiarchus tyrannulus*— Pantanal, we tallied them on four days, 1-2 individuals

**Lesser Kiskadee** *Pitangus lictor*—Pantanal, seen daily, 2-30 individuals noted

**Great Kiskadee** *Pitangus sulphuratus*— Widespread, all locations. In Pantanal, numbers ranged 12-40, Caraça and Ouro Preto 4-10 and 4 noted at Trilha dos Toucanos

**Boat-billed Flycatcher** *Megarynchus pitangua*—Pantanal, noted on five days, often quick looks but distinctive calls, 1-4 individuals

**Rusty-margined Flycatcher** *Myiozetetes cayanensis*—Pantanal, seen daily 1-20 individuals

**Social Flycatcher** *Myiozetetes similis*—Pantanal and Caraça, pairs noted on several days but not numerous.

**Tropical Kingbird** *Tyrannus melancholicus*—Pantanal, seen daily, 2-7 individuals

**Fork-tailed Flycatcher** *Tyrannus savanna*— Pantanal, just two on the road in from Poconé

## **Cotingidae: Cotingas (2)**

**Red-ruffed Fruitcrow** *Pyroderus scutatus*— Caraça, hikers to the waterfall on our second morning had a great flyover while immersed in splendor of the scenery; at Trilha dos Toucanos we had good looks at one individual

**Cinnamon-vented Piha (E)** *Lipaugus lanioides*— Trilha dos Toucanos, good looks at one individual, first heard by our great local guide, Demis.

### **Pipridae: Manakins (3)**

**Helmeted Manakin** *Antilophia galeata*— Pantanal, the local guides at South Wild helped us pin down a few territories, and with patience, we had two encounters. Barry scored a photo with some quick shutter work!

**Swallow-tailed (Blue) Manakin (RE, ATL)** *Chiroxiphia caudata*— Caraça, HO on the trail to the Piscina in open shrubby terrain, we tried several times but had to be content with calls

**Pin-tailed Manakin (E)** *Ilicura militaris*— Caraça, two encounters, one very quick and the other just cracking views at the end of a short scenic trail Xavier led us down for a view

### **Tityridae: Tityras (3)**

**Black-crowned Tityra** *Tityra inquisitor*— Pantanal, one individual seen on our days at South Wild

**Buff-throated Purpletuft (E)** *Iodopleura pipra*— Caraça, Bob noted this as a highlight as they are tough to find, our local guide Demis was determined and persistence prevailed!

**Chestnut-crowned Becard** *Pachyrhampus castaneus*— Caraça, one individual noted on each day roaming with the colorful tanager flocks

### **Vireonidae: Vireos (3)**

**Rufous-crowned Greenlet (RE, ATL)** *Hylophilus poicilotis*— Caraça, excellent looks at the farm.

**Ashy-headed Greenlet** *Hylophilus pectoralis*—Pantanal, one individual seen in the “Owl Place”, a wooded oasis stop coming and going KM 105 or so

**Rufous-browed Peppershrike** *Cyclarhis gujanensis*— Caraça, one seen at the farm below the Monastery, and another seen at the city park our first day in Sao Paolo.

### **Corvidae: Jays (1)**

**Purplish Jay** *Cyanocorax cyanomelas*—Pantanal, Caraça, great close views on the road edge by the upper building of the farm below the Monastery

### **Hirundinidae: Swallows (4)**

**Blue-and-white Swallow** *Pygochelidon cyanoleuca*—Caraça, seen daily in small numbers

**Southern Rough-winged Swallow** *Stelgidopteryx ruficollis*— Pantanal, particularly noted in the river area of South Wild our last three days

**Gray-breasted Martin** *Progne chalybea*—Pantanal, seen on five days 1-75 individuals; Caraça and Ouro Preto, 10-13- individuals

**White-winged Swallow** *Tachycineta albiventer*— Pantanal, seen almost daily, 4-50 individuals

### **Troglodytidae: Wrens (3)**

**House Wren** *Troglodytes aedon*— Caraça, Ouro Preto, Trilha dos Toucanos but not recorded in the Pantanal

**Thrush-like Wren** *Campylorhynchus turdinus*— Pantanal, seen or heard daily, a close in pair at Pouso Alegre gave us great looks

**Buff-breasted Wren** *Cantorchilus leucotis*— Pantanal, noted two days 1-3 individuals

### **Poliopylidae: Gnatcatchers (1)**

**Masked Gnatcatcher** *Polioptila dumicola*— Pantanal, seen on three days, twice at the “Owl Spot” Km 105, 2-3 individuals

### **Donacobiidae: Donacobius (1)**

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**Black-capped Donacobius** *Donacobius atricapillus*— Pantanal, seen or heard on six days often posing for us, who will forget that eye!

### **Turdidae: Thrushes (3)**

**Rufous-bellied Thrush** *Turdus rufiventris*— Widespread, seen all locations, Pantanal

**Creamy-bellied Thrush** *Turdus amaurochalinus*— Pantanal, a glimpse by two of the group early on, then seen by all in the Caraça area, good views, 2-10 individuals

**White-necked Thrush** *Turdus albicollis*— Trilha dos Toucanos, Kelly and Peg extending the walk found one near the rushing stream

### **Mimidae: Mockingbirds & Thrashers (1)**

**Chalk-browed Mockingbird** *Mimus saturninus*—Pantanal, one individual seen on three days, present near the feeder at South Wild, also seen on the travel day near the Streamer-tailed Tyrants.

### **Motacillidae: Pipits (1)**

**Yellowish Pipit** *Anthus lutescens*—Pantanal, several individuals first heard, then seen as we walked into the scrub of the wetlands from Piuval, on a rest stop for our tractor ride

### **Parulidae: Wood-Warblers (4)**

**Masked Yellowthroat** *Geothlypis aequinoctialis*— Trilha dos Toucanos, one individual in the small pond below the lodge

**Tropical Parula** *Parula pitiayumi*—Pantanal, Peg found one individual seen in the “Owl Place” and it moved around enough for most to view

**Golden-crowned Warbler** *Basileuterus culicivorus*— Caraça, good looks near the bridge we frequented on two bird walks from the Monastery

*Golden-crowned (White-bellied) Warbler* *B. hypoleucus*— Seen also in the Caraça area, two individuals

**Riverbank Warbler** *Myiothlypis rivularis*— Trilha dos Toucanos, seen from the blind, and then along the stream by Peg and Kelly extending their walk

### **Thraupidae: Tanagers (36)**

**Red-crested Cardinal** *Paroaria coronata*—Pantanal, not nearly as common as their Yellow-billed cousin, seen on three days, 1-3 individuals

**Yellow-billed Cardinal** *Paroaria capitata*—Pantanal, very common, seen daily 2-50 individuals

**Cinnamon Tanager** *Schistochlamys ruficapillus*— Caraça, three individuals seen as we stopped for that first grand view of the mountain landscape and the lone Monastery

**Magpie Tanager** *Cissopis leverianus*— Caraça, seen on two days, and seen at the feeders at Trilha dos Toucanos

**Olive-green Tanager (E)** *Orthogonys chloricterus*— Trilha dos Toucanos, thirty or more hanging out by the feeders!

**Orange-headed Tanager** *Thlypopsis sordida*— Pantanal, just one individual spied at the “Owl Place” as we headed back, great views and photo ops of this intriguing species

**Black-goggled Tanager** *Trichothraupis melanops*— Caraça, four seen on our first afternoon walk in a wooded setting; 8 seen at Trilha dos Toucanos

**Gray-headed Tanager** *Eucometis penicillata* — Trilha dos Toucanos, one individual.

**Ruby-crowned Tanager (RE, ATL)** *Tachyphonus coronatus*— Widespread other than Pantanal where it was absent. 1-16 individuals

**White-lined Tanager** *Tachyphonus rufus*— Trilha dos Toucanos, 2

**Brazilian Tanager** *Ramphocelus bresilius*— Stunning bird, found in shrubbery just under the road as we walked at the farm, one bird, both days, the first day on the lower road, a female, the second a bright male.

**Silver-beaked Tanager** *Ramphocelus carbo*—Pantanal, seen on six days, 6-30 individuals

**Fawn-breasted Tanager** *Pipraeidea melanonota*— Caraça, one seen just as we entered in an amazing mixed tanager flock in large trees outside the Monastery

**Sayaca Tanager** *Thraupis sayaca*— Widespread, in Pantanal less numerous 1-3 individuals on 5 days, in Caraça and Ouro Preto daily, 4-15 individuals

**Azure-shouldered Tanager (E)** *Thraupis cyanoptera*— Trilha dos Toucanos, one of the first species we spied getting out of the van on that rainy but incredible day

**Golden-chevroned Tanager (E)** *Thraupis ornata*— Trilha dos Toucanos, we had them at the feeders, 3 individuals, then Bob found them again near our hotel in Ouro Preto

**Palm Tanager** *Thraupis palmarum*— Widespread, all locations, seen regularly as 2-3 individuals

**Burnished-buff Tanager** *Tangara cayana*— Caraça, seen on two days 2-4 individuals, stunning!

**Green-headed Tanager (RE, ATL)** *Tangara seledon*— Trilha dos Toucanos, 25 or more at the feeders was almost too much electricity of color to bear!

**Brassy-breasted Tanager (E)** *Tangara desmaresti*— Caraça, seen each day in mixed flock near the Monastery, such a stunning tanager, we were captivated

**Gilt-edged Tanager (E)** *Tangara cyanoventris*— Caraça, being greeted by two dozen of this multi-colored wonder was something we won't forget as we arrived at Caraça.

**Blue Dacnis** *Dacnis cayana*— Caraça, two seen on one day in the mixed tanager flock; 5 individuals also seen at Trilha dos Toucanos

**Guira Tanager** *Hemithraupis guira*— Caraça, just one individual on our second day in the mixed tanager flock

**Rufous-headed Tanager (E)** *Hemithraupis ruficapilla*— Caraça, two individuals seen on two days

**Chestnut-vented Conebill** *Conirostrum speciosum*— Pantanal, the first two spotted as we watched a Jabiru on its nest, another individual seen on one more day

**Saffron Finch** *Sicalis flaveola*— Widespread, in Pantanal seen on five days and very numerous at lodges, 2-50 individuals and then common in Caraça, Ouro Preto, 20-50 individuals

**Pale-throated Pampa-Finch (E)** *Embernagra longicauda*— Caraça, Xavier has a few spots in mind that we could find this endemic and we could not have had better views

**Blue-black Grassquit** *Volatinia jacarina*— Caraça, seen on three days and then found in the urban green spaces of Ouro Preto

**Black-throated Grosbeak** *Saltator grossus*— Trilha dos Toucanos, seen and photographed at feeders.

**Lined Seedeater** *Sporophila lineola*— Pantanal, two seen on our first day, almost the first day from Poconé

**White-bellied Seedeater** *Sporophila leucoptera*— Pantanal, seen on two days, 1-3 individuals and then seen as a small flock feeding under a rocky outcrop lining the road as we walked up to the Monastery at Caraça.

**Lesser Seed-Finch (Chesnut-bellied Seed-Finch)** *Oryzoborus angolensis*—Pantanal, one individual seen on our first stop coming in from Poconé

**Yellow-bellied Seedeater** *Sporophila nigricollis*— Ouro Preto, seen around the hotel and in the city greenspace areas

**Double-collared Seedeater** *Sporophila caerulescens*—Pantanal, Bob found a few walking trails through the fields at South Wild

**Rusty-collared Seedeater** *Sporophila collaris*— Pantanal, 2 spotted at our first stop coming from Poconé

**Red-crested Finch** *Coryphospingus cucullatus*—Pantanal, Bob found this in his wanderings at South Wild  
**Bananaquit** *Coereba flavelloa*—Pantanal, one individual in the “Owl Place” km 105.  
**Grayish Saltator** *Saltator coerulescens*—Pantanal, seen on four days 1-4 individuals  
**Green-winged Saltator** *Saltator similis*— Caraça, seen daily 5-6 individuals, great views

### **Emberizidae: New World Sparrows (2)**

**Half-collared Sparrow (E)** *Arremon semitorquatus*— Trilha dos Toucanos, one seen from the blinds on a misty day  
**Rufous-collared Sparrow** *Zonotrichia capensis*— Caraça and Ouro Preto, seen daily with counts of 2-20

### **Icteridae: Blackbirds & Allies (15)**

**White-browed Meadowlark** *Leistes superciliaris*— Pantanal, HO for us, heard one morning in thick marsh vegetation as we crossed boardwalks from Pouso Alegre  
**Chopi Blackbird** *Gnorimopsar chopi*—Pantanal, seen on four days of our time there, 4-75 individuals  
**Scarlet-headed Blackbird** *Amblyramphus holosericeus*—Pantanal, we had cracking looks our first day at two, just off the road at close range before going in to Piuval. We then had two at a distance from the boardwalk trail from Pouso Alegre  
**Unicolored Blackbird** *Agelaius cyanopus*— Pantanal, one of our first species seen out of Pocone, then seen on two other days, high count of 5  
**Yellow-rumped Marshbird** *Pseudoleistes guirahuro*— Travel day from Ouro Preto to Belo Horizonte, a very fun find that Xavier stopped the bus for, along with Streamer-tailed Tyrant  
**Grayish Baywing (Bay-winged Cowbird)** *Agelaioides badius*—Pantanal, seen on five days of our time there, with a high count of 20  
**Shiny Cowbird** *Molothrus bonariensis*—Pantanal, best seen at the feeder at South Wild, noted on four days with a high count of 30, also seen on one day at the farm at Caraça, six individuals  
**Giant Cowbird** *Molothrus oryzivorus*—Pantanal, noted on three days, one or two individuals  
**Epaulet Oriole** *Icterus cayanensis*— Pantanal, great looks at several individual working flower at a bridge we stopped at on a travel day, seen on three days with a high count of 4  
**Orange-backed Troupial** *Icterus croconotus*— Pantanal, best seen from the tower on our final day at South Wild and at the feeders there  
**Solitary Black Cacique** *Cacicus solitarius*—Pantanal, seen on three days, mainly in the river environments  
**Golden-winged Cacique** *Cacicus chrysopterus*— Trilha dos Toucanos, 3 individuals by the feeders  
**Yellow-rumped Cacique** *Cacicus cela*— Pantanal, we had a great time watching a colony at nests at South Wild, seen on five days with a high count of 10  
**Red-rumped Cacique** *Cacicus haemorrhous*— Trilha dos Toucanos, 8 individuals  
**Crested Oropendola** *Psarocolius decumanus*—Pantanal

### **Fringilidae: Finches (4)**

**Purple-throated Euphonia** *Euphonia chlorotica*—Pantanal, HO, this species remained elusive for us, recorded only by voice on our morning river trip down the river from South Wild  
**Violaceous Euphonia** *Euphonia violacea* — Trilha dos Toucanos, 2 individuals  
**Chestnut-bellied Euphonia** *Euphonia pectoralis*— Trilha dos Toucanos, one individual was present at the feeders  
**Blue-naped Chlorophonia** *Chlorophonia cyanea*— Caraça, we found them on our last morning, a species Martyn wanted to see and he was the first to spot them

## **Passeridae: Old World Sparrows (1)**

**House Sparrow** *Passer domesticus*— Caraça and travel days present, missing in Pantanal

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## **Mammals (20 species)**

**Greater Bulldog Fishing Bat** *Noctilio leporinus*—Pantanal

**Brown (Black-striped Tufted) Capuchin** *Cebus apella*—Pantanal

**Black-and-gold Howler** *Alouatta caraya*—Pantanal, great views

**Masked Titi Monkey** *Callicebus personatus nigrifrons* Caraça, we were fortunate on our walk to the waterfalls, to watch two different troops, the larger and more active in an area marked off for research on this endangered species

**Crab-eating Fox** *Cerdocyon thous*— Pantanal, great views on several occasions

**Maned Wolf** *Chrysocyon brachyurus*— Caraça, its signature species, what an amazing thing to witness the relationship of a priest and a trusting but wary wild canid, wow.

**Tayra** *Eira Barbara*, Caraça, seen only by Xavier early one morning

**South American Coati** *Nasua nasua*—Pantanal

**River Otter** *Lontra canadensis*— Pantanal, the first otter we saw ahead of seeing several families of its giant cousin

**Giant Otter** *Pteronura brasiliensis*— excellent looks at 4 different family groups one which advanced on our boat calling loudly, another was out on land, amazing to see their true size and markings

**Collared Peccary** *Pecari tajacu*— Pantanal, we saw one individual on a night drive from Piuval

**Ocelot** *Leopardus (formerly Felis) pardalis*— Pantanal, we found two individuals at South Wild

**Jaguar** *Panthera onca*— Pantanal, we had four encounters with three individuals, a big male and two females, all independent, unconcerned by our presence, it was a thrill of a lifetime to see them so well

**Brazilian Tapir** *Tapirus terrestris*—Pantanal, several individuals seen on our night drive

**Red Brocket Deer** *Mazama americana*— seen early on in our tour

**Brown Brocket Deer** *Mazama nemorivaga*— Pantanal, shy, we found an individual our third day afield

**Marsh Deer** *Blastocerus dichotomus*— Pantanal, several sightings of this stately ungulate

**Pampas Deer** *Ozotoceros bezoarticus*—Pantanal, keen-eyed Xavier spotted a young one sleeping in the grass one early morning walk from Piuval.

**Azara's Agouti** *Dasyprocta azarae*— Pantanal, seen on several days, especially at Pouso Alegre around the ranches

**Capibara** *Hydrochaeris hydrochaeris*—Pantanal, seen daily, in good number (50+), we watched them swim, feed, rest, and run. Peg had four approach her swing by the river in South Wild, only to line up, sit quietly, and watch the sunset, for about 10 minutes!

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## **Reptiles (partial list)**

**Pantanal Caiman** *C. yacare*—abundant in the Pantanal, many of them crowned with bunches of water hyacinth; previously considered a race of Spectacled Caiman, but now accorded full species status. How will forget their sunning, grinning, amazingly we saw no feeding or predation in 8 days

**Common Iguana** *Iguana iguana*—impressive, large, seen along Pantanal river corridors

**Common Tegu Lizard** *Tupinambis teguixin*—Pantanal, great views at Pouso Alegre

Two large black snakes were seen, one on land while horseback riding from Piuval, and the other swimming in the river from Pto. Jofre.