

Southern Costa Rica: Birding & Nature | Species List

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Summary: Naturalist Journeys February 2023 tour to southern Costa Rica featured wonderful scenery and of course, many wonderful birds including 23 species of hummingbirds, 27 species of flycatchers and 25 species of tanagers and their allies. In addition, several mammals, reptiles and amphibians were seen and heard. The complete list follows.

BIRDS (324 species recorded, of which 21 were heard only):

(HO)= Distinctive enough to be counted as heard only, pointed out to the group.

(#) after family is number of species in the family.

(#) after species is the number of days of 10 the bird was seen or heard.

(E) = Endemic to Costa Rica.

(RE) = Endemic to the region, typically Costa Rica and Panama, sometimes shared with Nicaragua.

TINAMOUS: Tinamidae (1)

Great Tinamou *Tinamus major*— (3) HO, at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

DUCKS, GEESE AND SWANS: Anatidae (1)

Muscovy Duck *Cairina moschata*— (1) Several seen on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

GUANS AND CURASSOWS: Cracidae (4)

Gray-headed Chachalaca *Ortalis cinereiceps*— (2) Seen near La Gamba and at Talari Mountain Lodge.

Crested Guan *Penelope purpurescens*— (1) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Black Guan *Chamaepetes unicolor*— (2) RE, Seen at higher elevations in the Talamanca Mountains.

Great Curassow *Crax rubra*— (2) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

PIGEONS AND DOVES: Columbidae (15)

Rock Pigeon (1) *Columba livia*— (3) Seen at Hotel Bougainvillea and en route.

Pale-vented Pigeon *Patagioenas cayennensis*— (1) Seen near Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Scaled Pigeon *Patagioenas speciosa*— (1) HO, at Talari Mountain Lodge.

Red-billed Pigeon *Patagioenas flavirostris*— (2) Seen at Hotel Bougainvillea.

Band-tailed Pigeon *Patagioenas fasciata*— (2) Seen in the Savegre Valley.

Ruddy Pigeon *Patagioenas subvinacea*— (2) HO, at Palo Verde del Guarco and Savegre Mountain Lodge.

Short-billed Pigeon *Patagioenas nigrirostris*— (3) Seen and heard at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and Carara National Park.

Inca Dove *Columbina inca*— (2) Seen near Talari Mountain Lodge and on Tarcoles River boat tour.

Common Ground-Dove *Columbina passerina*— (2) Seen on Tarcoles River boat tour and near Garabito.

Ruddy Ground-Dove *Columbina talpacoti*— (5) Seen at multiple locations.

Blue Ground-Dove *Claravis pretiosa*— (3) Heard first then seen near La Gamba.

Ruddy Quail-Dove *Geotrygon montana*— (2) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and Carara National Park.

White-tipped Dove *Leptotila verreauxi*— (8) Seen at multiple locations.
Gray-chested Dove *Leptotila cassinii*— (1) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.
White-winged Dove *Zenaida asiatica*— (5) Seen at Hotel Bougainvillea and Hotel Cerro Lodge.

CUCKOOS AND ALLIES: Cuculidae (4)

Smooth-billed Ani *Crotophaga ani*— (2) Seen near La Gamba.
Groove-billed Ani *Crotophaga sulcirostris*— (2) Seen on Tarcoles River boat tour and surrounding area.
Striped Cuckoo *Tapera naevia*— (1) HO, near La Gamba.
Squirrel Cuckoo *Piaya cayana*— (2) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and Talari Mountain Lodge.

NIGHTJARS: Caprimulgidae (2)

Lesser Nighthawk *Chordeiles acutipennis*— (1) Seen near Boca del Rio Tarcolitos.
Common Pauraque *Nyctidromus albicollis*— (1) Heard at multiple locations and one seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

POTOOS: Nyctibiidae (1)

Common Potoo *Nyctibius griseus*— (1) Lone bird seen at Talari Mountain Lodge.

SWIFTS: Apodidae (2)

White-collared Swift *Streptoprocne zonaris*— (2) Seen at Savegre Mountain Lodge and near La Gamba.
Costa Rican Swift *Chaetura fumosa*— (1) Seen from the entrance road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

HUMMINGBIRDS: Trochilidae (23)

White-necked Jacobin *Florisuga mellivora*— (2) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and Talari Mountain Lodge.
Band-tailed Barbthroat *Threnetes ruckeri*— (1) Brief view of a single bird at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.
Long-billed Hermit *Phaethornis longirostris*— (2) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.
Lesser Violetear *Colibri cyanotus*— (2) Seen at Paraiso Quetzales and Savegre Mountain Lodge.
Purple-crowned Fairy *Heliophryx barroti*— (1) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.
Veraguan Mango *Anthracothorax veraguensis*— (1) A male and female were seen near the Ciudad Neily rice fields.
Talamanca Hummingbird *Eugenes spectabilis*— (2) RE, seen at Paraiso Quetzales and Savegre Mountain Lodge.
Long-billed Starthroat *Heliomaster longirostris*— (1) Lone bird seen near Ciudad Neily rice fields.
Plain-capped Starthroat *Heliomaster constantii*— (1) Lone bird seen near Garabito.
Fiery-throated Hummingbird *Panterpe insignis*— (1) RE, seen at Paraiso Quetzales.
White-throated Mountain-gem *Lampornis castaneiventris*— (2) RE, seen at Paraiso Quetzales and at Savegre Mountain Lodge.
Ruby-throated Hummingbird *Archilochus colubris*— (1) Lone bird seen near Garabito.
Volcano Hummingbird *Selasphorus flammula*— (3) RE, seen at Paraiso Quetzales, the Savegre Valley and at the communication towers off the Pan-American Highway.
Scintillant Hummingbird *Selasphorus scintilla*— (2) RE, seen in the Savegre Valley.
Violet-headed Hummingbird *Klais guimeti*— (3) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.
Crowned Woodnymph *Thalurania colombica*— (4) Seen on the entry road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.
Coppery-headed Emerald *Elvira cupreiceps*— (1) E, lone female seen at Palo Verde del Guarco.
Stripe-tailed Hummingbird *Eupherusa eximia*— (1) Lone bird seen at Savegre Mountain Lodge.
Blue-vented Hummingbird *Saucerottia hoffmanni*— (2) RE, seen at Hotel Bougainvillea, Palo Verde del Guarco and Hotel Cerro Lodge.
Mangrove Hummingbird *Amazilia boucardi*— (2) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves and on the Tarcoles River boat tour.
Cinnamon Hummingbird *Amazilia rutila*— (2) Seen at Hotel Cerro Lodge and near Garabito.
Rufous-tailed Hummingbird *Amazilia tzacatl*— (7) Most common and widespread hummer, seen at multiple locations.

Blue-throated Goldentail *Chlorestes eliciae*— (1) Lone bird seen briefly at Los Cusingos.

RAILS, COOTS AND ALLIES: Rallidae (3)

Gray-cowled Wood-Rail *Aramides cajaneus*— (3) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and surrounding area.

Purple Gallinule *Porphyrio martinica*—(2) Seen on entry road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and on Tarcoles River boat tour.

White-throated Crake *Laterallus albigularis*— (1) HO, on entry road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

THICK-KNEES: Burhinidae (1)

Double-striped Thick-knee *Burhinus bistriatus*— (1) Seen on Tarcoles River boat tour.

STILTS AND AVOCETS: Recurvirostridae (1)

Black-necked Stilt *Himantopus mexicanus*— (1) Seen on Tarcoles River boat tour.

PLOVERS AND LAPWINGS: Charadriidae (5)

Black-bellied Plover *Pluvialis squatarola*— (1) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves.

Southern Lapwing *Vanellus chilensis*— (3) Seen at multiple locations.

Wilson's Plover *Charadrius wilsonia*— (1) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves.

Collared Plover *Charadrius collaris*— (1) Seen on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Semipalmated Plover *Charadrius semipalmatus*— (1) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves.

JACANAS: Jacanidae (1)

Northern Jacana *Jacana spinosa*— (3) Seen at multiple locations.

SANDPIPERS AND ALLIES: Scolopacidae (11)

Whimbrel *Numenius phaeopus*— (3) Seen at multiple locations.

Marbled Godwit *Limosa fedoa*— (1) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves.

Ruddy Turnstone *Arenaria interpres*— (2) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves and the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Least Sandpiper *Calidris minutilla*— (1) Seen on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Semipalmated Sandpiper *Calidris pusilla*— (1) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves.

Western Sandpiper *Calidris mauri*— (1) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves.

Short-billed Dowitcher *Limnodromus griseus*— (1) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves.

Spotted Sandpiper *Actitis macularius*— (4) Seen at multiple locations.

Solitary Sandpiper *Tringa solitaria*— (1) Lone bird seen on the stream near La Gamba.

Greater Yellowlegs *Tringa melanoleuca*— (2) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves and the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Willet *Tringa semipalmata*— (1) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves and the Tarcoles River boat tour.

GULLS, TERNS AND SKIMMERS: Ciconiidae (5)

Laughing Gull *Leucophaeus atricilla*— (1) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves.

Caspian Tern *Hydroprogne caspia*— (1) Seen on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Black Tern *Chlidonias niger*— (1) Seen flying along the coast near Aguirre.

Royal Tern *Thalasseus maximus*— (2) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves and the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Sandwich Tern *Thalasseus sandvicensis*— (2) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves and along the coast near Aguirre.

STORKS: Ciconiidae (1)

Wood Stork *Mycteria americana*— (3) Seen in multiple locations.

FRIGATEBIRDS: Fregatidae (1)

Magnificent Frigatebird *Fregata magnificens*— (5) Seen at multiple locations.

BOOBIES AND GANNETS: Sulidae (1)

Brown Booby *Sula leucogaster*— (1) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves.

ANHINGAS: Anhingidae (1)

Anhinga *Anhinga anhinga*— (1) Seen on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

CORMORANTS: Phalacrocoracidae (1)

Neotropic Cormorant *Nannopterum brasilianum*— (2) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves and the Tarcoles River boat tour.

PELICANS: Pelecanidae (1)

Brown Pelican *Pelecanus occidentalis*— (5) Seen at multiple locations.

HERONS AND EGRETS: Ardeidae (10)

Bare-throated Tiger-Heron *Tigrisoma mexicanum*— (2) Seen along drainage ditches near Palm Oil plantations and on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Great Blue Heron *Ardea herodias*— (2) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves and the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Great Egret *Ardea alba*— (6) Seen at multiple locations.

Snowy Egret *Egretta thula*— (5) Seen at multiple locations.

Little Blue Heron *Egretta caerulea*— (4) Seen at multiple locations.

Tricolored Heron *Egretta tricolor*— (3) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves, Tarcoles River boat tour and near Bajamar.

Cattle Egret *Bubulcus ibis*— (5) Seen at multiple locations.

Green Heron *Butorides virescens*— (2) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves and the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Black-crowned Night-Heron *Nycticorax nycticorax*— (1) Juvenile bird seen on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Yellow-crowned Night-Heron *Nyctanassa violacea*— (3) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves, Tarcoles River boat tour and near Bajamar.

IBIS AND SPOONBILLS: Threskiornithidae (2)

White Ibis *Eudocimus albus*—(5) Seen at multiple locations.

Roseate Spoonbill *Platalea ajaja*— (3) Seen at multiple locations.

NEW WORLD VULTURES: Cathartidae (4)

King Vulture *Sarcoramphus papa*— (1) Lone bird seen in flight south of San Isidro.

Black Vulture *Coragyps atratus*— (10) Numerous, seen daily.

Turkey Vulture *Cathartes aura*— (10) Numerous, seen daily.

Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture *Cathartes burrovianus*— (1) Seen near the Ciudad Neily rice fields.

OSPREY: Pandionidae (1)

Osprey *Pandion haliaetus*— (3) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves and on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

HAWKS, KITES AND EAGLES: Accipitridae (9)

Swallow-tailed Kite *Elanoides forficatus*— (5) Seen in multiple locations.

Ornate Hawk-Eagle *Spizaetus ornatus*— (1) HO, near the Savegre Mountain Lodge.

Double-toothed Kite *Harpagus bidentatus*— (2) Seen on the entrance road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and near Aguirre.

Common Black Hawk *Buteogallus anthracinus*— (3) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves, Tarcoles River boat tour and near Bajamar.

Roadside Hawk *Rupornis magnirostris*— (5) Seen at multiple locations.

Gray Hawk *Buteo plagiatus*— (2) An individual was heard calling at Los Cusingos, a pair was seen near Aguirre and another near Hotel Cerro Lodge.

Broad-winged Hawk *Buteo platypterus*— (3) Seen at multiple locations.

Short-tailed Hawk *Buteo brachyurus*— (1) Seen flying above Hotel Bougainvillea.

Red-tailed Hawk *Buteo jamaicensis*— (2) Seen in the Savegre Valley.

OWLS: Strigidae (3)

Tropical Screech-Owl *Megascops choliba* — (2) Primarily heard, although briefly seen by Johan, at Talari Mountain Lodge.

Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl *Glaucidium brasilianum*— (4) Seen and heard at multiple locations.

Mottled Owl *Ciccaba virgata*— (1) Two birds seen at Hotel Bougainvillea.

TROGONS: Trogonidae (7)

Resplendent Quetzal *Pharomachrus mocinno*— (2) Seen in the Savegre Valley.

Black-headed Trogon *Trogon melanocephalus*— (1) Seen at Hotel Cerro Lodge.

Slaty-tailed Trogon *Trogon massena*— (2) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and heard in Carara National Park.

Baird's Trogon *Trogon bairdii*— (3) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and heard in Carara National Park.

Gartered Trogon *Trogon caligatus*— (1) HO, at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Black-throated Trogon *Trogon rufus*— (2) Heard at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and seen at Los Cusingos.

Collared Trogon *Trogon collaris*— (1) HO, on a trail above Savegre Mountain Lodge.

MOTMOTS: Momotidae (2)

Lesson's Motmot *Momotus lessonii*— (4) Seen at Hotel Bougainvillea, Talari Mountain Lodge and Carara National Park.

Turquoise-browed Motmot *Eumomota superciliosa*— (1) Seen at Hotel Cerro Lodge and on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

KINGFISHERS: Alcedinidae (5)

Ringed Kingfisher *Megaceryle torquata*— (3) Seen near La Gamba, Talari Mountain Lodge and the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Belted Kingfisher *Megaceryle alcyon*— (1) Lone bird seen on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Amazon Kingfisher *Chloroceryle amazona*— (2) Seen at Talari Mountain Lodge and the Tarcoles River boat tour.

American Pygmy Kingfisher *Chloroceryle aenea*— (1) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves.

Green Kingfisher *Chloroceryle americana*— (4) Seen at multiple locations.

PUFFBIRDS: Bucconidae (1)

White-whiskered Puffbird *Malacoptila panamensis*— (1) Seen at Carara National Park.

JACAMARS: Galbulidae (1)

Rufous-tailed Jacamar *Galbula ruficauda*— (3) Heard and seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

TOUCANS: Ramphastidae (3)

Northern Emerald-Toucanet *Aulacorhynchus prasinus*—(2) Seen in the Savegre Valley.

Fiery-billed Aracari *Pteroglossus frantzii*—(2) RE, seen at Talari Mountain Lodge.

Yellow-throated Toucan *Ramphastos ambiguus*— (5) Seen at multiple locations.

WOODPECKERS: Picidae (9)

Acorn Woodpecker *Melanerpes formicivorus*— (2) Seen a Paraiso Quetzales and the Savegre Valley.

Golden-naped Woodpecker *Melanerpes chrysauchen*— (1) RE, seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Red-crowned Woodpecker *Melanerpes rubricapillus*— (5) Seen at multiple locations.

Hoffmann's Woodpecker *Melanerpes hoffmannii*— (3) RE, seen at Hotel Bougainvillea and Hotel Cerro Lodge.

Hairy Woodpecker *Dryobates villosus*— (2) Seen at Paraiso Quetzales and Savegre Mountain Lodge.

Smoky-brown Woodpecker *Dryobates fumigatus*— (1) Lone bird seen at Talari Mountain Lodge.

Pale-billed Woodpecker *Campephilus guatemalensis*— (1) Three seen together at Carara National Park.

Lineated Woodpecker *Dryocopus lineatus*— (2) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and along the coast.

Rufous-winged Woodpecker *Piculus simplex*— (1) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

FALCONS AND CARACARAS: Falconidae (6)

Laughing Falcon *Herpetotheres cachinnans*— (2) Heard and seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Collared Forest-Falcon *Micrastur semitorquatus*— (1) HO, on Tarcoles River boat tour.

Crested Caracara *Caracara cheriway*— (8) Seen at multiple locations.

Yellow-headed Caracara *Milvago chimachima*— (7) Seen at multiple locations.

Bat Falcon *Falco rufigularis*— (1) Lone bird seen at the end of the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Peregrine Falcon *Falco peregrinus*— (1) Lone bird seen on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

PARROTS: Psittacidae (11)

Orange-chinned Parakeet *Brotogeris jugularis*— (4) Seen at multiple locations.

Blue-headed Parrot *Pionus menstruus*— (2) Seen near La Gamba and Las Pangas.

White-crowned Parrot *Pionus senilis*— (3) Seen near La Gamba and at Hotel Cerro Lodge.

Red-lored Parrot *Amazona autumnalis*— (2) Heard and seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Yellow-naped Parrot *Amazona auropalliata*— (1) Lone bird seen at Hotel Cerro Lodge.

White-fronted Parrot *Amazona albifrons*— (1) Seen at Hotel Cerro Lodge.

Mealy Parrot *Amazona farinosa*— (1) HO, at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Sulphur-winged Parakeet *Pyrrhura hoffmanni*— (3) RE, seen in the Savegre Valley.

Orange-fronted Parakeet *Eupsittula canicularis*— (1) Seen at Hotel Cerro Lodge and on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Scarlet Macaw *Ara macao*— (4) Seen at multiple locations.

Crimson-fronted Parakeet *Psittacara finschi*— (4) Seen at several locations.

ANTBIRDS: Thamnophilidae (4)

Black-hooded Antshrike *Thamnophilus bridgesi*— (3) RE, seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge, heard at Talari Mountain Lodge and seen at Carara National Park.

Dot-winged Antwren *Microrhopias quixensis*— (1) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Chestnut-backed Antbird *Poliocrania exsul*— (3) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and Carara National Park.

Bicolored Antbird *Gymnopithys bicolor*— (1) Lone bird seen at Los Cusingos.

ANTPITTAS: Grallariidae (1)

Streak-chested Antpitta *Hylopezus perspicillatus*— (1) HO, at Carara National Park.

TAPACULOS: Rhinocryptidae (1)

Silvery-fronted Tapaculo *Scytalopus argentifrons*— (1) RE, HO, on the trail above Savegre Mountain Lodge.

OVENBIRDS AND WOODCREEPERS: Furnariidae (9)

Tawny-winged Woodcreeper *Dendrocincla anabatina*— (1) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Wedge-billed Woodcreeper *Glyphorhynchus spirurus*— (2) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and Carara National Park.

Cocoa Woodcreeper *Xiphorhynchus susurrans*—(6) Seen and heard at multiple locations.

Streak-headed Woodcreeper *Lepidocolaptes souleyetii*— (2) Seen at Talari Mountain Lodge and Hotel Cerro Lodge.

Spot-crowned Woodcreeper *Lepidocolaptes affinis*— (2) Seen at Paraiso Quetzales and along the Savegre River.

Plain Xenops *Xenops minutus*— (1) Two birds seen together at Carara National Park.

Streak-breasted Treehunter *Thripadectes rufobrunneus*— (1) RE, seen on the trail above Savegre Mountain Lodge.

Ruddy Treerunner *Margarornis rubiginosus*— (2) RE, seen at Paraiso Quetzales, the trail above Savegre Mountain Lodge and along the Savegre River.

Pale-breasted Spinetail *Synallaxis albescens*— (2) Heard then seen on the entry road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

MANAKINS: Pipridae (3)

Velvety Manakin *Lepidothrix velutina*— (1) HO, at Carara National Park.

Orange-collared Manakin *Manacus candei*— (4) RE, seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge, Talari Mountain Lodge and heard near Aguirre.

Red-capped Manakin *Ceratopipra mentalis*— (1) Seen at Talari Mountain Lodge.

COTINGAS: Cotingidae (2)

Rufous Piha *Lipaugus unirufus*—(1) HO, at multiple locations.

Three-wattled Bellbird *Procnias tricarunculatus*— (1) Heard and seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves.

BECARDS AND TITYRAS: Tityridae (5)

Masked Tityra *Tityra semifasciata*— (4) Seen at multiple locations.

Barred Becard *Pachyramphus versicolor*— (1) HO, on the trail above Savegre Mountain Lodge.

Cinnamon Becard *Pachyramphus cinnamomeus*— (1) Pair seen near Aguirre.

White-winged Becard *Pachyramphus polychopterus*— (1) Pair seen at Carara National Park.

Rose-throated Becard *Pachyramphus aglaiae*— (2) Seen on entry road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and at Hotel Cerro Lodge.

ROYAL FLYCATCHER AND ALLIES: Oxyruncidae (2)

Royal Flycatcher *Onychorhynchus coronatus*— (1) Lone bird seen and heard on entry road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Sulphur-rumped Flycatcher *Myiobius sulphureipygius*— (1) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

TYRANT FLYCATCHERS: Tyrannidae (27)

Golden-crowned Spadebill *Platyrinchus coronatus*— (2) Great looks of a single bird at Los Cusingos and seen again at Carara National Park.

Olive-streaked Flycatcher *Mionectes olivaceus*— (1) Quick flyby on the trail above Savegre Mountain Lodge.

Ochre-bellied Flycatcher *Mionectes oleagineus*— (2) Seen at Los Cusingos and at Carara National Park.

Common Tody-Flycatcher *Todirostrum cinereum*— (2) Seen near La Gamba and at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Yellow-olive Flycatcher *Tolmomyias sulphurescens*— (2) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Yellow Tyrannulet *Capsiempis flaveola*— (1) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet *Tyrannulus elatus*— (1) Seen on the entry road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Mountain Elaenia *Elaenia frantzii*— (2) Seen at Paraiso Quetzales and Savegre Mountain Lodge.
Torrent Tyrannulet *Serpophaga cinerea*— (2) Seen along the Savegre River near the Savegre Mountain Lodge.
Mistletoe Tyrannulet *Zimmerius parvus*— (1) HO, along the Savegre River.
Tufted Flycatcher *Mitrephanes phaeocercus*— (2) Seen in the Savegre Valley.
Ochraceous Pewee *Contopus ochraceus*— (1) RE, lone bird seen on the trail above the Savegre Mountain Lodge.
Northern Tropical Pewee *Contopus bogotensis*— (1) Lone bird seen on the entry road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher *Empidonax flaviventris*— (3) Seen at multiple locations.
Yellowish Flycatcher *Empidonax flavescens*— (1) Seen on the trail above Savegre Mountain Lodge.
Black Phoebe *Sayornis nigricans*— (1) Lone bird seen near Palo Verde del Guarco.
Bright-rumped Attila *Attila spadiceus*— (2) Heard near La Gamba and seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.
Dusky-capped Flycatcher *Myiarchus tuberculifer*— (2) Seen at Los Cusingos, Talari Mountain Lodge and Carara National Park.
Great Crested Flycatcher *Myiarchus crinitus*—(3) Seen at multiple locations.
Great Kiskadee *Pitangus sulphuratus*— (9) Widespread, seen or heard at multiple locations.
Boat-billed Flycatcher *Megarynchus pitangua*— (3) Seen at Savegre Mountain Lodge, Hotel Cerro Lodge and on the Tarcoles River boat tour.
Social Flycatcher *Myiozetetes similis*— (5) Seen at multiple locations.
Gray-capped Flycatcher *Myiozetetes granadensis*— (3) Seen near La Gamba, Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and at Talari Mountain Lodge.
Streaked Flycatcher *Myiodynastes maculatus*— (6) Seen at multiple locations.
Piratic Flycatcher *Legatus leucophaeus*— (2) Seen near La Gamba and on the entry road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.
Tropical Kingbird *Tyrannus melancholicus*—(10) Widespread, seen at multiple locations.
Fork-tailed Flycatcher *Tyrannus savana*— (1) Two seen near Ciudad Neily rice fields.

VIREOS: Vireonidae (7)

Rufous-browed Peppershrike *Cyclarhis gujanensis*— (2) HO, at Savegre Mountain Lodge, Carara National Park and on the Tarcoles River boat tour.
Scrub Greenlet *Hylophilus flavipes*— (1) Seen on the entry road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.
Lesser Greenlet *Pachysylvia decurtata*— (3) Seen at Los Cusingos, near Aguirre and at Carara National Park.
Yellow-throated Vireo *Vireo flavifrons*— (2) Seen at Hotel Cerro Lodge and Carara National Park.
Yellow-winged Vireo *Vireo carmioli*— (1) RE, seen on the trail above Savegre Mountain Lodge.
Philadelphia Vireo *Vireo philadelphicus*— (4) Seen at multiple locations.
Brown-capped Vireo *Vireo leucophrys*— (1) Seen on the trail above Savegre Mountain Lodge.

CROWS AND JAYS: Corvidae (2)

White-throated Magpie-Jay *Calositta formosa*— (2) Seen at Hotel Cerro Lodge.
Brown Jay *Psilorhinus morio*— (2) Seen at Hotel Bougainvillea and heard at Carara National Park.

SWALLOWS AND MARTINS: Hirundinidae (5)

Blue-and-white Swallow *Pygochelidon cyanoleuca*— (7) Seen at multiple locations.
Southern Rough-winged Swallow *Stelgidopteryx ruficollis*— (1) Seen near La Gamba.
Gray-breasted Martin *Progne chalybea*— (4) Seen at multiple locations.
Mangrove Swallow *Tachycineta albilinea*— (2) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves and the Tarcoles River boat tour.
Barn Swallow *Hirundo rustica*— (1) Seen near Ciudad Neily rice fields.

GNATCATCHERS AND GNATWRENS: Polioptilidae (2)

White-browed Gnatcatcher *Polioptila bilineata*— (1) Seen at Talari Mountain Lodge.
White-lored Gnatcatcher *Polioptila albilorus*— (1) Seen at Hotel Cerro Lodge.

WRENS: Troglodytidae (11)

Scaly-breasted Wren *Microcerculus marginatus*— (1) HO, Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

House Wren *Troglodytes aedon*— (5) Seen and heard at multiple locations.

Ochraceous Wren *Troglodytes ochraceus*— (1) RE, seen on the trail above Savegre Mountain Lodge.

Timberline Wren *Thryorchilus browni*— (1) RE, HO, at Cerro Buena Vista communication towers.

Rufous-naped Wren *Campylorhynchus rufinucha*— (2) Seen at Hotel Bougainvillea and Hotel Cerro Lodge.

Rufous-breasted Wren *Pheugopedius rutilus*— (1) Seen at Talari Mountain Lodge.

Banded Wren *Thryophilus pleurostictus*— (1) Seen near Garabito.

Cabanis's Wren *Cantorchilus modestus*— (2) Seen and heard at Hotel Bougainvillea.

Isthmian Wren *Cantorchilus elutus*— (1) Seen on entry road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Riverside Wren *Cantorchilus semibadius*— (2) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Gray-breasted Wood-Wren *Henicorhina leucophrys*— (2) Seen and heard at multiple locations in the Savegre Valley.

MOCKINGBIRDS AND THRASHERS: Mimidae (1)

Tropical Mockingbird *Mimus gilvus*— (5) Seen at multiple locations.

THRUSHES: Turdidae (6)

Black-faced Solitaire *Myadestes melanops*— (1) RE, heard then seen in the Savegre Valley.

Black-billed Nightingale-Thrush *Catharus gracilirostris*— (1) Seen in the Savegre Valley.

Ruddy-capped Nightingale-Thrush *Catharus frantzii*— (1) Seen on the road above the Savegre Mountain Lodge.

Mountain Thrush *Turdus plebejus*— (2) Seen at Paraiso Quetzales and in the Savegre Valley.

Clay-colored Thrush *Turdus grayi*— (10) National bird of Costa Rica. Seen everywhere.

Sooty Thrush *Turdus nigrescens*— (1) RE, seen at Miriam's Restaurant in the Savegre Valley.

SILKY-FLYCATCHERS: Ptiliogonatidae (2)

Black-and-yellow Silky-flycatcher *Phainoptila melanoxantha*— (1) RE, seen at Paraiso Quetzales.

Long-tailed Silky-flycatcher *Ptiliogonys caudatus*— (3) RE, seen at Paraiso Quetzales and Savegre Mountain Lodge.

FINCHES AND EUPHONIAS: Fringillidae (6)

Golden-browed Chlorophonia *Chlorophonia callophrys*— (1) Seen at Paraiso Quetzales and on the trail above the Savegre Mountain Lodge.

Scrub Euphonia *Euphonia affinis*— (1) Seen at Hotel Cerro Lodge.

Yellow-crowned Euphonia *Euphonia luteicapilla*— (3) Seen at Soda La Vuelta, Talari Mountain Lodge and near Aguirre.

Yellow-throated Euphonia *Euphonia hirundinacea*— (2) Seen on the entry road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Thick-billed Euphonia *Euphonia laniirostris*— (1) Seen near La Gamba.

Spot-crowned Euphonia *Euphonia imitans*— (1) Seen near La Gamba.

NEW WORLD SPARROWS: Passerellidae (11)

Sooty-capped Chlorospingus *Chlorospingus pileatus*— (3) Seen at Paraiso Quetzales, Savegre Mountain Lodge and the Cerro Buena Vista communication towers.

Common Chlorospingus *Chlorospingus flavopectus*— (1) Seen along the Savegre River.

Stripe-headed Sparrow *Peucaea ruficauda*— (1) Lone bird seen near Garabito.

Olive Sparrow *Arremonops rufivirgatus*— (1) Seen at Hotel Cerro Lodge.

Black-striped Sparrow *Arremonops conirostris*— (3) Seen near La Gamba and at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Orange-billed Sparrow *Arremon aurantirostris*— (5) Seen at multiple locations.

Volcano Junco *Junco vulcani*— (1) RE, seen at the Cerro Buena Vista communication towers.

Rufous-collared Sparrow *Zonotrichia capensis*— (4) Seen at multiple locations.

Large-footed Finch *Pezopetes capitalis*— (2) Seen at Paraiso Quetzales, Miriam's Restaurant in the Savegre Valley and at Cerro Buena Vista communication towers.

White-eared Ground-Sparrow *Melospiza leucotis*— (1) Seen at Hotel Bougainvillea.

Yellow-thighed Brushfinch *Pselliophorus tibialis*— (2) RE, seen at Paraiso Quetzales and along the Savegre River.

BLACKBIRDS AND ORIOLES: Icteridae (12)

Eastern Meadowlark *Sturnella magna*— (1) Seen along the highway on fence posts on the 15th.

Red-breasted Meadowlark *Leistes militaris*— (2) Seen on entry road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Montezuma Oropendola *Psarocolius montezuma*— (2) Seen at Hotel Bougainvillea.

Scarlet-rumped Cacique *Cacicus uropygialis*— (1) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Streak-backed Oriole *Icterus pustulatus*— (1) Seen on the Tarcoles River boat tour and near Garabito.

Baltimore Oriole *Icterus galbula*— (10) Widespread, seen at multiple locations.

Red-winged Blackbird *Agelaius phoeniceus*— (1) Seen on Tarcoles River boat tour.

Shiny Cowbird *Molothrus bonariensis*— (1) Seen near Ciudad Neily rice fields.

Bronzed Cowbird *Molothrus aeneus*— (2) Seen along the highway on the 17th and near Ciudad Neily rice fields.

Giant Cowbird *Molothrus oryzivorus*— (1) Seen near Ciudad Neily rice fields.

Melodious Blackbird *Dives dives*— (7) Seen at multiple locations.

Great-tailed Grackle *Quiscalus mexicanus*— (9) Common and widespread, seen at multiple locations.

NEW WORLD WARBLERS: Parulidae (15)

Louisiana Waterthrush *Parkesia motacilla*— (2) Seen along the Savegre River.

Northern Waterthrush *Parkesia noveboracensis*— (2) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Black-and-white Warbler *Mniotilta varia*— (1) Seen on the trail above Savegre Mountain Lodge.

Prothonotary Warbler *Protonotaria citrea*— (2) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves and on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Flame-throated Warbler *Oreothlypis gutturalis*— (2) RE, seen at Paraiso Quetzales and on the trail above Savegre Mountain Lodge.

Tennessee Warbler *Oreothlypis peregrina*— (8) Seen at multiple locations.

Blackburnian Warbler *Setophaga fusca*— (1) Seen at Cabinas El Quetzal.

Yellow Warbler *Setophaga petechia*— (8) Seen at multiple locations with the Mangrove Yellow Warbler being seen twice, on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves and near Bajamar.

Chestnut-sided Warbler *Setophaga pensylvanica*— (5) Seen at multiple locations.

Black-throated Green Warbler *Setophaga virens*— (2) Seen at Cabinas El Quetzal and at Savegre Mountain Lodge.

Chestnut-capped Warbler *Basileuterus delatirii*— (2) Seen at Hotel Bougainvillea.

Black-cheeked Warbler *Basileuterus melanogenys*— (1) Seen on the trail above Savegre Mountain Lodge.

Buff-rumped Warbler *Myiothlypis fulvicauda*— (1) HO, at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Wilson's Warbler *Cardellina pusilla*— (2) Seen at multiple locations in the Savegre Valley.

Collared Redstart *Myioborus torquatus*— (1) RE, seen on the trail above Savegre Mountain Lodge.

CARDINAL-GROSBEAKS: Cardinalidae (6)

Summer Tanager *Piranga rubra*— (8) Widespread, seen at multiple locations.

Flame-colored Tanager *Piranga bidentata*— (3) Seen at multiple locations in the Savegre Valley.

Black-cheeked Ant-Tanager *Habia atrimaxillaris*— (1) E, seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Black-thighed Grosbeak *Pheucticus tibialis*— (2) RE, seen at Paraiso Quetzales and along the Savegre River.

Rose-breasted Grosbeak *Pheucticus ludovicianus*— (3) Seen at Hotel Bougainvillea, Savegre Mountain Lodge and Talari Mountain Lodge.

Blue-black Grosbeak *Cyanoloxia cyanooides*— (2) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge, Carara National Park and on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

TANAGERS AND ALLIES: Thraupidae (25)

Gray-headed Tanager *Eucometis penicillata*— (2) Seen at Talari Mountain Lodge.

White-shouldered Tanager *Tachyphonus luctuosus*— (1) Seen at Carara National Park.

Scarlet-rumped Tanager *Ramphocelus passerinii*— (6) Widespread, seen at multiple locations.

Blue-gray Tanager *Thraupis episcopus*— (10) Widespread, seen daily.

Palm Tanager *Thraupis palmarum*— (3) Seen at Soda La Vuelta, near La Gamba and at Talari Mountain Lodge.

Speckled Tanager *Ixothraupis guttata*— (1) Seen at Talari Mountain Lodge and Los Cusingos.

Golden-hooded Tanager *Tangara larvata*— (4) Seen near La Gamba and on the entry road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Spangle-cheeked Tanager *Tangara dowii*— (1) RE, seen at Paraiso Quetzales.

Bay-headed Tanager *Tangara gyrola*— (2) Seen on entry road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and at Talari Mountain Lodge.

Silver-throated Tanager *Tangara icterocephala*— (1) Seen at Savegre Mountain Lodge.

Blue Dacnis *Dacnis cayana*— (2) Seen on entry road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and at Talari Mountain Lodge.

Shining Honeycreeper *Cyanerpes lucidus*— (1) Seen on entry road to Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Red-legged Honeycreeper *Cyanerpes cyaneus*— (5) Seen at multiple locations.

Green Honeycreeper *Chlorophanes spiza*— (2) Seen at Talari Mountain Lodge.

Slaty Flowerpiercer *Diglossa plumbea*— (2) Seen at Paraiso Quetzales and Savegre Mountain Lodge.

Peg-billed Finch *Acanthidops bairdi*— (1) Seen briefly by Johan at the Cerro Buena Vista communication towers.

Blue-black Grassquit *Volatinia jacarina*— (2) Seen near La Gamba and on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Thick-billed Seed-Finch *Sporophila funerea*— (2) Seen near La Gamba.

Variable Seedeater *Sporophila corvina*— (4) Seen at multiple locations.

Morelet's Seedeater *Sporophila moreletii*— (1) Seen on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Yellow-bellied Seedeater *Sporophila nigricollis*— (2) Seen near La Gamba.

Bananaquit *Coereba flaveola*— (3) Seen at Palo Verde del Guarco and Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Yellow-faced Grassquit *Tiaris olivaceus*— (1) Seen at Palo Verde del Guarco.

Buff-throated Saltator *Saltator maximus*— (2) Seen at Talari Mountain Lodge and near Aguirre.

Cinnamon-bellied Saltator *Saltator grandis*— (3) Seen and heard at Hotel Bougainvillea.

MAMMALS (10 species recorded):

Brown-throated Three-toed Sloth *Bradypus variegatus*— (2) Seen near Quepos.

Lesser White-lined Bat *Saccopteryx leptura*— (1) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Central American Agouti *Dasyprocta punctata*— (4) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and Hotel Cerro Lodge.

Red-tailed Squirrel *Sciurus granatensis*— (3) Seen at multiple locations.

Variiegated Squirrel *Sciurus variegatoides*— (5) Seen at multiple locations.

White-throated Capuchin *Cebus capucinus*— (4) Seen near Quepos and at Hotel Cerro Lodge.

Mantled Howler Monkey *Alouatta palliata*— (3) Seen and heard at Hotel Cerro Lodge.

Crab-eating Raccoon *Procyon cancrivorus*— (1) Seen on Tarcoles River boat tour.

Kinkajou *Potos flavus*— (1) Seen at Talari Mountain Lodge.

Bottlenose Dolphin *Tursiops truncatus*— (1) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves.

REPTILES & AMPHIBIANS (10 species recorded):

American Crocodile *Crocodylus acutus*— (1) Seen on the boat tour of the Rio Coto Colorado estuary and mangroves and on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Spectacled Caiman *Caiman crocodilus*— (4) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Asian House Gecko *Hemidactylus frenatus*— (5) Heard at multiple locations.

Black Spiny-tailed Iguana *Ctenosaura siilis*— (3) Seen at Hotel Cerro Lodge and on the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Green Iguana *Iguana iguana*— (4) Seen at multiple locations.

Brown Basilisk *Basiliscus vittatus*— (3) Seen at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and the Tarcoles River boat tour.

Emerald Swift Lizard *Sceloporus malachiticus*— (1) Seen on the trail above Savegre Mountain Lodge.

Gladiator Tree Frog *Hypsiboas rosenbergi*— (1) Heard at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Common Rain Frog *Craugastor fitzingeri*— (1) Heard at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge.

Cane Toad *Bufo marinus*— (2) Heard at Esquinas Rainforest Lodge and seen at Talari Mountain Lodge.

LOCATIONS FOR 2023:

Feb. 14 – San Jose, Hotel Bougainvillea

Feb. 15 – Hotel Bougainvillea / Savegre Mountain Lodge

Feb. 16 – Savegre Mountain Lodge

Feb. 17 – Savegre Mountain Lodge / Esquinas Rainforest Lodge

Feb. 18 – Esquinas Rainforest Lodge

Feb. 19 – Esquinas Rainforest Lodge / Talari Mountain Lodge

Feb. 20 – Talari Mountain Lodge

Feb. 21 – Talari Mountain Lodge / Hotel Cerro Lodge

Feb. 22 – Hotel Cerro Lodge

Feb. 23 – Hotel Cerro Lodge / Hotel Bougainvillea, San Jose

Feb. 24 – San Jose