

### FIELD GUIDE TO THE BIRDS OF





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### Guayas... A huge nest for growing

Ecuador is a poem to nature that comprises the world's ecosystems at just 256,370 km2; where we have beaches, flatlands, mountains, jungles and enchanted islands. This diversity makes our country the perfect place for the development of a wide variety of flora and fauna, many of them endemic, as it occurs in our beloved Guayas province. Here, rivers, wetlands and mountain ranges uniquely sculpt its geography, making it the ideal home for 554 species of birds.

This is an ideal scenario to implement bird tourism, a rapidly growing activity that is already considered the most profitable within ecotourism, and thus, representing a great opportunity for the socioeconomic development of the people of Guayas.

Consequently, we want the Prefecture of Guayas, with this book, its words and photos, to make visitors and locals aware of our birds' main species, their characteristics and guirks, as well as to where we can find them, the benefits and beauty of their habitats. At the same time, we extend to everyone a cordial invitation to enjoy this responsible tourism alternative that allows us to protect and admire our fauna alongside the environment.

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### The importance of the birds in ecuador

The megadiversity of the birds in Ecuador has been the key factor for the development of bird-tourism, considered the most sustainable modality for ecotourism which is the least invasive to the culture of the communities and the least aggressive towards nature. Sustainable bird tourism is an important component of international ecotourism with socio-economic benefits for the country.

Birds are widely distributed on the planet and are of great importance for the health of ecosystems, being an indicator par excellence of the conservation status of a habitat. Birdwatching is an activity considered as a modality of nature-based tourism associated with ecotourism and represents one of the main offers of eco-friendly travel programs and sources of income in key nature destinations on the planet. On a global level, it also promotes the protection of the environment and diversity.

Ecuador is one of the countries with the greatest diversity of birds in the world and a consolidated birding destination. What is interesting about this status is that all of this is found in an area of just 256,370 km2, a size similar to that of the United Kingdom or the state of Colorado in the United States.

Our location at the middle of the world, the influence of the El Niño and Humboldt currents, as well as the cloud forests on both sides of the Andes, the vast Amazon create unique and endangered ecosystems. These include the Chocó -Andes, the Tumbesian region, the Cordilleras of El Cóndor and Cutucú, the páramos, the wet and dry inter-Andean valleys, and the Galapagos Archipelago, combine together in a small country, causing an incredibly high concentration of bird species. As a result, Ecuador has a current count of 1,722 bird species. (INABIO, 2022)

#### **Global Big Day**

A relevant event within the development of bird tourism worldwide is the Global Big Day, created with the purpose of promoting citizen awareness about the importance of birds and the conservation of resources for their survival. This encompasses and empowers citizen groups with the commitment to the conservation of biodiversity.

This event arose in 2015 as an initiative of Cornell University (Ithaca, New York), one of the ten best research universities in the United States. Since then, it has been organized and run by this institution. After each edition, the countries contribute with their respective registration lists, mostly with individual and collective identifications. The importance of Global Big Day lies in that the window to the world is through the www.e-bird.com portal, which is the platform where the data obtained is recorded and the results on the number of species present in a country. This as a sample of the state of conservation of resources, the potential for the development of birdwatching and the level of interest and participation of the citizenry. (Larrea, 2020).

In recent years, Ecuador has participated in this event, with an exponential growth both in the number of registered species and participants each year. This is thanks to the great effort and dedication of many people and entities at the national level. It should be noted that Ecuador is within the group of the ten countries with the greatest biodiversity on the Earth and ranks third in the world with the highest number of bird species.

Guayas has a total of 554 species registered to date. These are distributed in its coastal marine ecosystems, floodplain savannahs and mainland forests which are present in the territory. Guayas is also listed on the "e-bird" platform, so if you need to obtain updated information on bird counts, we suggest entering it through the following QR code:

### **Ecosystems of the** province of guayas

The province of Guayas is comprised mainly of fluvial valleys and low alluvial plains of marine and sedimentary origin. These are located between the western foothills of the Andes mountain range (western piedmont) to the east and the Chongón-Colonche mountain range to the west. This is an extra-Andean mountain range system that crosses from northwest to southeast and gradually decreases until it reaches the internal portion of the Gulf of Guayaguil, located in the south and southwest of the province.

This gulf encompasses an area of 12,000 km2, embodying half of the Ecuadorian continental shelf and it is estimated to be the largest estuary on the Pacific coast of South America. This body of water also contains the Island of Puna.

The ecosystems of the province of Guayas present different soil composition and plant formation that are conditioned by regional environmental factors. These generate a particular richness and variety of natural systems that host unique biodiversity and habitats. Some of these ecosystems are: Islands and islets, mangroves, freshwater wetlands, dry and moist to wet forests which are part of the Tumbes-Chocó-Magdalena biodiversity hotspot.



### BEACHES AND SALT FLATS

The beaches are narrow and open ecosystems located along the coastline within the intertidal zone; they have a predominantly sandy and occasionally rocky substratum. In the province of Guayas, the following beaches stand out: General Villamil (Playas), Data de Posorja and the beaches of the Island of Puna which occupy approximately one third of the coastline. The salt flats are inland and adjacent to most of these beaches and are subject to periodic flooding. On Puna Island, they reach several kilometers in length (Madsen et al., 2001). In both the beaches and the salt flats, there are populations of resident and migratory birds, among which are: pelicans. cormorants, terns, frigates and boobies. Also, there are migratory colonies of flamingos to be found in Engabao.

#### ISLANDS AND ISLETS

They are low-elevation marine-coastal ecosystems that have low scrub vegetation and seasonal dry deciduous forests that are conditioned by low levels of rainfall. The islands belonging to the province of Guayas are the Island of Puna and the Island of Santay.

The Island of Puná encompasses an area of 855 km2 and is located 61 km from the city of Guayaguil. It is the largest island of continental Ecuador and of northwestern South America. Towards its interior it has a forest in its majority naturally conserved, due to the scarcity of access roads. It has three hills with the highest elevation being the Zambapala hill, reaching 297 meters in altitude. The soils are poor in organic matter and alkaline to neutral with the presence of salinity and without rivers (Madsen et al. 2001). The island is of oceanic origin, it is considered that Puna was formed by the lava emission of an underwater volcanic eruption during the Quaternary Period, approximately one million years ago (Wolf, 1892).

Being of sedimentary origin, the island of Santay has an approximate area of 22 km2 and is located in the Guayas River, between the cities of Guayaquil and Durán. It is a flat island from O to 10 m above sea level, without elevations, it has some tidal creeks and also host ecosystems comprised of flooded forests, mangroves and wetlands. It has a high concentration of migratory and resident bird species that find rest, shelter and a suitable place for nesting in these areas. It has been declared a RAMSAR site and belongs to the National System of Protected Areas of Ecuador.



They are ecosystems located along coastlines in tropical zones. They thrive at the mouths of rivers that flow out to the sea especially in estuarine areas, within the intertidal range. The seeds and roots plant themselves in soils that are muddy, loose, saturated and periodically flooded. The abundant contributions of organic material brought by rivers and tides to the mangroves are processed by microscopic decomposers, becoming detritus. This is the necessary food for the larvae of countless species of crustaceans, mollusks and fish, which are found in the mangroves. The mangrove forest is the optimal place to reproduce and spawn due to this ecosystem is the highest natural bio-aquatic production area. Here in the mangroves, dozens of bird species such as frigates, herons, pelicans, spoonbills, kingfishers, ducks, parrots and more species obtain food and shelter. The mangroves of the Gulf of Guayaguil have been considered important areas for birds, because several species nest in these forests and the existence of numerous resident bird colonies.

In mangrove ecosystems, the vegetation is characterized by evergreen trees and shrubs, known as mangroves, among which there are very particular representatives such as the vidrillo Mangleticornia ecuadorensis, a (sub)shrub endemic to the Gulf of Guayaquil, and Laguncularia racemosa var. glabriflora, a variety of white mangrove that is unique to this region and to the entire eastern Pacific coast of the American continent.

The province of Guayas harbors approximately 105,210 hectares of mangrove. This area corresponds to 71% of the entire country's mangroves. In this province, the mangrove is distributed from the mouth of the Guayas River towards the interior of the Gulf of Guayaquil, extending to Posorja on the internal western margin and continuing along the eastern margin of the gulf continuously towards the Jambelí archipelago. The mangrove is also present as a thin northern strip running along towards the south on the Island of Puna.

In a phytogeographical sense, the mangrove system of the Gulf of Guayaguil belongs to the mangroves of the Equatorial Pacific dry forest (Cornejo, 2014). It includes areas of ecological importance that belong to the National System of Protected Areas of Ecuador, such as: National Recreation Area Isla Santay y del Gallo, the Manglares El Salado Fauna Production Reserve, the Manglares El Morro Wildlife Refuge, and the Manglares Churute Ecological Reserve. All of these are found in the cantons of Guayaguil, Naranjal, Balao, Playas, and Durán. There are mangrove areas within the city of Guayaquil that are outside the jurisdiction of these protected areas and are regarded as protective forests.



These are located on the floodplains of the Daule River, west of Guayaguil, towards Yaguachi and in the interior of the Island of Santay. Freshwater wetlands generally consist of sparse arboreal vegetation in its landscape, evidencing an open upper canopy dominated by low herbaceous plants adapted to strong solar radiation and which are also tolerant of flooded and saturated soils.

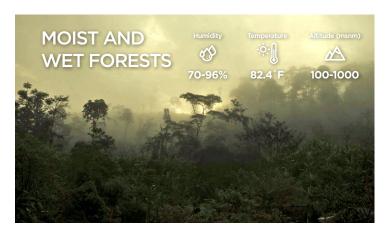
The soils are predominantly clay, retaining water and favors the establishment of aquatic and semi-aquatic plants. The avifauna of freshwater wetlands have a close affinity to that of the mangroves in this region and are stopover sites for dozens of migratory bird species.



These comprise of formations of scrub and deciduous forest that grow on well-drained soils. These areas are characterized by low levels of rainfall, between 250 and 1,000 mm of average annual rainfall. The rains are concentrated from January to May (green season), while the dry season corresponds to the months from June to December. The availability and absence of the contribution of water provides these forests a clear seasonal behavior. During the green season the vegetation cover turns green and leafy, this contributes to a more active and dynamic animal behavior,

while in the dry season, the native vegetation exhibits a strong deciduous behavior, that is, its leaves become shed due to water stress. This marked phenological behavior is conditioned by the influence of two marine currents that periodically visit the Pacific coast of Ecuador: (i) the warm El Niño current that generates rain, and (ii) the Humboldt current, which has a considerable cooling influence due to its nature of low temperatures, does not generate rain and favors drought, even though this region is close to the equator.

The dry forests of the province of Guayas are part of a regional floristic unit called the Equatorial Pacific Deciduous Dry Forests. For Ecuador, they belong to the Jama-Zapotillo forests (MAE, 2013). These cover the largest portion of the province and include the majority of cantons, these are: Balzar, Colimes, Palestina, Santa Lucía, Pedro Carbo, Isidro Ayora, Lomas de Sargentillo, Nobol, Daule, Salitre, Durán and Guayaquil. In a geopolitical sense, it is important to mention that in continental Ecuador, the provinces of Guayas and Manabí are the ones with the greatest original coverage of dry forests.



Tropical moist and wet forests have a mountainous relief with soils rich in organic matter and are characterized by rainfall levels between 1,000 to 2,000 mm of average annual precipitation which maintain vegetation greenness throughout the year. In the province of Guayas, humid forests are found above 400 m towards at the top elevations of the Chongón-Colonche mountain range, and towards the western portion of the Andes mountain range. The phenological behavior of its flora is governed by seasonal physical parameters.

Additionally, the humid forests of the province of Guayas and the entire coast of Ecuador periodically present condensations of oceanic origin. These have microdroplets in the form of a soft drizzle and that is captured by native vegetation that fulfills the role of natural water collectors. This horizontal precipitation favors the establishment and development of epiphyte diversity and its associated fauna, which is mainly represented by orchids, bromeliads, araceae, and ferns. The runoff that is produced by gravity generates springs and streams that support the fauna.

At least 300 species of birds have been recorded in moist and wet forests of the province of Guayas. Downstream, these water sources are of vital importance for basic human services and for irrigating crops.

# The birds of the province of Guayas



## categories

NATIVE. In biogeography, a native, indigenous or autochthonous species is a species that belongs to a certain region or ecosystem.

MIGRATORY BOREAL. Boreal migratory birds are those that migrate long distances from their breeding grounds in North America to their wintering sites in the Neotropics.

CHOCO ENDEMICS. Common species are the Chocó trogon, the Chocó toucan, the Chocó warbler, the Guayaquil woodpecker, the Chocó brush-eater and the Chocó tyrannulet.

ENDEMIC TO THE TUMBESIAN REGION. The Equatorial Dry Forest also called the Tumbesian Region (or even Tumbesian Endemic Region or Tumbesian Equatorial Dry Forest), is a natural region of Peru and Ecuador. It is made up of dry tropical forest ecosystems, and which are located in the Pacific coastal region south of the equatorial line.

ECUADORIAN ENDEMICS. Endemism is a commonly used concept to identify native taxa or biological groups with a restricted area of distribution. However, endemism has different interpretations according to the approach used for biogeographic analysis (ecological or historical).

INTRODUCED. In biogeography, an introduced species, alien species, exotic species, adventive species, immigrant species, foreign species, nonindigenous species, or non-native species that is not native to the place or area, is considered to be introduced.

SOUTHERN SLOPE ENDEMICS. The El Oro Parakeet (Pyrrhura orcesi) and the Ecuadorian Tapaculo (Scytalopus robbinsi) are endemic species of the province of El Oro, specifically of the Buenaventura Reserve. They are unique to Ecuador and are not found in any other part of the world," says Cabrera.

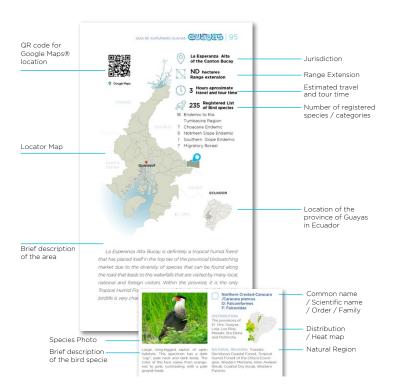
NORTHERN SLOPE ENDEMICS. The identification of areas of endemism is one of the first steps in biogeographic and conservation studies. The importance in their identification lies in the need to know and protection of the biological attributes and evolutionary history that endemic taxa and biota distribution patterns represent (Morrone, 2008; Noguera-Urbano, 2019)

AUSTRAL MIGRATORY. Southern migrant birds nest in temperate latitudes of the South American continent and migrate to the Amazon to spend the winter months. It is estimated that there are between 220 and 240 species of southern migrant birds (Chesser 1994, Stotz et al. 1996).

ANDEAN MIGRATORY. The tropics are the most diverse ecological systems in the world, and the highest diversity of raptors in the world is concentrated in the Neotropics. Ecuador is one of the most megadiverse countries in the world and has 67 diurnal and 28 nocturnal raptors and six scavenger birds (SACC Classification Version 11 February 2020

### **About This Guide**

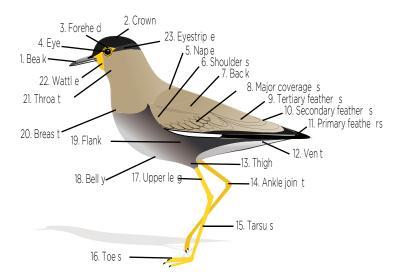
The following pages highlight 6 bird species that we have considered emblematic in each of the recommended Hotspots for bird watching. It includes: the name of the Hotspot, a small file with its respective map and QR code for its location, the extension of the area, the estimated time of the visit, the number of species listed on the site and a small general description. For each of the six species, a file has also been prepared with its respective photograph and description, common name, scientific name, order, family, distribution area with its respective heatmap and natural regions where it lives.

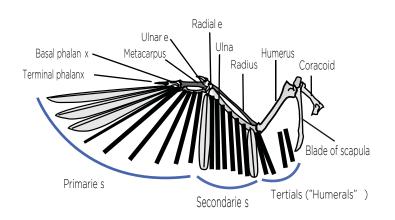


However, prior to the descriptions mentioned previously, on the following pages are the lists with all the bird species registered in the province of Guayas, with their names, order, family and corresponding IUCN Red List of Threatened Species classification. We are sure that this information will be very useful for your visit.

### **Bird Anatomy**

Birdwatching enthusiasts have a somewhat varied birding skill level. There are those who master the subject in depth, as well as casual birders or novice fans, for whom certain information is relevant. For this reason, we have included this small descriptive section of the basic anatomy of a bird.





#### CHECKLIST OF BIRD SPECIES OF THE PROVINCE OF GUAYAS - 1/8 No. COMMON NAME SCIENTIFIC NAME ORDER FAMILY ILICN NATIVE (N) Tinami Little tinamou Crypturellus soui Tinamidae LC 2 Great Tinamou Tinamus major Tinami Tinamidae NT Horned Screamer Anhima cornuta Anhimidae LC 3 Anseri 4 White-cheeked Pintail Anas hahamensis Anseri Anatidae LC 5 Comb Duck Sarkidiornis melanotos Anseri Anatidae LC 6 Masked Duck Anatidae Nomonyx dominicus Anseri LC Muscovy Duck Cairina moschata Anseri Anatidae I C 8 Fulvous Whistling-Duck Dendrocygna bicolor Anseri Anatidae LC 9 black-bellied whistling duck Dendrocygna autumnalis Anseri Anatidae LC 10 Sickle-winged Guan Chamaenetes goudotii Galli Cracidae LC 11 Crested Guan Penelope purpurascens Galli Cracidae LC 12 Rufous-fronted Wood-Quail Odontophorus erythrops Galli Odontophoridae LC 13 Least Grebe Tachybaptus dominicus Podicipedi Podicipedidae LC 14 Pied-billed Grebe Podicipedidae LC Podilymbus podiceps Podicipedi 15 Wood Stork Mycteria Americana Ciconii Ciconiidae LC 16 Jabiru Jabiru mycteria Ciconii Ciconiidae Magnificent Frigatebird Fregata magnificens Suli Fregatidae LC 17 Blue-footed Booby Suli 18 Sula nehouxii Sulidae LC 19 Peruvian Booby Sula variegata Suli Sulidae LC 20 neotropic cormorant Nannopterum brasilianum Suli Phalacrocoracidae LC 21 Aninga Anhinga anhinga Suli Anhingidae LC 22 Brown pelican Pelecanus occidentalis Pelecani Pelecanidae LC 23 Peruvian pelican Pelecanus thagus Pelecani Pelecanidae NT 24 Little blue heron Egretta caerulea Pelecani Ardeidae LC 25 Cattle Egret Bubulcus ibis Pelecani Ardeidae LC 26 Great egret Ardea alba Pelecani Ardeidae LC Pelecani Ardeidae LC 27 Snowy Egret Faretta thula Tricolored Heron Pelecani Ardeidae LC 28 Egretta tricolor Pelecani 29 Striated heron Butorides striata Ardeidae LC 30 Yellow-crowned Night-Heron Nyctanassa violacea Pelecani Ardeidae LC 31 Black-crowned night heron Nycticorax nycticorax Pelecani Ardeidae LC Fasciated Tiger-Heron Tigrisoma fasciatum Pelecani Ardeidae LC 32 33 Rufescent Tiger-Heron Tiarisoma lineatum Pelecani Ardeidae LC Cocoi Heron Ardea cocoi Ardeidae LC 34 Pelecani 35 Least Bittern Ixobrychus exilis Pelecani Ardeidae LC 36 Pinnated bittern Botaurus pinnatus Pelecani Ardeidae LC 37 Roseate spoonbill Platalea ajaja Pelecani Threskiornithidae LC 38 White Ibis Fudocimus albus Pelecani Threskiornithidae LC 39 Glossy Ibis Plegadis falcinellus Pelecani Threskiornithidae LC 40 Turkey vulture Cathartes aura Catharti Cathartidae LC 41 Black vulture Coragyps atratus Catharti Cathartidae 42 King Vulture Sarcoramphus papa Catharti Cathartidae LC 43 Ornate hawk-eagle Spizaetus ornatus Accipitri Accipitridae NT 44 Black hawk-eagle Spizaetus tyrannus Accipitri Accipitridae 45 Crested Eagle Morphnus guianensis Accipitridae NT Accipitri Bicolored hawk Acciniter bicolor Accipitri Accinitridae 46 LC 47 Tiny Hawk Accipiter superciliosus Accipitri Accipitridae LC Sharp-shinned hawk LC 48 Acciniter striatus Accipitri Accinitridae 40 Double-toothed Kite Harpagus bidentatus Accipitri Accipitridae LC 50 Snail kite Rostrhamus sociabilis Accipitri Accipitridae LC White-tailed Kite 51 Flanus leucurus Accipitri Accinitridae LC 52 Pearl Kite Gampsonyx swainsonii Accipitri Accipitridae LC 53 Hook-billed Kite Chondrohierax uncinatus Accipitri Accipitridae 54 Plumbeous Kite Ictinia plumbea Accipitri Accipitridae LC 55 Swallow-tailed Kite Flanoides forficatus Accipitri Accipitridae Harris's Hawk Parabuteo unicinctus LC 56 Accipitri Accipitridae 57 Barred Hawk Morphnarchus princeps Accipitri Accipitridae LC 58 Roadside Hawk Rupornis magnirostris Accipitri Accipitridae 59 /Short-tailed Hawk Buteo brachyurus Accipitridae LC Accipitri Zone-tailed Hawk 60 Ruteo albonotatus Accinitri Accinitridae LC 61 Swainson's Hawk Buteo swainsoni Accipitri Accipitridae LC Gray-lined Hawk Ruteo nitidus LC 62 Accipitri Accinitridae 63 Common Black Hawk Buteogallus anthracinus Accipitri Accipitridae LC 64 Great Black Hawk Buteogallus urubitinga Accipitri Accipitridae LC 65 Savanna Hawk Buteogallus meridionalis Accipitri Accinitridae LC Variable Hawk 66 Geranoaetus polyosoma Accipitri Accipitridae LC I.C Geranospiza caerulescens 67 Crane Hawk Accipitri Accipitridae 68 Limpkin Aramus guarauna Grui Aramidae LC Common Gallinule 69 Gallinula galeata Grui Rallidae 70 Purple Gallinule Grui Rallidae LC Porphyrio martinicus

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No.	COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	ORDER	FAMILY	IUCN
71	White-throated Crake	Laterallus albigularis	Grui	Rallidae	LC
72	Gray-breasted Crake	Laterallus exilis	Grui	Rallidae	LC
73	Paint-billed Crake	Mustelirallus erythrops	Grui	Rallidae	LC
74	Mangrove Rail	Rallus longirostris	Grui	Rallidae	LC
75	Rufous-necked Wood-Rail	Aramides axillaris	Grui	Rallidae	LC
76	Spotted Rail	Pardirallus maculatus	Grui	Rallidae	LC
77	Sungrebe	Heliornis fulica	Grui	Heliornithidae	LC
78	Sunbittern	Eurypyga helias	Eurypygi	Eurypygidae	LC
79	Southern Lapwing	Vanellus chilensis	Charadrii	Charadriidae	LC
80	Wilson's Plover	Charadrius wilsonia	Charadrii	Charadriidae	LC
81		Charadrius vociferus	Charadrii	Charadriidae	LC
82	American Oystercatcher	Haematopus palliatus	Charadrii	Haematopodidae	LC
83	Black-necked Stilt	Himantopus mexicanus	Charadrii	Recurvirostridae	LC
84	Least seedsnipe	Thinocorus rumicivorus	Charadrii	Thinocoridae	LC
85	Wattled jacana	Jacana jacana	Charadrii	Jacanidae	LC
86	Gray-hooded Gull	Chroicocephalus cirrocephalus	Charadrii	Laridae	NE
87	Black Skimmer	Rynchops niger	Charadrii	Laridae	LC
88	White-tipped Dove	Leptotila verreauxi	Columbi	Columbidae	LC
89 90	Band-tailed Pigeon	Patagioenas fasciata	Columbi	Columbidae Columbidae	NE LC
90	Scaled Pigeon	Patagioenas speciosa	Columbi	Columbidae	LC
91	White-throated Quail-Dove Ruddy Quail-Dove	Zentrygon frenata	Columbi	Columbidae	LC
93	Plumbeous pigeon	Geotrygon montana Patagioenas plumbea	Columbi	Columbidae	LC
93	Ruddy Pigeon	Patagioenas subvinacea	Columbi	Columbidae	LC
95	Pale-vented Pigeon	Patagioenas cayennensis	Columbi	Columbidae	LC
96	West Peruvian dove	Zenaida meloda	Columbi	Columbidae	LC
97	Fared dove	Zenaida auriculata	Columbi	Columbidae	LC
98	Blue Ground-Dove	Claravis pretiosa	Columbi	Columbidae	LC
99	Croaking Ground-Dove	Columbina cruziana	Columbi	Columbidae	LC
100	Plain-breasted Ground-Dove	Columbina minuta	Columbi	Columbidae	LC
101	Maroon-chested Ground-Dove	Paraclaravis mondetoura	Columbi	Columbidae	LC
102		Coccyzus lansbergi	Cuculi	Cuculidae	LC
103		Tapera naevia	Cuculi	Cuculidae	LC
104	Dark-billed Cuckoo	Coccyzus melacoryphus	Cuculi	Cuculidae	LC
105		Piaya cayana	Cuculi	Cuculidae	LC
106	Little Cuckoo	Coccycua minuta	Cuculi	Cuculidae	LC
107	Greater Ani	Crotophaga major	Cuculi	Cuculidae	LC
108	Groove-billed Ani	Crotophaga sulcirostris	Cuculi	Cuculidae	LC
109	Smooth-billed Ani	Crotophaga ani	Cuculi	Cuculidae	LC
110	Barn Owl	Tyto alba	Strigi	Tytonidae	LC
111	Black-and-white owl	Ciccaba nigrolineata	Strigi	Strigidae	LC
112	Spectacled owl	Pulsatrix perspicillata	Strigi	Strigidae	LC
113	Stygian Owl	Asio stygius	Strigi	Strigidae	LC
114	Striped Owl	Asio clamator	Strigi	Strigidae	LC
115		Ciccaba virgata	Strigi	Strigidae	LC
116	Crested Owl	Lophostrix cristata	Strigi	Strigidae	LC
117	Burrowing Owl	Athene cunicularia	Strigi	Strigidae	LC
118 119	Oilbird Great Potoo	Steatornis caripensis	Caprimulgi	Steatornithidae	LC
119	Lesser Nighthawk	Nyctibius griseus Chordeiles acutipennis	Caprimulgi Caprimulgi	Nyctibiidae Caprimulgidae	LC
121	Common Pauraque	Nyctidromus albicollis	Caprimulgi	Caprimulgidae	LC
122		Streptoprocne zonaris	Caprimulgi	Apodidae	LC
123		Chaetura brachyura	Caprimulgi	Apodidae	LC
124		Chaetura cinereiventris	Caprimulgi	Apodidae	LC
125		Panyptila cayennensis	Caprimulgi	Apodidae	LC
126		Uranomitra franciae	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
127		Polyerata amabilis	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
128		Amazilis amazilia	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
129	Band-tailed barbthroat	Threnetes ruckeri	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
130	Green-crowned Brilliant	Heliodoxa jacula	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
131	Fawn-breasted Brilliant	Heliodoxa rubinoides	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
132	Booted Racket-tail	Ocreatus underwoodii	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
133	Geoffroy's Daggerbill	Schistes geoffroyi	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
134	Gull-billed Tern	Gelochelidon nilotica	Charadrii	Laridae	NE
135		Phaethornis striigularis	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
136	Western Emerald	Chlorostilbon melanorhynchus	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
137	Violet-bellied hummingbird	Chlorestes julie	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
138		Discosura conversii	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
139	White-bellied woodstar	Chaetocercus mulsant	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
140		Heliothryx barroti	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
141	Long-billed Starthroat	Heliomaster longirostris	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC

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142	Collared Inca	Coeligena torquata	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
43	White-necked Jacobin Green-breasted Mango	Florisuga mellivora Anthracothorax prevostii	Caprimulgi Caprimulgi	Trochilidae Trochilidae	LC
45	Tyrian Metaltail	Metallura tyrianthina	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
46		Thalurania colombica	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
47	Sparkling Violetear	Colibri coruscans	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	L
48		Eutoxeres aquila	Apodi	Trochilidae	L(
49	Golden-headed Quetzal	Pharomachrus auriceps	Trogoni	Trogonidae	L
50	Crested Quetzal	Pharomachrus antisianus	Trogoni	Trogonidae	L
51	White-tailed Trogon	Trogon chionurus	Trogoni	Trogonidae	L
52		Trogon collaris	Trogoni	Trogonidae	L
53	Masked Trogon	Trogon personatus	Trogoni	Trogonidae	L
54	Gartered Trogon	Trogon caligatus	Trogoni	Trogonidae	L
55	Ringed Kingfisher	Megaceryle torquata	Coracii	Alcedinidae	L
56	American Pygmy Kingfisher	Chloroceryle aenea	Coracii	Alcedinidae	L
57	Green Kingfisher	Chloroceryle americana	Coracii	Alcedinidae	L
58	Green-and-rufous Kingfisher	Chloroceryle inda	Coracii	Alcedinidae	L
59	Whooping Motmot	Momotus subrufescens	Coracii	Momotidae	L
60	Broad-billed Motmot	Electron platyrhynchum	Coracii	Momotidae	L
61	Rufous Motmot	Baryphthengus martii	Coracii	Momotidae	L
62	Rufous-tailed Jacamar	Galbula ruficauda	Galbuli	Galbulidae	L
63	White-whiskered Puffbird	Malacoptila panamensis	Galbuli	Bucconidae	L
64	Barred Puffbird	Nystalus radiatus	Galbuli	Bucconidae	L
65	White-necked Puffbird	Notharchus hyperrhynchus	Galbuli	Bucconidae	L
66	Pied Puffbird	Notharchus tectus	Galbuli	Bucconidae	L
67	Lanceolated Monklet	Micromonacha lanceolata	Galbuli	Bucconidae	L
68	Red-headed Barbet	Eubucco bourcierii	Pici	Capitonidae	L
69	Cinnamon Woodpecker	Celeus loricatus	Pici	Picidae	L
70	Black-cheeked Woodpecker	Melanerpes pucherani	Pici	Picidae	L
71	Red-rumped Woodpecker	Dryobates kirkii	Pici	Picidae	L
72	Golden-olive Woodpecker	Colaptes rubiginosus	Pici	Picidae	L
73	Smoky-brown Woodpecker	Dryobates fumigatus	Pici	Picidae	L
74	Olivaceous Piculet	Picumnus olivaceus	Pici	Picidae	L
75	Black-mandibled Toucan	Ramphastos ambiguus	Pici	Ramphastidae	N
76	Crimson-rumped Toucaned	Aulacorhynchus haematopygus	Pici	Ramphastidae	L
77	Crested caracara	Caracara plancus	Falconi	Falconidae	L
78	Red-throated Caracara	Ibycter americanus	Falconi	Falconidae	L
79	American Kestrel	Falco sparverius	Falconi	Falconidae	L
80	Merlin	Falco columbarius	Falconi	Falconidae	L
81	Bat Falcon	Falco rufigularis	Falconi	Falconidae	L
82	Barred Forest-Falcon	Micrastur ruficollis	Falconi	Falconidae	L
83	Collared Forest-Falcon	Micrastur semitorquatus	Falconi	Falconidae	L
84	Laughing Falcon	Herpetotheres cachinnans	Falconi	Falconidae	L
85	Mealy Parrot	Amazona farinosa	Psittaci Psittaci	Psittacidae	N
86	Great Green Macaw	Ara ambiguus		Psittacidae	_
87	Bronze-winged Parrot	Pionus chalcopterus	Psittaci	Psittacidae	L
88	Blue-headed Parrot	Pionus menstruus	Psittaci Psittaci	Psittacidae Psittacidae	L
90	Speckle-faced Parrot Red-billed Parrot	Pionus tumultuosus seniloides Pionus sordidus	Psittaci Psittaci	Psittacidae Psittacidae	L
90	Maroon-tailed Parakeet	Pyrrhura melanura	Psittaci	Psittacidae Psittacidae	L
91 92	Great Antshrike	Pyrrnura meianura Taraba maior	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	L
93	Black-crowned Antshrike	Thamnophilus atrinucha	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	L
94	Russet Antshrike	Thamnistes anabatinus	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	L
95	Uniform Antshrike	Thamnophilus unicolor	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	L
95 96	Plain Antvireo	Dysithamnus mentalis	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	L
97	Dot-winged Antwren	Microrhopias quixensis	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	L
98	Pacific Antwren	Myrmotherula pacifica	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	L
99	White-flanked Antwren	Myrmotherula axillaris	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	L
00		Myrmotherula schisticolor	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	L
01	Checker-throated Antwren	Epinecrophylla fulviventris	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	L
02		Cercomacra nigricans	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	L
03		Gymnopithys bicolor	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	L
04		Poliocrania exsul	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	L
05		Euchrepomis callinota	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	L
06		Hylophylax naevioides	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	L
07	Dusky Antbird	Cercomacroides tyrannina	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	L
08		Pyriglena maura	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	L
09	Scaled Antpitta	Grallaria guatimalensis	Passeri	Grallariidae	L
10		Formicarius nigricapillus	Passeri	Formicariidae	L
11	Rufous-breasted Antthrush	Formicarius rufipectus	Passeri	Formicariidae	L
12		Cranioleuca erythrops	Passeri	Furnariidae	LC

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213	Slaty Spinetail	Synallaxis brachyura	Passeri	Furnariidae	LC
214	Pale-legged Hornero	Furnarius leucopus	Passeri	Furnariidae	LC
215	Slaty-winged Foliage-gleaner	Philydor fuscipenne	Passeri	Furnariidae	LC
216	Lineated Foliage-gleaner	Syndactyla subalaris	Passeri	Furnariidae	LC
217 218	Red-billed Scythebill Ruddy Foliage-gleaner	Campylorhamphus trochilirostris Clibanornis rubiginosus	Passeri Passeri	Furnariidae Furnariidae	LC LC
219	Eastern Woodhaunter	Automolus subulatus	Passeri	Furnariidae	LC
220	Scaly-throated leaftosser	Sclerurus guatemalensis	Passeri	Furnariidae	LC
221	Streak-headed woodcreeper	Lepidocolaptes souleyetii	Passeri	Furnariidae	LC
222	Spotted woodcreeper	Xiphorhynchus erythropygius	Passeri	Furnariidae	LC
223	Olivaceous woodcreeper	Sittasomus griseicapillus	Passeri	Furnariidae	LC
224	Plain-brown Woodcreeper	Dendrocincla fuliginosa	Passeri	Furnariidae	LC
225	Wedge-billed Woodcreeper	Glyphorynchus spirurus	Passeri	Furnariidae	LC
226	Plain Xenops	Xenops minutus	Passeri Passeri	Furnariidae Furnariidae	LC LC
228	Streaked Xenops Brownish Twistwing	Xenops rutilans Cnipodectes subbrunneus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
229	Scale-crested Pygmy-Tyrant	Lophotriccus pileatus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
230	Dusky-capped Flycatcher	Myiarchus tuberculifer	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
231	Yellow-bellied Elaenia	Elaenia flavogaster	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
232	Greenish Elaenia	Myiopagis viridicata	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
233	Common Tody-Flycatcher	Todirostrum cinereum	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
234	Black phoebe	Sayornis nigricans	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
235	Ornate Flycatcher	Myiotriccus ornatus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
236	Black-tailed myiobius	Myiobius atricaudus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
237	Ruddy-tailed Flycatcher	Terenotriccus erythrurus	Passeri Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC LC
239	Streak-necked Flycatcher Slaty-capped Flycatcher	Mionectes striaticollis Leptopogon superciliaris	Passeri	Tyrannidae Tyrannidae	LC
240	Sulphur-rumped myiobius	Myiobius sulphureipygius	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
241	Olive-striped flycatcher	Mionectes olivaceus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
242	Tawny-breasted Flycatcher	Myiobius villosus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
243	Bran-colored Flycatcher	Myiophobus fasciatus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
244	Ochre-bellied Flycatcher	Mionectes oleagineus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
245	Acadian Flycatcher	Empidonax virescens	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
246	Rusty-margined Flycatcher	Myiozetetes cayanensis	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
247 248	Vermilion Flycatcher Golden-crowned flycatcher	Pyrocephalus rubinus Myiodynastes chrysocephalus	Passeri Passeri	Tyrannidae Tyrannidae	LC LC
249	Boat-billed flycatcher	Megarynchus pitangua	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
250	Piratic flycatcher	Legatus leucophaius	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
251	Streaked flycatcher	Myiodynastes maculatus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
252	Social Flycatcher	Myiozetetes similis	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
253	Smoke-colored Pewee	Contopus fumigatus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
254	Western Wood-Pewee	Contopus sordidulus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
255	Tropical Pewee	Contopus cinereus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
256 257	Yellow-olive Flycatcher	Tolmomyias sulphurescens	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
257	White-throated Spadebill Short-tailed Field Tyrant	Platyrinchus mystaceus Muscigralla brevicauda	Passeri Passeri	Tyrannidae Tyrannidae	LC LC
259	Long-tailed Tyrant	Colonia colonus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
260	Masked Water-Tyrant	Fluvicola nengeta	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
261	Fulvous-faced scrub tyrant	Euscarthmus fulviceps	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
262	Rufous-crowned Tody-Flycatcher	Poecilotriccus ruficeps	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
263	Tropical Kingbird	Tyrannus melancholicus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
264	Yellow Tyrannulet	Capsiempis flaveola	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
265	Sooty-headed Tyrannulet	Phyllomyias griseiceps	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
266	Mouse-colored Tyrannulet	Phaeomyias murina	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
267 268	Brown-capped Tyrannulet Torrent Tyrannulet	Ornithion brunneicapillus Serpophaga cinerea	Passeri Passeri	Tyrannidae Tyrannidae	LC LC
269	Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet	Camptostoma obsoletum	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
270	Scaled Fruiteater	Ampelioides tschudii	Passeri	Cotingidae	LC
271	Green-and-black Fruiteater	Pipreola riefferii	Passeri	Cotingidae	LC
272	Andean Cock-of-the-rock	Rupicola peruvianus	Passeri	Cotingidae	LC
273	Purple-throated Fruitcrow	Querula purpurata	Passeri	Cotingidae	LC
274	Golden-winged Manakin	Masius chrysopterus	Passeri	Pipridae	LC
275	Saltarín Barbiblanco	Manacus manacus	Passeri	Pipridae	LC
276	Red-capped Manakin	Ceratopipra mentalis	Passeri	Pipridae	LC
277	Blue-crowned Manakin	Lepidothrix coronata	Passeri	Pipridae	LC
278 279	Green Manakin Black-and-white Becard	Cryptopipo holochlora Pachyramphus albogriseus	Passeri Passeri	Pipridae Tityridae	LC LC
280	Cinnamon Becard	Pachyramphus cinnamomeus	Passeri	Tityridae	LC
281	One-colored Becard	Pachyramphus homochrous	Passeri	Tityridae	LC
282	Western Schiffornis	Schiffornis veraepacis	Passeri	Tityridae	LC
283	Black-crowned Tityra	Tityra inquisitor	Passeri	Tityridae	LC

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284	Masked tityra	Tityra semifasciata	Passeri	Tityridae	LC
285	Lesser greenlet	Pachysylvia decurtata	Passeri	Vireonidae	LC
286 287	Red-eyed vireo Rufous-browed peppershrike	Vireo olivaceus Cyclarhis gujanensis	Passeri Passeri	Vireonidae Vireonidae	LC LC
288	Slaty-capped shrike-vireo	Vireolanius leucotis	Passeri	Vireonidae	LC
289	Southern rough-winged swallow	Stelgidopteryx ruficollis	Passeri	Hirundinidae	LC
290	Blue-and-white Swallow	Pygochelidon cyanoleuca	Passeri	Hirundinidae	LC
291	White-thighed swallow	Atticora tibialis	Passeri	Hirundinidae	LC
292	Grey-breasted martin	Progne chalybea	Passeri	Hirundinidae	LC
293	Brown-chested martin	Progne tapera	Passeri	Hirundinidae	LC
294 295	Whiskered wren Bay wren	Pheugopedius mystacalis Cantorchilus nigricapillus	Passeri Passeri	Troglodytidae Troglodytidae	LC LC
296	Song wren	Cyphorhinus phaeocephalus	Passeri	Troglodytidae	LC
297	Stripe-throated wren	Cantorchilus leucopogon	Passeri	Troglodytidae	LC
298	Mountain wren	Troglodytes solstitialis	Passeri	Troglodytidae	LC
299	Gray-breasted Wood-Wren	Henicorhina leucophrys	Passeri	Troglodytidae	LC
300	Scaly-breasted Wren	Microcerculus marginatus	Passeri	Troglodytidae	LC
301	House Wren	Troglodytes aedon	Passeri	Troglodytidae	LC
302	White-browed gnatcatcher	Polioptila bilineata	Passeri	Polioptilidae	NE
303 304	Half-collared Gnatwren Long-billed Gnatwren	Microbates cinereiventris Ramphocaenus melanurus	Passeri Passeri	Polioptilidae Polioptilidae	LC LC
305	White-capped Dipper	Cinclus leucocephalus	Passeri	Cinclidae	LC
306	Pale-eyed Thrush	Turdus leucops	Passeri	Turdidae	LC
307	Andean Solitaire	Myadestes ralloides	Passeri	Turdidae	LC
308	Speckled nightingale-thrush	Catharus maculatus	Passeri	Turdidae	LC
309	Long-tailed mockingbird	Mimus longicaudatus	Passeri	Mimidae	LC
310	Blue dacnis	Dacnis cayana	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
311	Black-faced Dacnis	Dacnis lineata	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
312	Chestnut-throated seedeater Variable seedeater	Sporophila telasco	Passeri Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
313	Yellow-bellied seedeater	Sporophila corvina Sporophila nigricollis	Passeri	Thraupidae Thraupidae	LC LC
315	Plumbeous sierra finch	Geospizopsis unicolor	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
316	Bananaquit	Coereba flaveola	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
317	Purple Honeycreeper	Cyanerpes caeruleus	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
318	Green Honeycreeper	Chlorophanes spiza	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
319	Saffron Finch	Sicalis flaveola	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
320	Dull-colored Grassquit	Asemospiza obscura	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
321	Blue-black Grassquit	Volatinia jacarina	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
322	Large-billed Seed-Finch	Sporophila crassirostris	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
323 324	Blue-gray Tanager Bay-headed Tanager	Thraupis episcopus Tangara gyrola	Passeri Passeri	Thraupidae Thraupidae	LC LC
325	Blue-necked Tanager	Stilpnia cyanicollis	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
326	Tawny-crested Tanager	Tachyphonus delatrii	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
327	Golden Tanager	Tangara arthus	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
328	White-lined Tanager	Tachyphonus rufus	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
329	Silver-throated Tanager	Tangara icterocephala	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
330	Guira Tanager	Hemithraupis guira	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
331	TWhite-shouldered tanager	Loriotus luctuosus	Passeri	Thraupidae	NE
332	Flame-rumped tanager	Ramphocelus flammigerus	Passeri Passeri	Thraupidae	LC LC
333	Blue-winged mountain tanager Black-and-white tanager	Anisognathus somptuosus Conothraupis speculigera	Passeri	Thraupidae Thraupidae	NT
335	Golden-naped tanager	Chalcothraupis ruficervix	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
336	Palm tanager	Thraupis palmarum	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
337	Fawn-breasted tanager	Pipraeidea melanonota	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
338	Swallow tanager	Tersina viridis	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
339	Yellow-throated bush tanager	Chlorospingus flavigularis	Passeri	Emberizidae	LC
340		Zonotrichia capensis	Passeri	Emberizidae	LC
341	Ashy-throated bush tanager	Chlorospingus canigularis	Passeri	Emberizidae	LC
342 343	Chestnut-capped brushfinch Black-striped sparrow	Arremon brunneinucha Arremonops conirostris	Passeri Passeri	Emberizidae Emberizidae	LC LC
343		Arremonops conirostris Arremon aurantiirostris	Passeri	Emberizidae	LC
345	Golden grosbeak	Pheucticus chrysogaster	Passeri	Cardinalidae	LC
346		Saltator grossus	Passeri	Cardinalidae	LC
347	Blue-black grosbeak	Cyanoloxia cyanoides	Passeri	Cardinalidae	LC
348	White-winged tanager	Piranga leucoptera	Passeri	Cardinalidae	LC
349	Hepatic tanager	Piranga flava	Passeri	Cardinalidae	LC
350	•	Saltator atripennis	Passeri	Cardinalidae	LC
351	Buff-throated saltator	Saltator maximus	Passeri	Cardinalidae	LC
352 353		Saltator striatipectus	Passeri	Cardinalidae	LC
353	Cabanis's seedeater Olive-crowned yellowthroat	Amaurospiza concolor	Passeri Passeri	Cardinalidae Parulidae	LC LC
JJ4	Onve-crowned yellowthroat	Geothlypis semiflava	rassen	raiulidae	LU

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355	Masked yellowthroat	Geothlypis aequinoctialis	Passeri	Parulidae	LC
56	Slate-throated whitestart	Myioborus miniatus	Passeri	Parulidae	LC
57	Tropical parula	Setophaga pitiayumi	Passeri	Parulidae	LC
58	Three-striped Warbler	Basileuterus tristriatus	Passeri	Parulidae	LC
59	Russet-crowned Warbler	Myiothlypis coronata	Passeri	Parulidae	LC
60	Buff-rumped warblerReinita Yellow	Myiothlypis fulvicauda	Passeri	Parulidae	LC
61 62	Warbler	Setophaga petechia Icterus mesomelas	Passeri Passeri	Parulidae Icteridae	LC LC
63	Yellow-tailed Oriole Yellow-rumped Cacique	Cacicus cela	Passeri	Icteridae	LC
864	Scarlet-rumped cacique	Cacicus ceia Cacicus uropygialis	Passeri	Icteridae	LC
365	Yellow-billed Cacique	Amblycercus holosericeus	Passeri	Icteridae	LC
366	Great-tailed Grackle	Quiscalus mexicanus	Passeri	Icteridae	LC
367	Scrub blackbird	Dives warszewiczi	Passeri	Icteridae	LC
68	Peruvian meadowlark	Leistes bellicosus	Passeri	Icteridae	LC
369	Shiny Cowbird	Molothrus bonariensis	Passeri	Icteridae	LC
70	Giant cowbird	Molothrus oryzivorus	Passeri	Icteridae	LC
371	Orange-crowned Euphonia	Euphonia saturata	Passeri	Fringilidae	LC
372	Thick-billed Euphonia	Euphonia laniirostris	Passeri	Fringilidae	LC
373	Orange-bellied Euphonia	Euphonia xanthogaster	Passeri	Fringilidae	LC
374	Hooded Siskin	Spinus magellanicus	Passeri	Fringilidae	LC
375	Yellow-bellied siskin	Spinus xanthogastrus	Passeri	Fringilidae	LC
376	Yellow-billed Pintail	Anas georgica	Anseri	Anatidae	LC
377	Guanay cormorant	Leucocarbo bougainvillii	Suli	Phalacrocoracidae	NT
	MIGRATORY BOREAL (Mb)				
1	Blue-winged teal	Spatula discors	Anseri	Anatidae	LC
2	Great blue heron	Ardea herodias	Pelecani	Ardeidae	LC
3	Osprey	Pandion haliaetus	Accipitri	Pandionidae	LC
4		Buteo platypterus	Accipitri	Accipitridae	LC
5	Sora	Porzana carolina	Grui	Rallidae	LC
6		Charadrius collaris	Charadri	Charadriidae	LC
7	American Golden-Plover	Pluvialis dominica	Charadri	Charadriidae	LC
9	Black-bellied Plover Collared plover	Pluvialis squatarola Charadrius nivosus	Charadri Charadri	Charadriidae Charadriidae	LC NT
10	Semipalmated plover	Charadrius semipalmatus	Charadri	Charadriidae	LC
11	Short-billed dowitcher	Limnodromus griseus	Charadri	Scolopacidae	LC
12	Spotted sandpiper	Actitis macularius	Charadri	Scolopacidae	LC
13	Solitary sandpiper	Tringa solitaria	Charadri	Scolopacidae	LC
14	Wilson's phalarope	Phalaropus tricolor	Charadri	Scolopacidae	LC
15	Greater yellowlegs	Tringa melanoleuca	Charadri	Scolopacidae	LC
16	Lesser yellowlegs	Tringa flavipes	Charadri	Scolopacidae	LC
17	Sanderling	Calidris alba	Charadri	Scolopacidae	LC
18	Baird's sandpiper	Calidris bairdii	Charadri	Scolopacidae	LC
19	Least sandpiper	Calidris minutilla	Charadri	Scolopacidae	LC
20	Western sandpiper	Calidris mauri	Charadri	Scolopacidae	LC
21	Pectoral sandpiper	Calidris melanotos	Charadri	Scolopacidae	LC
22	Red knot	Calidris canutus	Charadri	Scolopacidae	NT
23	Semipalmated sandpiper	Calidris pusilla	Charadri	Scolopacidae	NT
24	Stilt sandpiper	Calidris himantopus	Charadri	Scolopacidae	LC
25	Wandering tattler	Tringa incana	Charadri	Scolopacidae	LC
26	Curlew sandpiper	Calidris ferruginea	Charadri	Scolopacidae	NT
27	Surfbird	Calidris virgata	Charadri	Scolopacidae	LC
28	Willet	Tringa semipalmata	Charadri	Scolopacidae	LC
29	Ruddy Turnstone	Arenaria interpres	Charadri	Scolopacidae	LC
30	Whimbrel	Numenius phaeopus	Charadri	Scolopacidae	LC
31	Franklin's Gull	Leucophaeus pipixcan	Charadri	Laridae	LC
32	Gray Gull	Leucophaeus modestus	Charadri	Laridae	NE
33	Laughing Gull	Leucophaeus atricilla	Charadri	Laridae	NE
35	Common Tern Sandwich Tern	Sterna hirundo Thalasseus sandvicensis	Charadri Charadri	Laridae Laridae	LC
36	Elegant Tern	Thalasseus elegans	Charadri	Laridae	NT
37	Black Tern	Chlidonias niger	Charadri	Laridae	LC
38	Royal Tern	Thalasseus maximus	Charadri	Laridae	NE
39	Black-billed Cuckoo	Coccyzus erythropthalmus	Cuculi	Cuculidae	LC
40	Common nighthawk	Chordeiles minor	Caprimulgi	Caprimulgidae	LC
41	Peregrine falcon	Falco peregrinus	Falconi	Falconidae	LC
42	Olive-sided Flycatcher	Contopus cooperi	Passeri	Tyrannidae	NT
43	Eastern Kingbird	Tyrannus tyrannus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
44	Golondrina Tijereta	Hirundo rustica	Passeri	Hirundinidae	LC
45	Sand martin	Riparia riparia	Passeri	Hirundinidae	LC
46	Swainson's thrush	Catharus ustulatus	Passeri	Turdidae	LC
	Rose-breasted grosbeak	Pheucticus Iudovicianus	Passeri	Cardinalidae	LC

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	COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	ORDER	FAMILY	IUCN
48	Scarlet Tanager	Piranga olivacea	Passeri	Cardinalidae	LC
49	Summer Tanager	Piranga rubra	Passeri	Cardinalidae	LC
50	American redstart	Setophaga ruticilla	Passeri	Parulidae	LC
51	Northern waterthrush	Parkesia noveboracensis	Passeri	Parulidae	LC
52	Didok dila milio naibioi	Mniotilta varia	Passeri	Parulidae	LC
53	Canada warbler	Cardellina canadensis	Passeri	Parulidae	LC
54	Blackburnian warbler	Setophaga fusca	Passeri	Parulidae	LC
	CHOCO ENDEMICS (Ch)				
1	Brown wood rail	Aramides wolfi	Grui	Rallidae	VU
2	Dusky pigeon Pallid dove	Patagioenas goodsoni Leptotila pallida	Columbi Columbi	Columbidae Columbidae	LC LC
4		Amazilia tzacatl	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
5	White-whiskered hermit	Phaethornis yaruqui	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
-	Orange-fronted barbet	Capito squamatus	Pici	Capitonidae	NT
7	Collared aracari	Pteroglossus torquatus	Pici	Ramphastidae	LC
	Choco toucan	Ramphastos brevis	Pici	Ramphastidae	LC
9	Rose-faced parrot	Pyrilia pulchra	Psittaci	Psittacidae	LC
10	Choco tyrannulet	Zimmerius albigularis	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
11	Long-wattled umbrellabird	Cephalopterus penduliger	Passeri	Cotingidae	VU
	Dusky-faced tanager	Mitrospingus cassinii	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
13	Scarlet-browed tanager	Heterospingus xanthopygius	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
14		Trogon comptus	Trogoni	Trogonidae	LC
	ENDEMIC TO THE TUMBESIAN				
1	Pale-browed tinamou	Crypturellus transfasciatus	Tinami	Tinamidae	NT
2	Rufous-headed chachalaca	Ortalis erythroptera	Galli	Cracidae	VU
3	Ochre-bellied dove	Leptotila ochraceiventris	Columbi	Columbidae	VU
4	Ecuadorian ground dove	Columbina buckleyi	Columbi	Columbidae	LC
5	West Peruvian screech owl	Megascops roboratus	Strigi	Strigidae	LC
6	Pacific pygmy owl Anthony's nightjar	Glaucidium peruanum	Strigi	Strigidae Caprimulgidae	LC
8	Little woodstar	Nyctidromus anthonyi Chaetocercus bombus	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC VU
9	Short-tailed woodstar	Myrmia micrura	Caprimulgi Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	LC
10	Ecuadorian trogon	Trogon mesurus	Trogoni	Trogonidae	LC
11	Scarlet-backed woodpecker	Dryobates callonotus	Picifo	Picidae	LC
12	Guayaquil woodpecker	Campephilus gayaquilensis	Picifo	Picidae	NT
13	Ecuadorian piculet	Picumnus sclateri	Picifo	Picidae	LC
14	Grey-cheeked parakeet	Brotogeris pyrrhoptera	Psittaci	Psittacidae	VU
15	Red-masked parakeet	Psittacara erythrogenys	Psittaci	Psittacidae	NT
16	Pacific parrotlet	Forpus coelestis	Psittaci	Psittacidae	LC
17	Collared antshrike	Thamnophilus bernardi	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	LC
18	Elegant crescentchest	Melanopareia elegans	Passeri	Melanopareiidae	LC
19	Blackish-headed spinetail	Synallaxis tithys	Passeri	Furnariidae	EN
20	Necklaced spinetail	Synallaxis stictothorax	Passeri	Furnariidae	LC
21	Henna-hooded foliage-gleaner	Clibanornis erythrocephalus	Passeri	Furnariidae	VU
22		Attila torridus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	VU
23	Sooty-crowned flycatcher	Myiarchus phaeocephalus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
24		Myiopagis subplacens	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
25 26	Grey-breasted flycatcher	Lathrotriccus griseipectus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	VU
26 27	Baird's flycatcher Amazonian royal flycatcher	Myiodynastes bairdii Onychorhynchus coronatus	Passeri Passeri	Tyrannidae Tyrannidae	LC VU
	Snowy-throated kingbird	Tyrannus niveigularis	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
28	Grey-and-white tyrannulet	Pseudelaenia leucospodia	Passeri	Tyrannidae	LC
30		Pachyramphus spodiurus	Passeri	Tityridae	EN
31	White-tailed jay	Cyanocorax mystacalis	Passeri	Corvidae	LC
32		Petrochelidon rufocollaris	Passeri	Hirundinidae	LC
33		Campylorhynchus fasciatus	Passeri	Troglodytidae	LC
34	Superciliated wren	Cantorchilus superciliaris	Passeri	Troglodytidae	LC
35	Plumbeous-backed thrush	Turdus reevei	Passeri	Turdidae	LC
36		Turdus maculirostris	Passeri	Turdidae	LC
37	Parrot-billed seedeater	Sporophila peruviana	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
38	Collared warbling finch	Poospiza hispaniolensis	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
39	Crimson-breasted finch	Rhodospingus cruentus	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
40		Sicalis taczanowskii	Passeri	Thraupidae	LC
41	Black-capped sparrow	Arremon abeillei	Passeri	Emberizidae	LC
42	Grey-and-gold warbler	Myiothlypis fraseri	Passeri	Parulidae	LC
43	White-edged oriole	Icterus graceannae	Passeri	Icteridae	LC
44	Saffron siskin	Spinus siemiradzkii	Passeri	Fringilidae	LC
45	Grey-backed hawk	Pseudastur occidentalis	Accipitri	Accipitridae	EN
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1 2	Lilacine amazon El Oro parakeet	Amazona lilacina Pyrrhura orcesi	Psittaci Psittaci	Psittacidae Psittacidae	EN EN
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3	El Oro tapaculo	Scytalopus robbinsi	Passeri	Rhinocryptidae	Е
	INTRODUCED (I)	,,			
1	Rock dove	Columba livia	Columbi	Columbidae	- 1
2	Yellow-crowned amazon	Amazona ochrocephala	Psittaci	Psittacidae	ı
3	White-winged parakeet	Brotogeris versicolurus	Psittaci	Psittacidae	_ !
4	House sparrow	Passer domesticus	Passeri	Passeridae	
5	Tricolored Munia SOUTHERN SLOPE ENDEMIC	Lonchura malacca	Passeri	Estrildidae	- 1
1	Drab seedeater	Sporophila simplex	Passeri	Thraupidae	
2	Speckle-breasted wren	Pheugopedius sclateri	Passeri	Troglodytidae	
3	Rufous-winged tyrannulet	Mecocerculus calopterus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	
4	Watkins's antpitta	Grallaria watkinsi	Passeri	Grallariidae	
5	Line-cheeked spinetail	Cranioleuca antisiensis	Passeri	Furnariidae	
	NORTHERN SLOPE ENDEMIC				
1	Glistening-green Tanager	Chlorochrysa phoenicotis	Passeri	Thraupidae	
2	White-winged brushfinch	Atlapetes leucopterus	Passeri	Emberizidae	
4	Ochre-breasted tanager	Chlorothraupis stolzmanni	Passeri Passeri	Cardinalidae Furnariidae	
5	Uniform treehunter Esmeraldas Antbird	Thripadectes ignobilis Sipia nigricauda	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	
6		Aglaiocercus coelestis	Apodi	Trochilidae	
7	Brown Inca	Coeligena wilsoni	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	
8	Black-eared Hemispingus	Sphenopsis melanotis	Passeri	Thraupidae	
	AUSTRAL MIGRATORY (Ma)	.,,		,	
1	Chilean flamingo	Phoenicopterus chilensis	Phoenicopteri	Phoenicopteridae	
2	Peruvian tern	Sternula Iorata	Charadrii	Laridae	
3	Fork-tailed flycatcher	Tyrannus savana	Passeri	Tyrannidae	
	AUSTRAL MIGRATORY (An)_				
1	Rainbow starfrontlet	Coeligena iris	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	
1	NOT CLASSIFIED	0		Anatidae	
-	Cinnamon teal Bare-faced ibis	Spatula cyanoptera Phimosus infuscatus	Anseri Pelecani	Threskiornithidae	
	Gray-headed kite	Leptodon cayanensis	Accipitri	Accipitridae	
	Plumbeous hawk	Cryptoleucopteryx plumbea	Accipitri	Accipitridae	
5		Fulica Ardesiaca	Grui	Rallidae	
6	Wedge-rumped storm petrel	Hydrobates tethys	Procellarii	Hydrobatidae	
7	Pied plover	Vanellus cayanus	Charadrii	Charadriidae	
8	Peruvian thick-knee	Burhinus superciliaris	Charadrii	Burhinidae	
9	American avocet	Recurvirostra americana	Charadrii	Recurvirostridae	
0	Red-necked phalarope	Phalaropus lobatus	Charadrii	Scolopacidae	
1	Marbled godwit	Limosa fedoa	Charadrii	Scolopacidae	
2	Arctic tern	Sterna paradisaea	Charadrii	Laridae	
3	Inca tern	Larosterna inca	Charadrii	Laridae	
4	South American tern	Sterna hirundinacea	Charadrii	Laridae	
5	Chestnut-collared swift Band-rumped swift	Streptoprocne rutila Chaetura spinicaudus	Caprimulgi Caprimulgi	Apodidae Apodidae	
7	White-throated daggerbill	Schistes alboqularis	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	
8	Long-billed hermit	Phaethornis longirostris	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	
9	Brown violetear	Colibri delphinae	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	
0	Speckled hummingbird	Adelomyia melanogenys	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	
1	Purple-bibbed whitetip	Urosticte benjamini	Caprimulgi	Trochilidae	
2	Lineated woodpecker	Dryocopus lineatus	Pici	Picidae	
3	Zeledon's antbird	Hafferia zeledoni	Passeri	Thamnophilidae	
4	Azara's spinetail	Synallaxis azarae	Passeri	Furnariidae	
5		Dendroma rufa	Passeri	Furnariidae	
6	Brown-billed scythebill	Campylorhamphus pusillus	Passeri	Furnariidae	
7	Montane woodcreeper	Lepidocolaptes lacrymiger	Passeri Passeri	Furnariidae Furnariidae	
9	Scaly-throated foliage-gleaner Spotted barbtail	Anabacerthia variegaticeps Premnoplex brunnescens	Passeri Passeri	Furnariidae Furnariidae	
0	Bright-rumped attila	Attila spadiceus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	
1	Flavescent flycatcher	Myiophobus flavicans	Passeri	Tyrannidae	
2		Tyrannulus elatus	Passeri	Tyrannidae	
3		Vireo Chivi	Passeri	Vireonidae	
4	Brown-capped vireo	Vireo leucophrys	Passeri	Vireonidae	
15	Thick-billed seed finch	Sporophila funerea	Passeri	Thraupidae	
86		Sporophila luctuosa	Passeri	Thraupidae	
37	White-sided flowerpiercer	Diglossa albilatera	Passeri	Thraupidae	
38	Flame-faced tanager	Tangara parzudakii	Passeri	Thraupidae	

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### **Guayas** 18 Hot Spots

### Recommended Birdwatching areas in the province of Guayas

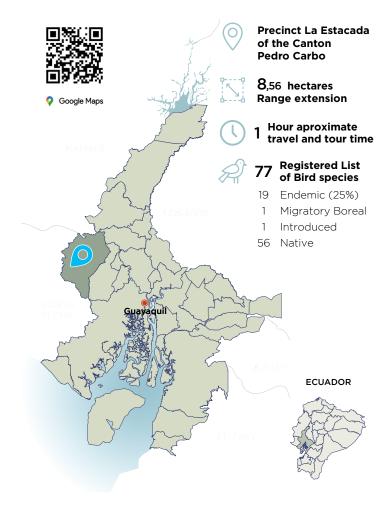
- 1. Provincial Nature Recreation Area-Ecological and Cultural Park Pedro Carbo
- 2. Provincial Productivity and Conservation Area La Esperanza
- The Protected Forest of La Prosperina
- Protected Forest of Cerro Blanco
- 5. The Mangroves of Puerto Hondo Parque
- 6. Parque Lago National Recreation Area
- 7. Provincial Nature Recreation Area El Guayacán.
- 8. Nature Recreación Areá Comuna Engabao
- 9. Plavas de Villamil National Recreation Area
- 10. Wildlife Refuge Manglares El Morro
- 11. Balao Intertidal Plane
- 12. Provincial Productivity and Conservation Area San Miguel
- 13. Provincial Nature Recreation Area Cerro de Hayas
- 14. Manglares Churute Ecological Reserve
- 15. National Recreation Area Isla Santay -Isla del Gallo
- 16. Provincial Recreational Nature Area Las Pavas
- 17. Rancho Alemán
- 18. La Esperanza Alta Bucay Cloud Forest



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### Provincial Nature Recreation Area-Ecological and Cultural Park Pedro Carbo





This area protects 8 hectares of Tropical Dry Forest with Guayacanes the predominate native tree. The site has a trekking path suitable for ecotourism activities such as bird watching, cycling tours and walks where you can see the yellow bloom of the Guayacanes when the first rain appears.



Large, long-legged raptor of open habitats. This specimen has a dark "cap", pale neck and dark body. The color of the face varies from orangered to pink, contrasting with a pale

gravish beak.



### DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of El Oro, Guayas,

Loia, Los Ríos, Manabí, Sta Elena and Pichincha.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Inter-Andean Shrub, Coastal Dry Scrub, Western Paramo.



Flashy black and yellow oriole of humid tropical lowlands. Prefers uous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid scrubs and dense bushes along riversides and near water, also overgrown weed and grass fields.

Yellow-tailed Oriole /Icterus mesomelas O: Passeriformes F: Icteridae

### DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of Bolívar, Loia. Pichincha and the whole coast



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Decid-Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont. Inter-Andean Shrub. Coastal Dry Scrub.



Large motmot of lowland forest and edges from eastern Panama to northwestern South America. Green above and brownish-red below, with a black mask bordered by a dazzling cerulean crown.

**Whooping Motmot** /Momotus subrufescens O: Coraciiformes F: Momotidae

#### DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of Loia, Esmeraldas, Guayas, Los Ríos, Manabí, Sta. Elena and El Oro.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion. Western Montane. Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub, Coastal Dry Scrub and Paramo.



Baird's Flycatcher /Myiodynastes bairdii O: Passeriformes F: Tyrannidae

### DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of El Oro, Guayas, Loja, Manabí and Sta Flena.



Large, robust beaked flycatcher restricted to arid areas and oases of northwestern Peru and western Ecuador. This bird possesses a yellow belly, chestnut-colored wings and tail, and black mask.

#### NATURAL REGIONS:

Bosques: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Coastal Dry Scrub.



Red-masked Parakeet /Psittacara erythrogenys O: Psittaciformes F: Psittacidae

#### DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of Bolívar, Chimbo razo. Loia. Santo Domingo, Pichincha, Galápagos and all of the coast.



A medium-sized green parakeet with a long tail and red underwings and thighs. Similar to the Mitred Parakeet, but usually is redder on the face, extending below and behind the eve.

NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub, Coastal Dry Scrub, Paramo and Galapagos.



Great green macaw of Guayaquil /Ara ambiguus quavaquilensis O: Psittaciformes F: Psittacidae

#### DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of Esmeraldas, Guayas, Los Ríos, Manabí and Sta. Elena.



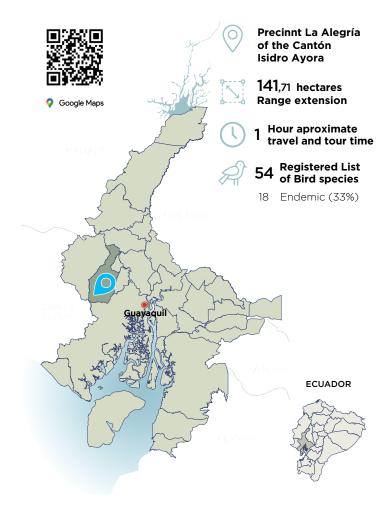
Enormous lime-green parrot with long tail. Blue flight feathers, red on tail and forehead. Prefers forested areas: often seen flying in pairs or small flocks.

NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane and Western Piedmont Forest.



### Provincial Productivity and Conservation Area La Esperanza





The area is located in the precinct of La Alegría pertaining to the Isidro Ayora canton. In recent years, ecotourism activities have been strengthened, offering hiking to observe the flora of the place, covering different species of trees, including giant ceibos, as well as bird watching in the area. It also has a specific area for camping.



Tiny parrot, the size of a sparrow, most common in dry habitats such as deserts and deciduous forests, but has spread into humid areas in response to deforestation.



Small, plump bird pale tan in color with reddish brown wings and tail, light pink legs, and a strong white eyebrow. Listen for a long, descending series of explosive "pee" notes.



A medium-sized green parakeet with a long tail and red underwings and thighs. Similar to the Mitred Parakeet, but usually has more red on the face. extending below and behind the eye.

Pacific parrotlet /Forpus coelestis O: Psittaciformes F: Psittacidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Azuay, Loja, Pichincha, Santo Domingo and all of the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub, and Coastal Dry Scrub.

Pacific Hornero /Furnarius leucopus O: Passeriformes F: Furnariidae

DISTRIBUTION: Azuay, Bolívar, Imbabura, Loja, Morona Santiago, Pichincha, Sto Domingo and all of the coast



REGIONES NATURALES: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub, and Coastal Dry Scrub.

Red-masked Parakeet /Psittacara erythrogenys O: Psittaciformes F: Psittacidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Bolívar, Chimborazo, Loja, Pichincha, Santo Domingo, Galápagos and all

of the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion. Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub, Coastal Dry Scrub, Paramo and Galapagos.



Small, gorgeous flycatcher of open habitats. Adult males have brilliant red underparts and crown. Dark brown upperparts and mask behind eye.



DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Azuay, Carchi, Chimborazo. Cotopaxi, Loia. Napo, Pichincha and the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub, Paramo and Galapagos.



Fairly common in desert lowlands, favoring agricultural fields, weedy and grassy areas, and bushy hedgerows; often sings from prominent perches such as utility wires of public services.

Chesnut-throated Seedeater /Sporophila telasco O: Passeriformes F: Thraupidae

#### DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of El Oro, Esmeraldas, Guayas, Loja, Los Ríos, Manabí and Santa Elena.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Small, colorful woodpecker of western Ecuador and northwestern Peru. Most common in dry, deciduous forest and scrub, but also inhabits degraded rainforest.

Scarlet-backed Woodpecker /Dryobates callonotus O: Piciformes F: Picidae

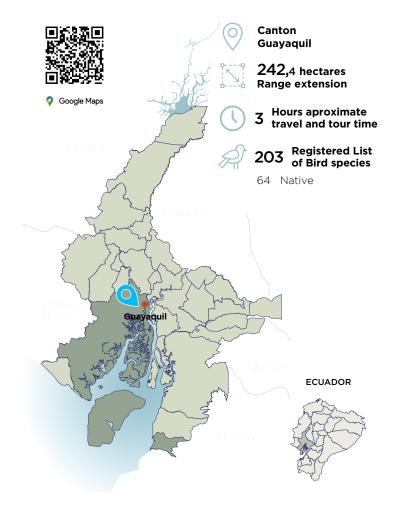
### DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of El Oro. Esmeraldas, Guayas, Loja, Los Ríos, Manabí. Pichincha, Sta Elena, Sto Domingo.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.





The Protected Forest of La Prosperina was created by an initiative of the Escuela Superior Politécnica del Litoral (ESPOL). to preserve and conserve one of the few green spaces in the city of Guayaquil. This forest is located in the Chongón Colonche mountain range and has zones that exceed 300 meters above sea level. At the higher altitudes you will find a more humid microclimate and at the lower elevations a dry ecosystem, thus housing an important diversity of species. It has trails that run through its multiple zones including crossing the tropical dry forest or entering the artificial water reservoirs.

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Large pigeon of river banks, open areas with scattered trees, found even inside towns. Gray head contrasts with pinkish body, and whitish belly does not contrast strongly with plain grayish tail.



DISTRIBUTION: Chimborazo, Loja, Morona Stgo. Napo, Pastaza, Pichincha, Zamora Ch. and all the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion. Western Montane, Eastern Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub



The male is bright yellow with saturated orange on forehead. Typically shows less brownish-olive tone on back and wings than many vellowfinches.

Saffron Finch /Sicalis flaveola O: Passeriformes F: Thraupidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Azuay, Imbabura. Loja, Pichincha, Zamora Chin-

chipe and the



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Fairly common little bird of weedy and brushy fields, farmland, and other open grassy areas in tropical lowlands and foothills. Note the very small size and the pointed conical bill.

**Blue-black Grassquit** /Volatinia jacarina O: Passeriformes F: Thraupidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Azuay, Carchi, Chimborazo, Loja, Morona Santiago, Napo, Pastaza, Pichincha and all the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Anis are bizarre, coal-black cuckoos with long floppy tails and unique, curiously tall, flattened bills with very ample lateral faces. This Ani will be found in a variety of open and semi-open habitats.



#### DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of El Oro, Guayas, Loja, Manabí and Santa Elena.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Small dove with square tail. Found primarily in western Ecuador but also in far southern Colombia and northern Peru



#### DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of Chimborazo. Loia, Los Ríos, Pichincha andall the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Common dove found in wide range of open and semi-open habitats from town streets and gardens to farmland and palm oases; range expanding rapidly south.

#### West Peruvian Dove /Zenaida meloda O: Columbiformes F: Columbidae

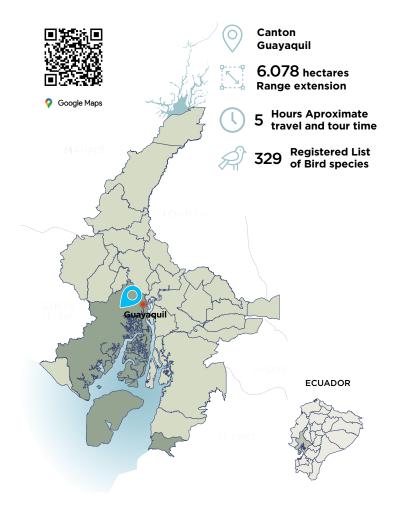
#### DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of El Oro, Guavas. Loja, Manabí and Santa Elena.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest and Coastal Dry Scrub.





Cerro Blanco is a private tropical dry forest reserve on the Ecuadorian coast. It is located in the Chongón Colonche mountain range and at the km. 16 marker of the highway towards the beaches called Via a la Costa. It is the best-preserved remnant of tropical dry forest in Guayaquil.



A black bird of prey with broad wings and short tail with a distinct white band. Flight feathers are slightly paler and it has long yellow legs and yellow on the base of its beak.

Common Black Hawk
/Buteogallus anthracinus
O: Accipitriformes
F: Accipitridae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of El Oro, Esmeraldas, Guayas, Manabí and Santa Elena.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Mostly white, small bird of prey. Gray wings and back with black shoulders. Hovers over open areas in search of mice, snakes, and other prey.

White-tailed Kite
/Elanus leucurus
O: Accipitriformes
F: Accipitridae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Imbabura, Pichincha, Santo Domingo, Sucumbíos and all of the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



This impressively patterned bird is found along forest borders and keeps very much out of sight. Heard much more often than seen; typically sings from inside very tangled vines.

Great Antshrike
/ Taraba major
O: Passeriformes
F: Thamnophilidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Carchi, Loja, Morona Stgo, Napo, Orellana, Pastaza, Pichincha, Zamora Ch. and the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Very small bird of prey found in open spaces, often perched on a telephone wire or exposed tree. Size alone helps with identification.



DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Imbabura. Pichincha, Santo Domingo, Sucumbíos and all of the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Uncommon but striking; a rather hefty bird of humid forests in tropical lowlands. Usually seen as singles or pairs, perched quietly in forest canopy, often on open branches.

White-necked Puffbird /Notharchus hyperrhynchus O: Galbuliformes

F: Bucconidae

#### DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of Galapagos, all of the Amazon and all of the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Eastern Montane. Eastern Piedmont and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Enormous lime-green parrot with long tail. Blue flight feathers, red on tail and forehead. Prefers forested areas: often seen flying over in pairs or small flocks.

Great Green Macaw of Guayaguil /Ara ambiguus guayaguilensis O: Psittaciformes F: Psittacidae

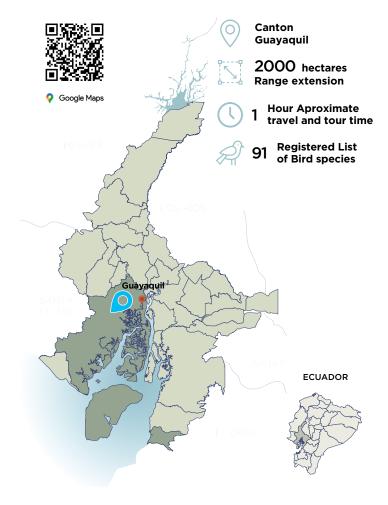
DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of Esmeraldas. Guayas, Los Ríos, Manabí and Santa Elena.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion. Western Montane, and Western Piedmont





The main attraction of Puerto Hondo are the mangrove inlets where you can swim or participate in canoeing or kayaking while observing fishing activities and enjoying the landscape. Duration: approximately one hour.



A very widespread small heron, commonly found around the globe. Small size and overall gray color differentiate this bird from most other herons and bitterns.

Striated Heron
/Butorides striata
O: Pelecaniformes
F: Ardeidae

#### DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Azuay,

Chimborazo, Imbabura, Loja, Pastaza, Pichincha, Sto Domingo, Zamora Chinchipe and all of the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, , Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



This brown-and-white wren has an amazingly loud voice for its size. It inhabits dry forest and scrub in western Ecuador and northwestern Peru.

Superciliated Wren
/Cantorchilus superciliaris
O: Passeriformes
F: Troglodytidae

#### DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of El Oro, Guayas, Loja, Los Ríos, Manabí and Santa Elena



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Unique snail-eating bird of prey. Limited range in the U.S. Found exclusively around lakes and marshes with abundant vegetation. Snail Kite
/Rostrhamus sociabilis
O: Accipitriformes
F: Accipitridae

#### **DISTRIBUTION:**

The provinces of Loja, Napo, Orellana, Pastaza, Sucumbíos, Zamora Chinchipe and all of the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Eastern Piedmont and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Long-necked "snake bird" found in wooded swamps, marshes, and artificial ponds. Males are black with white on wing; females similar but with brownish neck and head.

Anhinga /Anhinga anhinga O: Suliformes F: Anhingidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Azuay, Carchi, Chimborazo, Napo, Pichincha, Sucumbíos. Galápagos and all the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Eastern Montane, Eastern Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



kinafisher disproportionately long bill. Dark brilliant green above with white throat, collar, and spots on wings. Tail often held cocked up.

Green Kingfisher /Chloroceryle americana O: Coraciiformes F: Alcedinidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of El Oro, Esmeraldas, Guayas, Manabí, Sta Elena and Galápagos.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Mangrove, Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Small, compact white heron with relatively short yellow bill. In breeding season, look for yellow or red legs and black in non-reproductive season

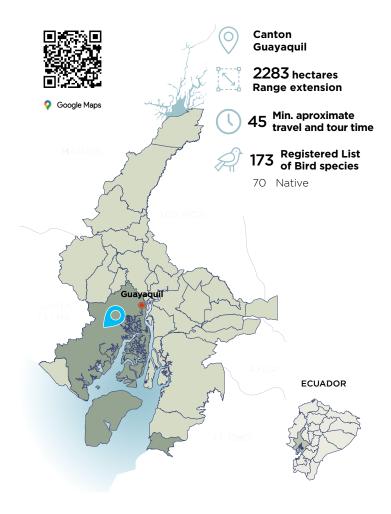
Cattle Egret /Bubulcus ibis O: Pelecaniformes F: Ardeidae

DISTRIBUTION: Found in the Amazon and coastal regions and in the provinces of Azuay, Imbabura, Loja, Sto Domingo



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Inter-Andean Shrub, Paramo and Galapagos.





It is an area that has a large artificial lake very close to the city of Guayaquil. It has been made into a reservoir on the Chongón River that maintains a strip of vegetation around it. The reservoir was built to transfer water for irrigation and human consumption for the dry Santa Elena peninsula. Later, it was converted into an ecological park with recreation areas. In the area there are several species of native trees typical of the dry and semi-dry coastal zone, such as the yellow and red balsam tree.



Elegant shorebird with exceptionally long, bright pink legs. Thin, long black bill. Forages singly or in groups on mudflats and in water as deep as the length of its legs.

Black-necked Stilt /Himantopus mexicanus O: Charadriiformes F: Recurvirostridae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of El Oro, Esmeraldas, Guayas, Imbabura, Loia. Los Ríos. Manabí, Sta. Elena and Galápagos.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Inter-Andean Shrub, Coastal Dry Scrub and Galapagos.



A conspicuous blackbird of open country in western Ecuador, western Peru, and southwestern Colombia. Most common at lower elevations, but also reaches some higher Andean valleys.

Scrub Blackbird /Dives warczewiczi O: Passeriformes F: Icteridae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Azuay, Loja, Pichincha, Santo Domingo and the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Large, hefty duck that has wild and domestic types. Domesticated ones can be found walking on the floor of parks, farms and populated areas. The wild birds can be observed in flight in remote water areas.

**Muscovy Duck** /Cairina moschata O: Anseriformes F: Anatidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of El Oro. Guavas. Los Ríos, Manabí, Morona Santiago, Orellana, Pastaza and Sucumbios.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Eastern Piedmont and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Boldly colored shorebird of tropical lowland rivers. Clean black-and-white plumage is distinctive and stands out against its gray wings and orange legs. Typically forages singly or in pairs along shorelines and beaches of freshwater rivers.



### DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of

Guayas, Los Ríos, Morona Santiago, Napo, Orellana, Pastaza, Sucumbios and Zamora Chinchine.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, and Fastern Piedmont.



Fairly common in desert lowlands, favoring agricultural fields, weedy and grassy areas, and bushy hedgerows; often sings from prominent perches such as utility wires of public services.

Chesnut-throated Seedeater /Sporophila telasco O: Passeriformes F: Thraupidae

#### DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of El Oro, Esmeraldas, Guayas, Loia, Los Ríos, Manabí and Santa Flena



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Found in parts of western Ecuador and northwestern Peru. No other bird in range has a similar blue, white, and black pattern. Adults have yellow eyes and the young birds have dark eyes and slightly duller plumage. The flocks of these birds emit calls that have a peculiar metallic sound.

White-tailed Jay /Cyanocorax mystacalis O: Passeriformes F: Corvidae

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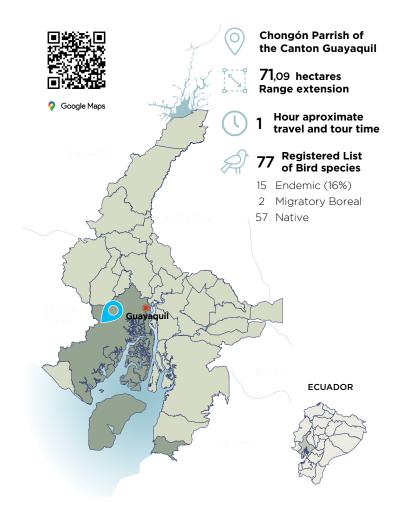
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NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical

Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.





It is located in the rural area of Guayaguil, on the highway toward the beaches called Via a la Costa at about the kilometer 30 marker. It belongs to the Chongón parish between the protective forest of the Chongón River Sub-basin, the National Recreation Area Parque Lago and the Protected Forest of Cerro Blanco. It has a dry coastal forest where Guayacán and giant ceibos are the predominate tree species. It is a site with 5 trails for birding and currently receives national and international visitors with prior reservation.



Medium-sized flycatcher-like bird with the Male dark blackish above and gray below. Female is rusty overall, but paler beige on the belly.



DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Carchi, Chimborazo, Loja, Pichincha, Santo Domingo and the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Common blackbird relative found in canopy of lowland forest and edges from Panama to Brazil. Mostly black with bright yellow rump, undertail, and wing patches. Male and female are similar.

Yellow-rumped Cacique
/Cacicus cela
O: Passeriformes
F: Thraupidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Loja, Los Ríos, Manabí, Morona Stgo, Napo, Orellana and Zamora Chinchipe.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont and Eastern Piedmont.



Very small owl of desert and western foothills of the Andes; no other pygmy-owl in its range. Overall plumage tones vary from brown to grayish-brown, rarely rusty brown.

Pacific Pygmy-Owl
/Glaucidium peruanum
O: Strigiformes
F: Strigidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Azuay, Cotopaxi, El Oro, Esmeraldas, Guayas, Loja, Los Ríos, Manabí and Sta Flena



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



**Elegant Crescentchest** /Melanopareia elegans O: Passeriformes F: Melanopareiidae

DISTRIBUTION: The province of El Oro, Guayas, Loja, Los Ríos, Manabí and Santa Flena.



A striking little bird, shaped like a robust gnatcatcher. Note the bold black-and-buff head pattern, black chest fading to rufous flanks, and bright rufous on the wings. Tail is long and narrow.

NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Olivaceous Piculet /Picumnus olivaceus O: Piciformes F: Picidae

DISTRIBUCIÓN: The provinces of Carchi, Loja, Pichincha, Santo Domingo and the whole coast.



Tiny woodpecker. Short, chisel-like bill and short tail. Plumage unremarkable, olive-brown above and paler below; note dark crown with small white spotting.

NATURAL REGIONS:Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Whooping Motmot /Momotus subrufescens O: Coraciiformes F: Momotidae

#### DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of

Loia. Esmeraldas. Guayas, Los Ríos, Manabí, Sta. Elena and El Oro.



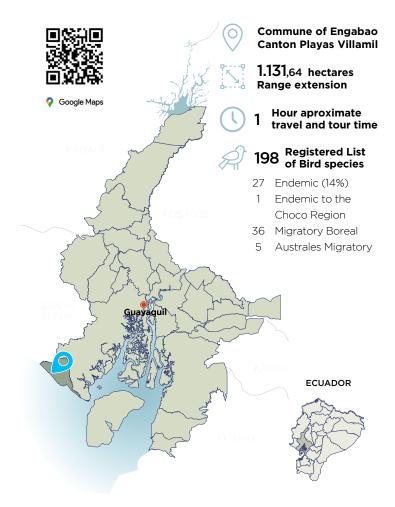
Large motmot of lowland forest and edges from eastern Panama to northwestern South America. Green above and brownish-red below, with a black mask bordered by a dazzling cerulean crown.

NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion. Western Montane. Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub, Coastal Dry Scrub and Paramo.

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# Nature Recreation Area Comuna Engabao





It is located in the commune of the same name which belongs to the Playas Villamil canton. It is an area with great birding potential based on the many species that are from dry forest and marine-coastal ecosystems and also from the seasonal Engabao river mouth. It has attractions such as the beaches of Playa Paraíso and Puerto Engabao for sun and beach recreation. Additional activities include savoring the typical local cuisine, surfing and artisanal fishing, as well as many others.





Chilean Flamingo /Phoenicopterus chilensis O: Phoenicopteriformes F: Phoenicopteridae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Esmeraldas. Guayas, Pichincha and Santa Elena.



Widespread and often numerous: found at shallow lakes and lagoons from the high Andes to the Patagonian steppe. Adult is distinctive: pale pink with a salmon-pink "bustle" and grayish legs with red feet and "knees."

NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Coastal Dry Scrub and Paramo.



Long-tailed Mockingbird /Mimus Iongicaudatus O: Passeriformes F: Mimidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of El Oro, Guayas, Loja, Manabí and Santa Flena.



A fairly large brown-and-white bird. It has a long tail, black markings on the uous Coastal Forest, Western Monface, and white wingbars. Juvenile has spots on the breast and a shorter tail.

NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Decidtane, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



**Collared Warbling-Finch** /Poospiza hispaniolensis O: Passeriformes F: Thraupidae

**DISTRIBUTION:** The provinces of Guayas, Loja, Manabí and Santa Flena.



Handsome finch-like bird. Male has a black breast and face mask and breast band is much thicker, evebrow extends almost to bill, and tail shows some white.

NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Western Montane, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Small seed-eating bird with a large beak found in arid regions of western Ecuador and western Peru. Best identified by its large, pale beak with a very round, bulging upper edge.

Parrot-billed Seedeater /Sporophila peruviana O: Passeriformes F: Thraupidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of

El Oro, Guayas, Loja, Manabí and Santa Elena.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Found in desert and arid scrub. While some birds have a yellowish trail on their face and throat and a short mustache, many individuals lack these features. This Finch has a more striped back and a differently shaped bill, with a more curving top edge.

Sulphur-throated Finch / Sicalis taczanowskii O: Passeriformes F: Thraupidae

DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of El Oro, Guayas, Loja, Manabí and Santa Elena.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Attractive spinetail with white eyebrows, streaked breast, buffy flanks, and chestnut wings and tail. Pairs stay fairly low in deciduous forest and scrub, often skulky and difficult to see.

**Necklaced Spinetail** /Svnallaxis stictothorax O: Passeriformes F: Furnariidae

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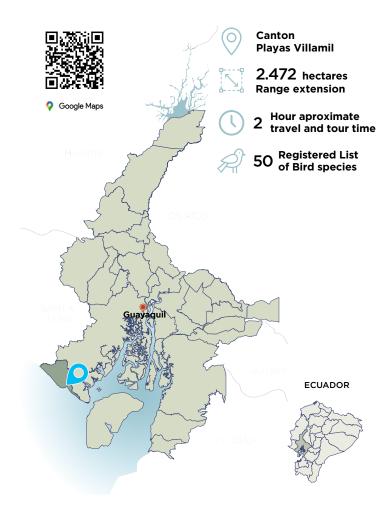
The provinces of El Oro, Guavas. Loja, Manabí and Santa Flena.



NATURAL REGIONS: BForests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Western Montane, Western Piedmont and Coastal Dry Scrub.

# Playas de Villamil National Recreation Area





Playas de Villamil is one of the main tourist destinations on the central coast. It includes 14 kilometers of beautiful white sand beaches that go from the city of General Villamil, known as Playas, to the town of Data de Posorja, located south of the Peninsula of Santa Elena.

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Largest kingfisher in the Americas. Enormous bill and raucous calls. Blue-gray with shaggy crest, white collar, and rufous belly. Male and female similar, but note different breast pattern: entirely rufous on male, while female has blue-gray band bordered by white



DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Carchi, Loja, Napo, Orellana, Pastaza, Pichincha, Sto Domingo, Tungurahua, and the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Mangrove, Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Small, long-legged owl of open grassy habitats. Appears brown at a distance with irregular white spotting. Yellow eyes. Active during day and night when it hunts mainly for insects and small mammals.

**Burrowing Owl** / Athene cunicularia O: Strigiformes F: trigidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of El Oro, Guayas, Manabí, Sta. Elena, toda la Sierra, Sucumbíos.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, , Inter-Andean Shrub, Coastal Dry Scrub and Paramo.



Small grayish-blue heron with long beak, pale blue at the base and darker at the point. Adult are mostly grayishblue with a contrasting deep purplish head and neck. Young are white throughout the first year and show

Little Blue Heron /Egretta caerulea O: Pelecaniformes F: Ardeidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Galápagos and the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Inter-Andean Shrub, Coastal Dry Scrub and Galapagos.



Large, lanky, long-necked white heron with black legs. Found in wetlands where in the shallow water stalks its

prey very slowly. Widespread and fairly common across the globe.

**Great Egret** / Ardea alba O: Pelecaniformes F: Ardeidae

DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of Galápagos and of the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Mangrove, Islands and Sand Flats along the coast and Galapagos.



Large, bulky shorebird with white and black plumage and thick red bill. Gathers in flocks during migration and winter. Listen for loud yelps and whistles, often in a rapid series when excited.

American Ovstercatcher /Haematopus palliatus O: Charadriiformes F: Haematopodidae

DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of FLOro. Esmeraldas. Guayas, Manabí, Santa Elena and Galápagos.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Mangrove, Islands and Sand Flats along the coast and Galapagos.



Coastal gray-brown marine bird. Very long bill with pouch for scooping up fish. Forages mainly by diving on fish from above. Frequently cues into fishing activity looking for handouts. Often flies in long lines close to water's surface.

**Brown Pelican** /Pelecanus occidentalis O: Pelecaniformes F: Pelecanidae

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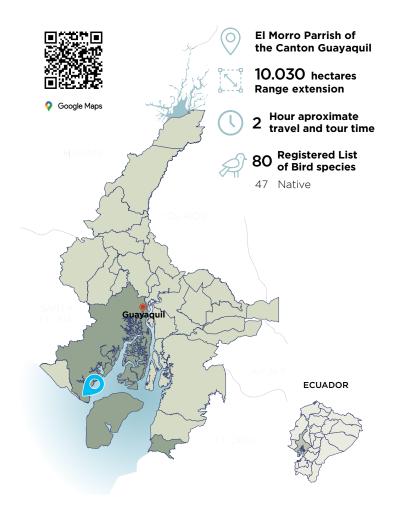
The provinces of El Oro. Esmeraldas. Guayas, Imbabura, Manabí, Sta Elena, Sucumbío and Galápagos.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Forests: Mangrove, Islands and Sand Flats along the coast and Galapagos. 62 | GUEYES FIELD GUIDE TO THE BIRDS OF GUAYAS

# Wildlife Refuge Manglares El Morro





Although there are mangroves in all the estuaries of the coast of Ecuador, each zone is different and has its own characteristics. Those found within this protected area have a greater influence of higher salinity due to its proximity of the Pacific Ocean. This wildlife refuge is located on the northern perimeter of the Gulf of Guayaguil, very close to the Island of Puná, where the El Morro channel begins. Among the main reasons for its declaration as a protected area are the existence of an abundant population of dolphins that inhabit the El Morro channel and the frigate bird colony on the island of Manglecito.



Large and thin with gray-blue back, white neck, and black cap. Very noticeable in marshes, rivers, and lakes from Panama to southern Chile and Argentina, usually at low elevations.



DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Imbabura, Loja, Napo, Orellana, Pastaza, Pichincha, Sucumbíos, Zamora Chinchipe and the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Mangrove, Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Large, thin, blackbird with flat crown and long tail. Males have ridiculously long tails, almost as long as their body, often held in a V-shape. Males are glossy black. Great-tailed Grackle
/ Quiscalus mexicanus
O: Passeriformes
F: Icteridae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of El Oro, Esmeraldas, Guayas, Manabí, Santa Elena and Galápagos.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Coastal Dry Scrub and Galapagos.



Large marine bird. Overall black with extremely long, deeply forked tail and angular wings. Male completely black with inflatable red pouch on throat.

Magnificent Frigatebird
/Fregata magnificens
O: Suliformes
F: Fregatidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of El Oro, Esmeraldas, Guayas, Manabí, Pichincha, Santa Elena

and Galápagos.

NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Mangrove and along its habitats on the whole coast including islands.



Distinctive gull. Breeding adults have a gray hood, pale eyes, and a red bill and legs. The back is medium gray and the wings have extensively dark flight feathers.

**Grav-hooded Gull** / Chroicocephalus cirrocephalus O: Charadriiformes F: Ardeidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of El Oro, Esmeraldas, Guayas, Santa Elena and Galápagos.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Mangrove and along its habitats on the whole coast including islands.



Stocky heron with neck usually tucked in. Adults overall pale grayish with black cap and back. Red eyes. Often crouched under overhanging branches during the day and feeds at night.

Black-crowned Night-Heron /Nycticorax nycticorax O: Pelecaniformes

F: Ardeidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of FLOro. Esmeraldas. Guayas, Manabí, Santa Elena and Galápagos.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Mangrove, Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Coastal Dry Scrub and Galapagos.



Adults are white with a bit of black on the wingtips. Red curved bill and pinkish-red leas. Bright blue eves. Immatures are half brown, half white.

White Ibis /Eudocimus albus O: Pelecaniformes F: Threskiornithidae

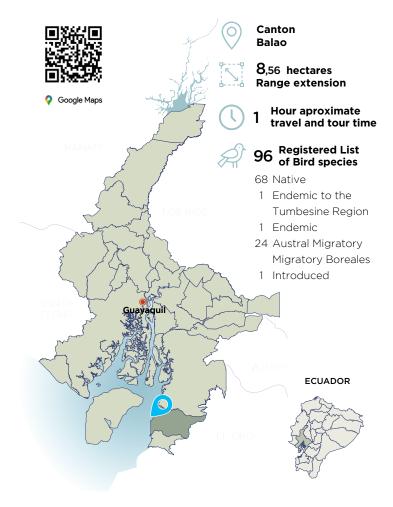
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NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Mangrove, Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, and Coastal Dry Scrub.

| Balao | Intertidal | Plane





This site is located in the Balao canton, 7 km from the bridge of the main city. It has about 2.5 km of sandy mud flats from the mangrove strip to the sea. This is where countless local resident and migratory birds gather. It is part of the visits that are made during boat tours that are offered in this area. These boats are equipped with vests.

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Medium-sized heron with grayish- blue plumage with a white belly and white underwings. Longer bill than other herons. In breeding plumage, look for light brownish yellow plumes on the lower back and purplish tones on the throat and foreneck a little paler.



DISTRIBUTION: The provines of El Oro, Esmeraldas, Guayas, Imbabura. Manabí. Santa Flena and

Galápagos.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Mangrove, Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Inter-Andean Shrub, Coastal Dry Scrub and Galapagos.



Small. grayish-brown sandpiper. Similar to the Least and Western Sandpiper. Shorter blunt-tipped bill than the Western without reddish tones in the summer. Paler and grayer than the Least Sandpiper.



DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Pichincha, Santo Domingo, Sucumbíos, Galápagos and the whole coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Mangrove, Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub, Coastal Dry Scrub



Huge, long-legged, black-and-white waterbird. Bill is thicker and more curved than herons. Forages mainly for fish by moving open bill through water until it feels prey

**Wood Stork** /Mycteria Americana O: Ciconiiformes F: Ciconiidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Loia, Orellana, Pastaza, Pichincha, Sucumbíos and the whole coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Mangrove, Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, , Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Roseate Spoonbill /Platalea aiaia O: Pelecaniformes F: Threskiornithidae

DISTRIBUTION: FI The provinces of Loja, Morona Stg. Orellana, Pastaza, Sucumbíos and all the coast.



Large pink aquatic bird with orange tail. Immatures are duller in color than adults. They have a long bill shaped as a flat spoon. Feeds on shrimp and other aquatic invertebrates.

NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Mangrove, Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest and Coastal Dry Scrub.



**Black Skimmer** /Rvnchops niger O: Charadriiformes F: Rynchopidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Esmeraldas. Guayas, Pichincha, Sta. Elena and the whole coast.



oversized bill-lower mandible is much longer than upper mandible. Feeds by flying close to surface of water and dipping its lower mandible into the water "skimming" for small fish.

NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Mangroves Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Coastal Dry Scrub and Paramo.



Chilean Flamingo /Phoenicopterus chilensis O: Phoenicopteriformes F: Phoenicopteridae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Esmeraldas. Guayas, Pichincha, Santa Elena and Galapagos.



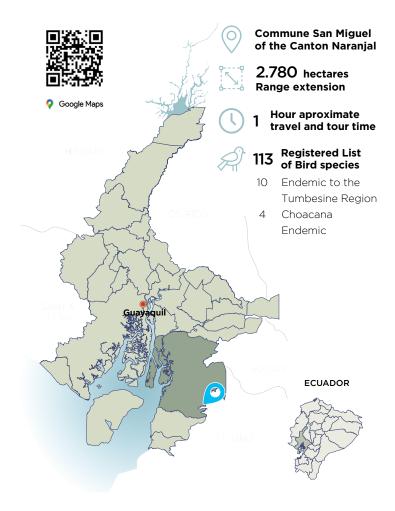
Widespread and often numerous; found at shallow lakes and lagoons. Adult is distinctive: pale pink with a salmon-pink "bustle" and grayish legs with red feet and "knees"

NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Coastal Dry Scrub, Paramo and Galapagos.



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Two types of tourism activities related to nature and ecotourism can be carried out in the area. It has great birdlife potential, its altitudinal gradient makes it possible to find species of humid, dry and foothill forests. It has a thermal bath spa with two pools. It has service infrastructure for visitors. You can take a tour in a 4x4 vehicle to the upper area where the hot springs are located.



Tropical bird of prey. Found individually or in small family groups, usually near water. Hunts in the forest. Long tail and wide bulbous wings are distinctive in flight.



DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Napo, Orellana, Pastaza, Sto Domingo, Sucumbíos, from Carchi to Loja and all the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Large 'woody woodpecker' of tropical forest in lowlands and foothills. Also ranges into semi-open areas with tall trees, mangroves, and other lightly wooded habitats. The tufted red crest and black face distinguish it from adult Pale-billed Woodpecker.

Lineated Woodpecker
/Dryocopus lineatus
O: Piciformes
F: Picidae

DISTRIBUTION: All coastal, Andean and Amazon provinces.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Mangrove, Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Small tanager, mostly bright goldenyellow with isolated black ear patch, streaked back, and mostly black wings and tail. Some variation among populations. Similar in both sexes, juveniles are more palish yellow. Golden Tanager
/Tangara arthus
O: Passeriformes
F: Thraupidae

DISTRIBUTION: From the provinces of Carchi to El Oro and Loja, also, from Zamora Chinchipe to Sucumbíos.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub, Coastal Dry Scrub and Paramo.



Very attractive small tanager of humid tropical lowlands. Found in humid evergreen forest edges, often in pairs, feeding at all levels in fruiting trees and bushes. The bill is thin and curved.



DISTRIBUTION: From the provinces of Esmeraldas to El Oro and from Carchi to Loia. Also found in 7amora Ch. to Sucumbios.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Medium-sized parrot. Plumage is green and red on the abdomen, with blue breast, and dark blue forecrown. Red bill is usually evident on perched birds. Eye-ring is gray or white and rather indistinct in much of its range.

Red-billed Parrot /Pionus sordidus O: Psitácidos F: Psitacidae

### DISTRIBUTION:

From the provinces of Carchi to Azuay and Zamora Chinchipe to Sucumbios.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Fastern Montane, Western Piedmont, Fastern Piedmont and Inter-Andean Shrub.



Relatively small, red-bellied trogon. Perches in the interior of the forest. Male's tail is dark below with narrow white barring; female's tail is pale grayish below with narrow black-andwhite bars at the tips.

**Collared Trogon** /Trogon collaris O: Trogoniformes F: Trogonidae

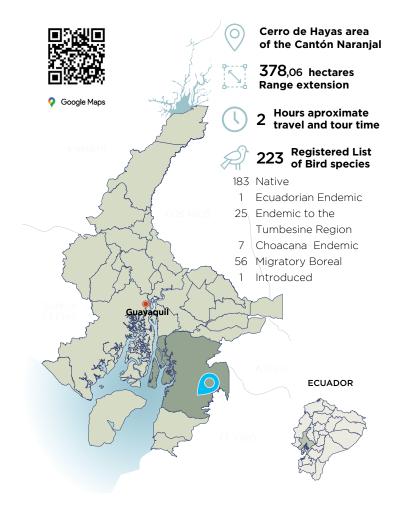
#### DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of Esmeraldas, Manabí, Sta Elena, From Carchi to Loia, From Zamora Chinchipe to Sucumbíos.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest , Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont, and Inter-Andean Shrub.





It is a privately managed site where bird watching and hiking activities can be carried out. It has three marked trails with one of them being an ascending trail that reaches 250 meters in altitude. It can also be accessed by a Four-wheel drive vehicle. Its altitudinal gradient makes it possible to find species of humid, dry and foothill forests. It has a two-story observation tower. In the lower part there is an area with hammocks and a dining cabin. It has a camping area and infrastructure for bathrooms and showers.

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Medium-sized forest bird, mostly black. Look for combination of bright red rump (visible in flight) and light blue eye. Long, pointed, pale yellow bill. Usually in small flocks moving through the canopy of forest and edges.



DISTRIBUTION: From the provinces of Esmeraldas to El Oro and from Carchi to Loia, Also found from Zamora Chinchipe to Napo.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont and Inter-Andean Shrub.



somewhat warbler-like flycatcher of tropical lowlands. Has a long and rather broad bill for such a small bird.

Common Tody-Flycatcher /Todirostrum cinereum O: Passeriformes F: Tvrannidae

DISTRIBUTION: All of the provinces of the Coast. Andes and Amazon of Ecuador.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Plump brown bird of shady understories in humid evergreen forest of tropical lowlands. Found singly or in pairs, perched quietly at low to middle levels. Often sits still for long periods and is easily overlooked.

White-whiskered Puffbird /Malacoptila panamensis O: Galbuliformes F: Bucconidae

DISTRIBUTION: All of the provinces of the coast. Carchi, Imbabura. Pichincha, Santo Domingo, Azuay and El Oro.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion. Western Montane, Western Piedmont, and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Medium-sized brown flycatcher. Note the hammerhead crest-very rarely fully raised to reveal a spectacular, flame-red and violet-blue fan.



DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Esmeraldas, Guayas, Los Ríos, Manabí, Santa Elena, El Oro y Cañar.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Attractive and easy to identify, this plump little flycatcher is often seen perched in forest clearings or along the roadside.

**Ornate Flycatcher** /Mviotriccus ornatus O: Passeriformes F: Thraupidae

DISTRIBUTION: All of the provinces of the Coast. Andes and Amazon of Ecuador.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane. Western Piedmont, Fastern Piedmont. Inter-Andean Shrub and Paramo.



Large bird with oversized bill that is half black and half yellow. Black body overall with yellow throat and face. Found in pairs or small flocks, often parading through the canopy in search of fruit.

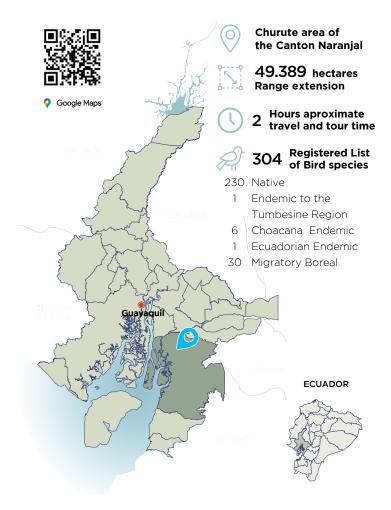
Yellow-throated Toucan /Ramphastos ambiguus O: Piciformes F: Ramphastidae

DISTRIBUTION: All of the provinces of the Coast. Andes and Amazon of Ecuador.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.





This is one of the protected areas belonging to the National System of Protected Areas (SNAP) and is considered one of the most important in the province and in Ecuador for the diversity of species and ecosystems that make for an ideal site for birdwatching.

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Enormous and strange bird. Found around freshwater marshes and rivers in Amazonian lowlands. Dark gray and black overall with a scaly white neck and white belly.

**Horned Screamer** /Anhima cornuta O: Anseriformes F: Anhimidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of El Oro, Guayas, Los Ríos, Orellana. Pastaza and Sucumbios



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion and Coastal Dry Scrub



It has a unique migration pattern, breeding during the rainy season in the Tumbes eco-region in northwestern Peru and southwestern Ecuador and wintering in the western Amazon.

Black-and-white Tanager /Conothraupis speculigera O: Passeriformes F: Thraupidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Azuay, El Oro, Guayas, Loja and Morona Santiago.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



waterbird with iridescent purplish-green above with a white breast. Males have a large black lump on the bill, dark flanks and whitish belly, whereas females have a plain bill and gray flanks.

Comb Duck /Sarkidiornis sylvicola O: Anseriformes F: Anatidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of El Oro, Guavas. Loja, Manabí, Pichincha, Santa Elena and Zamora Chinchipe.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane. Eastern Piedmont. Inter-Andean Shrub, Coastal Dry Scrub and Paramo.



hummingbird of humid evergreen forest and edge in tropical lowlands; uncommon. Feeds mainly in the canopy, but also over clearings and streams where it hawks for insects with jerky flycatching actions.

Long-billed Starthroat /Heliomaster Iongirostris O: Apodiforme F: Trochilidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Azuay, Loja, Los Ríos, Napo, Pichincha, Zamora Chinchine and all the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Fairly common in agricultural fields, grassland, even sparse desert scrub in places. Feeds mainly on the ground, at times in small groups, but male sings from prominent perches and in flight.

Peruvian Meadowlark /Leistes bellicosus O: Passeriformes F: Icteridae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Azuay, Bolívar, Cañar, Chimbo-

razo, Loja and of the whole coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



This bird has a truly massive bill much larger than any seedeater. Male is all black with a small white wing patch and pale whitish or silvery bill.

Large-billed Seed-Finch /Sporophila crassirostris O: Passeriformes F: Thraupidae

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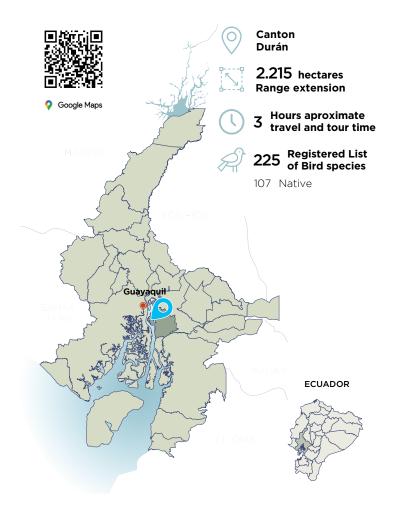
The provinces of El Oro. Esmeraldas, Guayas, Los Ríos, Manabí, Morona Santiago and Sucumbios.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont and Coastal Dry Scrub.

# National Recreational Area Isla Santay Isla del Gallo





In the middle of the great Guayas River between the cities of Guayaguil and Durán, there are two islands that have been an important part of the history of this region. These two are Isla Santay and Isla Gallo. Originally formed by sediment accumulation, these islands are now surrounded by mangroves. In the interior of Santay Island, and as a testimony of this permanent relationship with the river, there is a large plain that is flooded in the winter season. This large wetland is used by aquatic birds that find here an important resting, refuge and nesting site.



Large, brown shorebird with long, decurved bill. Brown plumage with head stripes. Identified by its size and the shape of its bill.



DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Azuay, Carchi, Chimborazo, Napo, Pichincha and Sucumbíos. All of the coast and Galápagos.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub, Coastal Dry Scrub, Paramo and Galapagos.



Large black bill with large blocky head. Breeding plumage shows thick black band across breast, white forehead, and face pattern is more contrasting. Wilson's Plover
/Charadrius wilsonia
O: Charadriiformes
F: Charadriidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of all the coast (sandy beaches) and Galapagos.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Coastal Dry Scrub and Galapagos.



Common and widespread powder blue-gray bird of open and semi-open areas with larger trees and hedges, also in towns, villages, and gardens in tropical and subtropical regions. Blue-gray Tanager /Thraupis episcopus O: Passeriformes F: Thraupidae

DISTRIBUTION: The province of Esmeraladas to El Oro and Carchi to Loja. From Sucumbios to Zamora Ch.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub, Coastal Dry Scrub and Paramo.



Large scavenger and raptor. Dark brown above with bare red head. In flight, undersides of wings are twotoned; lighter on the entire trailing edge of the wing, opposed to just wingtips on Black Vulture.



DISTRIBUTION: The provinces from Carchi to Cotopaxi. Azuay and Loja. From Sucumbios to Zamora Ch., All of the provinces of the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub, Coastal Dry Scrub and Paramo.



A green-and-chestnut hummingbird with plumage that varies throughout its range of distribution. All variants have a red bill with a black tip.

Amazilia Hummingbird /Amazilia amazilia O: Apodiformes F: Trochilidae

#### DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of Azuay, Loja, Los Ríos, Sto Domingo, Zamora Ch., and all the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS:t Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Large shorebird with widespread distribution. Nests near human development: parking lots, school roofs, road edges and usually on bare gravel.

Killdeer /Charadrius vociferus O: Charadriiformes F: Charadriidae

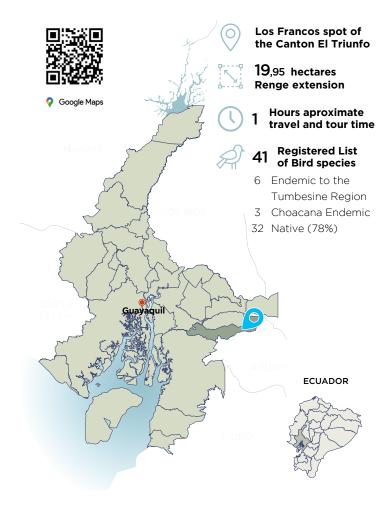
#### DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of Cañar, Imbabura. Loja, Los Ríos, Manabí, Pichincha, Galápagos, and all the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion. Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Inter-Andean Shrub, Coastal Dry Scrub and Galapagos.





It is an area of conservation with great birdwatching potential located in the Los Francos sector of the El Triunfo canton. In the area it is possible to find species of the humid and dry forests. They are currently implementing and constructing new installations to carry out activities related to ecotourism.

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Pale gray overall with yellow legs and base of bill and barred blackand-white tail. Subtle gray barring on underparts and upperparts.

**Gray-lined Hawk** /Buteo nitidus O: Accipitriformes F: Accipitridae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Morona Santiago, Pichincha, Santo Domingo, Zamora Chinchipe and all the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Fairly large tanager. Male is all black with contrasting rump varying from lemon yellow to red. Female is dark blackish-brown above and yellow below, sometimes with an orange breast band.

Lemon-rumped Tanager /Ramphocelus flammigerus O: Passeriformes F: Thraupidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Sto Domingo, all the Ecuadorian Andes, and all the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Small and striking tanager, looks mostly black with shining blue head and beige-colored shoulder. Sexes alike. Most similar to Masked Tanager, but has dark (not white) belly and shoulder is beige.

Blue-necked Tanager /Stilpnia cyanicollis O: Passeriformes F: Thraupidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Pichincha, Sto Domingo, Tungurahua and from 7amora Chinchipe to Sucumbíos. All of the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion. Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont and Coastal Dry Scrub.



**Bronze-winged Parrot** /Pionus chalcopterus O: Psittaciformes F: Psittacidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Carchi to Loia. and all the coast.



A medium-sized parrot with deep bluish-purple color overall with bronzy wings, messy pink splotches on the upper breast, and red undertail coverts. In flight, the bright blue underwings often stand out.

NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Rufous-headed Chachalaca /Ortalis ervthroptera O: Galliformes F: Cracidae

#### DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of El Oro, Esmeraldas, Guayas, Loja,

Los Ríos, Manabí and Santa Elena.



Large bird with a long tail. No similar species in limited range; much smaller than Crested Guan (Penelope purpurascens) and warmer brown color than the Sickle-winged Guan (Chamaepetes goudotii).

NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Coastal Dry Scrub.



Black-and-White Owl /Strix nigrolineata O: Strigiformes F: Strigidae

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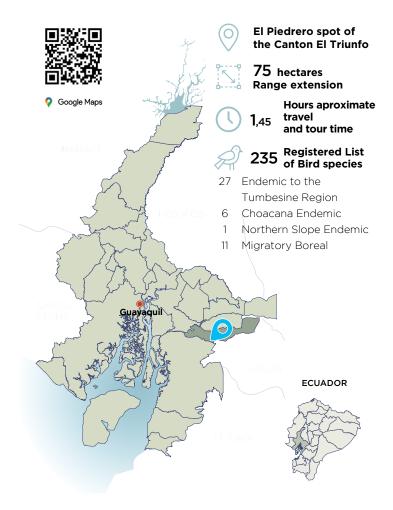
The provinces from Esmeraldas to El Oro and from Carchi to Loja.



Handsome but scarce large owl. At night it hunts its prey at high altitudes and also bats over the streets. Brilliant yellow beak and legs and the white and black pattern on its plumes. Its varied hooting sometimes with an emphatic note.

NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion. Western Montane, Western Piedmont and Coastal Dry Scrub.





Here it is possible to find species of the humid, dry and foothill forests. It is an ecotourism establishment that offers specialized birdwatching activities within its trails, being one of the most complete birdwatching sites that can be found in the province. It is privately managed and has good installations to receive national and international visitors. It offers accommodation in cabins (for a maximum of three people), food and beverage services, a camping area and information and assistance for activities.



One of the most dazzling of all the world's birds; the intricate yellow, red, and black pattern on the spread wings is truly from another world. It has a heronlike shape but with a more



Spectacular large hummingbird of humid tropical lowlands. Favors shady forest undergrowth and edges, especially with patches of Heliconia flowers. Males sing tirelessly from perches in the undergrowth while pumping their tail.



Large, dark hermit with an extremely long curved bill. Dark greenish overall with a buffy eyebrow and a white mustache. Also note long graduated tail with a white tip.

### Sunbittern /Eurypyga helias O: Eurypygiformes F: Eurypygidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Azuay, Chimborazo, Esmeraldas, Pichincha. Sto Domingo and from Sucumbíos to Zamora Ch.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont and Eastern Piedmont.

#### Long-billed Hermit /Phaethornis Iongirostris O: Apodiformes F: Trochilidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Imbabura, Loja, Morona Santiago, Pichincha, Santo. Domingo and the whole coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont and Coastal Dry Scrub.

#### White-whiskered Hermit /Phaethornis yaruqui O: Apodiformes F: Trochilidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of El Oro. Esmeraldas. Guayas, Los Ríos, Manabí, Sta Elena, Santo Domingo and Pichincha.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion. Western Montane. Western Piedmont and Paramo



Medium-sized flycatcher. usually encountered near water and in urban areas. A black mask and wings contrast with the rest of the pale underparts, head, and back.



DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of El Oro, Esmeraldas, Guayas, Los Ríos, Manabí, Santa Elena. Santo Domingo and Pichincha.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, and Coastal Dry Scrub.



It has white underparts, dark gray back and wings, and gray streaks on the head. Its tail is white with a thick black band near the tip that is especially evident in flight.

Grav-backed Hawk /Pseudastur occidentalis O: Accipitriformes F: Accipitridae

#### DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of El Oro, Esmeraldas, Guavas, Loja, Los Ríos, Manabí, Santa Elena, Pichincha and Loia.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub, Coastal Dry Scrub and Paramo.



Medium-sized brown flycatcher. Note the hammerhead crest-very rarely fully raised to reveal a spectacular, flame-red and violet-blue fan.

Pacific Royal-Flycatcher /Onychorhynchus coronatus O: Passeriformes F: Tyrannidae

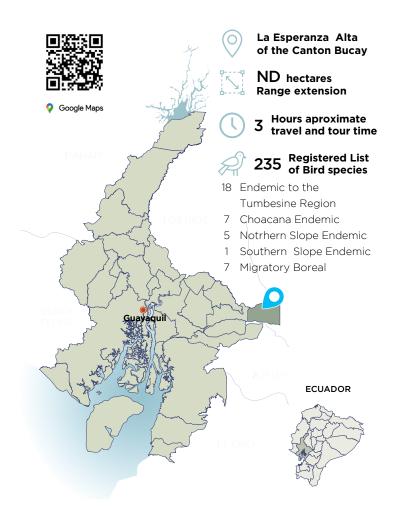
#### DISTRIBUTION:

The provinces of Esmeraldas. Guayas, Los Ríos, Manabí, Santa Elena, El Oro and Cañar.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Western Piedmont and Coastal Dry Scrub.





La Esperanza Alta Bucay is definitely a tropical humid forest that has placed itself in the top tier of the provincial birdwatching market due to the diversity of species that can be found along the road that leads to the waterfalls that are visited by many local, national and foreign visitors. Within the province, it is the only Tropical Humid Forest ecosystem of the Andean foothills and its birdlife is very characteristic of this ecosystem.

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One of the iconic birds of the Andes. Fairly large, significantly larger and bulkier than a thrush. Found in cloud forest where males make piglike squeals and jump and dance for females.

Andean Cock-of-the-rock /Rupicola peruvianus O: Passeriformes F: Cotingidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Esmeraldas. From Carchi to Cotopaxi and Sucumbíos to Zamora Chinchipe.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Western Montane, Fastern Montane, Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont and Inter-Andean Shrub.



Large chickenlike bird. Mostly brown with contrasting rufous belly and bright blue facial skin around red eye. Rather unobtrusive and quiet; can be difficult to spot as it perches in the middle and upper levels of the forest

Sickle-winged Guan /Chamaepetes goudotii O: Galliformes F: Cracidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Carchi to El Cañar and Loia, also, from Sucumbíos to Zamora Chin-



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont, Fastern Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Paramo.



Likes to sit motionless. Head and breast brownish-orange with black mask and breast spot. Green back and long tail. Most similar to the smaller Broad-billed Motmot

**Rufous Motmot** /Baryphthengus martii O: Coraciiformes F: Momotidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Carchi to Cañar. Esmeraldas, El Oro, Guayas, Los Ríos, Manabí, and from Morona Stgo to Sucumbios



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont and Eastern Piedmont.



Attractive and easy to identify, this plump little flycatcher is often seen perched in forest clearings or along the roadside.



DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Esmeraldas, Manabí, Guayas, El Oro and from Carchi to Tungurahua and from 7amora Ch to Sucumbios.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont, Inter-Andean Shrub and Paramo



Large trogon, shimmering emerald above with red belly. Male has noticeable golden sheen on head and yellow bill; female has brown head and duller brownish chest and bill.

Golden-headed Quetzal /Pharomachrus auriceps O: Trogoniformes F: Trogonidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Carchi to Loia and El Oro. Guayas. From Sucumbios to Zamora Ch.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane. Western Piedmont, Fastern Piedmont. Inter-Andean Shrub and Paramo.



Male is unmistakable with bright red head, green back, yellow belly, and thick yellow bill. Also notice the ovalshaped body with large head and short tail

Red-headed Barbet /Eubucco bourcierii O: Piciformes F: Capitonidae

DISTRIBUTION: The provinces of Carchi to Loia and from Sucumbíos to Zamora Chinchipe. All of the coast.



NATURAL REGIONS: Forests: Deciduous Coastal Forest, Tropical Humid Amazon Forest, Tropical Humid Forest of the Chocó Ecoregion, Western Montane, Eastern Montane, Western Piedmont, Eastern Piedmont and Coastal Dry Scrub.

### TRAVEL TIPS



Footwear is an important issue for you to consider. They need to be waterproof, to camouflage within the vegetation resistant and very comfortable because and thus achieve a better approach to birding activity involves sometimes where the birds are, either to observe, entering tough terrain.



Buff headwear is the ideal implement photograph or record them.



### Safari Vest

The Safari Vest is extremely useful for those who carry equipment or wear a raincoat for any sudden implements to record sightings, change in weather that may occur. whether bird songs and calls, video, or photography.



### Raincoat

Regardless of the season, you should especially in the Andean foothills.



observe, identify and appreciate birds, ecosystems, it allows you to cover it is a tool that cannot be missing larger areas where the binoculars when embarking on a birdwatching cannot reach. trail.



Indispensable for those who like to It is recommended for use in open



Ecuador is a tropical country and it is especially recommended to use is especially recommended to use sunscreen, especially for people with sunscreen, especially for people with irritation and consequent discomfort.



### Repellent

Ecuador is a tropical country and it sensitive skin to avoid further skin sensitive skin to avoid further skin irritation and consequent discomfort.



### Hydration

To comfortably hike and be healthy in our tropical ecosystems, you need to carry options for good hydration, whether it be water or any other type of hydrating beverage.



### Field Guide

This field guide is one of the most important tools to conserve the bird species of the province of Guayas, because we must first identify them, confirm the sightings and then corroborate data made for their respective records on the different platforms.



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