

Go Slow...in Trinidad (at the Asa Wright Centre)

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Bay-headed Tanager by Alex Barclay



Blue-chinned Sapphire by Alex Barclay



White-necked Jacobin by X Connell



Bearded Bellbird by Alex Barclay

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Together with eleven Naturetrek clients.

Introduction

This was the second year of Naturetrek's Go Slow in Trinidad, designed to offer flexibility to clients. Although walks and excursions were offered every day, our one nature-filled base meant that anyone wishing to opt out of a particular activity could do so, while still having lots to see from the world renowned Asa Wright Nature Centre.

Day 1

Sunday 8th April

Fly from Gatwick airport to Port of Spain via St Lucia; drive to Asa Wright Nature Centre

Richard met nine clients at the gate, leaving a miserable London and heading for Trinidad, where the weather conditions were likely to be different. The flight landed slightly early after dropping off a few passengers in St Lucia. We had noticed another birdwatching group also staying at Asa Wright and got chatting as we passed through customs. Fortunately passport control was pretty smooth and we all got through just as the last two group members arrived from their pre tour trip to Tobago. Here we met our guide Mahaise. Both groups travelled together in a convoy of minibuses, arriving just after 5.30pm. A few of the more obvious local birds were seen en route such as Carib Grackle, Great Kiskadee, Tropical Kingbird and Orange-winged Parrot. A classic welcome of rum punch was enjoyed before we were shown to our rooms. As we had some daylight, a few of us hit the veranda noting a few species of hummingbird including Long-billed Starthroat, Greyish Saltator and a couple of wonderful Short-tailed Nighthawks. The dinner bell rang and we tucked into our first welcome dinner. The group lasted a little while into the evening before realising we should really go to bed as it was half past midnight UK time.

Day 2

Monday 9th April

Morning the Discovery and Chaconia Trails; afternoon walk along the main road.

Early risers were on the veranda by 6am and starting to put names to the various calls we'd been hearing for 30 minutes: Copper-rumped Hummingbirds and Tufted Cocquette alongside Bananaquit and honeycreepers, Crested Oropendolas, and White-lined and Silvery-beaked Tanagers. That was some of the species a few feet away; next came the species in the trees! Violacious Euphonias, Yellow Oriole and, a little more distant, Scaled Pigeon. Telescopes were used for the Black-tailed Tityra, Channel-billed Toucan and Bearded Bellbird. It really was an amazing experience, all with tea and coffee on offer and the centre's wonderful guides on hand to help. Then, of course, there was the breakfast bell calling us to the first meal of the day. Local board member and author of the bird guide, Martyn Kenefick was on hand throughout and also briefed both birdwatching groups about the plans for the next few days, providing hints and tips for getting the most out of this special area. A nice touch was pointing out the local character – a Green Hermit nesting on the wire of the overhead light in the room. Just as Martyn mentioned this, she flew in hovered over our heads and fed her two young!

Just after 9.30am, our group met up with Mahaise who took us for our orientation walk down the first track. The sloping trail led us into the forest where we saw one or two Golden-headed Manakins at their lek. Further down, we tracked down the fabulous and bizarre Bearded Bellbird, calling over our heads. Nearby, an active lek of

White-bearded Manakins put on a show. We took the Chaconia trail back, finding a couple of White-flanked Antwrens.

Back at the centre we took a breather before lunch, but that didn't mean no birdwatching. Those on the veranda were treated to the most stunning of the 'hummers' here, a male Ruby-topaz Hummingbird. Our afternoon walk up the entrance road was notable for our first trogon sighting: a pair of Green-backed Trogons mating. We also saw Lineated Woodpecker and Rufous-breasted Hermit. After dinner, our first night walk provided us with our first snake and a scorpion.

Day 3

Tuesday 10th April

Blanchisseuse Road and Brasso Seco with various stops

After the tradition veranda watch pre breakfast, we headed to higher ground. Initially the weather wasn't too kind with a few of our planned stops a little damper than we would have hoped for, but we spotted some gorgeous Turquoise Tanagers, Red-legged Honeycreeper and a Streaked Xenops. The rain showers did have one benefit, with an utterly stunning Plumbeous Kite perched on a dead tree, wings outstretched drying and showing its striking maroon primaries.

Moving on, we had a fine Asa Wright picnic lunch before birding in nearby woodland, where we were teased by Collared Trogon, Trinidad Euphonia and Rufous-tailed Jacamar, before finally getting great views of the latter. Nearby the hoped for Yellow-rumped Casique and Blue-headed Parrot showed well. It was time to retrace our journey and give some time to other stops we'd missed because of the rain earlier in the day. One such stop was just amazing with several Channel-billed Toucans and a couple of Golden-olive Woodpeckers performing for us. Back at the centre, we saw Rufous-breasted Hermit and Long-billed Starthroat on the feeders before rum punch and dinner.

Day 4

Wednesday 11th April

Daytime Asa Wright trails; evening trip to Matura Beach for turtles

Veranda highlights included Barred Ant-shrike and Yellow Oriole. After breakfast, Jessie took us along the approach road where we saw Red-crowned Ant Tanager, Long-billed Gnatwren briefly, and some excellent views of a Green Hermit by the natural swimming pool. Bay-headed Tanager and Red-legged Honeycreeper were seen near the entrance gate. During various walks during the day, Ruby-topaz Hummingbird, Greyish Saltator, Ochre-bellied Flycatcher, Common Black Hawk, and Grey and Band-rumped Swifts were seen.

Our excursion to Matura Turtle Beach left just after cake on the veranda at 4pm. We had arranged to stop en route to look over the fields at the agricultural station. Here we saw the striking Savannah Hawk as well as a Peregrine. Scanning further we saw Red-breasted Meadowlark and White-winged Swallows. A Green-winged Parrotlet also flew over our heads before we carried on, arriving at 6.30pm. We strolled down to the beach, seeing a few Brown Pelicans over the sea, before rum punch and picnic dinner. As the skies got darker, we returned to the beach while Mahaise and Dave (leading the other Asa Wright Nature Centre (AWNC) group), walked off in opposite directions looking for turtles. Mahaise gave the sign of a red light flashing three times indicating he had found a turtle. Good news! It had only been a few minutes and it wasn't far away.

Unfortunately, when we reached him, he told us the turtle had turned around. It seems the amount of seaweed on the beach has restricted their laying. There was certainly a lot of seaweed tonight. We waited patiently for the next hour and a half before we got the sign again. It was just after 9pm and we had a bit of a walk so we got going! By the time we reached the turtle, she had dug quite a deep hole. The local turtle guide instructed the group about what would be happening over the next hour or so and ensured we all behaved in a way to avoid disturbing her. The group were able to move around and photograph her once she had started laying eggs. Clearly a highlight for many, it was a special evening standing around this enormous animal laying eggs, filling in the nest hole and disguising the site before returning to the sea. Our group left before she'd completed so we could start the journey home. Even so, we arrived back at AWNC just before midnight.

Day 5

Thursday 12th April

Morning – Oilbirds; afternoon - various trails and veranda AWNC

Pre breakfast wanderings were less defined now that we'd been here for a few days; some relaxed and some went to the veranda. The top of the Motmot Trail was a fruitful place with occasional good views of Trinidad Motmot – which may not sound that surprising but these are shy birds and gave us the run around during the week.

After breakfast, we took the Discovery Trail down to the Oilbird Trail. We spotted a few birds on the way such as Guianan Trogon, Golden-headed Manakin and Northern Waterthrush, as well as a stunning Owl Butterfly. But we'd come up and down many steps to see the bizarre Oilbirds in their nesting cave. Jessie had given us a briefing reinforcing how special (and crucially, accessible) this colony was; so much so that they restrict viewing accordingly. Just before we reached the steps down to the cave, the group stopped as Jessie had found a small Fer du Lance on the path. This stunning but poisonous snake was not interested in moving, so Jessie gently prodded it with a stick until it moved to the side (after a few photographs of course!). We carried on and took turns to enter the cave itself, three at a time. Oilbirds are just bizarre and much bigger than you might imagine, with a forty inch wingspan. Jessie carefully positioned the small groups of people and shone his torch sparingly. There were at least thirty Oilbirds crammed in a couple of ledges, with an occasional guttural outburst being heard. After we'd filtered through we started on our journey back, only to be faced with the same Fer du Lance on the path again. More photographs and more encouragement to move later, we returned to the centre to relax a little before lunch. Ochre-bellied Flycatcher, Turquoise Tanager and Rufous-breasted Hermit showing for us beforehand. A relaxed afternoon followed with a few walks here and there with views of White Hawk, Tropical Pewee and Guianan Trogon to keep us going.

Day 6

Friday 13th April

Trin City area; Waterloo coastal area; Caroni Marsh boat trip.

After various pre breakfast sightings including White-flanked Antwren, Barred Antshrike and Tropical Pewee, we met Mahaise and Jerry at 8.30am and drove back to the main road. Our first stop was the large out of town business centre, Trin City. There was a small river here with many water birds to see including Black-necked Stilt, Stilt Sandpiper, Greater and Lesser Yellowlegs, Wattled Jacana and a flyover Zone-tailed Hawk. We spent just twenty minutes here so we had time for every birdwatchers favourite, the sewage ponds. The charmingly christened Blue Waters Pools held a large flock of Yellow-hooded Blackbirds, Pied Water-tyrant, Purple Gallinule, Striated Heron...and some Moorhens! Onward towards Caroni Swamp and Mahaise found a

delightful roadside Pearl Kite. Although it flew a short while after we'd got off the bus, it did have the good grace to fly around in front of us for a while.

We reached the mudflats of Waterloo by 11.40am so had time for a good look through the shorebirds. Present were Whimbrel, Spotted Sandpiper, Willet, Turnstone and Semi-palmated Plover alongside the fantastic Large-billed Terns, Black Skimmers and Laughing Gulls. Some smaller yellow billed terns turned out to be...erm, Yellow-billed Terns, a tiny species, especially alongside Large-billed Terns.

Our last stop before lunch was notable for two reasons. Firstly, we found three quite elusive birds in the bushes: Yellow-chinned Spinetail, Rufous-browed Peppershrike and Black-crested Antshrike. Then there was a lot of noise coming from down the road, so we walked further along the road to be confronted with several hundred Laughing Gulls, smaller numbers of Black Skimmers, and a pristine Scarlet Ibis among them.

After our picnic lunch, we headed to Caroni for our boat trip. There were many people here doing the same thing – perhaps not as keen bird watchers as we were the only people to look at the Tropical Screech Owl perched where we parked. Around 4pm we got on our boat with our guide, Charles. He pointed out various things like Cook's Tree Boas, Boat-billed Herons and the Tree Climbing Crabs on the mangroves. As we reached the open water, we saw several groups of American Flamingoes – around 50 in total. Once moored up, we started to see Scarlet Ibis flying in. These gorgeous birds roost on an island with herons – we probably saw about 150-200 Scarlet Ibis overall in separate groups – some roosting on the other side of the island. They appeared to be far outnumbered by Tricolored Herons. We also saw a Glossy Ibis overhead which appeared to be too nervous to land with its scarlet relatives. Back at the dock, some Green-rumped Parrotlets were calling in the nearby trees. They were hard to see as it was getting dark and the biting sand flies were coming out, making us retreat to the bus and return to Asa Wright by 7.50pm and in time for dinner.

Day 7

Saturday 14th April

AWNC trails then Wallerfield airfield and night birding

Some of us had a slightly more adventurous pre breakfast walk down the Discovery Trail to photograph manakin leks, where we saw White-bearded Manakins and Cocoa Woodcreeper. A larger group walked the Chaconia Trail after breakfast, finding a perched White-necked Thrush actually facing us – they have a habit of hiding their pale front! The steeper Bamboo Valley Trail was also attempted by some – only part of the way however. We saw a pair of Guianan Trogons appearing to nest in a termite nest, and Ochre-bellied and Euler's Flycatchers.

Later in the day, Mahaise and Jerry arrived to take us to Wallerfield airfield for some night birding. Of note on the drive there was an almost white Orange-winged Parrot overhead – very strange! Once at the airfield, we had some daylight in a different habitat and straight away saw several species we'd not seen such as Grey Kingbird, Short-tailed Swift and Pale-vented Pigeon. Once in position across the airfield, and before "rum punch o'clock", we checked the surrounding area for some more species, seeing several Sulphury Flycatchers, Fork-tailed Palm Swifts and Yellow-headed Caracara, but not Moriche Oriole unfortunately. We settled down on some welcome fold-away chairs for rum punch and a picnic dinner as the light faded. Just as we'd finished, Mahaise found the Moriche Oriole perched for us all to see, just before it got too dark. Over the next 90 minutes, we scanned the more open areas for night birds. On the disused runway we had a bonus in the form of the recently split American Barn Owl, before Mahaise picked up a White-tailed Nighthawk in the torch beam. A few minutes later,

back on the minibus, we found another which seemed to be hanging around. We got out of the vehicle and walked slowly towards the bird and saw that it had a chick on the ground. We quickly all had a look at this wonderful little beast and then retreated. Back up the track we started on, we heard a Mottled Owl. Over the next few minutes we heard it several times and saw it fly low over our heads against the sky. Our next quest was back to the runway to look for Parakee. Within a few minutes we saw at a couple on the ground. Best, however, was the Common Potoo perched on a post which offered us very good views. We all thought that was a great end to the day and returned to AWC for 8.30pm.

Day 8

Sunday 15th April

Morning AWC trails; afternoon drive to airport to start journey back to UK

The last day at this special place had arrived, but we still had several hours to look around. Martyn Kenefick arrived before breakfast and spent some time with us. Notable birds were Giant Antshrike, Trinidad Motmot, Golden-fronted Greenlet, Southern Beardless Tyrannulet, Turquoise Tanager and Swallow-tailed Kite. But the sad job of preparing for travel took over before our last Asa Wright lunch as the bell sounded at midday.

At 1.30pm we said our goodbyes before the short journey to the airport to catch our flight home to Gatwick.

Day 9

Monday 16th April

Our overnight flight landed at Gatwick around 9am, and another Naturetrek adventure came to an end.

We'd enjoyed a great time at AWC: the staff and management showing their fifty years' experience of looking after people and keeping us fed and watered, as well as being on hand throughout to show off the incredible wildlife, be it birds from the veranda or along the trails. In addition we enjoyed a number of excursions to different parts of the island. The weather throughout was hot but we had occasional light breezes and regular short downpours.

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Species Lists

Birds (✓=recorded but not counted; H = heard only; I = Introduced; N = near endemic; E = Endemic)

	Common name	Scientific name	April							
			8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
1	American Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopterus ruber</i>						50		
2	Scarlet Ibis	<i>Eudocimus ruber</i>						c.150		
3	Glossy Ibis	<i>Tigrisoma lineatum</i>						1		
4	Boat-billed Heron	<i>Cochlearius cochlearius</i>						1		
5	Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striata</i>						2		
6	Western Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	30			5		✓	2	✓
7	Great Blue Heron	<i>Ardea herodias</i>						1		
8	Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>				2		✓	3	
9	Tricolored Heron	<i>Egretta tricolor</i>						✓		
10	Little Blue Heron	<i>Egretta caerulea</i>						✓		
11	Snowy Egret	<i>Egretta thula</i>						✓		
12	Brown Pelican	<i>Pelecanus occidentalis</i>				10		40		
13	Magnificent Frigatebird	<i>Fregata magnificens</i>			4		2	10		
14	Neotropic Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax brasilianus</i>						3		
15	Turkey Vulture	<i>Cathartes aura</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
16	Black Vulture	<i>Coragyps atratus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
17	Western Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>						3		
18	Pearl Kite	<i>Gampsonyx swainsonii</i>						1		
19	Swallow-tailed Kite	<i>Elanoides forficatus</i>								1
20	Black Hawk-Eagle	<i>Spizaetus tyrannus</i>		1						
21	Plumbeous Kite	<i>Ictinia plumbea</i>			1		2			
22	Common Black Hawk	<i>Buteogallus anthracinus</i>		3	5	2		3	1	2
23	Savanna Hawk	<i>Buteogallus meridionalis</i>				4		1	1	
24	White Hawk	<i>Pseudastur albicollis</i>		1	2		1		1	
25	Short-tailed Hawk	<i>Buteo brachyurus</i>		1	1					
26	Zone-tailed Hawk	<i>Buteo albonotatus</i>						1		
27	Mangrove (Clapper) Rail	<i>Rallus longirostris</i>						H		
28	Purple Gallinule	<i>Porphyrio martinica</i>						10		
29	Common Gallinule	<i>Gallinula galeata</i>						7		
30	Black-necked Stilt	<i>Himantopus mexicanus</i>						20		
31	Southern Lapwing	<i>Vanellus chilensis</i>				2		40	5	
32	Semipalmated Plover	<i>Charadrius semipalmatus</i>						10		
33	Wattled Jacana	<i>Jacana jacana</i>						20		
34	Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>						8		
35	Greater Yellowlegs	<i>Tringa melanoleuca</i>						2		
36	Lesser Yellowlegs	<i>Tringa flavipes</i>						25		
37	Willet	<i>Tringa semipalmata</i>						4		
38	Spotted Sandpiper	<i>Actitis macularius</i>						15		
39	Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>						40		
40	Stilt Sandpiper	<i>Calidris himantopus</i>						2		
41	Sanderling	<i>Calidris alba</i>						20		
42	Semipalmated Sandpiper	<i>Calidris pusilla</i>						3		
43	Western Sandpiper	<i>Calidris mauri</i>						10		
44	Least Sandpiper	<i>Calidris minutilla</i>						15		
45	Black Skimmer	<i>Rynchops niger</i>						✓		
46	Laughing Gull	<i>Leucophaeus atricilla</i>						✓		
47	Royal Tern	<i>Thalasseus maximus</i>						1		

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			8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
48	Yellow-billed Tern	<i>Sternula superciliaris</i>							8		
49	Large-billed Tern	<i>Phaetusa simplex</i>							✓		
50	Rock Dove - I	<i>Columba livia</i>	25			50			✓	✓	✓
51	Scaled Pigeon	<i>Patagioenas speciosa</i>		1	2	1	4		2	2	
52	Pale-vented Pigeon	<i>Patagioenas cayennensis</i>								6	
53	Ruddy Ground Dove	<i>Columbina talpacoti</i>			8	1			✓	2	
54	Ruddy Quail-Dove	<i>Geotrygon montana</i>									1
55	Grey-fronted Dove	<i>Leptotila rufaxilla</i>		1			1			1	1
56	Eared Dove	<i>Zenaida auriculata</i>							5		
57	Smooth-billed Ani	<i>Crotophaga ani</i>	1		10	3			10	15	1
58	Squirrel Cuckoo	<i>Piaya cayana</i>		2	1	2	1		1		
59	Western Barn Owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>								1	
60	Tropical Screech Owl	<i>Megascops choliba</i>							1		
61	Mottled Owl	<i>Strix virgata</i>								1	
62	Ferruginous Pygmy Owl	<i>Glaucidium brasilianum</i>		H				H	H		
63	Oilbird	<i>Steatornis caripensis</i>						30			
64	Common Potoo	<i>Nyctibius griseus</i>								2	
65	Short-tailed Nighthawk	<i>Lurocalis semitorquatus</i>	2	1							
66	Pauraque	<i>Nyctidromus albigollis</i>									3
67	White-tailed Nightjar	<i>Hydrosalis cayennensis</i>									6
68	Band-rumped Swift	<i>Chaetura spinicaudus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
69	Grey-rumped Swift	<i>Chaetura cinereiventris</i>			✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
70	Short-tailed Swift	<i>Chaetura brachyura</i>				2					8
71	Neotropical Palm Swift	<i>Tachornis squamata</i>									6
72	Rufous-breasted Hermit	<i>Glaucis hirsutus</i>		1	1	1	1				1
73	Green Hermit	<i>Phaethornis guy</i>	1	1	1	2	1			1	1
74	Little Hermit	<i>Phaethornis longuemareus</i>								1	
75	White-necked Jacobin	<i>Florisuga mellivora</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
76	Black-throated Mango	<i>Anthracothorax nigricollis</i>		2	2	2	2		1	5	✓
77	Ruby-topaz Hummingbird	<i>Chrysolampis mosquitus</i>		1		1	1			1	
78	Tufted Coquette	<i>Lophornis ornatus</i>	2	8	3	4	✓		2	6	2
79	Blue-chinned Sapphire	<i>Chlorestes notata</i>	3	2	1	2	1		2	2	1
80	White-chested Emerald	<i>Amazilia brevirostris</i>	8	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
81	Copper-rumped Hummingbird - N	<i>Amazilia tobaci</i>	10	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
82	Long-billed Starthroat	<i>Heliomaster longirostris</i>	1	1	1	1	1			1	
83	Green-backed Trogon	<i>Trogon viridis</i>		2	1					1	
84	Guianan Trogon	<i>Trogon violaceus</i>					2			6	H
85	Collared Trogon	<i>Trogon collaris</i>		H	1						
86	Trinidad Motmot - E	<i>Momotus bahamensis</i>		1	H	H	3		H		1
87	Rufous-tailed Jacamar	<i>Galbula ruficauda</i>			3						
88	Channel-billed Toucan	<i>Ramphastos vitellinus</i>		1	10	1	1		1	1	1
89	Golden-olive Woodpecker	<i>Colaptes rubiginosus</i>		1	3						
90	Lineated Woodpecker	<i>Dryocopus lineatus</i>		1	1	2	1		1	1	
91	Yellow-headed Caracara	<i>Milvago chimachima</i>									2
92	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>				1					
93	Blue-headed Parrot	<i>Pionus menstruus</i>			6						
94	Orange-winged Amazon	<i>Amazona amazonica</i>	10	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
95	Green-rumped Parrotlet	<i>Forpus passerinus</i>				1			2		
96	Yellow-chinned Spinetail	<i>Certhiaxis cinnamomeus</i>							1		
97	Streaked Xenops	<i>Xenops rutilans</i>			2						
98	Cocoa Woodcreeper	<i>Xiphorhynchus susurrans</i>		H			H			1	

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			8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
99	Great Antshrike	<i>Taraba major</i>		1	1	1					1
100	Black-crested Antshrike	<i>Sakesphorus canadensis</i>							2		
101	Barred Antshrike	<i>Thamnophilus doliatus</i>		1		3			3		1
102	White-flanked Antwren	<i>Myrmotherula axillaris</i>		2	4				2	1	
103	White-bellied Antbird	<i>Myrmeciza longipes</i>			2	H					
104	Forest Elaenia	<i>Myiopagis gaimardii</i>		1						1	
105	Southern Beardless Tyrannulet	<i>Camptostoma obsoletum</i>		H		1					2
106	Ochre-bellied Flycatcher	<i>Mionectes oleagineus</i>				1	1			1	
107	Euler's Flycatcher	<i>Lathrotriccus euleri</i>		H						1	
108	Tropical Pewee	<i>Contopus cinereus</i>							2	2	1
109	Pied Water Tyrant	<i>Fluvicola pica</i>							10		
110	Piratic Flycatcher	<i>Legatus leucophaeus</i>		1	1	1	1				
111	Great Kiskadee	<i>Pitangus sulphuratus</i>	✓	10	✓	2	1	✓		4	1
112	Sulphury Flycatcher	<i>Tyrannopsis sulphurea</i>								4	
113	Tropical Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus melancholicus</i>	1	2	3	4	1	4		1	3
114	Grey Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus dominicensis</i>								2	
115	Bright-rumped Attila	<i>Attila spadiceus</i>						H			
116	Bearded Bellbird	<i>Procnias averano</i>		2+H	1+H	1	1	1			1
117	White-bearded Manakin	<i>Manacus manacus</i>		5		1		1		14	
118	Golden-headed Manakin	<i>Ceratopipra erythrocephala</i>		5		1	2				1
119	Black-tailed Tityra	<i>Tityra cayana</i>		1	1	1				1	1
120	Rufous-browed Peppershrike	<i>Cyclarhis gujanensis</i>		H				1			
121	Golden-fronted Greenlet	<i>Pachysylvia aurantiifrons</i>		1	2	2				1	1
122	White-winged Swallow	<i>Tachycineta albiventer</i>				3		✓		1	3
123	Grey-breasted Martin	<i>Progne chalybea</i>			3						
124	Southern Rough-winged Swallow	<i>Stelgidopteryx ruficollis</i>	1		5			1			2
125	Rufous-breasted Wren	<i>Pheugopedius rutilus</i>								H	H
126	House Wren	<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>			1	2	3	3		2	3
127	Long-billed Gnatwren	<i>Ramphocaenus melanurus</i>				1					1
128	Tropical Mockingbird	<i>Mimus gilvus</i>		6	✓	6	4	✓		5	6
129	Cocoa Thrush	<i>Turdus fumigatus</i>		1	10	2	1	✓	✓	✓	✓
130	Spectacled Thrush	<i>Turdus nudigenis</i>	1	2	2	1	1	✓		3	2
131	White-necked Thrush	<i>Turdus albicollis</i>		2	1					2	1
132	Trinidad Euphonia	<i>Euphonia trinitatis</i>			1						
133	Violaceous Euphonia	<i>Euphonia violacea</i>		10	✓	10	6	✓	✓	✓	✓
134	Northern Waterthrush	<i>Parkesia noveboracensis</i>			1		3	1		1	1
135	Golden-crowned Warbler	<i>Basileuterus culicivorus</i>									H
136	Red-breasted Blackbird	<i>Sturnella militaris</i>				3					
137	Crested Oropendola	<i>Psarocolius decumanus</i>	1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
138	Yellow-rumped Cacique	<i>Cacicus cela</i>			25	2					
139	Yellow Oriole	<i>Icterus nigrogularis</i>		2		2	2	1		2	
140	Epulet Oriole	<i>Icterus cayanensis</i>								2	
141	Shiny Cowbird	<i>Molothrus bonariensis</i>		2	4	2	2	✓		1	2
142	Carib Grackle	<i>Quiscalus lugubris</i>	✓					✓	✓	✓	✓
143	Yellow-hooded Blackbird	<i>Chrysomus icterocephalus</i>						50			
144	Bananaquit	<i>Coereba flaveola</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
145	White-shouldered Tanager	<i>Tachyphonus luctuosus</i>		2							
146	White-lined Tanager	<i>Tachyphonus rufus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
147	Silver-beaked Tanager	<i>Ramphocelus carbo</i>	1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
148	Blue-grey Tanager	<i>Thraupis episcopus</i>		3	✓	10	✓	✓		3	6
149	Palm Tanager	<i>Thraupis palmarum</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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			8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
150	Turquoise Tanager	<i>Tangara mexicana</i>		4	4		4			2
151	Bay-headed Tanager	<i>Tangara gyrola</i>		1	3	2	1		1	1
152	Purple Honeycreeper	<i>Cyanerpes caeruleus</i>		5	3	2	2	2	6	4
153	Red-legged Honeycreeper	<i>Cyanerpes cyaneus</i>			2	1				
154	Green Honeycreeper	<i>Chlorophanes spiza</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	8
155	Bicolored Conebill	<i>Conirostrum bicolor</i>						H		
156	Saffron Finch	<i>Sicalis flaveola</i>						12		
157	Greyish Saltator	<i>Saltator coerulescens</i>	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	2
158	Blue-black Grassquit	<i>Volatinia jacarina</i>			6					
159	Red-crowned Ant Tanager	<i>Habia rubica</i>		1				1		1

Mammals

1	Red-rumped Agouti	<i>Dasyprocta leporina</i>	1	2	3	2	2	4	4	2
2	Red-tailed Squirrel	<i>Sciurus granatensis</i>			1	1	1			
3	White-lined Sack-winged Bat	<i>Saccopteryx bilineata</i>		✓			3			
4	Long-nosed Proboscis Bat	<i>Rhynchonycteris naso</i>			5		6	3	3	
5	Tent-making Bat	<i>Urodema bilobatum</i>					3			

Reptiles & Amphibians

1	Golden Tegu Lizard	<i>Tupinambis teguixin</i>		2	2	1	3	1	2	1
2	Common Ameiva	<i>Ameiva ameiva</i>		1		1		2	1	
3	Green Iguana	<i>Iguana iguana</i>					1			
4	House Gecko	<i>Hemidactylus frenatus</i>		1	1	1		1	1	
5	Dwarf Striped Gecko	<i>Gonatodes vittatus</i>		1						
6	Cook's Tree Boa	<i>Corallus cookii</i>				2		2		
7	Fer-de-lance	<i>Bothrops atrox</i>					2			
8	False Coral Snake	<i>Oxyrhopus petolarius</i>			1					
9	Red-naped Snake	<i>Ninia atrata</i>			1					
10	Ratonel (Moon Snake)	<i>Pseudoboa neuwiedii</i>		1		1				
11	Leatherback Turtle	<i>Dermodochelys coriacea</i>				1				
12	Tortoise sp.							1		
13	Trinidad Stream Frog	<i>Mannophryne trinitatis</i>		2	1		1		1	
14	Polkadot Tree Frog	<i>Hyla punctata</i>		✓						
15	Dwarf Marsupial Frog	<i>Fletonotus fitzgeraldi</i>		1						
16	Toad sp.			1					1	

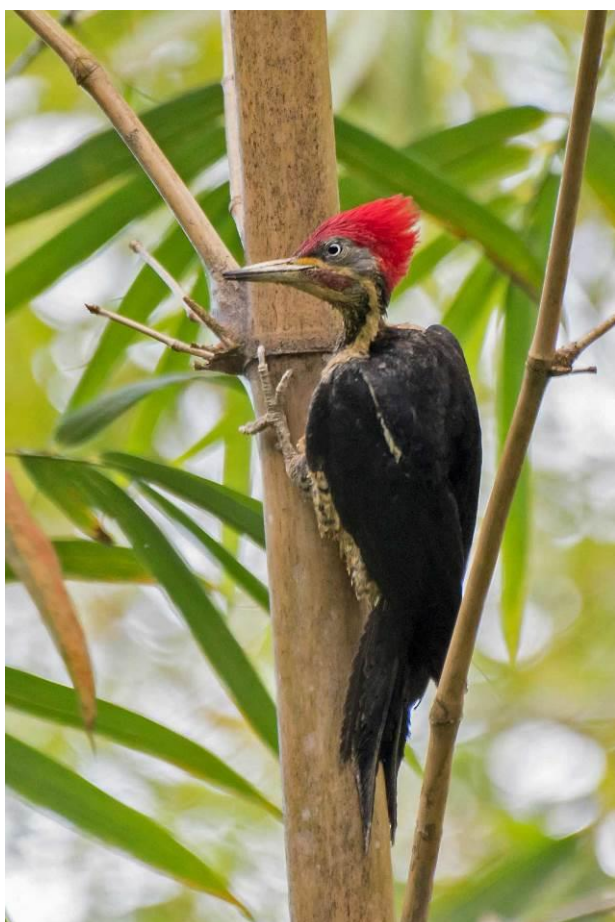
Butterflies & Moths

1	Lady's Slipper	<i>Pierella hyalinus</i>							1	
2	Silverking (One-spotted Prepona)	<i>Archaeoprepona demophon</i>			1					
3	White Crescent	<i>Janatella leucodesma</i>				4				
4	Small Postman	<i>Heliconius erato</i>		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
5	Flambeau or Julia Butterfly	<i>Dryas julia</i> ,		1		2	1			
6	West Indian Buckeye	<i>Junonia evarete</i>		✓						
7	Blue Morpho	<i>Morpho peleides</i>		1	1		1		1	
8	Brown Longtail	<i>Urbanus procne</i>		✓						
9	Tiger-striped Butterfly	<i>Heliconius ismenius</i>		✓						
10	Cattle Heart	<i>Parides anchises</i>		1			1		1	
11	Owl Butterfly	<i>Caligo eurilochus</i>					1			
12	Renata Satyr	<i>Ypthimoides renata</i>			1					
13	Penelope Satyr	<i>Cissia penelope</i>			1					

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14	Hanno Blue	<i>Hemiargus hanno</i>			1					
15	Molpe Metalmark	<i>Juditha molpe</i>			1					
16	a Hawk-moth	<i>Eumorpa analis</i>		✓						
17	Silkmoth	<i>Rhescyntis pseudomartii</i>	1	1						
18	Yellow Silkmoth							1	1	1
19	Giant Silkmoth	<i>Rhescyntis hermes</i>								
20	a Moth	<i>Arsenura beebi</i>		1	2	2	1			
21	Banana Stem Borer	<i>Telchin licus</i>								1

Other sightings of note

1	Trinidad Chevron Tarantula	<i>Psalmopoeus cambridgei</i>				2		1	1	
2	Pink-toed Tarantula	<i>Avicularia versicolor</i>					1			
3	a Stick Insect	<i>Prisopus horstokkii</i>		✓						
4	Redwood Scorpion			2		1				
5	False Scorpion					1				
6	Land Crab			✓		✓	✓		✓	✓
7	Tree-climbing Crab							✓		
8	Fiddler Crab							✓		
9	Katydid			1	1	1		1	1	
10	Tropical Luminous Click Beetle	<i>Pyrophorus sp</i>				1				
11	Giant Cockroach	<i>Blaberus giganteus</i>							1	
12	Mudskipper							✓		
13	Jumping Wabine	<i>Rivulus hartii</i>		1						1



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