



## High Lonesome Brazil Tour: Cristalino Jungle Lodge, Pantanal, and Chapada dos Guimarães

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A jaguar stalks along the Cuiaba River Photo Stephan Lorenz

*We finished yet another memorable tour to the wildlife havens of the Cristalino Jungle Lodge in the Amazon and the world-famous Pantanal, adding a bit of the cerrado in the Chapada dos Guimaraes National Park. This tour seems to be getting better year after year and the thriving jaguar population along the Cuiaba River near Porto Jofre is definitely getting easier to observe. We saw a total of four of these magnificent cats, including watching one hunting for more than an hour. Other mammal highlights included several Lowland Tapir, Giant River Otter, and a variety of primates, including the endangered White-whiskered Spider Monkey. Of course, this was mainly a birding trip and we saw more than 470 species, an impressive total, including several sought-after endemics and specials. There were too many highlights to mention, but a short summary would have to include a Crested Eagle perched for thirty minutes, two sightings of Harpy Eagle!!!, two sightings of Zigzag Heron!!!, more than 30 species of antbirds, including Bare-eyed Antbird, locally rare Black-necked Aracari, rare White-fronted Woodpecker, Brown-banded Puffbird, Cryptic Forest-Falcon, Hyacinth Macaw, Kawall's Parrot...on and on. The trip was filled to the brim with quality birds and great memories.*



Red-and-green Macaws Photo Stephan Lorenz

Our tour started with meeting for breakfast in the Hotel Taina in Varzea Grande and then a short transfer to the airport. Our flight to Alta Floresta and the Amazon Basin was right on time and before too long we transferred to the comfortable Hotel Floresta Amazonica, set right next to a large tract of productive rainforest. After settling in, we met up for our first birding of the tour and we were all eager to get started. The open gardens,

forest edge, and small wetlands near the hotel all offered our first taste of Amazonian birding. We were not disappointed, seeing several widespread but stunning Neotropical species including Squirrel Cuckoo, Green-backed Trogon, Black-fronted Nunbird, Lettered and Chestnut-eared Aracaris, White-throated Toucan, Yellow-tufted Woodpecker, Black-crowned and Masked Tityras, Thrush-like Wren, Crested Oropendola, Yellow-rumped Cacique, Blue-gray, Palm, Blue-necked, and Turquoise Tanagers. Parrots were also much in evidence with Blue-headed, Mealy, and Orange-winged Parrots, the range restricted Crimson-bellied Parakeet, and several macaws, including Blue-and-yellow, Scarlet, and Chestnut-fronted Macaws all close for photos. White-eyed Parakeets flew over in the distance, but most surprisingly was a pair of Blue-winged Macaws that was apparently roosting or nesting near the fish ponds and offered great views in the scope as they peered from their cavities. This species is usually very uncommon in the area. The wetlands were also bursting with birds and we added some water birds, many of which we would see again later in the trip, but we noted our first Southern Lapwing, Wattled Jacana, Wood Stork, Neotropic Cormorant, and Striated Heron, while overhead Short-tailed and Fork-tailed Palm-Swifts were present. We all agreed that it had been a pleasant introduction to birding in Brazil. We enjoyed our first dinner together at the hotel and then retired in anticipation for our first full day.



Curl-crested Aracari Photo Stephan Lorenz

The first full day in a new environment is always exciting and what a day it was. With more than 100 species found it was jam-packed from sunrise until sunset. We started birding with a short session in the hotel gardens before breakfast where we quickly added Swallow-tailed Kite, nesting Plumbeous Kite, Yellow-crowned and

Orange-winged Parrots, Bare-necked Fruitcrow, and a Rufous-collared Sparrow joined us at the table. After a delicious breakfast with prerequisite cake, we loaded the van and began the drive to the Teles Pires River and the boat launch towards the Cristalino Jungle Lodge. On our way out of town we made several planned and some impromptu stops depending on what we spotted from the van. Our first major stop was an area of Mauritia Palms, where after a long wait an uncommon Point-tailed Palmcreeper flew in, showing very well sitting in the open and singing. Other species we added during the journey included White-tailed and Gray-lined Hawks, Burrowing Owl, the only Red-throated Caracara of the trip, and a stunning pair of Red-and-green Macaws at a nesting hole. One of the more surprising finds was a flock of American Golden Plovers that flew past as we reached the end of the plowed fields and pastures, likely birds headed to points further south. We then transferred into a boat to cross the Teles Pires River and then motored slowly upstream along the idyllic Rio Cristalino. One of the best find finds in the middle of the Teles Pires was a Black-collared Swallow, a river rapid specialist and uncommon here. On the blackwater Rio Cristalino we found Muscovy Duck, Yellow-billed Tern, Greater Yellow-headed Vulture, locally uncommon Black-collared Hawk, Double-toothed Kite, Great Black Hawk, Amazon and Green Kingfishers, Paradise Jacamar, Bat Falcon, and Golden-winged Parakeet. We made a short stop along the Manakin Trail before we proceeded to the lodge and check-in. Along this short trail we found Dwarf Tyrant-Manakin and heard the very rare Zimmer's Tody-Tyrant.



Blackish Nightjar Photo Stephan Lorenz

The beautiful Cristalino Lodge was welcoming as always and we enjoyed our first of many delicious lunches. For the afternoon, we took a boat ride upstream with two major stops in mind. The river trip to get us to the trailhead produced Red-throated Piping-Guan, the endangered Razor-billed Curassow, Spotted Sandpiper, our first Sunbittern, Green Ibis, White-banded, Southern Rough-winged, and White-winged Swallows. Before we reached the main trail, we stopped in an area of flooded forest and hiked off trail to reach a small pond. Several water birds were seeking refuge here as the dry season progressed and we very quickly we found American Pygmy and Green-and-rufous Kingfishers, both side by side and offering incredibly close views. Other species here included Collared Trogon, Yellow-throated Woodpecker, and Band-tailed Antbird. Yet, one of the best finds of the day was a Zigzag Heron that stalked in a dense thicket, but eventually we all managed

some views of it. For the rest of the afternoon, we went to an area in the forest where a water hole had been established during the past years. We sat down in anticipation of what may visit and since it was the height of the dry season many species came to bathe and drink, especially right before dusk. Sitting quietly behind a small blind, we enjoyed point black views of a Gray Tinamou that sauntered past, Saturnine Antshrike, Plain-throated Antwren, Spot-winged Antshrike, Xingu Scale-backed Antbird, Black-spotted Bare-eye, White-chinned Woodcreeper, Rufous-rumped Foliage-gleaner, Chestnut-winged Hookbill, Ochre-bellied Flycatcher, Band-tailed Manakin, and Brown-winged Schiffornis. We arrived back at the lodge just after dark and soon met for dinner and the bird list.



Sunbittern Photo Stephan Lorenz

Our first full day at the Cristalino Lodge started on top of one of the finest features of the lodge, the canopy towers. We started with a very early breakfast and then walked predawn to Tower 2, climbing the steps just as the sun was rising above the steaming jungle. We spent several hours on various levels of the tower and built a huge list of sightings. The headliner of the morning was an adult Crested Eagle that once spotted sat on the same exposed perch for more than thirty minutes. Although distant, in the scope we could appreciate a lot of detail of this massive raptor, second only to the Harpy. Other highlights included White-browed Hawk, scope views of White-necked and Brown-banded Puffbirds, the endemic Black-girdled Barbet, the comical Curl-crested Aracari, very close Scale-breasted Woodpecker, and excellent views of Kawall's Parrots, a Cristalino specialty. A canopy feeding flock milled around the tower for most of the morning and with patience we saw Sclater's Antwren, White-lored Tyrannulet, Spangled Cotinga, White-browed Purpletuft, a locally rare

Green Oropendola, Epaulet Oriole, Red-billed Pied, Flame-crested, and Opal-rumped Tanagers, Black-faced Dacnis, Short-billed Honeycreeper, Yellow-backed Tanager, and the very uncommon Yellow-shouldered Grosbeak. During the walk back to the river, we came across a pair of Red-fan Parrots that were investigating a cavity and showed very low and close. After lunch and a bit of rest, we tackled some forest interior birding along the Haffer Trail. As is expected, birding in the dense rainforest is challenging, but we were seeking some bamboo specialties and other forest interior species. The best find during the boat trip to the trailhead was a very cooperative Agami Heron that allowed us to view it very closely, offering incredible photo opportunities. During our three hours on the trail, we came away with many excellent sightings of which the best included Spix's Guan, Amazonian and Black-throated Trogons, Cinereous Antshrike, White-eyed Antwren, Spix's Woodcreeper, Curve-billed Scythebill, Large-headed Flatbill, and the favorite for most, a well seen Rose-breasted Chat sitting in the open. At dusk, we went to a small lagoon further upstream and found Gray-breasted Sabrewing coming to bathe, a Tawny-bellied Screech-Owl was seen well just after sunset, and a Black-banded Owl heard closely. We took a boat ride back after dark, looking for mammals and anything else along the river banks, finding a Common Potoo, Boat-billed Heron, more Lowland Tapir, and two Pacas to add to our growing mammal list. We had seen Giant River Otters earlier in the day. We arrived back at the lodge just in time for dinner, enjoyed a delicious meal, and then got some well deserved rest.



Rose-breasted Chat Photo Stephan Lorenz

Our final full day at Cristalino Jungle Lodge started again with a very early breakfast and a predawn walk to Tower 1, where we spent most of the morning. The rainforest awakened around us as we climbed the steep stairs and soon we were welcomed by parrots, toucans, raptors, swifts, and more as we overlooked the pristine canopy stretching in all directions. The morning was again very busy with many new species for our list and the absolute highlight must have been the Harpy Eagle, although it showed only very briefly. Other excellent finds included Black-eared Fairy, Black-tailed Trogon, another Brown-banded Puffbird, a pair of White-fronted Nunbirds, a locally very rare Black-necked Aracari in addition to three other species of aracarids, the stunning Red-necked Woodpecker and equally colorful Ringed Woodpecker, and rare White-bellied Parrots. Another Cristalino specialty that gave great views was a Tooth-billed Wren. Since we had so much luck on the first afternoon when we staked out a water feature, we decided to spend our last afternoon at another water hole. The day had been very warm and dry, so we expected good bird activity. First, we stopped again in some

varzea forest, now dry, and walked off trail to find a cooperative Flame-crowned Manikin, got everyone on a Blue-cheeked Jacamar, and added the very rare Red-billed Woodcreeper, alongside Striped and Wedge-billed Woodcreepers. At the pond the action was almost nonstop with many species coming in to drink right up until dusk and we again had open views of many new species including Great and, even better, Cinereous Tinamous, Ruddy Quail-Dove, Saturnine, Cinereous, and Spot-winged Antshrikes, White-flanked Antwren, Spix's Warbling-Antbird, Bare-eyed, Spot-backed, Dot-backed, and Xingu Scale-backed Antbirds, Black-spotted Bare-eye, Rufous-rumped and Buff-throated Foliage-gleaners, Sepia-capped and Euler's Flycatchers, Snow-capped and White-crowned Manakins, Red-crowned Ant-Tanager, and the stunning White-winged Shrike-Tanager. We realized what a privilege it was to get such good views of so many skulking and canopy species. It was one of the best sessions at the water hole that I had ever witnessed and we all walked away a bit breathless after having added so many excellent species with such relative ease, although sitting absolutely still for more than two hours is not always easy. We finished the day with the bird list and dinner.



Lowland Tapir Photo Stephan Lorenz

We made the most of our last morning in the Amazon and I organized the schedule a bit differently this year, allowing us to take full advantage of the remaining time. We packed up before breakfast and then set out to Ilha Ariosto from where we would transfer directly to the boat landing. This way we had every spare minute to add more birds and that is exactly what we did. One of the main targets was the Amazonian Umbrellabird, which lek on the island and while we could hear several we could not zero in on a displaying bird. Despite that, we managed to find a fine male perched in an open tree later in the morning for excellent scope views. The diversity of birds that morning came again from the antbirds and we saw Great, Glossy, Chestnut-backed, and Amazonian Antshrikes, Pygmy, Amazonian Streaked, and White-flanked Antwrens, Blackish Antbird, and a

super close Silvered Antbird. A flowering tree held White-necked Jacobin, Black-throated Mango, Amethyst Woodstar, Fork-tailed Woodnymph, Versicolored Emerald, and White-chinned Sapphire. We also managed to call in Bar-breasted Piculet and Spotted Tody-Flycatcher, while we added Gray-chested Greenlet, Buff-breasted Wren, Purple-throated and Violaceous Euphonias during a short walk. Unfortunately, the time had come to end our Amazonian adventure and we returned by van to Alta Floresta where we cooled down a bit with a good lunch at the Alta Floresta Amazonica Hotel. Our flights back to Cuiaba were right on time and we readied ourselves for the next leg of the adventure, the Pantanal.



Silvered Antbird Photo Stephan Lorenz

The first morning of birding in new habitat started at Parque Mae Bonifácia right in Cuiaba and the dry forest and scrub offered a whole new set of birds. During our leisurely few hours here we added two dozen birds to the list. We had excellent views of several uncommon species, including Russet-crowned Crake walking around in the open and this park may be one of the better places to see this species, showy Blue-crowned Trogons, White-wedged Piculet, a surprise Golden-green Woodpecker, the range restricted Planalto Slaty-Antshrike, Moustached Wren, and White-bellied Seedeater. We also saw several widespread species we would become familiar with during the next few days and the park is also one of the best places to catch up with Black-tailed Marmosets. After another hefty lunch of Brazilian BBQ in Varzea Grande, we started the drive towards the Pantanal and as we left the city behind and wetlands started appearing the birdlife multiplied accordingly. Along the way, we saw the first Greater Rheas and we were looking forward to the wildlife spectacle to come. The two hour drive got us to Pousada Piuval, a lodge set on a working ranch on the northern end of the Pantanal. Due to the high diversity of habitats, including wetlands, forest, and scrub surrounding the lodge, the area boasts some of the best birding in the Pantanal. After we had checked in we spent an easy two and a half hours just birding in the lodge's vicinity and recorded more than 80 species. But



that is almost routine in the Pantanal and we would record more than 100 species nearly every day thereafter. Some of the most exciting finds during our first afternoon here included Southern Screamer, Brazilian Teal, Chaco Chachalaca, Bare-faced Curassow, Whistling Heron, Bare-faced, Plumbeous, and Buff-necked Ibis, Savanna Hawk, Toco Toucan, White Woodpecker, Campo Flicker, Red-legged Seriema, Narrow-billed Woodcreeper, Gray and White-rumped Monjitas, Black-backed Water-Tyrant, and White-headed Marsh Tyrant. It was almost too much to take in at first, but fortunately we would see many of the species over the coming days and become familiar with them. We also saw our first Hyacinth Macaws, the largest parrot in the world and symbol of the Pantanal. A massive flock of almost 100 American Golden Plovers had put down in the dry grassy fields around the lodge and it was fun to see them on their way south. We met for the list and some well earned beers before dinner and then got some sleep since the following day would be full of birds.



Greater Rhea Photo Stephan Lorenz

The birding around the Pousada Piuval delivered beyond expectations. We saw so many new species during our first full day here it was difficult to keep track. For the morning, we had one of the jeeps drop us off on the main track and then we worked our way back towards the lodge, spending most of our time birding the forest islands and small wetlands in between. We focused on some of the specialties restricted to woodland in the Pantanal and had excellent views of Cream-colored and Pale-crested Woodpeckers, Large-billed and the locally very rare Black-bellied Antwrens, the latter showing exceptionally well as it foraged at eye level, the range restricted Mato Grosso Antbird, White-lored Spinetail, Pearly-vented Tody-Tyrant, uncommon Rufous Casiornis, a male Helmeted Manakin in the scope, Green-backed Becard, Ashy-headed Greenlet, Gray-headed Tanager, and Chestnut-vented Conebill. While in the open pastures and wetlands we saw Greater Rhea, Chaco Chachalaca, Guira Cuckoo, Gray-cowled Wood-Rail, Sunbittern, Jabiru, Cocoli Heron, and more. The birding did not let up during our afternoon excursion when we took a jeep crisscrossing

pastures and wetlands before reaching a tower overlooking the vast marshes by the lake. Some of the best finds of the afternoon included many *Nacunda* Nighthawks starting to fly at dusk, a day roosting Great Potoo, our first Maguari Stork (usually uncommon, but this year numerous), the colorful Campo Flicker, impressive Red-billed Scythebill, vociferous Rufous Cacholote, Purplish Jay, the weird Black-capped Donacobius, numerous Yellowish Pipits, and Unicolored Blackbird. Needless to say it took some time to do the bird list that evening, but the peaceful setting at the lodge and cold drinks made for a perfect night.



Great Potoo Photo Stephan Lorenz

For the morning, we merely birded on foot near the lodge and found almost 100 species in just four hours. We especially staked out an area of scattered trees in one of the pastures and after some patient waiting finally found our target, a pair of White-fronted Woodpeckers that showed really well, this species is very rare in the Pantanal. Other good finds during the morning included a surprise Blue-tufted Starthroat, a Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl in the garden, a Green-barred Woodpecker to add to our woodpecker tally, photogenic Red-legged Seriema, an unexpected White-throated Kingbird right by the lodge while we rested, and the only Black-tailed Tityra of the trip. In the afternoon, we took to a tractor to explore some areas more distant from the lodge and while the ride was at times dusty, we did enjoy better photographic opportunities of several species and added some hoped for birds as well. Looking for the right fruiting trees we finally found the endangered Chestnut-bellied Guan that had been missing from our list. A stop in some promising looking habitat soon had a pair of massive Great Rufous Woodcreepers calling right in front of us. As we waited in the evening, enjoying the quiet and calm, an Undulated Tinamou walked across the track in response to my whistles. We had a very

successful night drive and had super close views in the spotlight of Spot-tailed and Scissor-tailed Nightjars. Returning from the night drive, we went to bed and we had done very well here during our two days, seeing most of the possible species.



Red-billed Scythebill Photo Stephan Lorenz

We had a full morning of travel ahead of us, but still squeezed in a few minutes birding along the Pousada Piuval entrance road before breakfast. This yielded distant scope views of a Collared Forest-Falcon and finally a single, vocal Long-tailed Ground-Dove that had been eluding us. The journey along the Transpantaneira crosses one of the most amazing wetlands on earth with its accompanying wildlife spectacle. We made many stops and also constantly had to resist the urge to stop again to get out and fill up the memory cards of our cameras. The receding wetlands were teeming with water birds, storks, herons, ibis, ducks and more, plus scores of caiman and capybaras. It can be difficult to take in all this biomass at once. If we saw an especially interesting congregation of wildlife we stopped and took many photos. The drive lasted all morning and we added some excellent species, most notably more Maguari Storks, White-faced and Black-bellied Whistling-Ducks, Rusty-backed Spinetail, White-browed Meadowlark, and the stunning Scarlet-headed Blackbird. We arrived in Porto Jofre for lunch and then checked into our comfortable rooms. We had time for the first jaguar excursion along the Rio Cuiaba and after meeting our boat driver for the next two days set off in search for big cats and more birds. We quickly covered distance along the Rio Cuiaba to get into the heart of the area where jaguars are most frequently sighted. Once we arrived our boat driver went back into high gear and we knew we were after a jaguar. I took another fifteen minutes until we were looking at our first big cat, an impressive specimen lounging in the shade, the animal was still there when we returned. In a side channel we discovered lots of boat activity and people were overlooking an area where not one but two jaguars were

resting in high grass. We could see the head of one cat every once in a while. With no less than three jaguar sightings on the first afternoon we turned our attention back to birds, planning to look for more jaguars the next day. New birds during the boat tour included good views of Striped and Little Cuckoos, a brief Collared Plover, Rufous-browed Peppershrike, Pale-legged Hornero, and calling Fawn-breasted Wren. We stayed out right until dusk and then raced back towards the hotel in Porto Jofre.



Boat-billed Heron Photo Stephan Lorenz

During our full day in the Porto Jofre area, we did two boat trips with a break for lunch back at the hotel. It was a very enjoyable day, with us getting better views of many familiar species and spending more than an hour with a jaguar that was prowling along the river bank. The morning started with a jaguar that was on the move. The animal systematically searched the river bank for prey and we followed it for an hour as it stalked, swam, shook itself, and even lazily chased after some resting capybaras. The capybaras snorted, jumped into the river, and easily dove to safety. Just as we were about to leave the jaguar which had disappeared into some dense grass it reemerged in a rush and apparently captured a capuchin monkey, although not everyone could see exactly what happened. We suspected that a capuchin had come down to the river to drink and the jaguar was able to capture it, very rare since jaguars mainly feed on caiman in the Pantanal. Leaving the jaguar to his meal, we continued along the river and channels looking for birds. We added a fine selection of new species during our two outings with many Band-tailed Nighthawks seen at dusk, an uncommon Buff-bellied Hermit after we staked out a flowering bush from the boat, skulky Cinereous-breasted Spinetail, White-banded Mockingbird, an uncommon austral migrant seen very well along the banks of a small side channel, and several Rusty-collared Seedeaters. We had come here in hopes of seeing a jaguar and the Cuiaba River area

had not disappointed with a total of four seen. In addition, we had been able to spend a long time with these magnificent animals and watched their interesting behaviors.



Lesser Kiskadee Photo Stephan Lorenz

We bid farewell to Porto Jofre and started the drive north along the Transpantaneira, retracing the route we had taken two days before. It was another bird filled day with more than 125 species by the end of the day and a good variety of habitats explored. We started right along the dusty Transpantaneira in an area of wetlands and reedbeds known as Campos do Jofre. Here, we found several uncommon species new for our list and were surprised to find about eight Subtropical Doraditos, a usually very rare species in the area. Other good finds included a Gray-breasted Crake that clambered into view for a second, three Great Horned Owls at a regular stake out, a pair of Rusty-backed Antwrens, Chotoy Spinetail, Bran-colored Flycatcher, a large flock of Brown-chested Martins, Masked Yellowthroat, and uncommon Tawny-bellied Seed eaters. In a grove of trees birds were busy and notable species included Swainson's Flycatcher and the distinct Orange-headed Tanager. We continued north and made it to our accommodations, the Hotel Pantanal Mato Grosso for lunch. After we checked in, we rested a bit and then took a very enjoyable boat trip on the Rio Pixaim. While our main target, the Sungrebe never showed, we ended up seeing another Agami Heron, had good photo opportunities of a Boat-billed Heron, and best of all found another Zigzag Heron at dusk that even sat in the open for lengthy, unobstructed views. It is almost unbelievable to have two sightings of this rare heron during a single tour. A Crane Hawk that flew across the river added to the raptor tally.



Zigzag Heron Photo Stephan Lorenz

The following morning, we started early along a side road near the hotel and after breakfast spent the remainder of the morning along a trail making its way through the extensive riparian woodland along the Rio Pixaim. Since we had done very well at Pousada Piuvai our target list was fairly short and we managed to find nearly all of them. Excellent sightings included both species of piping-guans, diminutive Rusty-fronted Tody-Flycatchers, Ashy-headed Greenlet, a singing Flavescent Warbler, and Red-crested Finch. For the afternoon, we opted for another boat ride since the one the previous day had been so enjoyable and we wanted another chance for the special Sungrebe. As luck would have it, we spotted a male Sungrebe at the very end of an accessible channel and it then proceeded to swim to a log and climb out of the water. The orange and gray striped legs had one of our participants exclaim, “those are some crazy feet”, after looking at his pictures. And indeed they are colorful as we soaked in amazing views of the bird just sitting on a branch overhanging the water. Of course, as we motored back, we promptly found a second Sungrebe. That ended our birding the Pantanal as the following day we would transfer to Chapada dos Guimaraes and the cerrado.



Sungrebe Photo Stephan Lorenz

We packed up and loaded the van at a reasonable hour and then continued the drive north towards Cuiaba. Our first stop was for scenery, lunch, and of course birds. We pulled off the main road into the Bridal Veil Falls area of the Chapada dos Guimaraes National Park. After lunch, we wandered down to the overlook, enjoying the new environment and impressive falls. A bit of scanning got us the first Cliff Flycatcher of the trip and Red-and-green Macaws were flying by in noisy pairs. Fast flying Biscutate Swifts were an excellent sighting and Burnished-buff Tanager was new. We continued to the Pousada do Parque, an amazingly peaceful lodge, set amidst excellent habitat and seemingly endless bird activity. We walked a few trails and birded the open areas around the lodge seeing several new species, including Scaled Pigeon, an adult Black-and-white Hawk-Eagle spotted from the clearing was a definite highlight, Red-shouldered Macaw, stunning Swallow Tanager, Red-legged Honeycreeper, and Guira Tanager, while Small-billed and Red-winged Tinamous were heard only. Pousada do Parque has excellent food and all agreed that the dinner that night had been the best so far.

A Planalto Hermit right before we left the lodge was a welcome addition. During the first morning in the chapada we headed to the heart of the cerrado habitat. Cerrado is a tropical savanna that is nearly unique to Brazil and is one of the most endangered habitats in South America. Several bird species are endemic to the cerrado and it was those that we hoped to see along the Agua Fria Road. The first hour of the morning in the cerrado is often the busiest and birding can be almost hectic at times as new species constantly appear and quickly move off. This morning was no exception and we quickly added several hoped for species as we covered less than half a mile along the road. Highlights included repeated views of a female Horned Sungem, Swallow-tailed Hummingbird, scope views of a Spot-backed Puffbird, obliging Rufous-winged Antshrike, calling Chapada Flycatcher, a trio of close Curl-crested Jays, Black-faced, White-banded, and White-rumped

Tanagers, Plumbeous Seedeater, and Black-throated Saltator. We then moved to the Vale do Bencao area where lush forest can be found and here we tracked down the skulky Southern Antpipit, called in Sibilant *Sirystes*, saw nest building Crested Becards, managed glimpses of a Pectoral Sparrow, and added Golden-crowned Warbler. Back at the lodge, we had some of the only rain of the tour and we waited while relaxing at the lodge, staking out some flowering bushes nearby. Once the rain ceased, we explored some grassland and a pond near to the lodge, adding Least Grebe, Little Nightjar just after dark, and an Ash-throated Crane that finally came into the open.



Swallow-tailed Hummingbird Photo Stephan Lorenz

As we were leaving the lodge we surprised two Rusty-margined Guans along the entrance road. For our final full morning we headed to the Geladeria Road, an area of cerrado and some lush brushland that has a slightly different mix of birds. We were focusing our efforts on some of the cerrado specialties that we were still missing and picked up good views of Dark-billed Cuckoo, which was a surprise addition, calling White-eared Puffbird, Suiriri Flycatcher, Crested Black-Tyrant, the lowland form of Hepatic Tanager, and the sought-after Coal-crested Finch that gave incredible views. A Small-billed Tinamou even crossed the road for a brief glimpse. We returned to the Vale do Bencao area to finish the morning and catch up with a few more species I knew were possible there. We followed the same track and added good views of a pair of responsive Plain Antvireos and a pair of nest building White-backed Fire-eyes that gave great views as they collected leaves right on the edge of the road. As we walked down a small incline, I caught some massive movement in the corner of my eye and looked up to see an enormous raptor fly through the forest carrying what looked like a sizeable prey item. I was absolutely shocked to see an adult Harpy Eagle, the massive wings, white underparts, and black chest clearly visible although the sighting was brief. I yelled out and everyone looked up in time to see the bird fly across the road right in front of us. There have been a few confirmed sightings from the area in recent years and we could not believe we had seen our second Harpy of the trip. The bird disappeared upslope in the tall forest and we could hear several aracarís giving alarm calls. Despite some considerable effort we could not find it again and had to make due with the brief, but amazing sighting. After a delicious



lunch back at the lodge and a break, we moved to a viewpoint for the afternoon where we spent two leisurely hours enjoying the landscape and some additional birds. A close King Vulture was a highlight and we had better views of White-eared Puffbird and Crested Black-Tyrant. After dinner back at the lodge some of us persisted and we had great views of a Rufous Nightjar.



Crested Black-Tyrant Photo Stephan Lorenz

During the final day we only had an hour of birding near the lodge before we had to transfer to the airport in Varzea Grande. Some elected to pack while others went on a short birding walk along one of the side roads near the lodge. Even with such a full bird list already we managed to add some species and the highlights of the final day were a perched Laughing Falcon that we tracked down after hearing it call in the distance, a Planalto Tyrannulet, and good views of a Saffron-billed Sparrow. The drive back to Varzea Grande was uneventful and after checking in for our flights, we enjoyed one final lunch together. It had been a very enjoyable trip with a fantastic group. The weather had been near perfect, the birding sublime, and some great mammal sightings. With more than 470 species seen we all came away with many memories and of course photos.



Cliff Flycatcher Photo Stephan Lorenz



White-banded Mockingbird Photo Stephan Lorenz



Giant River Otter Photo Stephan Lorenz

Bird List:

1	Greater Rhea - <i>Rhea americana</i>	Many seen well in the Pantanal, especially Pousada Piuval.
2	Gray Tinamou - <i>Tinamus tao</i>	Incredibly good views at CJL where one walked past the blind overlooking a water hole.
3	Great Tinamou - <i>Tinamus major</i>	Coming to drink CJL at the productive Pocinha Francisco.
4	Cinereous Tinamou - <i>Crypturellus cinereus</i>	Incredible views of this normally shy species, coming to drink CJL at the productive Pocinha Francisco.
5	Undulated Tinamou - <i>Crypturellus undulatus</i>	One walked across the track in the open Pousada Piuval.
6	Small-billed Tinamou - <i>Crypturellus parvirostris</i>	Heard only at Pousada do Parque CGNP.
7	Tataupa Tinamou - <i>Crypturellus tataupa</i>	Heard only CGNP.
8	Red-winged Tinamou - <i>Rhynchotus rufescens</i>	Heard only CGNP.
9	Southern Screamer - <i>Chauna torquata</i>	Many seen exceptionally well in the Pantanal.
10	White-faced Whistling-Duck - <i>Dendrocygna viduata</i>	Only a single flock along the Transpantaneira.
11	Black-bellied Whistling-Duck - <i>Dendrocygna autumnalis</i>	Seen in the Pantanal.
12	Muscovy Duck - <i>Cairina moschata</i>	Common and widespread.
13	Brazilian Teal - <i>Amazonetta brasiliensis</i>	Seen well in the Pantanal where uncommon.
14	Chaco Chachalaca - <i>Ortalis canicollis</i>	Noisy and common in the Pantanal.
15	Rusty-margined Guan - <i>Penelope superciliaris</i>	Seen well on the dirt road while driving out of Pousada do Parque.
16	Spix's Guan - <i>Penelope jacquacu</i>	Seen briefly along the Haffer Trail CJL.
17	Chestnut-bellied Guan - <i>Penelope ochrogaster</i>	First we searched quite a bit, eventually finding them in a fruiting tree Pousada Piuval, more seen later of this endangered species.
18	Blue-throated Piping-Guan - <i>Pipile cumanensis</i>	Common in the Pantanal.
19	Red-throated Piping-Guan - <i>Pipile cujubi</i>	Common CJL.
20	Razor-billed Curassow - <i>Mitu tuberosum</i>	Seen well along the Rio Cristalino CJL.
21	Bare-faced Curassow - <i>Crax fasciolata</i>	CJL and seen several times in the Pantanal.
22	Least Grebe - <i>Tachybaptus dominicus</i>	Seen on the small lake of the Pousada do Parque property, where it is always present.
23	Rock Pigeon - <i>Columba livia</i>	Widespread in cities and towns.
24	Pale-vented Pigeon - <i>Patagioenas cayennensis</i>	Widespread and common.
25	Scaled Pigeon - <i>Patagioenas speciosa</i>	Common and seen well in CGNP.
26	Picazuro Pigeon - <i>Patagioenas picazuro</i>	Widespread in open habitats.
27	Plumbeous Pigeon - <i>Patagioenas plumbea</i>	A single seen Haffer Trail area CJL.
28	Ruddy Pigeon - <i>Patagioenas subvinacea</i>	Heard and seen CJL.
29	Ruddy Ground-Dove - <i>Columbina talpacoti</i>	Common and widespread.
30	Scaled Dove - <i>Columbina squammata</i>	Seen Alta Floresta and CJL where it is increasing, also in the Pantanal.
31	Picui Ground-Dove - <i>Columbina picui</i>	Widespread in the Pantanal.
32	Blue Ground-Dove - <i>Claravis pretiosa</i>	Seen well around CJL.
33	Long-tailed Ground-Dove - <i>Uropelia campestris</i>	After a dedicated search we found a calling bird that came close Pousada Piuval.

34	Ruddy Quail-Dove - <i>Geotrygon montana</i>	Usually very uncommon but we saw several around CJL this year with some showing well around the watering holes.
35	White-tipped Dove - <i>Leptotila verreauxi</i>	Widespread and common.
36	Guira Cuckoo - <i>Guira guira</i>	Seen daily in the Pantanal and noted in Alta Floresta.
37	Smooth-billed Ani - <i>Crotophaga ani</i>	Abundant.
38	Striped Cuckoo - <i>Tapera naevia</i>	Seen well as a responsive bird flew in during one of our boat trips in the Cuiaba River,
39	Little Cuckoo - <i>Coccyua minuta</i>	Seen well during one of our boat tour in a smaller side channel.
40	Squirrel Cuckoo - <i>Piaya cayana</i>	Common and often head and seen.
41	Dark-billed Cuckoo - <i>Coccyzus melacoryphus</i>	A surprise addition along the Geladeria Road.
42	Nacunda Nighthawk - <i>Chordeiles nacunda</i>	Common above the wetlands at Pousada Piuval.
43	Short-tailed Nighthawk - <i>Lurocalis semitorquatus</i>	Seen well from the boat on the Rio Cristalino one evening.
44	Band-tailed Nighthawk - <i>Nyctiprogne leucopyga</i>	Numerous one evening as we returned along the Rio Cuiabá to Porto Jofre.
45	Blackish Nightjar - <i>Nyctipolus nigrescens</i>	Seen well roosting on the roofs of the staff quarters CJL.
46	Common Pauraque - <i>Nyctidromus albicollis</i>	The most common nightjar.
47	Little Nightjar - <i>Setopagis parvula</i>	Heard and seen CGNP.
48	Spot-tailed Nightjar - <i>Hydropsalis maculicaudus</i>	We tracked one down for very close studies in the spotlight during our night drive at Pousada Piuval.
49	Ladder-tailed Nightjar - <i>Hydropsalis climacocerca</i>	Seen well after dark along the Rio Cristalino and roosting on the sandbar in the Teles Pires.
50	Scissor-tailed Nightjar - <i>Hydropsalis torquata</i>	Great views during our night drive Pousada Piuval.
51	Rufous Nightjar - <i>Antrostomus rufus</i>	It took some patience but one flew in for good views right next to the lodge PNCG.
52	Great Potoo - <i>Nyctibius grandis</i>	Great views on a day roost Pousada Piuval.
53	Common Potoo - <i>Nyctibius griseus</i>	Seen after dark during our night boat ride CJL.
54	White-collared Swift - <i>Streptoprocne zonaris</i>	Seen well in CGNP.
55	Biscutate Swift - <i>Streptoprocne biscutata</i>	Seen briefly at the falls CGNP.
56	Amazonian Swift - <i>Chaetura viridipennis</i>	Seen well CJL.
57	Short-tailed Swift - <i>Chaetura brachyura</i>	Common at CJL.
58	Pale-rumped Swift - <i>Chaetura egregia</i>	Seen briefly from Tower 2 CJL.
59	Fork-tailed Palm-Swift - <i>Tachornis squamata</i>	Best seen around the palm swamp on the road to CJL.
60	White-necked Jacobin - <i>Florisuga mellivora</i>	Only seen on Ilha Ariosto CJL.
61	Buff-bellied Hermit - <i>Phaethornis subochraceus</i>	This uncommon hummingbird was seen well after we staked out a flowering bush from the boat during our jaguar searches in the Pantanal.
62	Planalto Hermit - <i>Phaethornis pretrei</i>	This species was seen well visiting flowers several times right next to the lodge at Pousada do Parque.
63	White-vented Violetear - <i>Colibri serrirostris</i>	Seen well in the CGNP area.
64	Horned Sungem - <i>Heliactin bilophus</i>	A female was seen well off the Agua Fria road.
65	Black-eared Fairy - <i>Heliomyrta auritus</i>	Seen well around CJL.
66	Black-throated Mango - <i>Anthracothorax nigricollis</i>	One of the more widespread hummingbird species.
67	Long-billed Starthroat - <i>Heliomaster longirostris</i>	Seen during the drive towards CJL.
68	Blue-tufted Starthroat - <i>Heliomaster furcifer</i>	Seen in the CGNP area.
69	Amethyst Woodstar - <i>Calliphlox amethystina</i>	Seen well on Ilha Ariosto CJL.

70	Glittering-bellied Emerald - <i>Chlorostilbon lucidus</i>	Fairly common in the CGNP area.
71	Gray-breasted Sabrewing - <i>Campylopterus largipennis</i>	Seen CJL.
72	Swallow-tailed Hummingbird - <i>Eupetomena macroura</i>	Seen along the Agua Fria and Geladeria Road.
73	Fork-tailed Woodnymph - <i>Thalurania furcata</i>	Widespread.
74	Versicolored Emerald - <i>Amazilia versicolor</i>	Common in the CJL area.
75	Glittering-throated Emerald - <i>Amazilia fimbriata</i>	Common in the Pantanal.
76	White-chinned Sapphire - <i>Hylocharis cyanus</i>	Seen well on Ilha Ariosto CJL.
77	Ash-throated Crake - <i>Mustelirallus albicollis</i>	Fantastic views after some waiting of one in the open Pousada do Parque.
78	Gray-cowled Wood-Rail - <i>Aramides cajaneus</i>	Abundant in the Pantanal.
79	Russet-crowned Crake - <i>Anurolimnas viridis</i>	Great views at Parque Mae Bonifacia.
80	Gray-breasted Crake - <i>Laterallus exilis</i>	Some of us lucked out and looked in the right spot when the bird climbed into view along the Transpantaneira.
81	Sungrebe - <i>Heliornis fulica</i>	It took an extra outing by boat along the Rio Pixaim, but it was worth the effort in the end for those amazing views.
82	Limpkin - <i>Aramus guarauna</i>	Abundant in the Pantanal.
83	Black-necked Stilt - <i>Himantopus mexicanus</i>	Common in smaller wetlands.
84	American Golden-Plover - <i>Pluvialis dominica</i>	Not often seen on the tour, but a large flock was present in the grassy field right next to Pousada Piuval.
85	Pied Lapwing - <i>Vanellus cayanus</i>	Seen well on sandbars of the Cuiaba River.
86	Southern Lapwing - <i>Vanellus chilensis</i>	Common and widespread.
87	Collared Plover - <i>Charadrius collaris</i>	After a careful search we found one on the sandbar in the Cuiaba River.
88	Wattled Jacana - <i>Jacana jacana</i>	Common.
89	White-rumped Sandpiper - <i>Calidris fuscicollis</i>	A surprising find on the sanbar of the Cuiaba River, likely on their way further south.
90	Spotted Sandpiper - <i>Actitis macularius</i>	Singles seen at CJL and in the Pantanal.
91	Solitary Sandpiper - <i>Tringa solitaria</i>	Several sightings in the Pantanal.
92	Greater Yellowlegs - <i>Tringa melanoleuca</i>	Seen around Pousada Piuval.
93	Lesser Yellowlegs - <i>Tringa flavipes</i>	Seen in the Pantanal.
94	Yellow-billed Tern - <i>Sternula superciliaris</i>	Seen along the Teles Pires River CJL and in the Pantanal during boat tours.
95	Large-billed Tern - <i>Phaetusa simplex</i>	Very common in the Pantanal.
96	Black Skimmer - <i>Rynchops niger</i>	Uncommon in the Pantanal.
97	Sunbittern - <i>Eurypyga helias</i>	The best views we had was of a calling bird during our boat tour on the Rio Pixaim.
98	Maguari Stork - <i>Ciconia maguari</i>	Surprisingly numerous this year in the Pantanal with several seen along the Transpantaneira.
99	Jabiru - <i>Jabiru mycteria</i>	This massive stork is abundant in the Pantanal.
100	Wood Stork - <i>Mycteria americana</i>	Abundant in the Pantanal.
101	Anhinga - <i>Anhinga anhinga</i>	Widespread and common.
102	Neotropic Cormorant - <i>Phalacrocorax brasilianus</i>	Widespread and common.
103	Zigzag Heron - <i>Zebirus undulatus</i>	Incredibly, we saw two of this rare heron during this tour. One in flooded forest in CJL and then even better views of one sitting

		out in the open at dusk along the Rio Pixaim.
104	Rufescent Tiger-Heron - <i>Tigrisoma lineatum</i>	Common.
105	Cocoi Heron - <i>Ardea cocoi</i>	Common.
106	Great Egret - <i>Ardea alba</i>	Common.
107	Snowy Egret - <i>Egretta thula</i>	Common.
108	Little Blue Heron - <i>Egretta caerulea</i>	Common.
109	Cattle Egret - <i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	Common.
110	Striated Heron - <i>Butorides striata</i>	Common.
111	Agami Heron - <i>Agamia agami</i>	Another very rare bird seen twice. At first super close views of a juvenile along the Rio Cristalino and then a brief adult along the Rio Pixaim.
112	Whistling Heron - <i>Syrigma sibilatrix</i>	Fairly common in the Pantanal.
113	Capped Heron - <i>Pilherodius pileatus</i>	A beautiful species seen a few times.
114	Black-crowned Night-Heron - <i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	Several seen in the Pantanal.
115	Boat-billed Heron - <i>Cochlearius cochlearius</i>	The best views along the Rio Pixaim of a roosting bird.
116	White-faced Ibis - <i>Plegadis chihi</i>	Common in the Pantanal.
117	Green Ibis - <i>Mesembrinibis cayennensis</i>	Frequently seen along stream CJL and Pantanal.
118	Bare-faced Ibis - <i>Phimosus infuscatus</i>	Common in the Pantanal.
119	Plumbeous Ibis - <i>Theristicus caerulescens</i>	Several seen well around Pousada Piuval.
120	Buff-necked Ibis - <i>Theristicus caudatus</i>	Several seen well around Pousada Piuval.
121	Roseate Spoonbill - <i>Platalea ajaja</i>	Seen in the Pantanal.
122	King Vulture - <i>Sarcoramphus papa</i>	Seen well at CJL and even better from the lookout CGNP.
123	Black Vulture - <i>Coragyps atratus</i>	Common.
124	Turkey Vulture - <i>Cathartes aura</i>	Uncommon but increasing in the Alta Floresta area.
125	Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture - <i>Cathartes burrovianus</i>	Common in the Pantanal.
126	Greater Yellow-headed Vulture - <i>Cathartes melambrotus</i>	Common at the CJL.
127	Swallow-tailed Kite - <i>Elanoides forficatus</i>	Alta Floresta, Pantanal, and CGNP.
128	Crested Eagle - <i>Morphnus guianensis</i>	One of the highlights of the trip was seeing one perched for one hour from Tower 2 CJL.
129	Harpy Eagle - <i>Harpia harpyja</i>	Incredibly we saw two, one briefly perched Tower 1 CJL and another flying through through forest CGNP where the species is rare, but has been sighted before.
130	Black-and-white Hawk-Eagle - <i>Spizaetus melanoleucus</i>	Fantastic views of an adult right above Pousada do Parque.
131	Black-collared Hawk - <i>Busarellus nigricollis</i>	Common in the Pantanal.
132	Snail Kite - <i>Rostrhamus sociabilis</i>	Abundant in the Pantanal.
133	Double-toothed Kite - <i>Harpagus bidentatus</i>	Seen several times CJL.
134	Plumbeous Kite - <i>Ictinia plumbea</i>	Common with nesting pair observed Hotel Floresta Amazonica.
135	Crane Hawk - <i>Geranospiza caerulescens</i>	Finally seen in flight above the Rio Pixaim.
136	Savanna Hawk - <i>Buteogallus meridionalis</i>	Common in the Pantanal.
137	Great Black Hawk - <i>Buteogallus urubitinga</i>	Seen several times CJL and Pantanal.
138	Roadside Hawk - <i>Rupornis magnirostris</i>	Common and widespread.

139	White-tailed Hawk - <i>Geranoaetus albicaudatus</i>	Seen during the drive towards CJL.
140	White-browed Hawk - <i>Leucopternis kuhli</i>	Seen briefly from Tower 2 CJL.
141	Gray-lined Hawk - <i>Buteo nitidus</i>	Seen well perched while driving towards CJL.
142	Short-tailed Hawk - <i>Buteo brachyurus</i>	Seen soaring CJL.
143	Tropical Screech-Owl - <i>Megascops choliba</i>	Heard only around the Pousada do Parque.
144	Tawny-bellied Screech-Owl - <i>Megascops watsonii</i>	One seen very well after dark at the Lagoinha CJL.
145	Crested Owl - <i>Lophotrix cristata</i>	Heard only at CJL.
146	Great Horned Owl - <i>Bubo virginianus</i>	Seen well along the Transpantaneira.
147	Amazonian Pygmy-Owl - <i>Glaucidium hardyi</i>	Heard only distantly CJL.
148	Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl - <i>Glaucidium brasilianum</i>	Seen well in the gardens of Pousada Piuval.
149	Burrowing Owl - <i>Athene cunicularia</i>	Best seen along the entrance road towards CJL.
150	Black-banded Owl - <i>Ciccaba huhula</i>	Heard only despite some effort CJL.
151	Black-tailed Trogon - <i>Trogon melanurus</i>	Seen well at CJL.
152	Green-backed Trogon - <i>Trogon viridis</i>	Common at CJL.
153	Amazonian Trogon - <i>Trogon ramonianus</i>	Seen well CJL.
154	Blue-crowned Trogon - <i>Trogon curucui</i>	Common and widespread with great views at Parque Mae Bonifacia.
155	Black-throated Trogon - <i>Trogon rufus</i>	An uncommon species seen well at CJL.
156	Collared Trogon - <i>Trogon collaris</i>	Seen well at CJL.
157	Amazonian Motmot - <i>Momotus momota</i>	Best seen in the CGNP.
158	Ringed Kingfisher - <i>Megaceryle torquata</i>	Widespread.
159	Amazon Kingfisher - <i>Chloroceryle amazona</i>	Common.
160	American Pygmy Kingfisher - <i>Chloroceryle aenea</i>	Seen very well at a small pond in the forest of CJL and Rio Pixaim.
161	Green Kingfisher - <i>Chloroceryle americana</i>	Fairly common.
162	Green-and-rufous Kingfisher - <i>Chloroceryle inda</i>	Seen at the same productive pond as the Pygmy Kingfisher at CJL and seen Rio Pixaim.
163	White-necked Puffbird - <i>Notharchus hyperrhynchus</i>	Seen well from Tower 2 CJL.
164	Brown-banded Puffbird - <i>Notharchus ordii</i>	This CJL specialty was seen well from both towers.
165	White-eared Puffbird - <i>Nystalus chacuru</i>	Seen well along the Geladeria Road and again from the lookout CGNP.
166	Spot-backed Puffbird - <i>Nystalus maculatus</i>	An excellent find along the Agua Frio road, this ssp. is often split as Caatinga Puffbird.
167	Black-fronted Nunbird - <i>Monasa nigrifrons</i>	Common and widespread.
168	White-fronted Nunbird - <i>Monasa morphoeus</i>	Much less common than previous species, but seen well from Tower 2 CJL.
169	Swallow-winged Puffbird - <i>Chelidoptera tenebrosa</i>	Abundant around the CJL area.
170	Blue-cheeked Jacamar - <i>Galbula cyanicollis</i>	Seen twice CJL.
171	Rufous-tailed Jacamar - <i>Galbula ruficauda</i>	Common and confiding in the Pantanal.
172	Paradise Jacamar - <i>Galbula dea</i>	Seen well along the Rio Cristalino.
173	Black-girdled Barbet - <i>Capito dayi</i>	This CJL specialty was seen well from Tower 2.

174	Lettered Aracari - <i>Pteroglossus incriptus</i>	Good views in Alta Floresta and CJL area.
175	Black-necked Aracari - <i>Pteroglossus aracari</i>	This species is very rare CJL, but one individual seen well from Tower 1.
176	Chestnut-eared Aracari - <i>Pteroglossus castanotis</i>	The most widespread aracari species.
177	Curl-crested Aracari - <i>Pteroglossus beauharnaesii</i>	This spectacular specialty was seen well from both towers at CJL.
178	Red-necked Aracari - <i>Pteroglossus bitorquatus</i>	Seen well from Tower 1 CJL.
179	Gould's Toucanet - <i>Selenidera gouldii</i>	Heard only CJL.
180	Toco Toucan - <i>Ramphastos toco</i>	Common but nevertheless spectacular.
181	White-throated Toucan - <i>Ramphastos tucanus</i>	Common around CJL.
182	Channel-billed Toucan - <i>Ramphastos vitellinus</i>	CJL and CGNP.
183	Bar-breasted Piculet - <i>Picumnus aurifrons</i>	Very good views on the island of CJL with birds coming very close.
184	White-wedged Piculet - <i>Picumnus albosquamatus</i>	Multiple observations in Cuiaba and Pantanal.
185	White Woodpecker - <i>Melanerpes candidus</i>	A great looking woodpecker seen well Pousada Piuval.
186	Yellow-tufted Woodpecker - <i>Melanerpes cruentatus</i>	Common especially in the CJL area.
187	White-fronted Woodpecker - <i>Melanerpes cactorum</i>	After some searching we found a cooperative pair near the Pousada Piuval where it is uncommon.
188	Little Woodpecker - <i>Dryobates passerinus</i>	Fairly common in open woodland.
189	Red-necked Woodpecker - <i>Campephilus rubricollis</i>	Great views of the spectacular species from Tower 1 CJL.
190	Crimson-crested Woodpecker - <i>Campephilus melanoleucos</i>	Several seen well.
191	Lineated Woodpecker - <i>Dryocopus lineatus</i>	Surprisingly only one seen while driving towards CJL.
192	Ringed Woodpecker - <i>Celeus torquatus</i>	Another spectacular woodpecker seen from Tower 1 CJL.
193	Scale-breasted Woodpecker - <i>Celeus grammicus</i>	Close views from Tower 2 CJL.
194	Cream-colored Woodpecker - <i>Celeus flavus</i>	Fantastic views of more than one Pousada Piuval.
195	Pale-crested Woodpecker - <i>Celeus lugubris</i>	Seen well in the Pantanal.
196	Yellow-throated Woodpecker - <i>Piculus flavigula</i>	Seen in feeding flock CJL.
197	Golden-green Woodpecker - <i>Piculus chrysochloros</i>	A good find at Parque Mae Bonifácia in Cuiaba.
198	Green-barred Woodpecker - <i>Colaptes melanochloros</i>	Seen in the Pantanal.
199	Campo Flicker - <i>Colaptes campestris</i>	A beautiful woodpecker fairly common in the Pantanal.
200	Red-legged Seriema - <i>Cariama cristata</i>	Several seen of this unique bird in the Pantanal.
201	Cryptic Forest-Falcon - <i>Micrastur mintoni</i>	One flew past us on a trail CJL.
202	Collared Forest-Falcon - <i>Micrastur semitorquatus</i>	Distant scope views of one sitting up Pousada Piuval.
203	Red-throated Caracara - <i>Ibycter americanus</i>	Seen along the entrance road to CJL.
204	Southern Caracara - <i>Caracara plancus</i>	Common and widespread.
205	Yellow-headed Caracara - <i>Milvago chimachima</i>	Seen at a waterhole Pousada Piuval and also CGNP.
206	Laughing Falcon - <i>Herpetotheres cachinnans</i>	Great views the final morning at Pousada do Parque.
207	American Kestrel - <i>Falco sparverius</i>	Seen in the CGNP area.
208	Aplomado Falcon - <i>Falco femoralis</i>	Seen at Pousada Piuval.



209	Bat Falcon - <i>Falco ruficularis</i>	Regularly seen.
210	Monk Parakeet - <i>Myiopsitta monachus</i>	Common in the Pantanal with many of their large stick nests seen.
211	Yellow-chevroned Parakeet - <i>Brotogeris chiriri</i>	Common and widespread in the Pantanal, Cuiaba, and CGNP.
212	Golden-winged Parakeet - <i>Brotogeris chrysoptera</i>	Common in the CJL area.
213	Blue-headed Parrot - <i>Pionus menstruus</i>	The most common parrot around CJL.
214	Yellow-crowned Parrot - <i>Amazona ochrocephala</i>	Seen in the Alta Floresta area.
215	Turquoise-fronted Parrot - <i>Amazona aestiva</i>	Regularly seen in the Pantanal.
216	Mealy Parrot - <i>Amazona farinosa</i>	Alta Floresta where seen well perched.
217	Kawall's Parrot - <i>Amazona kawalli</i>	This CJL specialty was seen well from the towers.
218	Orange-winged Parrot - <i>Amazona amazonica</i>	Seen well in Alta Floresta.
219	Dusky-billed Parrotlet - <i>Forpus modestus</i>	Seen well at a sandy beach right by the CJL.
220	White-bellied Parrot - <i>Pionites leucogaster</i>	Great views from Tower 1 CJL.
221	Red-fan Parrot - <i>Derophtus accipitrinus</i>	First distant views from Tower 2 and then the closest views I have ever had of a pair low in the canopy near a nesting hole.
222	Crimson-bellied Parakeet - <i>Pyrrhura perlata</i>	First seen very well in the gardens of Hotel Floresta Amazonica and also seen CJL.
223	Santarem Parakeet - <i>Pyrrhura amazonum</i>	Great views near the CJL and right in the bungalow clearing.
224	Hyacinth Macaw - <i>Anodorhynchus hyacinthinus</i>	The spectacular species was fairly common in the Pantanal.
225	Peach-fronted Parakeet - <i>Eupsittula aurea</i>	Common in the Pantanal and CGNP area.
226	Blue-winged Macaw - <i>Primolius maracana</i>	A surprising find near the Hotel Floresta Amazonica where a pair was entering a nesting cavity.
227	Blue-and-yellow Macaw - <i>Ara ararauna</i>	Common in the Amazon and a pair at Pousada Piuval.
228	Scarlet Macaw - <i>Ara macao</i>	Common around Alta Floresta and CJL.
229	Red-and-green Macaw - <i>Ara chloropterus</i>	Seen very well en route to CJL.
230	Chestnut-fronted Macaw - <i>Ara severus</i>	Common around CJL.
231	Red-shouldered Macaw - <i>Diopsittaca nobilis</i>	Seen well in the CGNP area.
232	White-eyed Parakeet - <i>Psittacara leucophthalmus</i>	Common.
233	Great Antshrike - <i>Taraba major</i>	We had many excellent views of this impressive antshrike, especially at Parque Mae Bonifacia.
234	Glossy Antshrike - <i>Sakesphorus luctuosus</i>	We lured a pair into view on Ilha Ariosto CJL.
235	Barred Antshrike - <i>Thamnophilus doliatus</i>	Widespread.
236	Rufous-winged Antshrike - <i>Thamnophilus torquatus</i>	We saw one very well that popped into the open spontaneously along the Agua Fria Road.
237	Chestnut-backed Antshrike - <i>Thamnophilus palliatus</i>	Seen very well on Ilha Ariosto CJL.
238	Plain-winged Antshrike - <i>Thamnophilus schistaceus</i>	Seen along the trail to Tower 2 CJL.
239	Planalto Slaty-Antshrike - <i>Thamnophilus pelzelni</i>	Great views along the main track Pousada Piuval.
240	Amazonian Antshrike - <i>Thamnophilus amazonicus</i>	Good views on Ilha Ariosto CJL.
241	Plain Antwren - <i>Dysithamnus mentalis</i>	A calling pair tracked down Vale do Bencao in the CGNP.
242	Saturnine Antshrike - <i>Thamnomanes saturninus</i>	Seen well at the water holes CJL.
243	Cinereous Antshrike - <i>Thamnomanes caesius</i>	Also coming to water features CJL.
244	Plain-throated Antwren - <i>Iseria hauxwelli</i>	The first time I have seen this species come to water feature, a

		welcome addition CJL.
245	Spot-winged Antshrike - <i>Pygmytila stellaris</i>	Descending from the canopy to visit the water features CJL.
246	White-eyed Antwren - <i>Epinecrophylla leucophthalma</i>	Seen briefly along the Haffer Trail CJL.
247	Pygmy Antwren - <i>Myrmotherula brachyura</i>	Always in the canopy, but good views Ilha Ariosto CJL.
248	Sclater's Antwren - <i>Myrmotherula sclateri</i>	This canopy species was seen from Tower 2 CJL.
249	Amazonian Streaked-Antwren - <i>Myrmotherula multostriata</i>	Seen on Ilha Ariosto CJL.
250	White-flanked Antwren - <i>Myrmotherula axillaris</i>	Coming to the water feature and seen on Ilha Ariosto CJL.
251	Large-billed Antwren - <i>Herpsilochmus longirostris</i>	Common in the riparian woodland of the Pantanal where many seen Pousada Piuval.
252	Black-bellied Antwren - <i>Formicivora melanogaster</i>	A definite highlight, we saw a male of this uncommon for area species Pousada Piuval.
253	Rusty-backed Antwren - <i>Formicivora rufa</i>	Eventually seen well by all along the Agua Fria Road and some saw it Rio Pixaim area.
254	Spix's Warbling-Antbird - <i>Hypocnemis striata</i>	Also the first time I saw one come to a water feature CJL.
255	Blackish Antbird - <i>Cercomacroides nigrescens</i>	Heard only on Ilha Ariosto CJL.
256	Gray Antbird - <i>Cercomacra cinerascens</i>	Heard only CJL.
257	Mato Grosso Antbird - <i>Cercomacra melanaria</i>	Great views of the range-restricted species Pousada Piuval.
258	White-backed Fire-eye - <i>Pyriglena leuconota</i>	Wow, we finally found a pair that was collected nesting material Vale do Bencao CGNP.
259	Band-tailed Antbird - <i>Hypocnemoides maculicauda</i>	Rio Cristalino and Rio Pixaim, this water dependent species was seen well.
260	Silvered Antbird - <i>Sclateria naevia</i>	It could not have been any closer, calling right in front of us Ilha Ariosto CJL.
261	Bare-eyed Antbird - <i>Rhegmatorhina gymnops</i>	Great to see several come to the water feature, a CJL specialty.
262	Spot-backed Antbird - <i>Hylophylax naevius</i>	Also good views at the water feature CJL.
263	Dot-backed Antbird - <i>Hylophylax punctulatus</i>	Briefly at the water feature CJL.
264	Xingu Scale-backed Antbird - <i>Willisornis vidua</i>	The range restricted species seen well, where, of course at the water feature CJL.
265	Black-spotted Bare-eye - <i>Phlegopsis nigromaculata</i>	Several stayed around for many minutes at the water feature CJL.
266	Alta Floresta Antpitta - <i>Hylopezus whittakeri</i>	Heard only CJL.
267	Olivaceous Woodcreeper - <i>Sittasomus griseicapillus</i>	Seen at Pousada Piuval.
268	White-chinned Woodcreeper - <i>Dendrocincla merula</i>	Also visiting a water feature CJL.
269	Wedge-billed Woodcreeper - <i>Glyphorhynchus spirurus</i>	Seen near the water feature CJL.
270	Red-billed Woodcreeper - <i>Hylexetastes perrotii</i>	This rare species was seen well along the river CJL.
271	Great Rufous Woodcreeper - <i>Xiphocolaptes major</i>	We tracked down a fine pair of this massive woodcreeper Pousada Piuval.
272	Striped Woodcreeper - <i>Xiphorhynchus obsoletus</i>	Seen along the Rio Cristalino CJL.
273	Spix's Woodcreeper - <i>Xiphorhynchus spixii</i>	In a feeding flock along the Haffer Trail CJL.
274	Buff-throated Woodcreeper - <i>Xiphorhynchus guttatus</i>	Seen in Alta Floresta.
275	Straight-billed Woodcreeper - <i>Dendroplex picus</i>	Seen CJL.

276	Red-billed Scythebill - <i>Campylorhamphus trochilirostris</i>	Great views of a vocal bird Pousada Piuval.
277	Curve-billed Scythebill - <i>Campylorhamphus procurvoides</i>	Seen well but briefly in a feeding flock Haffer Trail CJL, sometimes split as Tapajos Scythebill.
278	Narrow-billed Woodcreeper - <i>Lepidocolaptes angustirostris</i>	Seen frequently in the Pantanal and good views at Pousada do Parque.
279	Layard's Woodcreeper - <i>Lepidocolaptes layardi</i>	CJL only.
280	Point-tailed Palmcreeper - <i>Berlepschia rikeri</i>	Always a bonus with such limited habitat in the CJL area, we found one during the drive in that showed very well in the scope.
281	Pale-legged Hornero - <i>Furnarius leucopus</i>	Seen well during our boat trips along the Cuiaba River, Pantanal.
282	Rufous Hornero - <i>Furnarius rufus</i>	Abundant in the Pantanal and CGNP.
283	Rufous-rumped Foliage-gleaner - <i>Philydor erythrocerum</i>	Seen CJL.
284	Chestnut-winged Hookbill - <i>Ancistrops strigilatus</i>	Near one of the water features CJL.
285	Buff-throated Foliage-gleaner - <i>Automolus ochrolaemus</i>	Coming to Pocinha Francisco CJL.
286	Rufous-fronted Thornbird - <i>Phacellodomus rufifrons</i>	At a reliable stake out near the Rio Pixaim, Pantanal.
287	Greater Thornbird - <i>Phacellodomus ruber</i>	First seen Parque Mae Bonifacia and also Pantanal.
288	Rusty-backed Spinetail - <i>Cranioleuca vulpina</i>	Seen along the river in the Pantanal.
289	Rufous Cacholote - <i>Pseudoseisura unirufa</i>	Frequent at Pousada Piuval with excellent views even in the garden.
290	Yellow-chinned Spinetail - <i>Certhiaxis cinnamomeus</i>	Common in wetlands of the Pantanal.
291	Chotoy Spinetail - <i>Schoeniophylax phryganophilus</i>	Seen well in the Pantanal, a large and distinct spinetail.
292	White-lored Spinetail - <i>Synallaxis albilora</i>	A Pantanal specialty and seen very well at Pousada Piuval.
293	Cinereous-breasted Spinetail - <i>Synallaxis hypospodia</i>	Seen in the Pantanal, where it took some patience before we all had good views.
294	Pale-breasted Spinetail - <i>Synallaxis albescens</i>	Easily heard and seen along the Agua Fria Road CGNP.
295	White-lored Tyrannulet - <i>Ornithion inerme</i>	From the tower CJL.
296	Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet - <i>Camptostoma obsoletum</i>	Fairly common.
297	Suiriri Flycatcher - <i>Suiriri suiriri</i>	Great views along the Geladeria Road CGNP.
298	Chapada Flycatcher - <i>Suiriri affinis</i>	Great views along the Agua Fria Road of vocal birds.
299	Subtropical Doradito - <i>Pseudocolopteryx acutipennis</i>	What normally is a rarity in the Pantanal was downright common in a short stretch along the Transpantaneira and we noted at least 8 individuals all relatively close.
300	Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet - <i>Tyrannulus elatus</i>	CJL.
301	Forest Elaenia - <i>Myiopagis gaimardii</i>	Widespread and vocal.
302	Yellow-bellied Elaenia - <i>Elaenia flavogaster</i>	Common in the CGNP area.
303	Plain-crested Elaenia - <i>Elaenia cristata</i>	Seen CGNP.
304	Lesser Elaenia - <i>Elaenia chiriquensis</i>	Also noted in the CGNP area.
305	Ochre-bellied Flycatcher - <i>Mionectes oleagineus</i>	Seen well CJL
306	Sepia-capped Flycatcher - <i>Leptopogon amaurocephalus</i>	First time I have seen one visiting the water feature CJL and also seen in the Rio Pixaim area.
307	Planalto Tyrannulet - <i>Phyllomyias fasciatus</i>	This species is easily overlooked but we saw a vocal bird

		Pousada do Parque.
308	Plain Tyrannulet - <i>Inezia inornata</i>	Seen at Pousada Piuval.
309	Southern Antpipit - <i>Corythopsis delalandi</i>	With some patience we lured a calling bird into views for most Vale do Bencao CGNP.
310	Pearly-vented Tody-Tyrant - <i>Hemitriccus margaritaceiventer</i>	Seen in Cuiaba and the Pantanal.
311	Zimmer's Tody-Tyrant - <i>Hemitriccus minimus</i>	This tricky range restricted species was heard CJL, but is always hard to spot.
312	Rusty-fronted Tody-Flycatcher - <i>Poecilotriccus latirostris</i>	Seen very well along the trails following the Rio Pixaim Pantanal.
313	Spotted Tody-Flycatcher - <i>Todirostrum maculatum</i>	Good views of one Ilha Ariosto CJL.
314	Common Tody-Flycatcher - <i>Todirostrum cinereum</i>	Best seen near active nest in along a small stream during a jaguar boat tour.
315	Yellow-olive Flycatcher - <i>Tolmomyias sulphureus</i>	Common in Cuiaba and Pantanal.
316	Gray-crowned Flycatcher - <i>Tolmomyias poliocephalus</i>	Seen from Tower 1 CJL.
317	Royal Flycatcher - <i>Onychorhynchus coronatus</i>	Seen along trail CJL.
318	Ruddy-tailed Flycatcher - <i>Terenotriccus erythrurus</i>	Seen CJL.
319	Cliff Flycatcher - <i>Hirundinea ferruginea</i>	Good views in two locations CGNP.
320	Bran-colored Flycatcher - <i>Myiophobus fasciatus</i>	Seen well in marshy vegetation along the Transpantaneira.
321	Euler's Flycatcher - <i>Lathrotriccus eulerei</i>	Also visiting the water feature at CJL.
322	Fuscous Flycatcher - <i>Cnemotriccus fuscatus</i>	Fairly common in the Pantanal.
323	Vermilion Flycatcher - <i>Pyrocephalus rubinus</i>	Widespread.
324	Crested Black-Tyrant - <i>Knipolegus lophotes</i>	Seen well along Geladeria Road and from the viewpoint CGNP.
325	Drab Water Tyrant - <i>Ochthornis littoralis</i>	Along the Teles Pires CJL.
326	Gray Monjita - <i>Xolmis cinereus</i>	Seen well in the cerrado CGNP.
327	White-rumped Monjita - <i>Xolmis velatus</i>	Seen well in the Pousada Piuval area.
328	Black-backed Water-Tyrant - <i>Fluvicola albiventer</i>	Seen several times in the Pantanal.
329	White-headed Marsh Tyrant - <i>Arundinicola leucocephala</i>	Seen several times in the Pantanal.
330	Long-tailed Tyrant - <i>Colonia colonus</i>	Seen well from Tower 2 CJL.
331	Cattle Tyrant - <i>Machetornis rixosa</i>	Common.
332	Large-headed Flatbill - <i>Ramphotrigon megacephalum</i>	Seen briefly along the Haffer Trail CJL.
333	Cinnamon Attila - <i>Attila cinnamomeus</i>	Heard only CJL.
334	Sibilant Sirystes - <i>Sirystes sibilator</i>	Good views of a responsive bird Vale do Bencao CGNP.
335	Rufous Casiornis - <i>Casiornis rufus</i>	Seen well along the main track Pousada Piuval.
336	Grayish Mourner - <i>Rhytipterna simplex</i>	Seen CJL.
337	Swainson's Flycatcher - <i>Myiarchus swainsoni</i>	This migratory species was found in the Pantanal and CGNP this year.
338	Short-crested Flycatcher - <i>Myiarchus ferox</i>	Common.
339	Brown-crested Flycatcher - <i>Myiarchus tyrannulus</i>	Fairly common.
340	Lesser Kiskadee - <i>Pitangus lictor</i>	Seen well along the streams in the Pantanal and the fish ponds

		in Alta Floresta.
341	Great Kiskadee - <i>Pitangus sulphuratus</i>	Common and widespread.
342	Boat-billed Flycatcher - <i>Megarynchus pitangua</i>	Common and widespread.
343	Rusty-margined Flycatcher - <i>Myiozetetes cayanensis</i>	Common and widespread.
344	Streaked Flycatcher - <i>Myiodynastes maculatus</i>	Fairly common.
345	Piratic Flycatcher - <i>Legatus leucophaeus</i>	Seen CJL and Pantanal.
346	Variegated Flycatcher - <i>Empidonomus varius</i>	Seen well CJL.
347	White-throated Kingbird - <i>Tyrannus albogularis</i>	Another bird that showed in good numbers this year, seen Pousada Piuval and Pousada do Parque.
348	Tropical Kingbird - <i>Tyrannus melancholicus</i>	Abundant with a large flock noted from the viewpoint CGNP of birds that were likely migrating.
349	Fork-tailed Flycatcher - <i>Tyrannus savana</i>	Widespread and also good numbers from the viewpoint CGNP.
350	Amazonian Umbrellabird - <i>Cephalopterus ornatus</i>	It took some patience and we could hear them display, but finally we got a male in the scope on Ilha Ariosto CJL.
351	Spangled Cotinga - <i>Cotinga cayana</i>	Seen in good numbers from the towers CJL.
352	Screaming Piha - <i>Lipaugus vociferans</i>	The typical sound of the AMazon, but a difficult species to spot.
353	Bare-necked Fruitcrow - <i>Gymnoderus foetidus</i>	Seen frequently around CJL.
354	Dwarf Tyrant-Manakin - <i>Tyrannetes stolzmanni</i>	A tiny bird with a simple call, but we tracked one down for views.
355	Helmeted Manakin - <i>Antilophia galeata</i>	Great views of a male at Pousada Piuval.
356	Snow-capped Manakin - <i>Lepidothrix nattereri</i>	Many visiting the water features CJL.
357	Flame-crowned Manakin - <i>Heterocercus linteatus</i>	We tracked down a male for fantastic views in the flooded forest along the Rio Cristalino.
358	Band-tailed Manakin - <i>Pipra fasciicauda</i>	Also visiting one of the water features CJL.
359	White-crowned Manakin - <i>Dixiphia pipra</i>	Seen well, male and female, at water feature CJL.
360	Wing-barred Piprites - <i>Piprites chloris</i>	One seen well from the Tower 1 CJL.
361	Black-tailed Tityra - <i>Tityra cayana</i>	Good views of one Pousada Piuval.
362	Black-crowned Tityra - <i>Tityra inquisitor</i>	Seen in Alta Floresta.
363	Masked Tityra - <i>Tityra semifasciata</i>	First noted in Alta Floresta.
364	Brown-winged Schiffornis - <i>Schiffornis turdina</i>	Heard and then seen at water feature CJL.
365	Cinereous Mourner - <i>Laniocera hypopyrra</i>	Haffer Trail at CJL.
366	White-browed Purpletuff - <i>Iodopleura isabellae</i>	Seen well Tower 2 CJL.
367	Green-backed Becard - <i>Pachyramphus viridis</i>	Good views of this striking becard at Pousada Piuval.
368	White-winged Becard - <i>Pachyramphus polychopterus</i>	Also first seen at Pousada Piuval.
369	Crested Becard - <i>Pachyramphus validus</i>	Great views of a pair building a nest Vale do Bencao CGNP.
370	Rufous-browed Peppershrike - <i>Cyclarhis gujanensis</i>	Heard, but then seen from boat along the Rio Cuiaba.
371	Ashy-headed Greenlet - <i>Hylophilus pectoralis</i>	Common in the Pantanal.
372	Gray-chested Greenlet - <i>Hylophilus semicinereus</i>	Seen briefly on Ilha Ariosto CJL.
373	Dusky-capped Greenlet - <i>Pachysylvia hypoxantha</i>	Seen CJL.
374	Chivi Vireo - <i>Vireo chivi</i>	Seen well CGNP.
375	Purplish Jay - <i>Cyanocorax cyanomelas</i>	First seen at Pousada Piuval and more in other parts of the Pantanal.

376	Curl-crested Jay - <i>Cyanocorax cristatellus</i>	Great to get such good views along the Agua Fria Road as it somewhat uncommon in the area.
377	Black-collared Swallow - <i>Pygochelidon melanoleuca</i>	A river rapid specialist and we had good views as we crossed the Teles Pires on the way to the CJL.
378	White-banded Swallow - <i>Atticora fasciata</i>	Common in the Amazon.
379	Southern Rough-winged Swallow - <i>Stelgidopteryx ruficollis</i>	Widespread and common.
380	Gray-breasted Martin - <i>Progne chalybea</i>	Common.
381	Brown-chested Martin - <i>Progne tapera</i>	Big numbers along the Transpantaneira.
382	White-winged Swallow - <i>Tachycineta albiventer</i>	Common.
383	White-rumped Swallow - <i>Tachycineta leucorrhoa</i>	An uncommon species and only noted at Pousada Piuval.
384	Tooth-billed Wren - <i>Odontorchilus cinereus</i>	A CJL specialty and seen well from Tower 1.
385	House Wren - <i>Troglodytes aedon</i>	Fairly common.
386	Thrush-like Wren - <i>Campylorhynchus turdinus</i>	Seen in Alta Floresta, common and noisy in the Pantanal.
387	Moustached Wren - <i>Pheugopedius genibarbis</i>	First seen well at Parque Mae Bonifacia.
388	Buff-breasted Wren - <i>Cantorchilus leucotis</i>	Widespread.
389	Fawn-breasted Wren - <i>Cantorchilus guarayanus</i>	We finally lured one our along the Transpantaneira.
390	Masked Gnatcatcher - <i>Poliophtila dumicola</i>	Common in the Pantanal.
391	Black-capped Donacobius - <i>Donacobius atricapilla</i>	Seen well in the Pantanal.
392	Pale-breasted Thrush - <i>Turdus leucomelas</i>	Common.
393	Hauxwell's Thrush - <i>Turdus hauxwelli</i>	Heard only CJL.
394	Rufous-bellied Thrush - <i>Turdus rufiventris</i>	Common and often in lodge gardens.
395	Creamy-bellied Thrush - <i>Turdus amaurochalinus</i>	Fairly common.
396	Chalk-browed Mockingbird - <i>Mimus saturninus</i>	Common in open habitats.
397	White-banded Mockingbird - <i>Mimus triurus</i>	Great to see more than one and so well of this uncommon austral migrant.
398	Yellowish Pipit - <i>Anthus lutescens</i>	Several seen Pousada Piuval.
399	Purple-throated Euphonia - <i>Euphonia chlorotica</i>	Ilha Ariosto CJL, Pantanal, and CGNP.
400	Violaceous Euphonia - <i>Euphonia violacea</i>	Only seen on Ilha Ariosto CJL.
401	Golden-bellied Euphonia - <i>Euphonia chrysopasta</i>	Tower 2 CJL.
402	White-vented Euphonia - <i>Euphonia minuta</i>	Tower 2 CJL.
403	Grassland Sparrow - <i>Ammodramus humeralis</i>	Seen well in pastures on way to CJL, also seen in the Pantanal and CGNP.
404	Pectoral Sparrow - <i>Arremon taciturnus</i>	Good views Vale do Bencao CGNP.
405	Saffron-billed Sparrow - <i>Arremon flavirostris</i>	We caught up with this one big time the final morning Pousada do Parque.
406	Rufous-collared Sparrow - <i>Zonotrichia capensis</i>	Seen in Alta Floresta and in CGNP.
407	Red-breasted Meadowlark - <i>Leistes militaris</i>	Seen on the way to CJL.
408	White-browed Meadowlark - <i>Leistes superciliaris</i>	Seen in the Pantanal.
409	Green Oropendola - <i>Psarocolius viridis</i>	An uncommon but increasing species at CJL.
410	Crested Oropendola - <i>Psarocolius decumanus</i>	Common and widespread.
411	Olive Oropendola - <i>Psarocolius bifasciatus</i>	Seen from Tower 1 CJL.
412	Solitary Black Cacique - <i>Cacicus solitarius</i>	Seen well in the Pantanal where some came to feeders.

413	Yellow-rumped Cacique - <i>Cacicus cela</i>	Common.
414	Epaulet Oriole - <i>Icterus cayanensis</i>	Seen well CJL.
415	Variable Oriole - <i>Icterus pyrrhopterus</i>	Seen frequently in the Pantanal.
416	Orange-backed Troupial - <i>Icterus croconotus</i>	Fairly common in the Pantanal.
417	Shiny Cowbird - <i>Molothrus bonariensis</i>	Widespread.
418	Giant Cowbird - <i>Molothrus oryzivorus</i>	Seen in various areas.
419	Scarlet-headed Blackbird - <i>Amblyramphus holosericeus</i>	This stunning species was seen well along the Transpantaneira.
420	Chopi Blackbird - <i>Gnorimopsar chopi</i>	Abundant in the Pantanal and CGNP.
421	Grayish Baywing - <i>Agelaioides badius</i>	Fairly common at Pousada Piuval.
422	Unicolored Blackbird - <i>Agelasticus cyanopus</i>	Common in reedbeds of the Pantanal.
423	Masked Yellowthroat - <i>Geothlypis aequinoctialis</i>	We tracked one down along the Transpantaneira, also seen CGNP.
424	Golden-crowned Warbler - <i>Basileuterus culicivorus</i>	The white bellied form found in CGNP.
425	Flavescent Warbler - <i>Myiothlypis flaveola</i>	Good views along the Rio Pixaim.
426	Red-billed Pied Tanager - <i>Lamprospiza melanoleuca</i>	Seen well from Tower 2 CJL.
427	Hepatic Tanager - <i>Piranga flava</i>	This species is somewhat uncommon on this itinerary, but again found at a stake out CGNP.
428	Red-crowned Ant-Tanager - <i>Habia rubica</i>	At the water feature CJL.
429	Rose-breasted Chat - <i>Granatellus pelzelni</i>	Seen well in the extensive bamboo along the Haffer Trail CJL.
430	Red-crested Cardinal - <i>Paroaria coronata</i>	Common around Pousada Piuval.
431	Red-capped Cardinal - <i>Paroaria gularis</i>	Seen briefly but well along the Rio Cristalino.
432	Yellow-billed Cardinal - <i>Paroaria capitata</i>	Abundant in the Pantanal.
433	Black-faced Tanager - <i>Schistochlamys melanopis</i>	Seen well along the Agua Fria Road CGNP.
434	White-banded Tanager - <i>Neothraupis fasciata</i>	This cerrado specialty was seen well along the Agua Fria and Geladeria Roads CGNP.
435	Hooded Tanager - <i>Nemosia pileata</i>	Seen in the Rio Pixaim area.
436	Orange-headed Tanager - <i>Thlypopsis sordida</i>	Another uncommon species seen well in the Rio Pixaim area.
437	White-rumped Tanager - <i>Cypsnagra hirundinacea</i>	A cerrado endemic seen well along the Agua Fria Road.
438	Gray-headed Tanager - <i>Eucometis penicillata</i>	Seen well along the trail at Pousada Piuval.
439	Flame-crested Tanager - <i>Tachyphonus cristatus</i>	Seen from Tower 2 CJL.
440	White-lined Tanager - <i>Tachyphonus rufus</i>	Seen well in the Pantanal.
441	White-winged Shrike-Tanager - <i>Lanio versicolor</i>	Coming to the water feature CJL.
442	Silver-beaked Tanager - <i>Ramphocelus carbo</i>	Common and widespread.
443	Blue-gray Tanager - <i>Thraupis episcopus</i>	Common in the Amazon.
444	Sayaca Tanager - <i>Thraupis sayaca</i>	Replacing the species above in the Pantanal and Cerrado.
445	Palm Tanager - <i>Thraupis palmarum</i>	Common and widespread.
446	Burnished-buff Tanager - <i>Tangara cayana</i>	Uncommon but seen well in CGNP.
447	Blue-necked Tanager - <i>Tangara cyanicollis</i>	A stunning tanager seen well in Alta Floresta.
448	Turquoise Tanager - <i>Tangara mexicana</i>	Another stunning species seen well CJL.
449	Opal-rumped Tanager - <i>Tangara velia</i>	Good views from Tower 2 CJL.

450	Swallow Tanager - <i>Tersina viridis</i>	Common in CGNP this year.
451	Black-faced Dacnis - <i>Dacnis lineata</i>	Tower 2 CJL.
452	Blue Dacnis - <i>Dacnis cayana</i>	Fairly common.
453	Short-billed Honeycreeper - <i>Cyanerpes nitidus</i>	Tower 2 CJL.
454	Red-legged Honeycreeper - <i>Cyanerpes cyaneus</i>	Uncommon on this itinerary but seen well at Pousada do Parque.
455	Guira Tanager - <i>Hemithraupis guira</i>	Several seen CGNP.
456	Yellow-backed Tanager - <i>Hemithraupis flavicollis</i>	Seen well from Tower 2 CJL.
457	Chestnut-vented Conebill - <i>Conirostrum speciosum</i>	Pousada Piuval.
458	Saffron Finch - <i>Sicalis flaveola</i>	Abundant in the Pantanal.
459	Blue-black Grassquit - <i>Volatinia jacarina</i>	Common and widespread.
460	White-bellied Seedeater - <i>Sporophila leucoptera</i>	Uncommon, but we found some at Parque Mae Bonifacia.
461	Tawny-bellied Seedeater - <i>Sporophila hypoxantha</i>	In the Rio Pixaim area.
462	Chestnut-bellied Seed-Finch - <i>Sporophila angolensis</i>	Seen Pousada Piuval.
463	Double-collared Seedeater - <i>Sporophila caerulescens</i>	One of the more common seedeaters seen in the Pantanal.
464	Plumbeous Seedeater - <i>Sporophila plumbea</i>	Good views in the cerrado of the CGNP.
465	Rusty-collared Seedeater - <i>Sporophila collaris</i>	Good views along the Rio Cuiaba during one of our jaguar boat cruises.
466	Coal-crested Finch - <i>Charitospiza eucosma</i>	This cerrado specialty was seen well along the Geladeria Road CGNP.
467	Red-crested Finch - <i>Coryphospingus cucullatus</i>	Common in cerrado habitats.
468	Bananaquit - <i>Coereba flaveola</i>	Common and widespread.
469	Yellow-shouldered Grosbeak - <i>Parkerthraustes humeralis</i>	This uncommon species was seen well from Tower 2 CJL.
470	Black-throated Saltator - <i>Saltatricula atricollis</i>	Seen well in the cerrado CGNP.
471	Buff-throated Saltator - <i>Saltator maximus</i>	Seen in the Pantanal.
472	Grayish Saltator - <i>Saltator coerulescens</i>	Seen in Parque Mae Bonifacia and in the Pantanal.
473	House Sparrow - <i>Passer domesticus</i>	In towns and villages.





Mammal List:

Jaguar - during 1.5 days of boat trips in the Porto Jofre area we saw at least four individuals, the first jaguar we were able to follow for more than an hour as it walked and swam along the river

Giant Otter - seen well from boat trips from the Porto Jofre area

Neotropical River Otter - great views along the Rio Cristalino

Giant River Otter - seen Rio Cristalino and Rio Cuiaba

Crab-eating Fox - seen Pousada do Parque

Lowland Tapir - seen really well along the Rio Cristalino and again Rio Cuiabá

Capibara - the largest rodent in the world was abundant in the Pantanal

Paca - seen after dark along Rio Cristalino

Azara's Agouti - seen around Pousada Piuval

Marsh Deer - seen very well along the Transpantaneira

Red Brocket Deer - Pousada Piuval

Black-tailed Marmoset - seen close and well Parque Mae Bonifácia in Cuiaba

White-whiskered Spider Monkeys - seen at CJL

Brown "Tufted" Capuchin - common

Black-and-gold Howler Monkeys - seen Pousada Piuval

Red-handed Howler Monkeys - heard at CJL

Greater Fishing Bat - seen along rivers

Reptiles:

Paraguayan Caiman

Dwarf Caiman

Spectacled Caiman

Green Iguana