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Rufous-winged Ground-Cuckoo

Photo by Michael Johansson

Trip report by Fredrik Rudzki

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In the autumn of 2015, Guyana was discussed as an interesting birdwatching destination for 2016. Considering a few possible tour operators, we finally opted to contact Ron Allicot Birding Tours, a local operator which we had heard very well of from friends who used the company for a custom trip in the late autumn of 2015 and had read about in trip reports from the country. After some mail conversation with Ron we had a sixteen-day trip arranged from mid-September until early October 2016, a period just after the end of the rainy season in Guyana.

Ron arranged the whole trip for us in a very professional way and joined us as tour guide, very fortunate for us since Ron is a very experienced guide with very good knowledge about the sites we visited, all the different bird sounds encountered during the trip and with very good relations to all the people connected to the different lodges and other sites visited by us. Without Ron's help I doubt that this trip had been as successful as we all perceived it to be in the end of the trip. If you are contemplating a trip to Guyana I would very much recommend Ron and you can find useful information on his web-site www.rupicola.net.



Ron Allicot at the Red Siskin site near Lethem. Photo Fredrik Rudzki

Miscellaneous

Literature; Ron used "Birds of Northern South America- An Identification Guide, Volume 2: Plates and Maps" by Robin Restall, Clemencia Rodner and Miguel Lentino. We brought "A Field Guide to the Birds of Brazil" by Ber van Perlo but the plates are not as good as in the former book.

A useful trip report was "Report of a birding trip to Guyana 15 July-2 August 2015" by Dick Meijer and Peter van Scheepen.

For the mammals, reptiles and amphibians we used the following books and websites;

Neotropical Rainforest Mammals- a Field Guide by Louise H. Emmons and Francois Feer.

Amphibians of Suriname by Paul E. Ouboter and Rawien Jairam.

A Complete Guide to Scientific and Common Names of Reptiles and Amphibians of the World by Norman Frank and Erica Ramus.

Reptiles and Amphibians of the Amazon- an Ecotourists' Guide by R.D. Bartlett and Patricia Bartlett.

Preliminary Checklist of the Herpetofauna of Guyana- Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History. <http://botany.si.edu/bdg/guyherps.html>

AmphibiaWeb; <http://amphibiaweb.org/>.

Bird list; Our Guyana bird list was extracted from and generated by iGoTerra, <http://igoterra.com> and follows the Clements Checklist of Birds of the World, 6th Edition.

Bird sounds; Ron and the local guides at the different lodges were very good in recognising the birds sounds and whistling in the birds. As a preparation back home I downloaded several birds sounds from Xeno-canto.org on my smart phone which came in handy for playback at several occasions.

Wheater; Our trip started in mid-September, a period just after the rainy season. We did not experience any rain besides a brief rainfall at Turtle Mountain and a on our last day leaving the airport at Lethem. Otherwise the weather was sunny with overcast clouds and temperatures around 30° C. Following the rainy season the savanna was green but was starting to dry up. Our wellingtons came in use when going to the Crested Doradito spot located in a part of the savanna which was drenched in water.

Currency; we all brought US Dollars which was accepted in the hotel in Georgetown as well as the different lodges we visited.

Lodges and Trails; All the lodges were of good standard with good food, access to laundry service, Wi-Fi, cold drinks and beer with friendly staff. The trails were not very demanding to walk, the Turtle Mountain Trail having an accent up to 300m which still wasn't to be seen as very demanding. At the lodges, we were accompanied by knowledgeable local guides who knew the trails, the bird sounds and was very helpful in showing us the birds. Some of them also joined us as spotters on our different night drives, sitting on the roof of Ron's 4X4. None of the lodges we visited had feeders for hummingbirds or used feeding as a mean to attract birds which is sometimes to be seen at lodges in other parts of South America.

Bugs; Some of us where pestered by chiggers but this could probably be avoided by better use of mosquito repellents on our clothes or by using wellingtons to a larger extent. Mosquitos and sand-flies were also there but did not cause to much irritation.

Transportation; During the trip, we used Ron's 4X4 Toyota Landcruiser with Ron as driver. The car was spacious for the four of us with good space to bring our main luggage, backpacks and cooler with water and soft drinks which Ron provided during all of the trip. A 4X4 is essential to provide a smooth ride considering that the road to Karasabai had bumpy parts, the Georgetown-Lethem Road locally was called the "Wash-board" and that we many times also travelled off track on the savanna. To avoid any problems with fuel, Ron also brought his own petrol bought in Georgetown during the whole trip. During the excursion to the Red Siskin Spot we used a 4X4 Toyota Hilux provided by Justin de Freitas who guided us to the location.



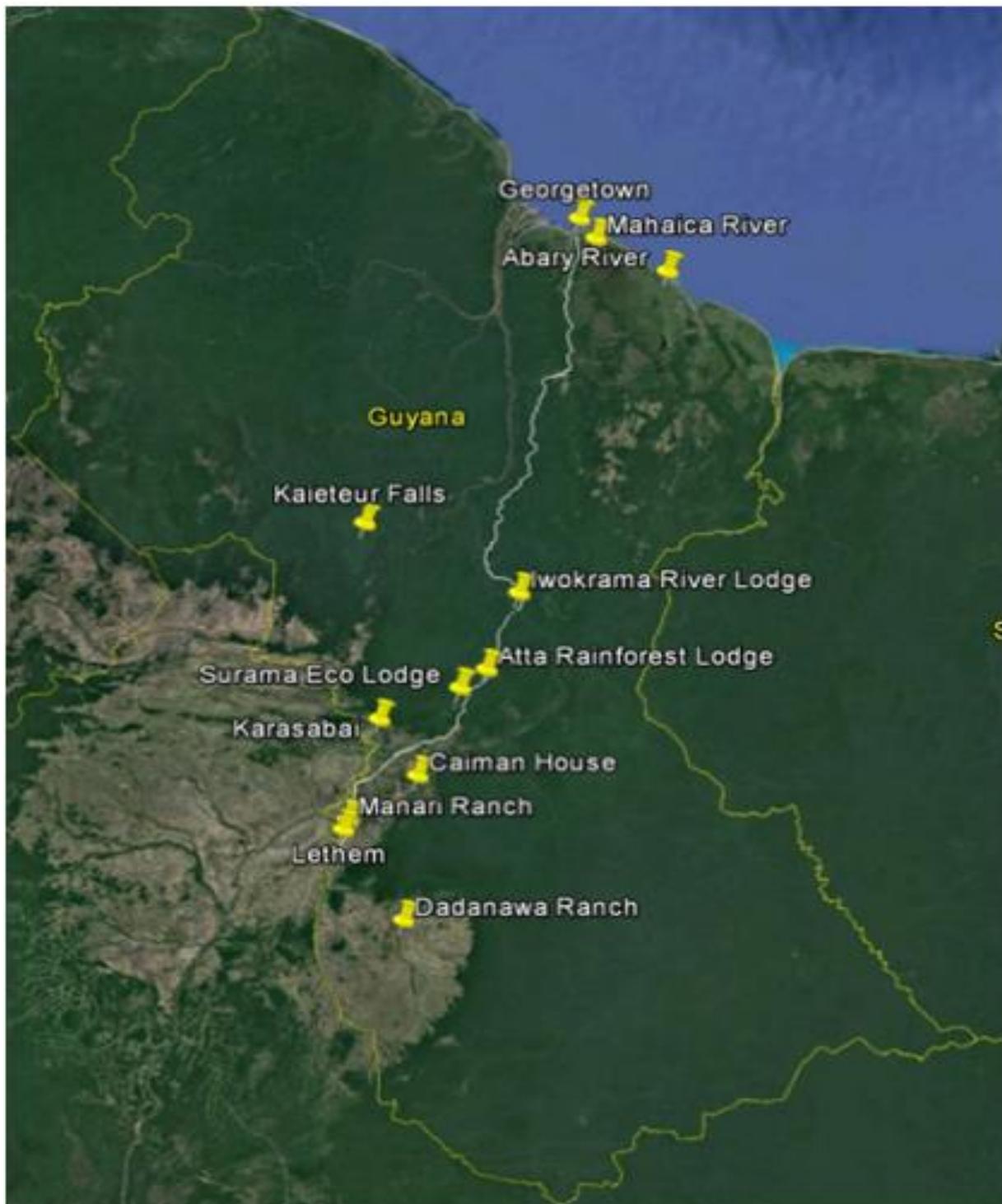
Ron's Toyota Landcruiser Photo Fredrik Rudzki

Since we were just a small party of four persons going to Kaieteur Falls, a smaller plane was used to bring us there but larger planes were also available for larger groups.



Our plane taking us to Kaieteur Falls and onwards to Surama Eco Lodge. The pilot catching up with the latest news during the flight. Photos by Michael Johansson and Fredrik Rudzki

Guyana Map



Geographical location of the sites we visited and visualisation of the Georgetown-Lethem road.

Itinerary

- 17/9- Arriving Georgetown at Cheddi Jagan International Airport. Pick up by Ron and transfer to Hotel Status. Afternoon birding in Georgetown's Botanical Garden.
- 18/9- Birding the coastline outside Georgetown, boat trip on Mahaica River, birding along Abary River and afternoon birding at Georgetown's Botanical Garden.
- 19/9- Flight with a small plane to Kaieteur Falls and later onwards to Surama Eco Lodge. Birding for ca two hours at Kaieteur Falls and afternoon birding in the Surama Eco Lodge area.
- 20/9- Birding Harpy Eagle Trail and Cock-of-the-rock Trail in the Iwokrama rainforest reserve.
- 21/9- Birding Burro Burro Trail near the Surama Eco Lodge.
- 22/9- Transfer to Iwokrama River Lodge. Birding en route to the lodge as well as birding in the lodge surroundings in the afternoon.
- 23/9- Birding the trails around Iwokrama River Lodge and later boat transfer and hike up to Turtle Mountain.
- 24/9- Transfer to Atta Rainforest Lodge, birding en route to the lodge. Afternoon birding on the trails around the lodge.
- 25/9- Birding the trails around Atta Rainforest Lodge, including the canopy walkway.
- 26/9- Transfer to Caiman House birding en route to the lodge. Afternoon excursion to the Crested Doradito spot.
- 27/9- Boat trip on the Rupununi River and excursion to the Crested Doradito spot.
- 28/9- Transfer to Karasabai birding en route to the village.
- 29/9- Transfer to Manari Ranch outside Lethem. Afternoon birding around the ranch.
- 30/9- Full day excursion to the Red Siskin site and birding around Dadanawa Ranch.
- 1/10- Rio Branco Antbird and Hoary-throated Spinetail excursion near Manari Ranch. Transfer to Lethem and flight back to Georgetown and Hotel Status.
- 2/10- Departure home to Sweden.

Diary

17/9 We arrived Cheddi Jagan International Airport at 9:30, two hours late due to technical problems with the Caribbean Airlines flight from Toronto to Georgetown and was met by Ron at the airport. After check in, lunch and some rest we then started our birdwatching trip at 15:00 by birding in the Georgetown Botanical Garden located close to Hotel Status. Even though located inside Georgetown, the Botanical Garden proved to be quite good as a starting point. During our three hour visit we had very good views of one of our target species, the White-bellied Piculet, as well as many other nice observations of Great Horned Owl, Black-necked Aracari, White-throated Toucan, Lineated and Crimson-crested Woodpecker, Red-shouldered Macaw, Blue-headed-, Yellow-crowned- and Orange-winged Parrot, Snail Kite,

Zone-tailed Hawk, Spotted Tody-Flycatcher and many more. We also had our first view of three Scarlet Ibis passing over us.



Georgetown's Botanical Garden and Great Horned Owl Photos by Michael Johansson and Fredrik Rudzki

18/9 Early start with pick up at 5:00, then driving east along the coast with a first stop at Hope Beach, basically a small clearing in the mangrove forest close to the road where the local fishermen have their boats. When we arrived there was a high tide, hence we could not go out on the mudflats just outside the mangrove. Standing on the beach however, we had fantastic views of hundreds of Scarlet Ibis leaving their night roost flying out along the coastline in the early morning sun accompanied by Tricolored- and Little Blue Herons as well as Great-and Snowy Egrets.



Scarlet Ibis

Photo Michael Johansson

We later continued to Mahaica River where we entered the boat for our trip on the river. We spent a couple of hours on the river seeing the prime target species Hoatzin in the vegetation along the river. Among other we also had Little Cuckoo, Green-tailed Jacamar, a juvenile Great Black Hawk, Ringed- and Amazon Kingfisher.

We finished the trip with lunch at the house of our boatman, having the possibility to try some fresh Lime and Carambola fruit directly from the trees in the orchard. During a short walk in the surroundings of the house we had Striped Cuckoo, White-tailed Goldenthrout, Glittering-throated Emerald and Yellow-throated Spinetail.



Mahaica River and Hoatzin



Photos Michael Johansson and Fredrik Rudzki

Leaving Mahaica River we continued to Abary River further east and stopped by a gravel road along the river. Here we had up to ten individuals of Rufous Crab Hawk and we also managed to see a pair of Blood-coloured Woodpecker after some playback. We also had nice views of Black-crested Antshrike, a brief view of an American Pygmy Kingfisher and here we also heard Great- as well as Barred Antshrike. We met a man who told us that the tide was rising again so we decided to drive back to Hope Beach to make a go for the mudflats but when we arrived the water had risen too much so it was not possible to do any birdwatching there as planned. We tried to find a suitable gap in the mangrove at a couple of different locations but did not manage to find any good ones so later we decided to make a new try at the Botanical Garden and try to see Festive Parrot that we had heard the previous day but not managed to see. Being late on the Sunday afternoon the Botanical Garden was full with people but we stayed a couple of hours and managed to see the Festive Parrot as well as some new species for the trip like Toco Toucan and Limpkin.

19/9 We left Hotel Status at 8:00 for Eugene F. Correia International Airport for our flight south to Kaieteur Falls and onwards to the Surama Eco Lodge. Flying this leg of the trip saved a lot of time since the only other realistic option was to go by car on the Georgetown-Lethem road which would take many hours. No roads lead to the Kaieteur Falls which we intended to visit, hence going by plane was the option available for us. In order to have a lift off we had to ditch our cooler with water, beer and sodas and re-arrange all our luggage but finally the pilot was satisfied and we could start our journey towards the Kaieteur Falls. Leaving Georgetown, we soon flew over untouched rainforest and landed at the Kaieteur Falls airstrip ca 1,5 hours after our departure.



Kaieteur Falls

Photo Fredrik Rudzki

We were met by our local guide from the research station and spent two hours of birding at the plateau nearby and beside the fall. During our short two hour stay we managed to see goodies like a male Tufted Coquette from close distance, a female Cock-of-the rock at the local lek, a pair of Roraiman Antbird, Black Manakin and a fly-by of an Orange-breasted Falcon. At the viewpoint towards the falls our guide showed us a Golden Rocket Frog in one of the giant bromeliads growing on the bare rock, the frog being a Guyana endemic found only around the Kaieteur Falls.



Tufted Coquette and Golden Rocket Frog

Photos Fredrik Rudzki

After our short stay, we then continued and flew another hour until we landed at the Surama Village Airstrip. Surama Eco Lodge itself is located at the edge of the Iwokrama rainforest surrounded by patches of savanna and pastures and after our lunch we birded the close surroundings of the lodge. Quite noticeably for the area was the abundance of parrots, most noticeable very good numbers of Scarlet- as well as Red-and-green Macaws. In one of the groves we had two Great Potoo on day roost. We also had a few Swallow-winged Puffbird and one Pied Puffbird perched high on a bare treetop. Spotted Puffbird was heard but not seen during the walk.



Surama Eco Lodge and Surama area



Photos Michael Johansson

On the walk back to the lodge in the evening we heard both Barred-as well as Slaty-backed Forest Falcon and we heard and saw several Common Pauraque and White-tailed Nightjar. During a short walk after dinner we also heard Tropical Screech-Owl and Tawny-bellied Screech-Owl before getting to bed.

20/9 Breakfast at 5:00 and then off to Harpy Eagle Trail located in the Iwokrama rainforest reserve. On the way to the trail we stopped along the Georgetown-Lethem road for some birdwatching, the road being the main road from Georgetown in the north to Lethem in the south and surrounded by really nice rainforest. Since the road is not heavily trafficked it offers very good opportunities for birdwatching and we birded from the road at several occasions during our stay at the different lodges in the area. During our stop in the early morning sun we had a fantastic activity with several Spangled Cotinga, Caica-, Black-headed-, Dusky-, Orange-winged- and Blue-headed Parrots, Scarlet- and Red-and-green Macaws, Golden-winged Parakeets, Marail Guan, and many other species in good numbers.



Georgetown-Lethem Road

Photo Fredrik Rudzki

Shortly after beginning our walk on the Harpy Eagle Trail we had a Long-tailed Potoo on day roost. Soon after we encountered an Army Ant swarm and had very good observations of White-plumed- and Rufous-throated Antbirds following the ants and catching insects. Near

the ant swarm we also had a couple of White-chinned Woodcreeper. Leaving the ant swarm and the antbirds we had a short walk to the active Harpy Eagle nest. Just ten minutes after our arrival the male came flying in to the big nest with prey in its talons. We could not identify the prey since it was missing its head but it could have been a young Red Howler Monkey or some other type of monkey. The male eagle saw us but was not particularly disturbed by our presence and soon we also could see the chick, maybe six or seven weeks old, pop up its head from the nest. Very good views of one of the main target species of the trip. On the way back to the car we had other nice views of a male Guianan Red-Cotinga, additional species of woodcreepers and a pair of Dusky-throated Antshrike.

After having a tasty lunch at the house to the aunt of Ron, who lived in a house at the crossing between the Georgetown-Lethem road and the road leading to Surama Village, we travelled back to Iwokrama rainforest reserve and the Cock-of-the-rock Trail, the trail leading to a smaller lek dominated by a single male. There are other larger leks in the area but not so accessible as this one. Shortly after arriving the lek area we saw the male sitting still on the ground, then slowly moving around the lek. It was not disturbed by our presence and we could watch this fantastic bird, also one of our target species for the trip, for a long time before it took off and flew away. On the way back to the car we found a Tawny-bellied Screech-Owl on day roost as well as another Long-tailed Potoo on a day roost close to the trail.



Harpy Eagle and Guianan Cock-of-the-rock
Johansson

Photos by Fredrik Rudzki and Michael

21/9 In the early morning we walked ca one hour from the Surama Eco Lodge through the surrounding savanna and into the forest down to the Burro Burro River where we were paddled upstream a couple of kilometres to the Burro Burro Trail. En route we played for Rufous-winged Ground-Cuckoo at some known sites but with no response. The river provided the more common set of kingfishers in the form of Ringed-, Amazonian- and Green Kingfisher and a couple of Green Ibis. The bird activity during the day was all in all relatively low but still we managed to round up several good species, among other views of Painted Tody-Flycatcher, Spotted Puffbird, Green-backed Trogon, Black-faced Hawk and two male Blue-backed Manakin at the lek in the forest. The Burro Burro Trail area is also the place to see the Yellow-banded Poison Frog and our guides managed to find and show us two individuals of this fantastic coloured amphibian. On the way back on the river, our guides spotted a Giant River Otter but we sadly missed to see the single individual that disappeared quite rapidly. In the evening, we took the car for a night drive to listen for owls and we heard

Mottled- and Crested Owl as well as Tawny-bellied Screech-Owl but none of them responded to our playback.

22/9 This day we left Surama Eco Lodge and drove towards Iwokrama River Lodge situated by the large Essequibo River, stopping and birding at several spots along the Georgetown-Lethem Road on our way. Since we now drove along the road somewhat late in the morning the bird activity was lower than previously but we still had good observations of several species, for example Black Curassow at a couple of occasions and Guianan Puffbird. We arrived the large lodge at 13:00 and checked into our rooms along the river side. In the category of fun facts, we noticed that the Iwokrama River Lodge main building had a plate dedicated to Ron's grandfather Fred Allicot who was involved in the creation of the lodge.



Essequibo River

Photo Fredrik Rudzki



Iwokrama River Lodge

Photo Michael Johansson

The rooms at the lodge were large and spacious and the main building had good internet access. After lunch and a brief snooze in the hammock on the veranda we walked the trail around the lodge which produced a Capuchinbird and some Black Curassow. In the

afternoon we had a boat trip on the Essequibo River where we among others saw several Ladder-tailed Nightjar, Sunbittern, a couple of Black Caiman, a Paca and an Amazonian Tree Boa. After dinner at the lodge we took the car and drove along the Georgetown-Lethem road with the local guide sitting on the roof of the car trying to spot a Jaguar. When driving to Iwokrama River Lodge we had seen fresh prints of Jaguar at one of the stops we made. We did not see any Jaguars but we had good views of other mammals in the form of Kinkajou and Opossum, another Amazonian Tree Boa, a large Rusty Tree Frog and a Common Potoo. Back at the lodge again at 23:00.

23/9 Before breakfast we went along the trail around the lodge to the display trees of the Capuchinbird. Six or seven birds were already displaying when we arrived and we could see several of them high up in the trees, the display being quite funny to watch. After breakfast, we again entered the motorboat which took us half an hour downstream the Essequibo River, then following a small stream to a small lake and the starting point to the trail leading up to Turtle Mountain.



Starting point to Turtle Mountain

Photo Fredrik Rudzki

The trail was flat in the beginning but after a while the ascent started. The walk was not particularly strenuous but since we were not used by the heat and humidity we walked in a relatively modest pace. On the way up to the top, we first encountered a Slate-colored Grosbeak and then an adult male of Red-and-black Grosbeak which responded well to our playback. The target species for the excursion was Orange-breasted Falcon that is regularly seen at this site. At the top of the mountain 300m above sea level we had a fine view of the surrounding rainforest. After we had waited for some time we heard the call of a falcon not far from where we were sitting and shortly thereafter we had spectacular close views of a male and a female Orange-breasted Falcon sitting in a tree. After spending some time looking at the two birds we slowly started to go back to the boat. During the descent, we managed to

playback a Lined Forest-falcon into view. The hike was warm and sweaty but well worth the effort, good fun to see such beautiful birds at close range.



Orange-breasted Falcon and Turtle Mountain View

Photos Fredrik Rudzki

24/9 In the morning we left Iwokrama River Lodge and headed towards the last of the rainforest lodges on the trip, the Atta Rainforest Lodge. Yet again we birded our way along the Georgetown-Lethem road towards the lodge and on one stop we had three Crimson Topaz hummingbirds at a small tree with blooming red flowers, an adult male, a juvenile male and a female. Atta Rainforest Lodge is a relatively small lodge situated 1,3 km from the road with the rainforest starting just outside the cabin doors, a fantastic place to be at especially when we were fortunate to have fruiting trees just by the lodge.



Atta Rainforest Lodge

Photo Michael Johansson

After settling into the lodge, we walked one of the trails and had a long and fine observation of a male Ferruginous-backed Antbird circling around us, responding well to our playback. We also tried to see a Thrush-like Antpitta which also responded to our playback but the bird just showed itself briefly and then disappeared in the dense undergrowth.

Atta Rainforest Lodge is also the place to see White-winged Potoo. After dinner, we went to the main road and awaited the dusk to settle in and then started to whistle for the Potoo to show up. After a short while a bird came flying over the road and perched openly on a branch and we could see the bird very well for some time.

After the successful views of the Potoo we entered the car and tried some night spotting. Again, we did not manage to see a Jaguar but we instead managed to see a Spectacled Caiman walking on the main road, three Dwarf Caiman in the swampy areas beside the road and finally also a Brazilian Tapir grazing besides the road, discovered by our spotter sitting on the roof of the car. The animal did not take much notice of us when we left the car and tried to get photos but then started to slowly walk along the road for 40-50 meter before turning back into the jungle.

25/9 In the early morning we positioned ourselves just outside our cabins with the attention towards the fruiting trees. The morning bird traffic to the fruiting trees consisted of Green-as well as Black-necked Aracaris, Guianan Toucanet, White-throated- and Channel-billed Toucan, Dusky Purpletuft, several Purple-throated Fruitcrow, Spangled- and Pompadour Cotinga, a juvenile male Purple-breasted Cotinga and several other species. Caica- and Dusky Parrots could be seen very well feeding of the fruits from close distance. According to the staff of the lodge, a male Crimson Fruitcrow had been feeding at the tree the previous days but even though they tried to attract any potential bird in the surroundings by imitating the call, no Crimson Fruitcrow showed up this morning. After breakfast, we walked the trail to the canopy walkway, but the bird activity was low so we decided to continue birding on the trail instead. Walking the trail gave us good observations of Golden-headed- and White-crowned Manakin, a male and a female Red-and-black Grosbeak and a quick view of an Ornate Hawk-Eagle which took off from a treetop when we came close. When we were back to the lodge, the eagle came flying again, passing the lodge at some height and we could then also hear it calling.

After lunch, we walked along a different trail and this time we managed to get a fleeting glimpse of a Crimson Fruitcrow feeding in a Cecropia tree but disappeared quick, leaving us with unsatisfied views of this magnificent bird and a target species for the trip. When returning to the lodge we encountered twelve Gray-winged Trumpeter and we managed to see them very well before they disappeared into the forest again. We did not go out spotlighting this evening but we finished the day with looking at a pair of Black-banded Owl not far away from the lodge, responding very well to our playback.

26/9 Today we had a long drive ahead of us, leaving Atta Rainforest Lodge to our next location Caiman House located close to the Rupununi River out in the Rupununi savanna. Before leaving the lodge we playbaked a male Black-throated Antshrike into view, finally leaving the lodge at 8:00. So far, we had tried the playback for Rufous-winged Ground-Cuckoo at several different locations without any response at all. When we now would leave the rainforest area we no longer would have any chances to see this fantastic target species. We made a final stop at the Cock-of-the-rock Trail and walked the trail a couple of hundred meters playing the call of the cuckoo and to our great surprise a bird suddenly called back! We soon had the bird at close range and we could observe the bird looking back at us from its position sitting maybe one meter up from the ground not being particularly disturbed by our

presence. Very satisfied by this encounter we then went back to the car and continued the trip, making one final stop before leaving the rainforest area. At the stop there was a stand of Cecropia trees, but the bird activity was low. Suddenly however we heard a low hoot, resembling the call of a Crimson Fruitcrow. First we thought that it was just imagination, but then we heard another hoot again and suddenly an adult male Crimson Fruitcrow came flying over the road, perching for a short while on a branch of a tree besides the road but then flying away again into the forest! We first thought that the bird had disappeared for good but soon enough we found the bird feeding in one of the Cecropia trees and we could now all admire this fantastic bird for a long period. A fantastic ending of the rainforest part of the trip!



Rufous-winged Ground-Cuckoo and Crimson Fruitcrow

Photos Fredrik Rudzki

Leaving the rainforest behind us we now came into the Guyana savanna and a total different set up of birds. Forktailed- and Vermillion Flycatchers were very common and along our way to Caiman House we encountered Jabiru- and Maguari Storks, White-tailed Hawk, Buff-necked Ibis, White-faced Whistling-duck and also a Bearded Tachuri along one of our stops. We arrived Caiman House at 15:00 and was met by Peter Taylor, one of the founders of the lodge which also is the centre for research about Black Caiman.

Arriving late, we postponed our planned river trip on the Rupununi River and instead made a go for the Crested Doradito in the savanna where it occurs on a very limited area. The drive to the Doradito spot took ca one hour, the road gradually changing to a track which at the end was almost invisible due to the high grass that we were driving through. When we arrived, the sun was already about to set so we did not have time enough to find any Crested Doraditos. In the drier season this area is easily accessed by foot but when we visited the spot the area had a ca 40cm high water level, so our wellingtons were needed when we waded the area to make a go for the birds. The savanna is also a good spot for a variety of reptiles and during our short stay we had the opportunity to look at a very beautifully patterned Neotropical Rattlesnake, another good reason for us using our wellingtons. We decided to make another try for the birds the following day and started the trip back to the lodge. On our way back, we had several observations of Lesser-, Least- and White-tailed Nightjar. Close to the lodge we met Peter who was on his way to a villager to remove a Neotropical Rattlesnake that had been found in the villager's home. After dinner we had the possibility to have a closer look at the captured snake before it was reallocated to another area.



Caiman House and surrounding savanna



Photo Fredrik Rudzki and Michael Johansson

27/9 A large part of the day was dedicated to the Rupununi River trip and the quest for the Crestless Curassow, we left the lodge around 6:00 and was back again at 13:00. The Rupununi River was teeming with birds, among others several Sunbittern, Sungrebe and Agami Heron was seen very well at close distance. During the trip, we also encountered two families of Giant River Otter of which we had the opportunity for longer observations with one of the groups.



Giant River Otter

Photo Michael Johansson

We tried for the Crestless Curassow at different localities, the first one being along an oxbow lake filled with Giant Victoria Waterlily, but with no success. Here we also noticed fresh Jaguar tracks on the muddy ground. After visiting a couple of other sites our guide finally spotted one bird from the boat close to the riverbank. The bird disappeared quite fast but responded to our playback and came back into view once more before disappearing for good into the forest. Back at the lodge we had our lunch and Peter showed us another species of snake that he had captures for removal, a species of Brown Racer called Boddaert's Tropical Racer. At 14:30 we left the lodge for our second attempt for the Crested Doradito. After some search our guide had located two birds out on the water drenched savanna and soon a third individual turned up, an adult male who started to chase the other two birds around.

28/9 Before leaving Caiman House for the next destination of the trip, Karasabai and the Sun Parakeet area, Peter showed us a White-faced Tree-rat that one of the employees of the lodge had caught. Peter had never seen this species before and had been taken all possible measurements of the specimen. It had been fed and was now to be released into the wild again.

Karasabai is located not far from the Brazilian border and the road leading to the village was partially quite bumpy. Along the way we made short stops, one at the Ireng River where we had a lookout for Pink River Dolphins. According to one of the locals, the dolphins were there but the best time to see them was early in the morning, hence we were a little bit too late to see them. After announcing our arrival to the local administrator in the village we had a short lunch and left our luggage in the official government-owned visitor building and went to pick up our local guide Ali, also being the uncle to Ron's wife.



Karasabai Guest House

Photo Fredrik Rudzki

After looking for the Sun Parakeet at different locations without success we decided to go to a farming area and wait for the parakeets to come to us. After some waiting, seven Sun Parakeet came flying and landed nearby a small cornfield some distance from where we were standing. We left our spot and tried to find them but with no success. After some time, we heard the birds calling close to our original spot and when we returned we could see the birds openly in a dead tree top not far away from us. The birds then moved back a little but we could see them very well from our position through our binoculars and spotting scopes.



Sun Parakeet

Photo Fredrik Rudzki

29/9 Much of a transportation day to Manari Ranch close to Lethem which we arrived in the early afternoon. We had a short walk around the ranch later in the afternoon, but did not see anything particular. We met and said hello to Justin de Freitas who would take us out to the Red Siskin location early in the morning the following day. We all went to bed early for the upcoming Red Siskin excursion.



Manari Ranch

Photo Michael Johansson

30/9 We woke up 2:30 and departed Manari Ranch for the all-day excursion to the Red Siskin area out in the savanna south east of Lethem. We left Manari Ranch at 3:00 and at 8:00 we had arrived to the first of a couple of potential Red Siskin spots. To go to this area requires a 4X4 vehicle and serious off road skills, during our way we passed several river crossings, really muddy and slippery areas and in the end absence of what could be called a road or even a track. But a very cool experience with fantastic views of a green savanna with the Kanuku Mountains in the background, an experience for a lifetime! The spot we visited has a reliable water supply which doesn't disappear in the dry season. During the dry season the spot attracts birds from a large surrounding area, now when the rainy season had ended and the savanna was green we could expect less concentration of birds than in the drier months of the year. Nevertheless, Ron soon spotted a female Red Siskin which later was followed by several other birds, among them a couple of adult males.



Red Siskin

Photo Fredrik Rudzki

At 11:00 we were satisfied and started the drive back, on our way making a lunch stop at Dadanawa Ranch. Short after our arrival and just having a cup of coffee, Ron discovered four Sharp-tailed Ibis walking on the ground on one of the pastures. The birds took off when we approached them but landed in another pasture, us following them and now also being able to watch them from relatively close distance.

1/10 This was the last day with birding on our trip and the remaining time was dedicated for the Rio Branco Antbird and the Hoary-throated Spinetail. The location for both species are located close to the Manari Ranch along a river at the Brazilian border. Both species appear in dense vegetation and we had to cut our way into the vegetation around the river-bed to reach the first place for the Rio Branco Antbird. We soon heard a bird calling and after some playback a male came to have a look at us, all the time moving around in the dense vegetation. After a while the bird got tired and flew away and did not want to come back to us

anymore. Close by was also the spot for the Hoary-throated Spinetail and a pair responded well to our playback and came up to us very close, also staying around us after the playback had stopped.



Hoary-throated Spinetail

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Satisfied with seeing the last of our target species we decided to try and see a Giant Anteater, a mammal that had eluded us so far. Looking for the Anteater, we came to a large commercial rice field where we stopped by and said hello to the manager. The manager told us that he had seen an Anteater earlier in the morning but we did not manage to find this animal and we sadly dipped this species on the trip. The rice field on the other hand had an abundance of White-faced- and Black-bellied Whistling-ducks and here we also could see four Maguari Stork standing along the rice field. Later in the afternoon we drove to the Lethem airport and Ron left us for our flight back to Georgetown. This time we were on a regular flight with a spacious 16-seater plane, reaching Georgetown at 17:30. At the airport we were picked up by Frances who took us to the Status Hotel and drove us to Cheddi Jagan International Airport the following day for our departure back to Sweden.

Summary

The trip gave us very good observations of Rufous-winged Ground-Cuckoo, Sun Parakeet, Red Siskin, Guianan Cock-of-the-rock, four species of Potoo, Crested Doradito, Bearded Tachuri, Sharp-tailed Ibis, Hoary-throated Spinetail, Harpy Eagle, several species of cotingas, Blood-coloured Woodpecker, White-bellied Piculet, Red and Black Grosbeak, Rio Branco Antbird and many more species. All in all, we saw or heard a total of 371 species of birds and we managed to see almost all our target species for the trip. Beside the birds, we also saw 17 species of mammals and 28 species of reptiles and amphibians, hence the trip gave very much more than just the birding experience.

Bird List

1. **Great Tinamou** *Tinamus major*
Heard at Atta Rainforest Lodge.
2. **Little Tinamou** *Crypturellus soui*
Heard at Surama Eco Lodge.
3. **Red-legged Tinamou** *Crypturellus erythropus*
Heard at Burro Burro Trail.
4. **Variiegated Tinamou** *Crypturellus variegatus*
Heard a couple of times in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
5. **White-faced Whistling-Duck** *Dendrocygna viduata*
Relatively common in the savanna.
6. **Black-bellied Whistling-Duck** *Dendrocygna autumnalis*
A few seen in the savanna, not as common as the White-faced Whistling-Duck.
7. **Muscovy Duck** *Cairina moschata*
A few seen in the surroundings of Iwokrama River Lodge.
8. **Variable Chachalaca** *Ortalis motmot*
A few birds seen during our Rupununi River trip.
9. **Marail Guan** *Penelope marail*
Several seen at different locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area and in connection to our Rupununi River trip.
10. **Spix's Guan** *Penelope jacquacu*
A few seen in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
11. **Crestless Curassow** *Mitu tomentosum*
A single bird seen on our trip on the Rupununi River.
12. **Black Curassow** *Crax alector*
Several seen along the Georgetown-Lethem road and in the surroundings of the Iwokrama River Lodge.
13. **Crested Bobwhite** *Colinus cristatus*
Common in the savanna.



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14. **Least Grebe** *Tachybaptus dominicus*
Two birds seen in the savanna.
15. **Maguari Stork** *Ciconia maguari*
Two birds seen in flight and another four birds seen in the savanna.



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16. **Jabiru** *Jabiru mycteria*
A few birds seen in the savanna.
17. **Magnificent Frigatebird** *Fregata magnificens*
A single bird seen along the coast.
18. **Neotropic Cormorant** *Phalacrocorax brasilianus*
A few seen in connection to our river trips on Mahaica River and Rupununi River.
19. **Anhinga** *Anhinga anhinga*
Common on the Rupununi River.

20. **Pinnated Bittern** *Botaurus pinnatus*
Two birds seen in the savanna.
21. **Least Bittern** *Ixobrychus exilis*
One bird seen on our Mahaica River trip.
22. **Rufescent Tiger-Heron** *Tigrisoma lineatum*
One seen during our trip on the Rupununi River.
23. **Cocoi Heron** *Ardea cocoi*
Common and several seen at different locations.



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24. **Great Egret** *Ardea alba*
Common and several seen at different locations.
25. **Snowy Egret** *Egretta thula*
Several seen at different locations.
26. **Little Blue Heron** *Egretta caerulea*
A few seen at different locations.
27. **Tricolored Heron** *Egretta tricolor*
A few seen at different locations.
28. **Cattle Egret** *Bubulcus ibis*
A few seen at different locations.
29. **Striated Heron** *Butorides striata*
Common and seen at different locations.
30. **Agami Heron** *Agamia agami*

- Eight birds seen on our Rupununi River trip.
31. **Capped Heron** *Pilherodius pileatus*
A few birds seen at different locations.
32. **Black-crowned Night-Heron** *Nycticorax nycticorax*
A few seen at different locations.
33. **Yellow-crowned Night-Heron** *Nyctanassa violacea*
One seen on our Mahaica River trip.
34. **Boat-billed Heron** *Cochlearius cochlearius*
Two birds seen on our Rupununi River trip.



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35. **Scarlet Ibis** *Eudocimus ruber*
Three birds seen passing over us in Georgetown's Botanical Garden, several hundred seen in the morning leaving their night roost at Hope Beach.
36. **Sharp-tailed Ibis** *Cercibis oxycerca*
Four birds seen in the pastures around Dadanawa Ranch.



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37. **Green Ibis** *Mesembrinibis cayennensis*
Seen in small numbers at the Burro Burro River, Essequibo River and Rupununi River.



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38. **Buff-necked Ibis** *Theristicus caudatus*
Several seen at different locations in the savanna.
39. **Black Vulture** *Coragyps atratus*
Common.
40. **Turkey Vulture** *Cathartes aura*
A few seen at different locations.
41. **Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture** *Cathartes burrovianus*
Several seen at different locations in the savanna.



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42. **Greater Yellow-headed Vulture** *Cathartes melambrotus*
A few seen in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
43. **King Vulture** *Sarcoramphus papa*
A few birds seen in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
44. **Osprey** *Pandion haliaetus*
A few seen at the different rivers we visited.
45. **Pearl Kite** *Gampsonyx swainsonii*
One bird seen on the way to Manari Ranch
46. **White-tailed Kite** *Elanus leucurus*
Several seen in the savanna.
47. **Hook-billed Kite** *Chondrohierax uncinatus*
Three birds seen in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
48. **Harpy Eagle** *Harpia harpyja*
One adult male and one chick in the nest on Harpy Eagle Trail.
49. **Ornate Hawk-Eagle** *Spizaetus ornatus*
One bird seen at Atta Rainforest Lodge
50. **Black Hawk-Eagle** *Spizaetus tyrannus*
One bird seen in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
51. **Black-collared Hawk** *Busarellus nigricollis*
A few birds seen around Georgetown and in the savanna.
52. **Snail Kite** *Rostrhamus sociabilis*
Common and seen at several different locations.
53. **Double-toothed Kite** *Harpagus bidentatus*
One bird seen around Surama Eco Lodge.
54. **Plumbeous Kite** *Ictinia plumbea*
A single bird seen around Surama Eco Lodge.
55. **Long-winged Harrier** *Circus buffoni*
A few birds seen in the savanna.
56. **Crane Hawk** *Geranospiza caerulescens*
Two birds seen in the surrounding of Atta Rainforest Lodge.
57. **Rufous Crab Hawk** *Buteogallus aequinoctialis*
Ten birds seen at the Abary River road.
58. **Savanna Hawk** *Buteogallus meridionalis*
Common in the savanna.

59. **Great Black Hawk** *Buteogallus urubitinga*
Several seen at different locations, most observations in connection to our different river trips.
60. **Roadside Hawk** *Rupornis magnirostris*
A few seen during the trip.
61. **White-tailed Hawk** *Geranoaetus albicaudatus*
Several birds seen in the savanna.
62. **White Hawk** *Pseudastur albicollis*
One bird seen in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
63. **Black-faced Hawk** *Leucopternis melanops*
One seen at the Burro Burro Trail.
64. **Gray-lined Hawk** *Buteo nitidus*
A few birds seen at Surama Eco Lodge and in the savanna.
65. **Zone-tailed Hawk** *Buteo albonotatus*
A few birds seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden and in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
66. **Sunbittern** *Eurypyga helias*
Two birds seen on the Essequibo River trip and another bird on the Rupununi River trip.
67. **Gray-breasted Crake** *Laterallus exilis*
One bird heard at the Mahaica River.
68. **Purple Gallinule** *Porphyrio martinicus*
Seen at different locations in the savanna.
69. **Sungrebe** *Heliornis fulica*
Ten birds seen on the Rupununi River trip.
70. **Limpkin** *Aramus guarauna*
One seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden and several seen at various places in the savanna.
71. **Gray-winged Trumpeter** *Psophia crepitans*
Twelve birds in a flock close to the Atta Rainforest Lodge.
72. **Double-striped Thick-knee** *Burhinus bistriatus*
A few birds seen around Karasabai Village and around the Manari Ranch.
73. **American Golden-Plover** *Pluvialis dominica*
One seen in the savanna.

74. **Pied Lapwing** *Vanellus cayanus*
Several seen on our river trips on Essequibo River and Rupununi River.



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75. **Southern Lapwing** *Vanellus chilensis*
Several seen in the savanna.
76. **Wattled Jacana** *Jacana jacana*
Common and seen at several different locations.
77. **Spotted Sandpiper** *Actitis macularius*
Several seen at different locations.
78. **Greater Yellowlegs** *Tringa melanoleuca*
One seen in the savanna.
79. **Lesser Yellowlegs** *Tringa flavipes*
Three birds seen in the savanna.
80. **Whimbrel** *Numenius phaeopus*
One seen along the coast outside Georgetown.
81. **Ruddy Turnstone** *Arenaria interpres*
One seen along the coast outside Georgetown.
82. **Least Sandpiper** *Calidris minutilla*
A small flock seen along the coast outside Georgetown.
83. **Large-billed Tern** *Phaetusa simplex*
Several birds seen along the coast outside Georgetown and a few birds seen on the Essequibo River trip.
84. **Black Skimmer** *Rynchops niger*
A small flock seen at the coast outside Georgetown and a few birds seen on Essequibo River as well as Rupununi River.

85. **Pale-vented Pigeon** *Patagioenas cayennensis*
Common species.
86. **Scaled Pigeon** *Patagioenas speciose*
A few birds seen at Surama Eco Lodge and in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
87. **Plumbeous Pigeon** *Patagioenas plumbea*
Heard in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
88. **Ruddy Pigeon** *Patagioenas subvinacea*
Two birds seen in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
89. **Common Ground-Dove** *Columbina passerine*
Common species.
90. **Plain-breasted Ground-Dove** *Columbina minuta*
Common species.
91. **Ruddy Ground-Dove** *Columbina talpacoti*
Common species.
92. **White-tipped Dove** *Leptotila verreauxi*
A few birds seen at different locations.
93. **Gray-fronted Dove** *Leptotila rufaxilla*
A few seen on the Turtle Mountain Trail and along the Rupununi River.
94. **Eared Dove** *Zenaida auriculata*
Common species.
95. **Hoatzin** *Opisthocomus hoazin*
Several seen on the Mahaica River trip. The national bird of Guyana.
96. **Little Cuckoo** *Coccyua minuta*
Four birds seen on the Mahaica River trip.
97. **Squirrel Cuckoo** *Piaya cayana*
Several seen around Surama Eco Lodge and in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
98. **Black-bellied Cuckoo** *Piaya melanogaster*
A few birds in the surroundings of Atta Rainforest Lodge.
99. **Striped Cuckoo** *Tapera naevia*
One bird seen on the Mahaica River trip.
100. **Rufous-winged Ground-Cuckoo** *Neomorphus rufipennis*
Close and long observation of one bird along the Cock-of-the rock Trail. One of the most wanted target species of the trip.

101. **Greater Ani** *Crotophaga major*
Several seen along Mahaica, Essequibo and Rupununi River.
102. **Smooth-billed Ani** *Crotophaga ani*
Common species.
103. **Tropical Screech-Owl** *Megascops choliba*
Heard at Surama Eco Lodge.
104. **Tawny-bellied Screech-Owl** *Megascops watsonii*
Heard in the surrounding of Surama Eco Lodge and one seen on the Cock-of-the-rock Trail on day roost.
105. **Crested Owl** *Lophotrix cristata*
Heard in the surrounding of Surama Eco Lodge.
106. **Great Horned Owl** *Bubo virginianus*
One seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden.
107. **Amazonian Pygmy-Owl** *Glaucidium hardyi*
Several heard in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
108. **Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl** *Glaucidium brasilianum*
One seen at the Rio Branco Antbird location close to Manari Ranch.
109. **Mottled Owl** *Ciccaba virgate*
One heard in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge.
110. **Black-banded Owl** *Ciccaba huhula*
A pair seen in the surroundings of Atta Rainforest Lodge.
111. **Nacunda Nighthawk** *Chordeiles nacunda*
Three birds seen in the savanna en route to the Red Siskin spot.
112. **Least Nighthawk** *Chordeiles pusillus*
Several seen at different locations in the savanna.
113. **Lesser Nighthawk** *Chordeiles acutipennis*
Several seen at different locations in the savanna.
114. **Short-tailed Nighthawk** *Lurocalis semitorquatus*
One seen in the surroundings of Atta Rainforest Lodge.
115. **Blackish Nightjar** *Nyctipolus nigrescens*
Several seen during our night drives in the Iwokrama rainforest area.



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116. **Common Pauraque** *Nyctidromus albicollis*
Several seen and heard in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge.
117. **White-tailed Nightjar** *Hydropsalis cayennensis*
Several seen and heard in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge and in the savanna.



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118. **Ladder-tailed Nightjar** *Hydropsalis climacocerca*
Several seen in the surroundings of Iwokrama River Lodge and on the Essequibo River trip.



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119. **Great Potoo** *Nyctibius grandis*
Two birds on day roost in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge.



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120. **Long-tailed Potoo** *Nyctibius aethereus*
Two birds seen on day roost, one on the Harpy Eagle Trail and one on the Cock-of-the-rock Trail.
121. **Common Potoo** *Nyctibius griseus*
One bird seen on day roost in along the Georgetown-Lethem road in the Iwokrama rainforest area.



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122. **White-winged Potoo** *Nyctibius leucopterus*
One bird seen in the evening close to the Atta Rainforest Lodge.
123. **White-collared Swift** *Streptoprocne zonaris*
Seen around the Iwokrama River Lodge and on the Essequibo River trip.
124. **White-tipped Swift** *Aeronautes montivagus*
A few seen at the Kaieteur Falls.
125. **Band-rumped Swift** *Chaetura spinicaudus*
Seen on many different locations during the trip.
126. **Fork-tailed Palm-Swift** *Tachornis squamata*
A few seen in the surroundings to Surama Eco Lodge and the Manari Ranch.
127. **Crimson Topaz** *Topaza pella*
One adult male, one juvenile male and one female at a flowering tree by the Georgetown-Lethem road in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
128. **White-necked Jacobin** *Florisuga mellivora*
Several seen in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
129. **Long-tailed Hermit** *Phaethornis superciliosus*
One seen at the Atta Rainforest Lodge.
130. **Reddish Hermit** *Phaethornis ruber*
A few seen in the forest close to Surama Eco Lodge and Iwokrama River Lodge.
131. **White-tailed Goldenthrout** *Polytmus guainumbi*
One seen in connection to the Mahaica River trip.
132. **Black-throated Mango** *Anthracothorax nigricollis*
One seen along the Georgetown-Lethem road in the Iwokrama rainforest area.

133. **Tufted Coquette** *Lophornis ornatus*
One adult male perched in the open at Kaieteur Falls.
134. **Long-billed Starthroat** *Heliomaster longirostris*
One seen en route between Caiman House and Karasabai.
135. **Blue-chinned Sapphire** *Chlorestes notata*
Several seen in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge, Iwokrama River Lodge and Atta Rainforest Lodge.
136. **Gray-breasted Sabrewing** *Campylopterus largipennis*
One seen in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
137. **Fork-tailed Woodnymph** *Thalurania furcata*
A few seen in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge and Iwokrama River Lodge.
138. **White-chested Emerald** *Amazilia brevirostris*
A few seen during our trips outside Georgetown.
139. **Plain-bellied Emerald** *Amazilia leucogaster*
One seen in connection to our Mahaica River trip.
140. **Glittering-throated Emerald** *Amazilia fimbriata*
One seen in connection to our Mahaica River trip and one en route from Caiman House to Karasabai.
141. **Rufous-throated Sapphire** *Hylocharis sapphirina*
One seen at the Atta Rainforest Lodge.
142. **White-chinned Sapphire** *Hylocharis cyanus*
One seen at the Iwokrama River Lodge.
143. **Green-backed Trogon** *Trogon viridis*
A few seen at Burro Burro Trail and Atta Rainforest Lodge.
144. **Guianan Trogon** *Trogon violaceus*
One heard at the Harpy Eagle Trail.
145. **Black-throated Trogon** *Trogon rufus*
A few seen in the surroundings of Atta Rainforest Lodge.
146. **Ringed Kingfisher** *Megaceryle torquata*
Common on our river trips.
147. **Amazon Kingfisher** *Chloroceryle amazon*
Common on our river trips.
148. **Green Kingfisher** *Chloroceryle Americana*
Several seen on our different river trips.

149. **Green-and-rufous Kingfisher** *Chloroceryle inda*
One seen at the Essequibo River.
150. **American Pygmy Kingfisher** *Chloroceryle aenea*
One seen in the mangrove close to the Abary River road.
151. **Guianan Puffbird** *Notharchus macrorhynchos*
One seen at the Georgetown-Lethem road in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
152. **Pied Puffbird** *Notharchus tectus*
One seen in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge.
153. **Spotted Puffbird** *Bucco tamatia*
One heard in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge and one seen at the Burro Burro Trail.
154. **Swallow-winged Puffbird** *Chelidoptera tenebrosa*
Several seen around Surama Eco Lodge and in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
155. **Green-tailed Jacamar** *Galbula galbula*
Several seen along Mahaica River, Burro Burro River and Rupununi River.
156. **Bronzy Jacamar** *Galbula leucogastra*
One seen along the Georgetown-Lethem road in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
157. **Paradise Jacamar** *Galbula dea*
A few seen along the Georgetown-Lethem road at different locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
158. **Great Jacamar** *Jacamerops aureus*
One seen in the surroundings of Iwokrama River Lodge.
159. **Black-spotted Barbet** *Capito niger*
A few seen at different locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
160. **Green Aracari** *Pteroglossus viridis*
A few seen around Atta Rainforest Lodge.
161. **Black-necked Aracari** *Pteroglossus aracari*
A few seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden and several seen at different locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
162. **Guianan Toucanet** *Selenidera piperivora*
A few seen around Atta Rainforest Lodge.
163. **Toco Toucan** *Ramphastos toco*
Two seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden.

164. **White-throated Toucan** *Ramphastos tucanus*
A few seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden and several seen at different locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
165. **Channel-billed Toucan** *Ramphastos vitellinus*
Several seen at different locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
166. **White-bellied Piculet** *Picumnus spilogaster*
Three seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden.
167. **Yellow-tufted Woodpecker** *Melanerpes cruentatus*
Heard in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
168. **Blood-colored Woodpecker** *Veniliornis sanguineus*
A pair seen at the Abary River road.
169. **Yellow-throated Woodpecker** *Piculus flavigula*
A few seen in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
170. **Golden-green Woodpecker** *Piculus chrysochloros*
Heard in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
171. **Waved Woodpecker** *Celeus undatus*
One seen in the surroundings of the Iwokrama River Lodge.
172. **Chestnut Woodpecker** *Celeus elegans*
One seen on the Harpy Eagle Trail.
173. **Lineated Woodpecker** *Dryocopus lineatus*
A few birds seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden and several seen at different locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
174. **Red-necked Woodpecker** *Campephilus rubricollis*
Several seen at different locations during the trip.
175. **Crimson-crested Woodpecker** *Campephilus melanoleucos*
Four birds seen in Georgetown's Botanical garden and one bird in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
176. **Barred Forest-Falcon** *Micrastur ruficollis*
One heard in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge.
177. **Lined Forest-Falcon** *Micrastur gilvicollis*
One seen at the Turtle Mountain Trail.
178. **Slaty-backed Forest-Falcon** *Micrastur mirandollei*
Heard in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge and in the Iwokrama rainforest area.

179. **Black Caracara** *Daptrius ater*
Two seen in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge and a few birds at Karasabai.
180. **Red-throated Caracara** *Ibycter americanus*
Four seen in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge and a few seen along the Georgetown-Lethem road in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
181. **Crested Caracara** *Caracara cheriway*
Several seen at different locations in the savanna.
182. **Yellow-headed Caracara** *Milvago chimachima*
A few seen in the surroundings of Georgetown and Surama Eco Lodge.
183. **Laughing Falcon** *Herpetotheres cachinnans*
A few seen in the surroundings of Georgetown and Surama Eco Lodge.
184. **American Kestrel** *Falco sparverius*
Several seen at different locations in the savanna.
185. **Aplomado Falcon** *Falco femoralis*
A total of four birds seen at different locations in the savanna.



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186. **Bat Falcon** *Falco ruficularis*
Several seen both in the Iwokrama rainforest area as well as in the savanna.
187. **Orange-breasted Falcon** *Falco deiroleucus*
A single bird seen in flight at Kaieteur Falls and a pair seen perched at close range on Turtle Mountain.

188. **Lilac-tailed Parrotlet** *Touit batavicus*
Heard at Atta Rainforest Lodge.
189. **Tepui Parrotlet** *Nannopsittaca panychlora*
A flock of ca twenty birds seen in the surroundings of Iwokrama River Lodge.
190. **Golden-winged Parakeet** *Brotogeris chrysoptera*
A few small flocks seen in the surroundings of the Georgetown-Lethem road, Surama Eco Lodge and Iwokrama River Lodge.
191. **Caica Parrot** *Pyrilia caica*
Several seen in flight at different locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area and also seen feeding around Atta Rainforest Lodge.
192. **Dusky Parrot** *Pionus fuscus*
Several seen in flight at different locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area and also seen feeding around Atta Rainforest Lodge.
193. **Blue-headed Parrot** *Pionus menstruus*
Relatively common, seen in flight and perched in Georgetown's Botanical Garden and at several locations around Surama Eco Lodge and in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
194. **Festive Parrot** *Amazona festiva*
Several heard and one seen well in Georgetown's Botanical Garden.
195. **Blue-cheeked Parrot** *Amazona dufresniana*
Three birds seen in flight at Atta Rainforest Lodge.
196. **Yellow-crowned Parrot** *Amazona ochrocephala*
Several seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden.
197. **Mealy Parrot** *Amazona farinose*
Relatively common and seen on several locations around Surama Eco Lodge and in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
198. **Orange-winged Parrot** *Amazona amazonica*
Relatively common and seen on several different locations around Georgetown, Surama Eco Lodge and the Iwokrama rainforest area.
199. **Green-rumped Parrotlet** *Forpus passerines*
Four birds seen on the Mahaica River trip and a few en route to and from Karasabai.
200. **Black-headed Parrot** *Pionites melanocephalus*
Several seen along the Georgetown-Lethem road in the Iwokrama rainforest area.

201. **Red-fan Parrot** *Deroptyus accipitrinus*
Two birds seen on the Essequibo River trip and another two very well along the Georgetown-Lethem road in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
202. **Painted Parakeet** *Pyrrhura picta*
Several seen in flight at different locations in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge and the Iwokrama rainforest area.
203. **Brown-throated Parakeet** *Eupsittula pertinax*
Common species seen on many days of the trip.
204. **Sun Parakeet** *Aratinga solstitialis*
Seven birds seen very well close to Karasabai Village. Another one of the most wanted target species of the trip.
205. **Red-bellied Macaw** *Orthopsittaca manilatus*
A total of ca thirty birds seen in connection to the Mahaica River trip. Another few seen near Caiman House and the Manari Ranch.
206. **Blue-and-yellow Macaw** *Ara ararauna*
A total of six birds seen in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
207. **Scarlet Macaw** *Ara macao*
Many observations around Surama Eco Lodge as well as in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
208. **Red-and-green Macaw** *Ara chloropterus*
Many observations around Surama Eco Lodge as well as in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
209. **Red-shouldered Macaw** *Diopsittaca nobilis*
A total of ca twenty birds seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden.
210. **Ash-winged Antwren** *Euchrepomis spodioptila*
Heard in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge and Atta Rainforest Lodge.
211. **Fasciated Antshrike** *Cymbilaimus lineatus*
Heard at a few locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
212. **Black-throated Antshrike** *Frederickena viridis*
One male seen at Atta Rainforest Lodge.
213. **Great Antshrike** *Taraba major*
Heard along the Abary River road.
214. **Black-crested Antshrike** *Sakesphorus Canadensis*
Several seen at the Abary River road and a few other places along the coast that we stopped at. A few heard in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge as well.

215. **Barred Antshrike** *Thamnophilus doliatus*
Heard along the Abary River road and in connection to the Mahaica River trip.
216. **Mouse-colored Antshrike** *Thamnophilus murinus*
One bird seen at Iwokrama River Lodge and heard at a few other locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
217. **Northern Slaty-Antshrike** *Thamnophilus punctatus*
Heard in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge.
218. **Amazonian Antshrike** *Thamnophilus amazonicus*
One bird seen in the surroundings of Iwokrama River Lodge.
219. **Dusky-throated Antshrike** *Thamnomanes ardesiacus*
A pair seen along the Harpy Eagle Trail and one seen in the surroundings of Iwokrama River Lodge.
220. **Cinereous Antshrike** *Thamnomanes caesius*
Two birds seen at the Burro Burro Trail and one seen in at the Turtle Mountain Trail. Also heard at other locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
221. **Rufous-bellied Antwren** *Isleria guttate*
One heard at the Turtle Mountain Trail.
222. **Pygmy Antwren** *Myrmotherula brachyura*
Heard a few times in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
223. **Guianan Streaked-Antwren** *Myrmotherula surinamensis*
Four birds seen at the Burro Burro River and a pair seen at their nest in the beginning of the Turtle Mountain Trail.
224. **White-flanked Antwren** *Myrmotherula axillaris*
A few birds seen in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge and in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
225. **Long-winged Antwren** *Myrmotherula longipennis*
One male seen in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge.
226. **Gray Antwren** *Myrmotherula menetriesii*
One male seen on the Turtle Mountain Trail.
227. **Spot-tailed Antwren** *Herpsilochmus sticturus*
One heard in the surroundings of Atta Rainforest Lodge.
228. **Todd's Antwren** *Herpsilochmus stictocephalus*
A pair seen in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge and also seen and heard around Atta Rainforest Lodge.
229. **Dusky Antbird** *Cercomacroides tyrannina*
One male seen on the Burro Burro Trail.

230. **Gray Antbird** *Cercomacra cinerascens*
One male seen in the surroundings of Iwokrama River Lodge.
231. **Rio Branco Antbird** *Cercomacra carbonaria*
One male seen well, even though very skulky, at the river bordering Brazil and Guyana close to the Manari Ranch. One of the target birds of the trip.
232. **White-browed Antbird** *Myrmoborus leucophrys*
One bird seen along the Burro Burro Trail and also heard at different locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
233. **Black-chinned Antbird** *Hypocnemoides melanopogon*
One bird seen on the Turtle Mountain Trail.
234. **Silvered Antbird** *Sclateria naevia*
Heard in connection to the Mahaica River trip.
235. **Roraiman Antbird** *Schistocichla saturate*
A pair seen close to the Cock-of-the-rock lek at Kaieteur Falls.
236. **White-bellied Antbird** *Myrmeciza longipes*
A male seen in connection to our Rupununi River trip.
237. **Ferruginous-backed Antbird** *Myrmeciza ferruginea*
A male seen close and very well in the surroundings of Atta Rainforest Lodge.
238. **White-plumed Antbird** *Pithys albifrons*
Four birds seen well in connection to an Army Ant swarm on the Harpy Eagle Trail and a single bird seen on the Burro Burro Trail.
239. **Rufous-throated Antbird** *Gymnopithys rufigula*
Two birds seen well in connection to an Army Ant swarm on the Harpy Eagle Trail. Single birds also seen on the Burro Burro Trail and in the surroundings of Atta Rainforest Lodge.
240. **Common Scale-backed Antbird** *Willisornis poecilinotus*
A pair seen in the surroundings of Atta Rainforest Lodge.
241. **Thrush-like Antpitta** *Myrmothera campanisona*
Heard in the surroundings of Atta Rainforest Lodge. The bird responded well to play-back but only Ron managed to see the bird before disappearing in the undergrowth.
242. **White-chinned Woodcreeper** *Dendrocincla merula*
Two birds seen in connection to an Army Ant swarm on the Harpy Eagle Trail.
243. **Plain-brown Woodcreeper** *Dendrocincla fuliginosa*
Four birds seen on the Harpy Eagle Trail.
244. **Wedge-billed Woodcreeper** *Glyphorynchus spirurus*

Several seen at different locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area.

245. **Red-billed Woodcreeper** *Hylexetastes perrotii*
One bird seen in the surroundings of Atta Rainforest Lodge.
246. **Chestnut-rumped Woodcreeper** *Xiphorhynchus pardalotus*
One bird seen on the Turtle Mountain Trail.
247. **Buff-throated Woodcreeper** *Xiphorhynchus guttatus*
Heard and seen at in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge and in the Iwokrama rainforest area at different locations.
248. **Straight-billed Woodcreeper** *Dendroplex picus*
A few birds seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden.
249. **Plain Xenops** *Xenops minutus*
One bird seen in the surroundings of Atta Rainforest Lodge.
250. **Pale-legged Hornero** *Furnarius leucopus*
One bird seen in connection to our Rupununi River trip and one seen en route to Karasabai.
251. **Rufous-rumped Foliage-gleaner** *Philydor erythrocerum*
One bird seen in the surroundings of Atta Rainforest Lodge.
252. **Rufous-tailed Foliage-gleaner** *Anabacerthia ruficaudata*
One bird seen on the Burro Burro Trail.
253. **Yellow-chinned Spinetail** *Certhiaxis cinnamomeus*
Several birds seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden and in connection to the Mahaica and Rupununi River trips.
254. **Pale-breasted Spinetail** *Synallaxis albescens*
Two birds seen in connection to the Mahaica River trip.
255. **Hoary-throated Spinetail** *Synallaxis kollari*
One pair seen close and very well at the Rio Branco Antbird location. Also one of the target species of the trip.
256. **White-lored Tyrannulet** *Ornithion inerme*
One bird seen in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
257. **Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet** *Camptostoma obsoletum*
One bird seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden.
258. **Mouse-colored Tyrannulet** *Phaeomyias murina*
One seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden.

259. **Bearded Tachuri** *Polystictus pectoralis*
One bird seen en route to Caiman House and one at the Crested Doradito spot in the savanna.
260. **Crested Doradito** *Pseudocolopteryx sclateri*
Two juvenile birds and one adult male seen in the savanna.
261. **Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet** *Tyrannulus elatus*
One seen on the Burro Burro Trail and one seen in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge.
262. **Forest Elaenia** *Myiopagis gaimardii*
Heard in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge.
263. **Yellow-bellied Elaenia** *Elaenia flavogaster*
A few seen in the surroundings of Georgetown and Surama Eco Lodge.
264. **Olive-green Tyrannulet** *Phylloscartes virescens*
One heard in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
265. **Guianan Tyrannulet** *Zimmerius acer*
One seen in connection to the Rupununi River trip.
266. **Pale-tipped Tyrannulet** *Inezia caudata*
One seen in connection to the Rupununi River trip.
267. **Helmeted Pygmy-Tyrant** *Lophotriccus galeatus*
One bird seen on the Turtle Mountain Trail.
268. **Slate-headed Tody-Flycatcher** *Poecilatriccus Sylvia*
One bird seen at the Rio Branco Antbird spot.
269. **267. Spotted Tody-Flycatcher** *Todirostrum maculatum*
Several seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden and a few seen in connection to the Mahaica River trip.
270. **268. Common Tody-Flycatcher** *Todirostrum cinereum*
One seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden and a pair seen in the surroundings of Karasabai.
271. **269. Painted Tody-Flycatcher** *Todirostrum pictum*
One bird seen on the Burro Burro Trail.
272. **270. Yellow-margined Flycatcher** *Tolmomyias assimilis*
Heard in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
273. **Cinnamon-crested Spadebill** *Platyrinchus saturates*
One seen in the surroundings of Atta Rainforest Lodge.

274. **White-crested Spadebill** *Platyrinchus platyrhynchos*
One seen on the Turtle Mountain Trail.
275. **Cliff Flycatcher** *Hirundinea ferruginea*
Two birds seen at the Kaieteur Falls.
276. **Vermilion Flycatcher** *Pyrocephalus rubinus*
Common species in the savanna.
277. **Drab Water Tyrant** *Ochthornis littoralis*
Two birds seen on the river transport to Turtle Mountain Trail.
278. **Pied Water-Tyrant** *Fluvicola pica*
Four birds seen in the mangrove at the Georgetown coast and a few birds seen at various places in the savanna.
279. **White-headed Marsh Tyrant** *Arundinicola leucocephala*
A few birds seen at various locations in the savanna.
280. **Cinnamon Attila** *Attila cinnamomeus*
Heard in Georgetown's Botanical Garden.
281. **Dusky-capped Flycatcher** *Myiarchus tuberculifer*
One bird seen on in the surroundings of Iwokrama River Lodge.
282. **Short-crested Flycatcher** *Myiarchus ferox*
A few birds seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden and Iwokrama River Lodge.
283. **Lesser Kiskadee** *Pitangus lektor*
A few birds seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden.
284. **Great Kiskadee** *Pitangus sulphuratus*
Common species.
285. **Rusty-margined Flycatcher** *Myiozetetes cayanensis*
Relatively common species.
286. **Yellow-throated Flycatcher** *Conopias parvus*
Two birds seen along the Burro Burro Trail.
287. **Tropical Kingbird** *Tyrannus melancholicus*
Common species.
288. **Fork-tailed Flycatcher** *Tyrannus savanna*
Common in the savanna.

289. **Guianan Red-Cotinga** *Phoenicircus carnifex*
In total three adult males seen on the Harpy Eagle Trail and the Cock-of-the-rock Trail. Another adult male seen in the surroundings of Atta Rainforest Lodge. One of the target species of the trip.
290. **Guianan Cock-of-the-rock** *Rupicola rupicola*
One female seen at the Kaieteur Falls lek and an adult male at the Cock-of-the-rock Trail lek. Also on of the most wanted target species of the trip.
291. **Crimson Fruitcrow** *Haematoderus militaris*
A short glimpse of a bird in the surroundings of Atta Rainforest Lodge and a great view of an adult male when leaving Atta Rainforest Lodge and the Iwokrama area. Also a target species that we really wanted to see.
292. **Purple-throated Fruitcrow** *Querula purpurata*
Seen at several locations around Surama Eco Lodge and the Iwokrama rainforest area. Several seen in the fruiting trees around Atta Rainforest Lodge.
293. **Capuchinbird** *Perissocephalus tricolor*
Six or seven birds seen at the lek close to Iwokrama River Lodge. Another amazing cotinga high up on our wish list!
294. **Purple-breasted Cotinga** *Cotinga cotinga*
A juvenile male seen in the fruiting trees around Atta Rainforest Lodge.
295. **Spangled Cotinga** *Cotinga cayana*
Two adult males seen along the Georgetown-Lethem road in the Iwokrama rainforest area and several others seen in the fruiting trees around Atta Rainforest Lodge.
296. **Screaming Piha** *Lipaugus vociferans*
Heard almost daily in the Iwokrama rainforest area, single birds also seen on the Turtle Mountain Trail and in the surroundings of Atta Rainforest Lodge.
297. **White Bellbird** *Procnias albus*
One heard along the Georgetown-Lethem road in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
298. **Pompadour Cotinga** *Xipholena punicea*
One adult male seen in the fruiting trees around Atta Rainforest Lodge.
299. **Bare-necked Fruitcrow** *Gymnoderus foetidus*
One male and three females seen in connection to the Rupununi River trip.
300. **Blue-backed Manakin** *Chiroxiphia pareola*
Two adult males seen at a lek at the Burro Burro Trail.
301. **White-throated Manakin** *Corapipo gutturalis*
One male seen on the Turtle Mountain Trail.

302. **Black Manakin** *Xenopipo atronitens*
One female seen well at Kaieteur Fallas and one male and three females seen at a spot along the Georgetown-Lethem road in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
303. **White-crowned Manakin** *Dixiphia pipra*
Several males and females seen at various locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
304. **Golden-headed Manakin** *Ceratopipra erythrocephala*
Several individual males seen at various locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
305. **Black-tailed Tityra** *Tityra cayana*
Two birds seen in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge and few seen in the fruiting trees around Atta Rainforest Lodge.
306. **Dusky Purpletuft** *Iodopleura fusca*
Two birds seen in the fruiting trees around Atta Rainforest Lodge.
307. **Black-capped Becard** *Pachyramphus marginatus*
One heard in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
308. **Red-eyed Vireo** *Vireo olivaceus*
Two birds seen in the surroundings of Caiman House.
309. **Ashy-headed Greenlet** *Hylophilus pectoralis*
Two birds seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden.
310. **Tawny-crowned Greenlet** *Tunchiornis ochraceiceps*
One bird seen on the Turtle Mountain Trail.
311. **Buff-cheeked Greenlet** *Pachysylvia muscicapina*
One heard on the Turtle Mountain Trail.
312. **Slaty-capped Shrike-Vireo** *Vireolanius leucotis*
One heard in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
313. **Rufous-browed Peppershrike** *Cyclarhis gujanensis*
One seen in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge.
314. **Cayenne Jay** *Cyanocorax cayanus*
Five birds seen along the Georgetown-Lethem road in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
315. **Black-collared Swallow** *Pygochelidon melanoleuca*
Several seen along Essequibo River.
316. **White-banded Swallow** *Atticora fasciata*
Several birds seen along the Burro Burro River.



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317. **Southern Rough-winged Swallow** *Stelgidopteryx ruficollis*
A few seen in the surroundings of Caiman House.
318. **Gray-breasted Martin** *Progne chalybea*
Common in the surroundings of Georgetown.
319. **White-winged Swallow** *Tachycineta albiventer*
Several seen at various locations on our different river trips.
320. **Barn Swallow** *Hirundo rustica*
Common species.
321. **House Wren** *Troglodytes aedon*
Several seen at different locations.
322. **Bicolored Wren** *Campylorhynchus griseus*
Seen at different locations in the savanna.
323. **Long-billed Gnatwren** *Ramphocaenus melanurus*
One heard in the surroundings of Atta Rainforest Lodge.
324. **Tropical Gnatcatcher** *Polioptila plumbea*
One seen in connection to the Rupununi River trip.
325. **Black-capped Donacobius** *Donacobius atricapilla*
Several seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden and a few seen on other sites in the savanna.
326. **Pale-breasted Thrush** *Turdus leucomelas*
A total of four birds seen at various locations around Surama Eco Lodge and in the savanna.
327. **White-necked Thrush** *Turdus albicollis*
One bird seen along the Harpy Eagle Trail.
328. **Tropical Mockingbird** *Mimus gilvus*
Common species.

329. **Yellow Warbler** *Setophaga petechia*
A total of five birds seen during our visits in Georgetown's Botanical Garden.
330. **Red-capped Cardinal** *Paroaria gularis*
Several seen on our different river trips.
331. **Hooded Tanager** *Nemosia pileate*
One bird seen along the Burro Burro Trail.
332. **White-shouldered Tanager** *Tachyphonus luctuosus*
Two birds seen along the Burro Burro Trail.
333. **Silver-beaked Tanager** *Ramphocelus carbo*
Common species.
334. **Blue-gray Tanager** *Thraupis episcopus*
Common species.
335. **Palm Tanager** *Thraupis palmarum*
Common species.
336. **Burnished-buff Tanager** *Tangara cayana*
Two birds seen at the Red Siskin spot.
337. **Spotted Tanager** *Tangara punctate*
A few single birds seen in the surroundings of Iwokrama River Lodge and Atta Rainforest Lodge.
338. **Turquoise Tanager** *Tangara Mexicana*
A few seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden and a few along the Georgetown-Lethem road in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
339. **Black-faced Dacnis** *Dacnis lineata*
One female seen along the Georgetown-Lethem road en route to Caiman House.
340. **Blue Dacnis** *Dacnis cayana*
A few seen in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
341. **Purple Honeycreeper** *Cyanerpes caeruleus*
One male seen at Kaieteur Falls.
342. **Green Honeycreeper** *Chlorophanes spiza*
A few seen at different locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
343. **Grassland Yellow-Finch** *Sicalis luteola*
Two birds seen en route from Karasabai to Manari Ranch.
344. **Wedge-tailed Grass-Finch** *Emberizoides herbicola*
Common in the savanna.

345. **Blue-black Grassquit** *Volatinia jacarina*
A few seen in connection to the Mahaica River trip and on the savanna.
346. **Chestnut-bellied Seedeater** *Sporophila castaneiventris*
Several seen in the surroundings of Iwokrama River Lodge.
347. **Ruddy-breasted Seedeater** *Sporophila minuta*
Several seen at different locations in the savanna.
348. **Chestnut-bellied Seed-Finch** *Sporophila angolensis*
Several birds seen in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge.
349. **Wing-barred Seedeater** *Sporophila Americana*
A few seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden.
350. **Plumbeous Seedeater** *Sporophila plumbea*
A few single birds seen in the savanna.
351. **Bananaquit** *Coereba flaveola*
A few birds seen at various locations.
352. **Grayish Saltator** *Saltator coerulescens*
One seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden.
353. **Slate-colored Grosbeak** *Saltator grossus*
One bird seen on the Turtle Mountain Trail.
354. **Hepatic Tanager** *Piranga flava*
A total of five birds seen in the savanna.
355. **Red-and-black Grosbeak** *Periporphyrus erythromelas*
A nice male seen very well on the Turtle Mountain Trail and a pair also seen very well in the surroundings of Atta Rainforest Lodge.
356. **Eastern Meadowlark** *Sturnella magna*
Common in the savanna.
357. **Red-breasted Meadowlark** *Sturnella militaris*
Common in the savanna.
358. **Carib Grackle** *Quiscalus lugubris*
A few seen in connection to the Mahaica River trip.
359. **Yellow-hooded Blackbird** *Chrysomus icterocephalus*
A few seen en route from Karasabai to Manari Ranch.
360. **Shiny Cowbird** *Molothrus bonariensis*
Several seen in the surroundings of Georgetown.

361. **Giant Cowbird** *Molothrus oryzivorus*
A few seen around Iwokrama River Lodge.
362. **Epaulet Oriole** *Icterus cayanensis*
Several in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge, Iwokrama River Lodge and in the savanna.
363. **Orange-backed Troupial** *Icterus croconotus*
A few birds seen en route to and from Karasabai.
364. **Yellow Oriole** *Icterus nigrogularis*
Several seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden and on different locations in the savanna.
365. **Yellow-rumped Cacique** *Cacicus cela*
Several seen at different locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
366. **Red-rumped Cacique** *Cacicus haemorrhous*
Several seen at different locations in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
367. **Green Oropendola** *Psarocolius viridis*
A small flock seen in the surroundings of Iwokrama River Lodge.
368. **Crested Oropendola** *Psarocolius decumanus*
Several seen in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge and in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
369. **Finsch's Euphonia** *Euphonia finschi*
One seen in the surroundings of Surama Eco Lodge.
370. **Violaceous Euphonia** *Euphonia violacea*
A few seen in the Iwokrama rainforest area.
371. **Red Siskin** *Spinus cucullatus*
At least three adult males and six to seven females seen very well at the location southeast of Lethem in the savanna. Also one of the most wanted target species of the trip.

Mammal List

1. **Common Possum** *Didelphis marsupialis*
One seen on the Georgetown-Lethem road close to Iwokrama River Lodge during one of our night drives.
2. **Possum** *Didelphis sp.*
One unidentified Possum which disappeared and moved around in the ceiling of Caiman House one evening.
3. **Greater Bulldog Bat** *Noctilio leporinus*
Several seen in connection to the Essequibo river trip in the evening.
4. **Lesser Bulldog Bat** *Noctilio albiventris*
Several seen in connection to the Essequibo river trip in the evening.
5. **Long-nosed Bat** *Rhynchonycteris naso*
Several seen on our trips on Essequibo River and Rupununi River.
6. **Wedge Capped Capuchinmonkey** *Cebus olivaceus*
Several seen at the Burro Burro Trail, Iwokrama River Lodge and Atta Rainforest Lodge.
7. **Red Howler Monkey** *Alouatta seniculus*
Regularly heard around Surama Eco Lodge, Iwokrama River Lodge and Atta Rainforest Lodge. Several seen along the Harpy Eagle Trail as well as on the Burro Burro Trail.
8. **Black Spider Monkey** *Ateles paniscus*
Several seen at the Burro Burro Trail, Iwokrama River Lodge and Atta Rainforest Lodge.



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9. **Kinkajou** *Potos flavus*
One seen in the open along the Georgetown-Lethem road close to Iwokrama River Lodge during one of our night drives.



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10. **Crabeating Fox** *Cerdocyon thous*

Two seen close to the Crested Doradito spot on the savanna, one on the road en route from Caiman House to Karasabai and one on the savanna in connection to our Red Siskin excursion.



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11. **Giant River Otter** *Pteronura brasiliensis*

One seen in a small stream along the Georgetown-Lethem road close to the Atta Rainforest Lodge. Two separate groups of three and four individuals respectively seen on the Rupununi River trip.

12. **Red Brocket Deer** *Mazama americana*

One seen crossing the Georgetown-Lethem road en route from Atta Rainforest Lodge to Caiman House.



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13. **White-tailed Deer** *Odocoileus virginianus*

One seen on the savanna close to the Manari Ranch.

14. **Brazilian Tapir** *Tapirus terrestris*

One seen along the Georgetown-Lethem Road close to Atta Rainforest Lodge during one of our night drives.

15. **White-faced Tree Rat** *Echimus chrysurus*

One seen captured in the Caiman House (later released into the wild).



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16. **Paca** *Agouti paca*

One seen in connection to the Essequibo River trip in the evening.

17. **Red Rumped Agouti** *Dasyprocta agouti*

Several seen at the Burro Burro Trail, Iwokrama River Lodge and Atta Rainforest Lodge.



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Amphibian and Reptile List

1. **Cane Toad** *Rhinella marina*
Common species.
2. **Golden Rocket Frog** *Anomaloglossus beebei*
One seen at Kaieteur Falls.
3. **Yellow-banded Poison Frog** *Dendrobates leucomela*
Two seen at the Burro Burro Trail.



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4. **Rusty Tree Frog** *Hypsiboas boen*
One seen on the Georgetown-Lethem road during one of the night drives at Iwokrama River Lodge.



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5. **Knudsen's Frog** *Leptodactylus knudseni*
Quite many jumping around the Atta Rainforest Lodge at night.



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6. **Amazonian White-lipped Frog** *Leptodactylus mystaceus*
One seen on the Burro Burro Trail.



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7. **Savanna White-lipped Frog** *Leptodactylus ocellatus*
Two seen on the savanna outside the Manari Ranch one evening.



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8. **Steindachners` Dwarf Frog** *Physalaemus ephippifer*
One seen on the Turtle Mountain Trail.



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9. **Spectacled Caiman** *Caiman crocodilus*
One seen walking on the Georgetown-Lethem road during one of our night drives.

10. **Black Caiman** *Melanosuchus niger*

Several seen in the Essequibo River and in the Rupununi River.

11. **Dwarf Caiman** *Paleosuchus palpebrosus*

Several seen in the different ponds along the Georgetown-Lethem road during our night drives around Iwokrama River Lodge and Atta Rainforest Lodge.

12. **Spotted Gecko** *Gonatodes humeralis*

One seen on the forest trail around Iwokrama River Lodge.

13. **Turnip-tailed Gecko** *Thecadactylus rapicauda*

One seen on the Cock-of-the -rock Trail.



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14. **Green Iguana** *Iguana iguana*

Seen in Georgetown's Botanical Garden and on the Rupununi River trip.

15. **Amazon Race Runner** *Ameiva ameiva*

Common in the Iwokrama rainforest area.



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16. **Golden Tegu** *Tupinambis teguixin*

A few seen around Caiman House and Karasabai.

17. **Black Collared Lizard** *Tropidurus hispidus*

Several seen around Surama Eco Lodge, Iwokrama River Lodge, Caiman House and Manari Ranch.



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18. **Blue-lipped Tree Lizard** *Plica umbra*

One seen on the Cock-of-the -rock Trail.

19. **Brown Tree Climber** *Uranoscodon superciliosus*

One seen along the Rupununi River.



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20. **Amazonian Tree Boa** *Corallus hortulanus*

One seen on our Essequibo River trip in the evening and another one passing the Georgetown-Lethem Road during one of our night drives at Iwokrama River Lodge.



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21. **Yellow-tailed Cribo** *Drymarchon corais*

One seen along the Georgetown-Lethem Road en route to Caiman House.

22. **Boddaert's Tropical Racer** *Mastigodryas boddaerti*

One seen at Caiman House. The snake was found in the garden and was reallocated by the resident herpetologist.



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23. **Tiger Rat Snake** *Spilotes pullatus*

One seen on the Georgetown-Lethem road en route to Atta Rainforest Lodge.



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24. **Green Vinesnake** *Oxybelis fulgidus*

One seen along the Georgetown-Lethem road en route to Iwokrama River Lodge.



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25. **Common Green Racer** *Philodryas viridissimus*

One seen along the Georgetown-Lethem Road en route to Caiman House.



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26. **Neotropical Rattlesnake** *Crotalus durissus*

A total of four seen in the surroundings of Caiman House and one found dead near Karasabai Village. The snake pictured below had been removed from one of the village houses and was reallocated by the resident herpetologist.



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27. **Red Footed Tortoise** *Chelonoidis carbonaria*

One seen on the Cock-of-the-rock Trail.



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28. **South American Wood Turtle** *Rhinoclymmus punctularia*

One seen along the Georgetown-Lethem Road en route to Caiman House.



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