

# Belize

## 8-16 July 2006



For our 2006 summer vacation, Gordon Brown (Cary, NC), George Brown (Big Stone Gap, VA), Jay Gilliam (Norwalk, IA), and Stephen J. Dinsmore (Ames, IA) opted for a whirlwind trip to Belize. Below is a summary of our daily travels that includes logistical and cultural details and highlights of what we observed.

### 8 July



I departed Ames at 6 a.m., picked up Jay in Norwalk at 7 a.m. and then left Des Moines at 8:56 a.m. After a stop in Dallas we arrived in Belize City at 2:30 p.m. We rendezvoused with the Brown's at the airport, loaded up the rental vehicle (a Toyota Landcruiser) and headed north towards Bird's Eye View Lodge (\$556 for 2 rooms and 2 nights, meals included) in the Crooked Tree Wildlife Sanctuary

(<http://www.belizeaudubon.org/html/parks/ctws.htm>). The 12,800-acre sanctuary was established in 1984 to protect resident and migrant birds and includes a mosaic of shallow freshwater lagoons, broadleaf forest, and pine/oak savannahs. We arrived there at 5:30 p.m. after several quick stops along the way where we saw Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture, Common Black-Hawk, Black-headed Trogon, Gray-breasted Martin, and Fork-tailed Flycatcher. After checking in we birded the area around the hotel and met for dinner at 6:30 p.m. During dinner we were interrupted by a neighbor, who pointed out a Southern Lapwing to us! We enjoyed several rounds of Belikin (*THE* Belizean beer) before retiring to our rooms at 8 p.m. Overcast, light winds, temp 24-31° C. (46 km)



## 9 July

We arose early and met at 5:15 a.m. for a walk up the road from the hotel. We were back at the hotel for breakfast (fresh fruit, juice, and coffee) at 6:15 a.m. and then met Leonard at 6:30 a.m. for a boat ride on the lagoon. The boat trip returned at 10:15 a.m. and was fabulous! The water levels in the lagoon were rising fast with the onset of the rainy season, so many of the wading birds had dispersed weeks



earlier. However, there were still plenty of birds to see – Boat-billed Herons, Bare-throated Tiger-Herons (including a nest with young), Black-collared Hawks, Ruddy Crake, Yucatan Jay, Mangrove Vireo, and Yellow-tailed Oriole. We also caught a small slider, saw many dragonflies, Morelet's Crocodiles, Green and Black Iguanas, basilisk lizards, and much more. Our guide, Leonard, was very knowledgeable about the natural history of the lagoon, and had very sharp eyes! After the boat trip we had an excellent breakfast of fresh biscuits (with cashew and pineapple jam), eggs, bacon, and juice.

After breakfast, we took a short siesta and then drove into the village sanctuary. Because it was the rainy season, almost all of the trails were under water. That meant that we had to bird mostly from adjacent roads, which worked well. Between 11:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. we checked out much of the village sanctuary, including the pine savannah habitat. We saw Black-throated Bobwhite, Boat-billed Heron, Black-collared Hawk, Lineated Woodpecker, Greenish Elaenia, Yucatan Flycatcher, Masked Tityra, Yucatan Jay, and Tropical Gnatcatcher.

We returned to the motel at 3 p.m. and then spent the next couple of hours hiking the roads near the motel. We didn't add many birds, but did see Grayish Saltator and Black-cowled Oriole. We ate dinner at 6:30 p.m. – curry beef, vegetable rice, potato salad, fried plantains, and banana cake for dessert. Gordon and George went for a hike after dinner,



and found several cooperative calling Common Pauragues along the road to the motel. We were all in our rooms by 9 p.m. Overcast, heavy showers from 1-3 p.m., light and variable winds, temp 25-33° C. (25 km)

## 10 July

We again arose early and met outside the motel at 5:15 a.m. for a walk up the road. We saw many of the same species as the day before, including close looks at the Southern Lapwing. We ate breakfast (ham, fried eggs, fresh bread, juice and coffee) at the hotel at 6:30 a.m., checked out, and were on the road by 7 a.m.

From Crooked Tree we returned to the main highway and drove north, taking the only northern



route by land to Chan Chich. We arrived in Orange Walk District at 10 a.m. and saw many birds along the way – Laughing Falcon, a pair of Aplomado Falcons, Black-throated Bobwhite, Yellow-headed Parrot, and Yellow-backed Oriole. The habitat along this stretch was mostly open pine savannah. From Orange Walk, the road turned more westerly and passed through disturbed broadleaf forest interspersed with open grasslands. We saw many birds along this stretch of highway. In the

grassy areas we saw White-tailed Kite, Black-throated Bobwhite, Plain-breasted Ground-Dove, Fork-tailed Flycatcher, Botteri's Sparrow, Orange Oriole, and Lesser Goldfinch. In the woody patches we saw Laughing Falcon, Roadside Hawk, Short-billed Pigeon, and Olive-throated Parakeet. In a large wetland just south of the Rio Bravo we saw 2 Jabirus plus a nice assortment of other waterbirds.



At the town of Blue Hole we turned south and soon entered the Rio Bravo Conservation Area

(<http://www.nature.org/aboutus/travel/ecotourism/travel/art965.html>). This 260,000 acre parcel of land is managed by Programme for Belize and together with Chan Chich encompasses one of the largest remaining tracts of forest in Central America. This vast tract of largely roadless

forest stretches from southern Mexico through Belize and into northeastern Guatemala and is home to an amazing array of birds, mammals (especially the cats), plants, and

other wildlife. The road now passed through much older forest, although it was clearly still being disturbed. The roadsides held many Ocellated Turkeys (including several broods) in addition to Ruddy Quail-Dove, Keel-billed Toucan, Collared Aracari, Rufous-tailed Jacamar, Chestnut-colored Woodpecker, Piratic, Yellow-olive, and Sulphur-bellied flycatchers, and Black-faced Grosbeak. After about 25 km



we exited the park and entered Gallon Jug lands. The roadsides here had been cleared even more and we saw many Ocellated Turkeys, Crested Guan, a King Vulture, Squirrel Cuckoo, Yucatan Jay, and Thick-billed Seed-Finch. The road eventually passed around the town of Gallon Jug to Chan Chich.



We arrived at Chan Chich Lodge at 4:15 p.m., and would stay here for the next 2 nights (\$1,125 total for both nights and all meals – expensive, but *very nice!*). Chan Chich (<http://www.chanchich.com/>), meaning “little bird”, is a 130,000-acre private nature reserve that was established in 1988. The lodge is famous for its beauty and is carefully situated in the plaza of an ancient Mayan city and surrounded by pristine jungle.

We birded our way in along the entrance road to the main lodge and found several Plain Chachalacas and a cooperative Royal Flycatcher. After checking into our rooms and being given a briefing on the facilities we birded the grounds around the cabanas. Here we saw Red-lore Parrot, Lineated and Pale-billed woodpeckers, Blue-crowned Motmot, Long-billed Hermit, White-bellied Emerald, Yellow-winged Tanager, and Montezuma Oropendola. Dinner was at 6:15 p.m. at the lodge – filet mignon with shrimp, potatoes, fresh rolls, beer, and brownies and ice cream for dessert. After dinner we took a night drive and found 2

Vermiculated Screech-Owls, 3 Mottled Owls, a Yucatan Poorwill, and Common Pauraques. The definite highlight of the day was when the poorwill flew into our car! We had spent several minutes trying to i.d. the bird on the road, but left without being certain what it was. When we returned a short time later, the bird lifted off the road, flew directly at the vehicle and in through a window, landing on George’s face! We were finally able to identify the bird after several minutes of in-hand looks and a round of photos. We also glimpsed a Marguay



along the road into the lodge. We were back at our rooms by 9:30 p.m. Clear to partly cloudy, winds generally calm, scattered afternoon showers, temperature 26-35° C. (194 km)

## 11 July



After some overnight rains we awoke to overcast skies and a very humid air. At 6 a.m. we met our guide, Gilberto, for a short bird hike before breakfast. The birding was slow at times, apparently because of the rain, but we still saw many interesting species. Some of the more interesting sightings included Collared Forest-Falcon, Bat Falcon, Squirrel Cuckoo, Mealy and Brown-hooded parrots, Slaty-tailed, Collared, and Violaceous trogons,

Chestnut-colored Woodpecker, Ivory-billed and Tawny-winged woodcreepers, Wedge-tailed Sabrewing, Scaly-breasted Hummingbird, Purple-crowned Fairy, Long-billed Gnatwren, White-collared Manakin, Red-throated Ant-Tanager, and Gray-headed

Tanager. We were fortunate to witness two small Army Ant swarms, each with a few attendant antbirds. We also saw a couple of Spider Monkeys and a Collared Peccary along the main road to the lodge. We were back at the cabin by 8 a.m. for breakfast – ham, bacon, breakfast burritos, fried tortillas, juice and coffee. After breakfast we had a different guide, Ruben, who took us birding until 11:30 a.m.

Lunch was again very tasty – smoked chicken quesadillas, shrimp ceviche, soda, and chocolate ice cream for dessert. During lunch we enjoyed close views of the hummingbirds, including a White-bellied Emerald among the many Rufous-tailed Hummingbirds. Both guides were very good and in addition to birds knew a lot about the Mayan culture and had a broad knowledge of the natural history of Belize.



After lunch we were on our own. We decided to drive to Laguna Seca north of Gallon Jug, and then loop back to Chan Chich via a different road. The road north of Gallon Jug was very birdy! In addition to good numbers of Ocellated Turkeys we also saw a pair of Plumbeous Kites, Roadside Hawk, several Gray Hawks, good numbers of Mealy and Brown-hooded parrots, many Collared Aracaris and Keel-billed Toucans, Pale-billed, Lineated, and Golden-olive woodpeckers, Long-billed Gnatwren, and Yellow-winged Tanager. Laguna Seca was

full of water and mostly devoid of birds, although we managed to find 2 Pinnated Bitterns, Yellow-crowned Night-Heron, 2 Jabirus, and Anhinga. We then returned to Gallon Jug and took the westerly loop around town and down to a place where the river crossing was impassible. We didn't see many birds along this road, but did enjoy a large gathering of White-fronted Parrots. Back near the main entrance to Chan Chich we found a cooperative Laughing Falcon and an Olive-throated Parakeet. We slowly drove the road back to the main lodge, hoping for a curassow, but saw little in the steady rain. When we got back to the main lodge the Land Rover group had arrived and camp was no longer quiet.

After relaxing in our cabins for a while, we ate dinner in the rain – steak with sautéed shrimp, vegetables, a shrimp mesa verde appetizer, and beer with ice cream for dessert. We had planned to do some nocturnal birding after dinner, but it rained hard until 8 p.m. so we called off our plans and went to bed early. Cloudy, winds light, intermittent rain all afternoon, temp 23-33° C. (54 km)

## 12 July

We awoke to a steady rain and later learned that it had rained all night with accumulations in excess of 4 inches! We birded a bit on the road below the main lodge before breakfast, but saw only a few birds of note – a calling Great Tinamou, the resident pair of Plumbeous Kites, Bat Falcon, and the usual residents. Breakfast was again delicious – a burrito with ham and bacon and a side of hash browns, plus juice and coffee. After breakfast it was still raining and we decided to try to reach the escarpment, a 30 km drive from camp. The river crossing on the



main road was under too much water, so we were advised to take a different route on primitive roads. We made it about 8 km from camp before we encountered a crossing we couldn't pass. This road passed through some nice mature forest and we encountered many birds during our 2 hour drive including 2 Great Tinamous, Blue Ground-Dove, Ruddy Quail-Dove, Masked Tityra, and Dot-winged Antwren. But the highlight was discovering a large feeding flock of passerines that was unusually cooperative. We were unable to identify most of the birds, but still managed to see Strong-billed, Ivory-billed, Olivaceous, and Tawny-winged woodcreepers, Red-capped Manakin, Golden-crowned



Warbler, Red-crowned Ant-Tanager, and Black-throated Shrike-Tanager. A non-bird highlight was a great look at a Northern Tamandua, a small, arboreal anteater. We were back in camp by 11:15 a.m. to pack and eat lunch. Lunch again consisted of shrimp ceviche for an appetizer and smoked chicken quesadillas or a hamburger, soda and water, and pineapple ice cream or key lime pie for dessert.

After lunch we left Chan Chich via the south road that

passes through the Mennonite farming region and joins the main highway at San Ignacio (Cayo). Mark, gave us directions but we soon learned that the main bridge across the Belize River was under water! He generously showed us an alternate route. We left Chan Chich at 12:30 p.m. and birded the first 26 km of road before Mark caught up with us. Although we didn't have a lot of time, we still managed to see Plain Chachalaca, many Keel-billed Toucans, a cooperative pair of Rufous-tailed Jacamars, a male White-whiskered Puffbird, and Masked Tityra. We then followed Mark at high speed (at least for the muddy, pothole-strewn roads!) to San Ignacio, arriving there at 3:30 p.m. The only bird of note along this stretch of road was a lone King Vulture.

We drove through San Ignacio and turned east on the main highway, from whence we soon turned south again to reach Hidden Valley Inn (\$1,008 for 2 rooms and 3 nights, meals were extra) in the Mountain Pine Ridge Forest Preserve (<http://www.ambergriscaye.com/pages/town/parkmountainpineridge.html>), arriving there at 5 p.m. The preserve comprises approximately 125,000 acres of primarily pine and broadleaf forest, while the Inn is situated on a private 7,200 acre parcel of the same habitats. We birded the grounds while they were readying our rooms and saw Scaled Pigeon, Azure-crowned Hummingbird, Green Jay, and Rusty Sparrow. After settling in our rooms and checking email we ate a dinner of pork ribs, fresh vegetables, ice cream or banana flambeau, and beer and were back in our rooms by 8 p.m. Cloudy, light and variable winds, a light steady rain in the morning becoming scattered light showers in the afternoon, temp 22-30° C. (141 km)



### 13 July



Lovely Cotinga that had been reported here earlier. From here, we passed through a camera trap for Jaguars and on to 1,600-foot Falls. The view of the falls was spectacular, but an hour of watching failed to produce an Orange-breasted Falcon. From here we retraced our

At 8 a.m. we left with Rick, the local bird guide, for a tour of the property. Our first stop was to see a pair of roosting Stygian Owls, which was very cool! The birds were in a tall pine tree pretty much in the middle of a pine savannah and looked like Long-eared Owls on steroids. They apparently feed mainly on bats, so the habitat wasn't too surprising. We then continued on to the macadamia field where we saw at least 3 Laughing Falcons, many displaying Red-capped Manakins, Yellow-throated Euphonia, and Golden-hooded Tanager. Alas, we did not see the



way to King Vulture Falls where we saw (no surprise!) several King Vultures plus Plumbeous Kite, a distant White Hawk, and Masked Tityra. After that we headed back for the motel and lunch, making a couple of quick stops to see a Swallow-tailed Kite and other forest birds. Lunch consisted of lemon grilled chicken salad, fresh bread, and cookies for dessert.



After lunch we left our guide and birded on our own for the afternoon. We made several quick stops to sample more of the pine savannah birdlife, and then revisited the macadamia field and 1,600-foot Falls. Birding was slow and the few highlights included 2 more Laughing Falcons, Ochre-bellied Flycatcher, Grace's and Rufous-capped warblers, and Gray-crowned Yellowthroat. We also encountered an insect that the locals call the chicken monster, which can best be described as a white bass lure with wings, a very odd sight indeed! Further research by Jay

on our return home revealed that it was a true bug of the family Fulgoridae, which are closely related to the mantises. We finally wandered back to camp by 6 p.m., just in time to check email and drink a beer before dinner. Dinner consisted of a sautéed shrimp appetizer served on a tostada, Mayan beef stew, fresh vegetables, bread, and ice cream for dessert. After dinner we arranged to bird with Rick on the 14<sup>th</sup> and then were back in our rooms by 8 p.m. Overcast, winds ENE 5-15 mph, intermittent light rain, temp 22-30° C. (56 km)



## 14 July



We had an early start this morning and were up by 5 a.m. After a quick continental breakfast (cereal, fresh bread and fruit, orange juice and coffee) we were on the road at 6 a.m. We packed sack lunches today because our plan was to bird the road north of the preserve in search of birds of the lower elevation broadleaf forest. As we left the motel, we were treated to close looks at 3 Ferruginous Pygmy-Owls that had apparently nested nearby. We began birding along the main road south of San Ignacio and gradually worked our way north to just north of town, where we finished at 1:30 p.m. Everywhere we stopped was birdy, and we had a nice diversity overall. Some

of the highlights included Slaty-breasted Tinamou, Gray-necked Wood-Rail, a cooperative pair of Tody Motmots, many Northern Bentbills, Stub-tailed Spadebill, Green Shrike-Vireo, Band-backed and White-bellied wrens, several Slate-headed Tody-Flycatchers, several Green-backed Sparrows, and Blue Bunting. By mid-morning the heat was building, and the temperature reached 34° C by noon! Our trail lunch consisted of meatballs, tortillas, salad, a garbonzo bean salad, cookies, and fruit punch.



We returned to the motel by 2 p.m. and relaxed for a few minutes in the cool main lodge. We left about 2:30 p.m. and made a quick stop at Macadamia Field where we again failed to see a cotinga. Our next stop was Butterfly Falls. The scenery here was impressive, and the trail to the falls passed through the nicest mature pine forest we encountered on the trip. The birding was slow, probably on account of the midday heat, although we still managed to see Thrush-like Schiffornis, a Violet Sabrewing on a nest under the falls, and White-throated Robin. We left the falls at 4 p.m. and continued on to 1,600-foot Falls, where we eventually saw a cooperative pair of Orange-breasted Falcons that put on quite an aerial show! Other birds included an adult Solitary Eagle and hordes of White-collared Swifts apparently entering the falls to roost for the night. Other birds seen in the afternoon included several Swallow-tailed Kites, the 2 roosting Stygian Owls, Golden-olive Woodpecker, Gray-crowned Yellowthroat, and Yellow-billed Cacique. We were back at the motel by 6 p.m., just in time for a couple of beers before dinner. Dinner tonight was outside on the veranda and consisted of an oregano salad for an appetizer and grilled fish, potatoes, salad, and ice cream for dessert. Mostly clear, wind light and variable, very light rain sprinkles around noon, temp 22-35° C. (91 km)

## 15 July



This morning we decided to bird the grounds of the motel at dawn, eat a good breakfast, and then head towards the coast. After catching our last glimpse of the mountain birds we convened for breakfast (breakfast burrito, bacon, sausage, fresh fruit, toast and bread, orange juice, and coffee) at 7 a.m. We left Hidden Valley at 8 a.m. and made a couple of quick stops on the road north to San Ignacio. The only birds of note were a King Vulture and an uncooperative Gray-necked Wood-Rail. We reached the Western Highway by 9 a.m. and turned east. We hadn't made any firm plans for this day until the night before, when we decided that we would bird some lower elevation habitats closer to the coast in any attempt to fill out our trip list and chase down a couple more specialties. Our real challenge was deciding where to stay tonight. One option, suggested by several sources, was Pook's Hill (<http://www.pookshilllodge.com/>) near Teakettle. Because it was on our

way east, we decided to stop by, size up the accommodations, and then decide whether to stay or go somewhere else. We arrived at Pook's Hill at 9:45 a.m. and quickly confirmed that they did have rooms and that the birding possibilities were excellent. We reserved two cabanas for the night (\$182 for both rooms, plus \$60 per person for meals) and moved in!

After settling in our rooms, we regrouped and explored some of the motel's 300 acre property. Pook's Hill borders the Roaring River and Tapir Mountain Nature Reserve and is situated on an ancient Mayan site. The habitat here was excellent and included some pretty good mature forest. Some of the more interesting birds we saw during our walk included Olive-throated Parakeet, Purple-crowned Fairy, and Dot-winged Antwren, although the sheer diversity of birds was a bit overwhelming.

We broke for lunch at noon – rice, beans, a sautéed beef and onion stew, fresh vegetables, bread, and juice. The lodge's local birder, Ben, was fortunately available for the afternoon and

graciously offered to take us birding on the lodge's grounds. This turned out to be a great opportunity and we added many new birds thanks to our guide. Notable birds included



Great and Slaty-breasted tinamous, Gray-fronted Dove, an adult and a juvenile Spectacled Owl (what spectacular birds!), a nesting pair of Blue-crowned Motmots, Smoky-brown Woodpecker, Northern Barred and Tawny-winged woodcreepers, Tawny-crowned Greenlet, Ochre-bellied and Sulphur-rumped flycatchers, Plain Xenops, Dusky Antbird, Black-faced Antthrush, Great Antshrike, Olive-backed Euphonia, Blue-black Grosbeak, and Orange-

billied Sparrow. An added non-bird highlight was a somewhat cooperative female Mexican Red-rumped Tarantula, larger than my spread hand (!), which Ben managed to coax from its burrow for brief looks. After our walk, we ate dinner (beef and beans over rice, salad, and fruit juice), took a brief walk afterwards, and were in our rooms as it was getting dark at 7 p.m. Clear in the morning and cloudy in the afternoon, wind S 10-20 mph, light rain all afternoon and evening, temp 23-34° C. (55 km)





## 16 July

We got an early start this morning because it was the last day of the trip. As the first hints of light appeared, Jay and I awoke to calling Great Tinamou, Blue-crowned Motmot, and Red-capped Manakin, not a bad way to start the day! We birded the trails and meadow below the lodge until 7:30 a.m. when we returned to the lodge for breakfast (scrambled eggs, toast, fresh fruit, and lemonade). The morning walk produced Great Tinamou, Spectacled Owl, White-necked Jacobin, Strong-billed Woodcreeper, Thrush-like Schiffornis, Barred Antshrike, Gray-collared Becard, and Red-legged Honeycreeper. Our plan was to bird the road above the lodge until about 9:30 a.m., but we called it quits when it began raining at about 8:30 a.m. We returned to our cabanas to pack and then



loaded the vehicle and headed towards the airport. We still had a couple of hours to kill, so we made a few roadside stops in a final attempt to add a few trip birds. Among the few new birds was, unfortunately, our first House Sparrow of the trip! Just southwest of the airport a small roadside wetland held a cooperative Jabiru and farther up we added a Grasshopper Sparrow. We detoured to the baboon sanctuary for a quick half hour of birding, but the only birds of note were 9+ calling Barred Antshrikes. We arrived at the airport at 12:45 p.m., quickly returned the rental

vehicle, and made our way into the terminal. Gordon and George's flight left at 3 p.m. and Jay and I were in the air less than an hour later. As they were leaving Belize, Gordon and George's flight took them directly over Crooked Tree, where they noted that our motel was now completely surrounded by water after the heavy rains. Good thing we visited this area at the beginning of the trip! Partly cloudy, wind light and variable, light rain after 8:30 a.m., temp 25-32° C. (136 km)

## General comments

Overall, this was a great trip! We found Belize to be a friendly, safe, and beautiful country and encountered no major problems. The food was excellent everywhere we went. The weather was probably typical of the rainy season with daily showers (and some deluges!), warm temperatures, high humidity, and lots of cloud cover. The bugs were tolerable most places, although the botless flies at Hidden Valley and Chan Chich were horrible! And as an added benefit, most of our motel rooms can with their own geckos!

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## SPECIES LISTS

### Mammals

Northern Tamandua  
Black Howler Monkey  
Central American Spider  
Monkey  
White-nosed Coati  
White-tailed Deer  
Marguay  
Collared Peccary  
Deppe's Squirrel  
Yucatan Squirrel  
Gray Fox

### Birds (226 species)

Black-bellied Whistling-Duck  
Muscovy  
Great Tinamou  
Slaty-breasted Tinamou  
Plain Chachalaca  
Crested Guan  
Black-throated Bobwhite  
Ocellated Turkey  
Neotropic Cormorant  
Anhinga  
Pinnated Bittern  
Bare-throated Tiger-Heron  
Great Blue Heron  
Great Egret  
Snowy Egret  
Little Blue Heron  
Cattle Egret  
Green Heron  
Black-crowned Night-Heron  
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron  
Boat-billed Heron  
Roseate Spoonbill  
Jabiru  
Wood Stork  
Black Vulture  
Turkey Vulture  
Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture  
King Vulture  
Osprey  
Swallow-tailed Kite  
White-tailed Kite  
Snail Kite  
Plumbeous Kite  
Black-collared Hawk  
White Hawk  
Gray Hawk  
Common Black-Hawk  
Solitary Eagle  
Roadside Hawk  
Collared Forest-Falcon  
Laughing Falcon  
Aplomado Falcon  
Bat Falcon  
Orange-breasted Falcon  
Ruddy Crane

Gray-necked Wood-Rail  
Limpkin  
Southern Lapwing  
Northern Jacana  
Rock Pigeon  
Pale-vented Pigeon  
Scaled Pigeon  
Red-billed Pigeon  
Short-billed Pigeon  
Common Ground-Dove  
Plain-breasted Ground-Dove  
Ruddy Ground-Dove  
Blue Ground-Dove  
White-tipped Dove  
Gray-fronted Dove  
Ruddy Quail-Dove  
Olive-throated Parakeet  
Brown-hooded Parrot  
White-crowned Parrot  
White-fronted Parrot  
Red-ored Parrot  
Mealy Parrot  
Yellow-headed Parrot  
Squirrel Cuckoo  
Groove-billed Ani  
Vermiculated Screech-Owl  
Spectacled Owl  
Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl  
Mottled Owl  
Stygian Owl  
Common Nighthawk  
Common Pauraque  
Yucatan Poorwill  
White-collared Swift  
Vaux's Swift  
Western Long-tailed Hermit  
Little Hermit  
Scaly-breasted Hummingbird  
Wedge-tailed Sabrewing  
Violet Sabrewing  
White-necked Jacobin  
White-bellied Emerald  
Azure-crowned Hummingbird  
Rufous-tailed Hummingbird  
Purple-crowned Fairy  
Black-headed Trogon  
Violaceous Trogon  
Collared Trogon  
Slaty-tailed Trogon  
Tody Motmot  
Blue-crowned Motmot  
Ringed Kingfisher  
Green Kingfisher  
White-whiskered Puffbird  
Rufous-tailed Jacamar  
Collared Aracari  
Keel-billed Toucan  
Acorn Woodpecker  
Black-cheeked Woodpecker

Red-vented (Yucatan)  
Woodpecker  
Golden-fronted Woodpecker  
Smoky-brown Woodpecker  
Golden-olive Woodpecker  
Chestnut-colored Woodpecker  
Lineated Woodpecker  
Pale-billed Woodpecker  
Rufous-breasted Spinetail  
Plain Xenops  
Tawny-winged Woodcreeper  
Olivaceous Woodcreeper  
Strong-billed Woodcreeper  
Northern Barred-Woodcreeper  
Ivory-billed Woodcreeper  
Streak-headed Woodcreeper  
Great Antshrike  
Barred Antshrike  
Dot-winged Antwren  
Dusky Antbird  
Black-faced Antthrush  
Greenish Elaenia  
Yellow-bellied Elaenia  
Ochre-bellied Flycatcher  
Northern Bentbill  
Slate-headed Tody-Flycatcher  
Common Tody-Flycatcher  
Eye-ringed Flatbill  
Yellow-olive Flycatcher  
Stub-tailed Spadebill  
Royal Flycatcher  
Sulphur-rumped Flycatcher  
Tropical Pewee  
Vermilion Flycatcher  
Bright-rumped Attila  
Yucatan Flycatcher  
Dusky-capped Flycatcher  
Brown-crested Flycatcher  
Great Kiskadee  
Boat-billed Flycatcher  
Social Flycatcher  
Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher  
Piratic Flycatcher  
Tropical Kingbird  
Fork-tailed Flycatcher  
Thrush-like Schiffornis  
Gray-collared Becard  
Masked Tityra  
White-collared Manakin  
Red-capped Manakin  
Mangrove Vireo  
Yellow-green Vireo  
Tawny-crowned Greenlet  
Lesser Greenlet  
Green Shrike-Vireo  
Green Jay  
Brown Jay  
Yucatan Jay  
Purple Martin

Gray-breasted Martin  
Mangrove Swallow  
Band-backed Wren  
Spot-breasted Wren  
Carolina Wren  
House Wren  
White-bellied Wren  
White-breasted Wood-Wren  
Long-billed Gnatwren  
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher  
Tropical Gnatcatcher  
Clay-colored Robin  
White-throated Robin  
Tropical Mockingbird  
Grace's Warbler  
Gray-crowned Yellowthroat  
Golden-crowned Warbler  
Rufous-capped Warbler  
Gray-headed Tanager  
Black-throated Shrike-Tanager  
Red-crowned Ant-Tanager  
Red-throated Ant-Tanager  
Hepatic Tanager  
Crimson-collared Tanager  
Blue-gray Tanager  
Yellow-winged Tanager  
Yellow-throated Euphonia  
Olive-backed Euphonia  
Golden-hooded Tanager  
Red-legged Honeycreeper  
Blue-black Grassquit  
Variable Seedeater  
White-collared Seedeater  
Thick-billed Seed-Finch  
Yellow-faced Grassquit  
Orange-billed Sparrow  
Olive Sparrow  
Green-backed Sparrow  
Botteri's Sparrow  
Rusty Sparrow  
Chipping Sparrow  
Grasshopper Sparrow  
Grayish Saltator  
Buff-throated Saltator  
Black-headed Saltator  
Black-faced Grosbeak  
Northern Cardinal  
Blue-black Grosbeak  
Blue Bunting  
Red-winged Blackbird  
Eastern Meadowlark  
Melodious Blackbird  
Great-tailed Grackle  
Bronzed Cowbird  
Black-cowled Oriole  
Hooded Oriole  
Yellow-backed Oriole  
Yellow-tailed Oriole  
Orange Oriole  
Yellow-billed Cacique  
Montezuma Oropendola  
Black-headed Siskin

Lesser Goldfinch  
House Sparrow