

ARGENTINA – IGUAZU, IBERA, BUENOS AIRES, SAN LUIS
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ANNOTATED LIST OF SPECIES

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Latin names taken from Avibase, Bird Checklists of the World, accessed via Denis Lapage's Bird Links to the World, <http://www.bsc-eoc.org/links/links.jsp>. Common name **boldface** are FT lifers.

Location abbreviations:

BA = Buenos Aires (all Costanera Sur unless indicated otherwise) (Dec. 8, 2005)

Iguazu = Iguazu National Park, Puerto Iguazu and vicinity (most birding at Macuco Trail, along paved road to the Sheraton, along Road 101, a paved road leading into Iguazu National Park not far from the airport, a small woodland area near Puerto Iguazu, and the Hummingbird Garden in Puerto Iguazu; full details on these sites in the accompanying trip report)(Dec 3-6, 2005)

Ibera = Edge of Esteros del Ibera, northeast of Carlos Pellegrini in Corrientes Province; set odometer to "0" at the junction of Road 40 and Highway 14 (see further details in trip report) (Dec. 6-7, 2005)

San Luis = Private Ranch in Southeastern San Luis Province (see trip report for details) (Dec. 9-10, 2005)

Terms such as "abundant", "common" or the like are used loosely, and not with any precise definition. Generally, "Abundant" means very common in large numbers and easily encountered in the location identified; "common" means easily seen every day but in smaller numbers; "fairly common" means seen easily, but not every day; for species less common than those I usually identify the actual number seen.

Thanks to Alvaro Jaramillo for his review of this list and resulting comments and corrections. I'm sure those who go on HIS trips don't have so many conundrums and missed "mystery" birds as we did when on our own!

Total of 301 bird species noted, including "Dowitcher sp." and lumped Golden-breasted and Green-barred Woodpeckers (10 of total "heard only").

English Name	Latin Name	Comments
RHEAS		
Greater Rhea	<i>Rhea americana</i>	Ibera: 3 grazing in a field at Km 27.8 San Luis: 1 adult followed by 13 young!
TINAMOUS		
Brown Tinamou	<i>Crypturellus obsoletus</i>	Iguazu, heard only
Red-winged Tinamou	<i>Rhyncotus rufescens</i>	1 seen in San Luis
Brushland Tinamou	<i>Nothoprocta cinerascens</i>	1 well seen in San Luis; probably others among the many small, unidentified tinamou objects ("UTO's")
Darwin's Nothura	<i>Nothura darwinii</i>	1 well seen in San Luis, undoubtedly others among the UTO's were this species
Spotted Nothura	<i>Nothura maculosa</i>	Ibera, San Luis; the most common of the UTO's
Elegant Crested Tinamou	<i>Eudromia elegans</i>	1 in San Luis was a bit of a surprise (not expected this far to the southeast)
GREBES		
White-tufted Grebe	<i>Rollandia rolland</i>	BA, San Luis
Silvery Grebe	<i>Podiceps occipitalis</i>	BA, San Luis
CORMORANTS		
Neotropic Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax brasilianus</i>	Iguazu, Ibera, BA
ANHINGAS		
Anhinga	<i>Anhinga anhinga</i>	Flyovers at Iguazu
HERONS, EGRETS		
Whistling Heron	<i>Syrigma sibilatrix</i>	A few scattered individuals at Iguazu, Ibera and San Luis
Cocoi (White-necked) Heron	<i>Ardea cocoi</i>	Ibera, BA
Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	Iguazu, Ibera, BA
Snowy Egret	<i>Egretta thula</i>	Iguazu, Ibera

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Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	Ibera
Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striata</i>	Iguazu, Ibera, BA
Black-crowned Night-Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	Iguazu, Ibera, BA
STORKS		
Wood Stork	<i>Mycteria americana</i>	Ibera
Maguari Stork	<i>Ciconia maguari</i>	Ibera; the most common stork
Jabiru	<i>Jabiru mycteria</i>	1 at Km 12.3 in Ibera was the only one noted
IBIS AND SPOONBILLS		
Buff-necked Ibis	<i>Theristicus caudatus</i>	3 flew by the main pond at San Luis, but didn't land
Bare-faced Ibis	<i>Phimosus infuscatus</i>	25+ in field at Km 3.3, Ibera (evening only)
White-faced Ibis	<i>Plegadis chihi</i>	BA
Roseate Spoonbill	<i>Platalea ajaja</i>	As expected in Ibera, a surprise were 20+ at BA
FLAMINGOS		
Chilean Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopterus chilensis</i>	A few at Ibera; 40+ at San Luis
SCREAMERS		
Southern Screamer	<i>Chauna torquata</i>	1 in BA took some careful searching of the far bank of the main waterfowl pond
DUCKS, GEESE AND SWANS		
Fulvous Whistling-Duck	<i>Dendrocygna bicolor</i>	20+ in BA
White-faced Whistling-Duck	<i>Dendrocygna viduata</i>	Ibera, BA
Black-necked Swan	<i>Cygnus melanocorypha</i>	Surprisingly, none in BA; common at San Luis
Coscoroba Swan	<i>Coscoroba coscoroba</i>	The inverse—common in BA, only 3 at San Luis
Brazilian Teal (Duck)	<i>Amazonetta brasiliensis</i>	3 at Km 5.2, 2 at Km 19.5 in Ibera
Chiloe (Southern) Wigeon	<i>Anas sibilatrix</i>	5 at San Luis only; none found in BA
Speckled Teal	<i>Anas flavirostris</i>	BA, San Luis
Yellow-billed (Brown) Pintail	<i>Anas georgica</i>	BA, San Luis
White-cheeked Pintail	<i>Anas bahamensis</i>	Very common in San Luis
Silver Teal	<i>Anas versicolor</i>	BA, San Luis
Cinnamon Teal	<i>Anas cyanoptera</i>	2 in San Luis only
Red Shoveler	<i>Anas platalea</i>	5+ in San Luis; none found in BA
Rosy-billed Pochard	<i>Netta peposaca</i>	BA, San Luis
Black-headed Duck	<i>Heteronetta atricapilla</i>	2 in BA only; required very careful searching on the main waterfowl pond, possible but difficult without a scope; this one would have been easy to miss
Lake Duck	<i>Oxyura vittata</i>	Small numbers in BA, San Luis
NEW WORLD VULTURES		
Black Vulture	<i>Coragyps atratus</i>	Iguazu, Ibera
Turkey Vulture	<i>Cathartes aura</i>	Iguazu, Ibera
Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture	<i>Cathartes burrovianus</i>	1 picked out for sure in Ibera at Km 12.2
HAWKS, EAGLES AND KITES		
Swallow-tailed Kite	<i>Elanoides forficatus</i>	Iguazu
Snail Kite	<i>Rostrhamus sociabilis</i>	1 at Km 18.2 in Ibera
Plumbeous Kite	<i>Ictinia plumbea</i>	The most common raptor in Iguazu; common along roadside until Corrientes border
Long-winged Harrier	<i>Circus buffoni</i>	1 gorgeous dark phase at Ibera Km 7.6; 1 light phase at Km 9.2;
Rufous-thighed (Sharp-shinned) Hawk	<i>Accipiter erythronemius</i>	Roadside Misiones Province near San Ignacio
Savanna Hawk	<i>Buteogallus meridionalis</i>	1 at Ibera Km 2.1; not as common as I thought it would be
Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle	<i>Geranoaetus melanoleucus</i>	1 at Ibera Km 30.5
Roadside Hawk	<i>Buteo magnirostris</i>	Iguazu, Ibera
White-rumped Hawk	<i>Buteo leucorrhous</i>	1 juvenile at Ibera Km 35.3
White-tailed Hawk	<i>Buteo albicaudatus</i>	1 juvenile at Ibera Km 4.6
FALCONS AND CARACARAS		
Southern (Crested) Caracara	<i>Caracara plancus</i>	Roadside Misiones; Ibera, San Luis
Yellow-headed Caracara	<i>Milvago chimachima</i>	Roadside Misiones, Ibera
Chimango Caracara	<i>Milvago chimango</i>	Ibera, San Luis

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Spot-winged Falconet	<i>Spiziapteryx circumcinctus</i>	2 at San Luis
American Kestrel	<i>Falco sparverius</i>	Ibera
Aplomado Falcon	<i>Falco femoralis</i>	1 roadside along Highway 14 near Ibera turnoff
QUAIL		
Spot-winged Wood Quail	<i>Odontophorus capueira</i>	1 standing on Macuco Trail at Iguazu in late afternoon
LIMPKIN		
Limpkin	<i>Aramus guarauna</i>	1 at Ibera Km 18.8 (evening only)
RAILS, GALLINULES AND COOTS		
Rufous-sided Crake	<i>Laterallus melanophaius</i>	Heard only, 1 at Ibera Km 2.1, 1 at Km10
Gray-necked Wood-Rail	<i>Aramides cajanea</i>	2 at BA
Giant Wood-Rail	<i>Aramides ypecaha</i>	Very conspicuous in Ibera—1 running along road at Km 2.7
Blackish Rail	<i>Pardirallus nigricans</i>	Heard only, Iguazu
Common Moorhen (Gallinule)	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	3 at BA; 1 adult and one juvenile at San Luis
White-winged Coot	<i>Fulica leucoptera</i>	The most common of the coots at BA (not present in San Luis)
Red-gartered Coot	<i>Fulica armillata</i>	BA, the most common coot at San Luis
Red-fronted Coot	<i>Fulica rufifrons</i>	A few picked out in San Luis; probably overlooked in BA
JACANAS		
Wattled Jacana	<i>Jacana jacana</i>	Ibera, BA
AVOCETS AND STILTS		
White-backed Stilt	<i>Himantopus melanurus</i>	Ibera, BA, San Luis
PLOVERS AND LAPWINGS		
Southern Lapwing	<i>Vanellus chilensis</i>	All locations
SANDPIPERS		
Dowitcher sp.	<i>Limnodromus sp.</i>	3 for sure in BA; we thought there were more, but didn't take particular note of them not realizing that this is an unusual species for Argentina. We originally noted these basic-plumaged birds as "Long-billed" based solely on their inclusion in the field guide. We have since learned that Short-billed may be the expected Dowitcher in Argentina. Since we heard no vocalizations these now become "Dowitcher sp." I hope some experienced local birders also saw and identified these birds more carefully than we did.
Hudsonian Godwit	<i>Limosa haemastica</i>	1 at BA
Greater Yellowlegs	<i>Tringa melanoleuca</i>	BA, San Luis
Lesser Yellowlegs	<i>Tringa flavipes</i>	BA, San Luis
Solitary Sandpiper	<i>Tringa solitaria</i>	5+ at BA
Spotted Sandpiper	<i>Actitis macularia</i>	1 at Ibera Km 45.8, along Rio Aguapey
Pectoral Sandpiper	<i>Calidris melanotos</i>	Many at BA; 1 at San Luis
White-rumped Sandpiper	<i>Calidris fuscicollis</i>	2 picked out at BA, probably many more
Stilt Sandpiper	<i>Calidris himantopus</i>	Many at BA
Wilson's Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus tricolor</i>	BA, San Luis
GULLS		
Kelp Gull	<i>Larus dominicanus</i>	1 fly-by adult at BA
Brown-hooded Gull	<i>Larus maculipennis</i>	Very common at BA; never could find convincing Gray-hooded
SKIMMERS		
Black Skimmer	<i>Rynchops niger</i>	3 skimming along at BA were a surprise
PIGEONS AND DOVES		
Rock Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>	Iguazu, Ibera, BA
Picazuro Pigeon	<i>Patagioenas picazuro</i>	All locations
Spot-winged Pigeon	<i>Patagioenas maculosa</i>	A few individuals at San Luis
Pale-vented Pigeon	<i>Patagioenas cayennensis</i>	Iguazu
Eared Dove	<i>Zenaida auriculata</i>	All locations

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Plain-breasted Ground-Dove	<i>Columbina minuta</i>	1 by roadside at intersection of Highways 12 and 105 near town of Villalonga in Misiones; very rare in Argentina, but appears to be regular in the border region between Misiones and Corrientes
Ruddy Ground-Dove	<i>Columbina talpacoti</i>	Iguazu, Ibera
Picui Ground-Dove	<i>Columbina picui</i>	Ibera, BA, San Luis
White-tipped Dove	<i>Leptotila verreauxi</i>	Iguazu, 1 in Ibera; we never could convince ourselves that we had seen a clear Gray-fronted Dove
PARROTS		
Blue-crowned Parakeet	<i>Aratinga acuticaudata</i>	A single bird in San Luis
White-eyed Parakeet	<i>Aratinga leucophthalmus</i>	A small flock perched close enough to identify in Iguazu
Reddish-bellied (Maroon-bellied) Parakeet	<i>Pyrrhura frontalis</i>	Many flocks whizzing by in Iguazu, with one lingering long enough to see the yellow-green on the upper side of the tail; some trip reports claim Green-cheeked at this location, but the range maps in Narosky suggest that it isn't in the area
Monk Parakeet	<i>Myiopsitta monachus</i>	Ibera, BA and San Luis; a nesting colony at San Luis was particularly entertaining to watch
Blue-winged Parrotlet	<i>Forpus xanthopterygius</i>	Not hard to find at Iguazu
Scaly-headed Parrot	<i>Pionus maximiliani</i>	We convinced ourselves that some of the many fly-by parrots were this species in Iguazu
Turquoise-(Blue-) fronted Parrot	<i>Amazona aestiva</i>	1 well-seen fly-by in Iguazu
CUCKOOS		
Dark-billed Cuckoo	<i>Coccyzus melacoryphus</i>	1 bird allowed quick but convincing views in shrub cover at Ibera Km 19.0
Squirrel Cuckoo	<i>Piaya cayana</i>	Iguazu
Greater Ani	<i>Crotophaga major</i>	A few in a small wetland area near the entrance gate to Iguazu
Smooth-billed Ani	<i>Crotophaga ani</i>	Widespread Iguazu, Ibera
Guira Cuckoo	<i>Guira guira</i>	Ibera, BA, San Luis, roadside throughout; is this the easiest cuckoo to see in the world?
Striped Cuckoo	<i>Tapera naevia</i>	1 heard only, San Luis
OWLS		
Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl	<i>Glaucidium brasilianum</i>	1 responded to imitations of its call (which were being used to stir up other species) and even appeared on a nearby branch, in Iguazu; 1 heard at San Luis, but there seems to be considerable debate on the correct taxonomy for this and Austral Pygmy Owl in that part of Argentina—what we heard SOUNDED like a fairly typical Ferruginous, but I have no experience with Austral
Burrowing Owl	<i>Athene cunicularia</i>	A few scattered individuals at Ibera and San Luis, not common
NIGHTJARS		
Nacunda Nighthawk	<i>Podager nacunda</i>	1 flying across road at dawn outside of Puerto Iguazu
Pauraque	<i>Nyctidromus albicollis</i>	1 poorly seen bird near Puerto Iguazu in abandoned retreat center was very likely this species
Band-winged Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus longirostris</i>	1 flushed from side of road pre-dawn in San Luis
Scissor-tailed Nightjar	<i>Hydropsalis torquata</i>	1 around ranch buildings in San Luis, seen well just before dawn
SWIFTS		
Great Dusky Swift	<i>Cypseloides senex</i>	Abundant at Iguazu Falls; despite forewarning from the many previous descriptions, I was still astonished to watch thousands of these birds flying in and around the falls; also present away from the falls overhead
Gray-rumped Swift	<i>Chaetura cinereiventris</i>	A few overhead in Iguazu National Park away from the falls
Ashy-tailed (Sick's) Swift	<i>Chaetura andrei</i>	Overhead in Puerto Iguazu along the Parana River

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HUMMINGBIRDS		
Planalto Hermit	<i>Phaethornis pretrei</i>	1 at feeders in the "Hummingbird Garden" in Puerto Iguazu; very shy, came in to feeders only once or twice in the hour we were there
Black-throated Mango	<i>Anthracothorax nigricollis</i>	Easy to see at the feeders in Puerto Iguazu
Glittering-bellied Emerald	<i>Chlorostilbon aureoventris</i>	Iguazu, BA; the most common hummingbird seen away from feeders
Violet-capped Woodnymph	<i>Thalurania glaucopis</i>	A few regular at the feeders in Puerto Iguazu
Gilded Sapphire	<i>Hylocharis chrysura</i>	1 or 2 seen in Iguazu away from the feeders; common at the feeders in Puerto Iguazu; 1 at BA
Versicolored Emerald	<i>Agyrtria versicolor</i>	A few at the feeders in Puerto Iguazu including a tiny little juvenile still begging for food
TROGONS AND QUETZALS		
Black-throated Trogon	<i>Trogon rufus</i>	1 seen along Macuco Trail in Iguazu; several more heard throughout the Iguazu forest
Surucua Trogon	<i>Trogon surrucura</i>	Easy to see and hear throughout the Iguazu area
KINGFISHERS		
Ringed Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle torquatus</i>	Ibera
Amazon Kingfisher	<i>Chloroceryle amazona</i>	Ibera
MOTMOTS		
Rufous-capped Motmot	<i>Baryphthengus ruficapillus</i>	Heard only, Iguazu
TOUCANS		
Chestnut-eared Aracari	<i>Pteroglossus castanotis</i>	2 seen along Road 101 in Iguazu
Spot-billed Toucanet	<i>Selenidera maculirostris</i>	1 seen along Macuco Trail in Iguazu
Toco Toucan	<i>Ramphastos toco</i>	Very common and conspicuous at Iguazu, including right outside the Sheraton Hotel
WOODPECKERS		
Ochre-collared Piculet	<i>Picumnus temminckii</i>	Quiet, but not too hard to find, in Iguazu; a few individuals seen along Road 101 and on Macuco Trail
Yellow-fronted Woodpecker	<i>Melanerpes flavifrons</i>	2 on dead snag along Road 101 in Iguazu
Checkered Woodpecker	<i>Picoides mixtus</i>	2 at San Luis
White-spotted Woodpecker	<i>Veniliornis spilogaster</i>	2 along Road 101 at Iguazu
Golden-breasted Woodpecker	<i>Colaptes (melanochloros?) melanolaimus</i>	2 at San Luis; Narosky still has this as a separate species from the next one, but Avibase (and Clements) have it lumped
Green-barred Woodpecker	<i>Colaptes melanochloros</i>	1 at Iguazu along Road 101
Campo (Field) Flicker	<i>Colaptes campestris</i>	All locations
Lineated Woodpecker	<i>Dryocopus lineatus</i>	1 along Macuco Trail, Iguazu
Robust Woodpecker	<i>Campephilus robustus</i>	1 on same snag as held Yellow-fronted Woodpeckers, along Road 101 at Iguazu; a magnificent bird
OVENBIRDS		
Rufous Hornero	<i>Furnarius rufus</i>	All locations; is there anywhere in northern and central Argentina where you CAN'T find this endearing species?
Crested Hornero	<i>Furnarius cristatus</i>	1 at San Luis
Tufted Tit-Spinetail	<i>Leptasthenura platensis</i>	Common in San Luis
Sooty-fronted Spinetail	<i>Synallaxis frontalis</i>	1 seen well in BA in outermost area at Costanera Sur, in shrubs beyond the pampas grass fringe
Pale-breasted Spinetail	<i>Synallaxis albescens</i>	1 at San Luis
Olive Spinetail	<i>Cranioleuca obsoleta</i>	1 along Macuco Trail in Iguazu
Stripe-crowned Spinetail	<i>Cranioleuca pyrrhophia</i>	Common at San Luis
Yellow-chinned (-throated) Spinetail	<i>Certhiaxis cinnamomea</i>	1 at Iguazu was a bit of a surprise; more expected were 2 at Ibera at Km 19.0
Short-billed Canastero	<i>Asthenes baeri</i>	Fairly common at San Luis, where distinctive call helped locate individuals
Little Thornbird	<i>Phacellodomus sibilatrix</i>	2 in Ibera at Km 10.0, feeding young

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Greater Thornbird	<i>Phacellodomus ruber</i>	A few at various points along Road 40 in Ibera, such as at Km 0.8
Lark-like Brushrunner	<i>Coryphistera alaudina</i>	At least 2 in San Luis
Brown Cacholote	<i>Pseudoseisura lophotes</i>	Common at San Luis
Streaked Xenops	<i>Xenops rutilans</i>	1 along Macuco Trail in Iguazu
Plain Xenops	<i>Xenops minutus</i>	2 along Road 101 in Iguazu
Buff-fronted Foliage-gleaner	<i>Syndactyla rufosuperciliata</i>	Individuals seen at various points in forest around Iguazu
Ochre-breasted Foliage-gleaner	<i>Philydor lichtensteini</i>	Throughout forests in Iguazu, but always in lesser numbers than Buff-fronted
White-eyed Foliage-gleaner	<i>Automolus leucophthalmus</i>	2 seen along Macuco Trail in Iguazu; persistent and distinctive call got us on the bird
WOODCREEPERS		
Olivaceous Woodcreeper	<i>Sittasomus griseicapillus</i>	1 along Road 101, 1 along Macuco Trail in Iguazu
Planalto Woodcreeper	<i>Dendrocolaptes platyrostris</i>	1 seen and heard along Road 101 in Iguazu
Lesser Woodcreeper	<i>Xiphorhynchus fuscus</i>	1 heard only along track just off Road 101 in Iguazu; guide worked hard to bring it in with a tape, but it wouldn't cooperate
Narrow-billed Woodcreeper	<i>Lepidocolaptes angustirostris</i>	1 in trees just inside northern entrance gate at Costanera Sur, BA; common around ranch buildings at San Luis
TYPICAL ANTBIRDS		
Spot-backed Antshrike	<i>Hypoedaleus guttatus</i>	1 called in by guide with tape; heard frequently throughout Iguazu forests; this, and the following antbirds noted as taped below, would have been nearly impossible to see without the tape
Tufted Antshrike	<i>Mackenziaena severa</i>	Heard only; would not come in to tape, in Iguazu
Variable Antshrike	<i>Thamnophilus caerulescens</i>	4 seen well, all with tape; many more heard only in Iguazu
Plain Antwreos	<i>Dysithamnus mentalis</i>	Heard only along Macuco Trail in Iguazu; did not attempt to bring in with tape
Rufous-winged Antwren	<i>Herpsilochmus rufimarginatus</i>	1 taped in along track off Road 101 in Iguazu; 2 others heard only in same general area
Bertoni's Antbird	<i>Drymophila rubricollis</i>	1 taped in near Road 101 in Iguazu
Streak-capped Antwren	<i>Terenura maculata</i>	1 seen without tape along Macuco Trail in Iguazu
White-shouldered Fire-eye	<i>Pyriglena leucoptera</i>	Pair brought in by tape along track near Road 101 in Iguazu; we could never see the male but the female was too close for the binoculars
ANTHRUSHES AND ANTPITTAS		
Short-tailed Antthrush	<i>Chamaeza campanisona</i>	Heard only along Macuco Trail in Iguazu; did not attempt to bring in with tape
Variegated Antpitta	<i>Grallaria varia</i>	Heard only along Road 101 in Iguazu; did not attempt to bring in with tape
PLANTCUTTERS		
White-tipped Plantcutter	<i>Phytotoma rutila</i>	Common at San Luis; easy to see and hear; we loved the "creaky" call, like a branch creaking in the wind
MANAKINS		
White-bearded Manakin	<i>Manacus manacus</i>	Several seen along the Macuco Trail in Iguazu; the loud snap alerted us to the birds' presence
Blue (Swallow-tailed) Manakin	<i>Chiroxiphia caudata</i>	3 fairly high up in a tree along the Macuco Trail in Iguazu; at first glance we thought they were tanagers!
TYRANT FLYCATCHERS		
Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet	<i>Camptostoma obsoletum</i>	Iguazu, BA, San Luis
Yellow Tyrannulet	<i>Capsiempis flaveola</i>	Common at Iguazu; easier to locate once we learned its song
Yellow-bellied Elaenia	<i>Elaenia flavogaster</i>	Iguazu
White-crested Elaenia	<i>Elaenia albiceps</i>	All at San Luis. We had a little confusion over this and the next species. All of the many birds of these two species that we saw had very prominent, triangular white patches on the crest and nape, leading

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		us to call them all White-crested. We also heard many vocalizations from less-well-seen birds that perfectly match the call of the more common Small-billed. With some hesitation, then, we'll claim both, but put it on the list to observe more carefully next time
Small-billed Elaenia	<i>Elaenia parvirostris</i>	See comments above. Probable migrants, as we saw one large flock of 7 birds in one tree that were probably this (and not the previous) species.
White-bellied Tyrannulet	<i>Serpophaga munda</i>	At least 3 separate birds noted in San Luis
White-crested Tyrannulet	<i>Serpophaga subcristata</i>	Ibera, San Luis
Bay-ringed Tyrannulet	<i>Phylloscartes sylviolus</i>	1 seen well in forested area near Puerto Iguazu
Planalto Tyrannulet	<i>Phyllomyias fasciatus</i>	2 along Road 101 in Iguazu
Greenish Tyrannulet	<i>Phyllomyias virescens</i>	1 along Road 101 in Iguazu
Rough-legged Tyrannulet	<i>Phyllomyias burmeisteri</i>	1 along Macuco Trail in Iguazu took us quite some time to eventually work out
Southern Scrub-Flycatcher	<i>Sublegatus modestus</i>	1 in San Luis
Greater Wagtail-Tyrant	<i>Stigmatura budytoides</i>	Fairly common in San Luis
Eared Pygmy-Tyrant	<i>Myiornis auricularis</i>	2 along Road 101 in Iguazu
Southern Antpipit	<i>Corythopis delalandi</i>	Heard only along Macuco Trail; call was very distinctive; bird must have been 5 feet away and we couldn't quite get a clear look
Yellow-olive Flycatcher	<i>Tolmomyias sulphurescens</i>	1 along Macuco Trail at Iguazu
Bran-colored Flycatcher	<i>Myiophobus fasciatus</i>	2+ at San Luis
Euler's Flycatcher	<i>Lathrotriccus euleri</i>	Seen briefly along Macuco Trail in Iguazu, but call clinched the ID
Vermilion Flycatcher	<i>Pyrocephalus rubinus</i>	San Luis; I'm never sorry to see this familiar bird
White Monjita	<i>Xolmis irupero</i>	1 in Ibera at Km 45.8 (bridge); Common at San Luis
Black-and-white Monjita	<i>Xolmis dominicanus</i>	1 in Ibera at Km 9.2
Blue-billed Black-Tyrant	<i>Knipolegus cyanirostris</i>	2 from the roadside near San Martin in Misiones, an area mentioned in Wheatley and other finding guides
Spectacled Tyrant	<i>Hymenops perspicillatus</i>	1 in BA; 3 in San Luis
White-headed Marsh-Tyrant	<i>Arundinicola leucocephala</i>	1 in Ibera at Km 10.0
Yellow-browed Tyrant	<i>Satrapa icterophrys</i>	3 in BA
Long-tailed Tyrant	<i>Colonia colonus</i>	Iguazu, Ibera; no offense to this lovely little bird, but I would have traded in a few of these for some of its strange-tailed cousins!
Cattle Tyrant	<i>Machetornis rixosus</i>	Iguazu, Ibera, San Luis
Sirystes	<i>Sirystes sibilator</i>	2 along Road 101 in Iguazu
Swainson's Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus swainsoni</i>	3 along Road 101 in Iguazu
Great Kiskadee	<i>Pitangus sulphuratus</i>	All locations
Boat-billed Flycatcher	<i>Megarynchus pitangua</i>	1 only at a small wetland near the entrance to Iguazu National Park
Social (Vermillion-crowned) Flycatcher	<i>Myiozetetes similis</i>	Iguazu
Three-striped Flycatcher	<i>Conopias trivirgata</i>	1 definitively identified, undoubtedly others overlooked or passed off as Social Flycatcher without a careful look
Streaked Flycatcher	<i>Myiodynastes maculatus</i>	Iguazu, Ibera, BA
Piratic Flycatcher	<i>Legatus leucophaeus</i>	1 in small woodland near Puerto Iguazu
Variegated Flycatcher	<i>Empidonomus varius</i>	A few in scattered areas around Iguazu
Crowned Slaty Flycatcher	<i>Griseotyrannus aurantioatrocristatus</i>	1 near San Martin; 2 at San Luis
Tropical Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus melancholicus</i>	All locations
Fork-tailed Flycatcher	<i>Tyrannus savana</i>	Iguazu, Ibera, San Luis
Greenish Schiffornis (Manakin)	<i>Schiffornis virescens</i>	1 well seen along Macuco Trail in Iguazu
Chestnut-crowned Becard	<i>Pachyramphus castaneus</i>	1 not-so-well seen along Macuco Trail in Iguazu, but well enough for ID; vocalization helped confirm ID

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SWALLOWS		
Brown-chested Martin	<i>Progne tapera</i>	1 well seen in entry area at visitor center in Iguazu National Park
Gray-breasted Martin	<i>Progne chalybea</i>	Iguazu, Ibera, BA
Southern Martin	<i>Progne elegans</i>	3 at San Luis
White-winged Swallow	<i>Tachycineta albiventer</i>	Many flying around bridge area at Ibera Km 45.8
White-rumped Swallow	<i>Tachycineta leucorrhoa</i>	All locations; the most common swallow seen on the trip
Blue-and-white Swallow	<i>Notiochelidon cyanoleuca</i>	A few noted at bridge at Ibera Km 45.8; probably others overlooked in Iguazu
Black-collared Swallow	<i>Atticora melanoleuca</i>	A few noted near visitor center at Iguazu NP
Tawny-headed Swallow	<i>Alopochelidon fucata</i>	1 clearly seen at Iguazu near falls; others noted at Ibera and San Luis
Southern Rough-winged Swallow	<i>Stelgidopteryx ruficollis</i>	Iguazu, Ibera
WAGTAILS AND PIPITS		
Yellowish Pipit	<i>Anthus lutescens</i>	3 walking on the road at Ibera Km 5.4; 2 at San Luis
Ochre-breasted Pipit	<i>Anthus nattereri</i>	1 along road at Ibera Km 2.1, Another at 2.5
WRENS		
House Wren	<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>	All locations
MOCKINGBIRDS AND THRASHERS		
Chalk-browed Mockingbird	<i>Mimus saturninus</i>	All locations; very common in BA alongside roads, parks, etc.
White-banded Mockingbird	<i>Mimus triurus</i>	2 only, at San Luis
THRUSHES		
Rufous-bellied Thrush	<i>Turdus rufiventris</i>	Iguazu, BA; the most common thrush in BA, with many in city parks and along wooded avenues
Pale-breasted Thrush	<i>Turdus leucomelas</i>	Iguazu; we had some confusion about how to distinguish this from the next, largely from reliance on poorly reproduced pictures in Narosky
Creamy-bellied Thrush	<i>Turdus amaurochalinus</i>	Iguazu; 2 noted at BA, but much harder to find there
White-necked Thrush	<i>Turdus albicollis</i>	1 adult and 1 juvenile along the Macuco Trail, Iguazu; it took some looking to finally find this species
GNATCATCHERS		
Creamy-bellied Gnatcatcher	<i>Polioptila lactea</i>	1 along Road 101 in Iguazu
Masked Gnatcatcher	<i>Polioptila dumicola</i>	Ibera, common in BA
CROWS AND JAYS		
Plush-crested Jay	<i>Cyanocorax chrysops</i>	Very common and conspicuous at Iguazu, including birds watched while we drank coffee in the Sheraton bar
STARLINGS		
European Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Numerous in BA, especially at domestic airport
OLD WORLD SPARROWS		
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	Iguazu, BA, San Luis
VIREOS AND ALLIES		
Red-eyed (Chivi)Vireo	<i>Vireo olivaceus</i>	Iguazu, San Martin area
Rufous-crowned Greenlet	<i>Hylophilus poicilotis</i>	1 heard well but only poorly seen along Macuco Trail at Iguazu
FINCHES, SISKINS, CROSSBILLS		
Hooded Siskin	<i>Carduelis magellanica</i>	Ibera, BA, abundant in San Luis
WOOD WARBLERS		
Tropical Parula	<i>Parula pitiauyumi</i>	Iguazu
Masked Yellowthroat	<i>Geothlypis aequinoctialis</i>	Common at Iguazu; not hard to find in BA
Golden-crowned Warbler	<i>Basileuterus culicivorus</i>	Iguazu
BANANAQUIT		
Bananaquit	<i>Coereba flaveola</i>	Iguazu
TANAGERS AND ALLIES		
Chestnut-vented Conebill	<i>Conirostrum speciosum</i>	Iguazu

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Magpie Tanager	<i>Cissopis leveriana</i>	Not common, but easily seen when present throughout forest in Iguazu
Guira Tanager	<i>Hemithraupis guira</i>	3 along Road 101 at Iguazu
Ruby-crowned Tanager	<i>Tachyphonus coronatus</i>	Very common throughout Iguazu; never saw ruby crown
White-lined Tanager	<i>Tachyphonus rufus</i>	1 seen along track near Road 101; possibly some of what we called Ruby-crowned were actually this species
Black-goggled Tanager	<i>Trichothraupis melanops</i>	Common throughout Iguazu forests
Red-crowned Ant-Tanager	<i>Habia rubica</i>	A few individuals noted along Road 101, Iguazu
Sayaca Tanager	<i>Thraupis sayaca</i>	At Hummingbird Garden in Puerto Iguazu, Ibera, San Martin
Blue-and-yellow Tanager	<i>Thraupis bonariensis</i>	2 at San Luis
Purple-throated Euphonia	<i>Euphonia chlorotica</i>	Fairly common in forested areas at Iguazu
Violaceous Euphonia	<i>Euphonia violacea</i>	Fairly common in forested areas at Iguazu
Chestnut-bellied Euphonia	<i>Euphonia pectoralis</i>	Less common, but not hard to find with persistence, in Iguazu
Blue-naped Chlorophonia	<i>Chlorophonia cyanea</i>	3 in forested area near Puerto Iguazu; 1 along Road 101
Blue Dacnis	<i>Dacnis cayana</i>	Iguazu
Swallow-Tanager	<i>Tersina viridis</i>	Very common throughout Iguazu
BUNTINGS, SEEDEATERS, ALLIES		
Red-crested Finch	<i>Coryphospingus cucullatus</i>	2 at small wetland near entrance station at Iguazu NP; 1 right along road near Sheraton
Long-tailed Reed-Finch	<i>Donacospiza albifrons</i>	1 only at Ibera Km 19.0
Common Diuca-Finch	<i>Diuca diuca</i>	Fairly common at San Luis
Black-and-rufous Warbling-Finch	<i>Poospiza nigrorufa</i>	Very common at BA, including begging young
Black-capped Warbling-Finch	<i>Poospiza melanoleuca</i>	2 at BA
Blue-black Grassquit	<i>Volatinia jacarina</i>	Ibera
Double-collared Seedeater	<i>Sporophila caerulea</i>	All locations
Dark-throated Seedeater	<i>Sporophila ruficollis</i>	1 male in wet weedy area just off Sheraton Road between Macuco and Yacaratia trails
Marsh Seedeater	<i>Sporophila palustris</i>	6+ at Ibera 18.5, but only in this immediate stretch of the road
Chestnut Seedeater	<i>Sporophila cinnamomea</i>	Common along Road 40
Chestnut-bellied (Lesser) Seed-Finch	<i>Oryzoborus angolensis</i>	4 near entrance to Iguazu NP
Blackish-blue Seedeater	<i>Amaurospiza moesta</i>	3 noted in Iguazu alongside road to Sheraton, in location described for Dark-throated Seedeater
Saffron Finch	<i>Sicalis flaveola</i>	All locations
Grassland Yellow-Finch	<i>Sicalis luteola</i>	Ibera, San Luis
Wedge-tailed Grass-Finch	<i>Emberizoides herbicola</i>	Not hard to find along Road 40, Ibera, e.g. Km 2.1
Lesser Grass-Finch	<i>Emberizoides ypiranganus</i>	Various points along Road 40, e.g. Ibera Km 2.7
Great Pampa-Finch	<i>Embernagra platensis</i>	Common along Road 40 in Ibera (starting right at Km 0.8); also fairly common in San Luis
Red-crested Cardinal	<i>Paroaria coronata</i>	Ibera (junction of Road 40 and Highway 14, i.e. Km 0.0); BA
SPARROWS, TOWHEES, JUNCOS		
Saffron-billed Sparrow	<i>Arremon flavirostris</i>	2 at first light along Road 101, Iguazu
Grassland Sparrow	<i>Ammodramus humeralis</i>	Very common along Road 40 in Ibera, e.g. Km 3.3)
Rufous-collared Sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia capensis</i>	Ibera, BA, San Luis; strangely, never saw one in Iguazu!
SALTATORS, CARDINALS AND ALLIES		
Grayish Saltator	<i>Saltator coerulescens</i>	1 in BA was a bit of a surprise
Green-winged Saltator	<i>Saltator similis</i>	Common at Iguazu, various locations
Black-throated Grosbeak	<i>Saltator fuliginosus</i>	2 very conspicuous along Macuco Trail in Iguazu

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Ultramarine Grosbeak	<i>Cyanocompsa brissonii</i>	1 along Road 101, another along Macuco in Iguazu
Glaucous-blue (Indigo) Grosbeak	<i>Cyanoloxia glaucoacaerulea</i>	Another nice surprise at BA was 1 of these in the far outer region at Costanera Sur
BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES, ETC.		
Saffron-cowled Blackbird	<i>Xanthopsar flavus</i>	1 seen well at Ibera Km 9.2 (a.k.a. "Blackbird Acres")
Yellow-winged Blackbird	<i>Agelasticus thilius</i>	Fairly common at BA
Unicolored Blackbird	<i>Agelasticus cyanopus</i>	We picked out 3 of these on the lawn at the main visitor's center in Iguazu NP; probably more among unstudied "blackbirds" that we whizzed by in the car
White-browed Blackbird	<i>Sturnella superciliaris</i>	Many of these stunners in Ibera, e.g. Km 2.1, 9.2, 29, etc.)
Long-tailed Meadowlark	<i>Sturnella loyca</i>	San Luis
Bay-winged Cowbird	<i>Molothrus badius</i>	Ah, the cowbirds. We worked out a few definitive Bay-wingeds at BA and San Luis, but watch out for juvenile Screaming Cowbirds mixed in the flocks at this time of year!
Screaming Cowbird	<i>Molothrus rufoaxillaris</i>	Iguazu, San Luis; again many more within "cowbird sp." flocks
Shiny Cowbird	<i>Molothrus bonariensis</i>	Presumably the most common of the cowbirds, specifically noted at Iguazu, BA and San Luis
Epaulet Oriole	<i>Icterus cayanensis</i>	Iguazu, BA, San Luis
Red-rumped Cacique	<i>Cacicus haemorrhous</i>	Abundant at Iguazu and San Martin
Golden-winged Cacique	<i>Cacicus chrysopterus</i>	Fairly common along Road 101 in Iguazu
Yellow-rumped Marshbird	<i>Pseudoleistes guirahuro</i>	The more common of the black and yellow blackbirds along Road 40 in Ibera, e.g. at Km 2.1, 9.2
Brown-and-yellow Marshbird	<i>Pseudoleistes virescens</i>	5 seen at "Blackbird Acres", Ibera Km 9.2 (only location where seen)
Chopi Blackbird	<i>Gnorimopsar chopi</i>	A small flock identified along Highway 12 in Misiones

MAMMALS, HERPS

I have limited information on mammals and herps in Argentina. The following is a "best guess" at what we saw, in no convincing taxonomic order, drawn largely from accounts in two primarily Spanish language pamphlet books available for Iguazu and Ibera in the "Vida y Color" series. Not listed are a multitude of beautiful and varied butterflies that we saw throughout the trip, especially on one sunny afternoon in Iguazu.

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Rattlesnake	<i>Crotalus</i> sp (?)	1 very thick but relatively short (3 feet?) rattlesnake dozing in the middle of a track near Road 101; easily nudged aside with a long piece of cane (but watch your step!)
Tegu Lizard	<i>Tupinambis teguixin</i> (?)	Iguazu, Ibera, including some very large individuals
Arboreal Lizard (?)	<i>Tropidurus catalensis</i>	1 on grounds of Sheraton, Iguazu; not sure of proper English name (Lagarto arboricola in Spanish)
Brown Capuchin	<i>Cebus apella</i>	1 group along Road 101 in Iguazu; another along the Macuco Trail
Pampas Gray Fox	<i>Dusicyon gymnocercus</i>	1 adult and 2 young at a den along Road 40 in Ibera
Cavy Guinea Pig	<i>Cavia aperea</i>	A few along grassy verge on Sheraton entrance road, Iguazu; also along Road 40 in Ibera; also some in BA!
Azara's Agouti	<i>Dasyprocta azarae</i>	Several seen along Road 101 and Macuco in Iguazu
European Rabbit	?	1 smaller, non"hare" at San Luis; probably an introduced European Rabbit as it is probably too far south for Brazilian Rabbit, <i>Sylvilagus brasiliensis</i>
European Hare	<i>Lepus europaeus</i>	1 along Road 40 in Ibera (introduced species)

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