

**Costa Rica 31 July to 19 August 2005**

**Species List**

<b>Species</b>	<b>Trip records</b>
Brown Pelican	Common on coast e.g. Playa Flamingo, Potrero, Azucar. Max. 10 at Playa Flamingo
Brown Booby	1 at Playa Flamingo; 1 from boat in Flamingo Bay
Olivaceous Cormorant	1 on Corobici River; 30+ at Lake Arenal; sev from beaches in Flamingo area
Anhinga	Sev. in Lake Arenal
Magnificent Frigatebird	Common on coast from most beaches; also early morning around fishing boats in Flamingo marina. Max. 11 at Playa Flamingo
Bare-throated tiger-heron	3-4 on Corobici River; 1 Playa de Azucar; 1 Playa Real.
Yellow-crowned night-heron	2 on Corobici River ; 1 in estuary at Playa Tamarindo
Boat-billed heron	c.10 on Corobici River early morning
Cattle egret	c. 6 on Corobici River; abundant in rice fields nearby; c.100 flying in to roost at Tamarindo. Otherwise scarce
Green-backed (green) heron	1 on Corobici River; 3-4 at Lake Arenal; 1-2 at Playa Flamingo
Little blue heron	1 on Corobici River; 1 from Vista del Valle restaurant in river below
Tricolored heron	1 on Corobici River ; 1 at Playa Flamingo
Snowy egret	1 at Playa Conchal; 1 in Cameron Cove, Playa Flamingo
Great egret	20 at Lake Arenal; sev near Canas, 2 at Flamingo
Wood stork	c.10 on Corobici River
White ibis	3 at Playa Flamingo
Roseate spoonbill	1 at Playa Flamingo
Black-bellied whistling duck	2 at Lake Arenal; 4 at Playa Flamingo
Muscovy duck	1 on Corobici River ; 1 at Villa Encantada
Turkey vulture	Abundant everywhere
Black vulture	Abundant everywhere
Osprey	Singles on Corobici River, at Playa Flamingo and at Playa Real
Swallow-tailed kite	Several around Lake Arenal; 2 near Santa Elena
Roadside hawk	1 at Santa Rosa
Crested caracara	Fairly common, singles or pairs seen over Villa Encantada, near Tilaran, and in various places near Playa Flamingo
Grey-headed chachalaca	6 near edge of Lake Arenal; 3 in garden at Villa Encantada
Crested guan	1 at Santa Rosa
Grey-necked wood-rail	2 in garden at Villa Encantada, also seen in forest there
Black-necked stilt	3-4 at Lake Arenal
Greater Yellowlegs	Sev. at Lake Arenal
American oystercatcher	1 frequented Cameron Cove, Playa Flamingo
Spotted sandpiper	Common. 2 on Corobici River, 2 in Cameron Cove, Playa Flamingo, singles on most beaches in Flamingo area
Pectoral sandpiper	1 at Playa Potrero
Semipalmated plover	2 in estuary at Playa Tamarindo
Royal tern	1 at Playa Tamarindo, 2 at Playa Real
Feral pigeon	A few seen in most towns
Red-billed pigeon	Common, especially in mountains, but also in Playa Flamingo area
White-winged dove	Common in Playa Flamingo area, e.g. 7-8 seen in garden there
Common ground-dove	Seen singly or in pairs around Playa Flamingo, usually flushed from roadside
Inca dove	Abundant in the Playa Flamingo and Santa Rosa areas, also seen on Corobici River and at Vista del Valle. Not seen in mountain areas
White-tipped dove	Seen occasionally e.g. at Villa Encantada, Santa Rosa. Mournful song frequently heard in forests

Buff-fronted quail-dove	1 at Santa Elena Sky Walk
Orange-fronted parakeet	2 at Playa Prieta, 2 from road to Rincon de la Vieja. Many parakeets seen and heard in the Playa Flamingo area were thought to be this species
Orange-chinned parakeet	c20 in garden at Villa Encantada, 4 on Corobici River trip, up to 20 in Playa Flamingo area, smaller numbers elsewhere. Because of its small size this was the only parrot confidently identified in flight
Crimson-fronted parakeet	5 or 6 in garden at Villa Encantada. Many parakeets seen and heard in the Lake Arenal area were thought to be this species
Red-lored parrot	Several flocks of amazona parrots were seen flying over forest areas both in the mountains and in the Flamingo area, but never confidently identified. Some were probably of this species
Squirrel cuckoo	3 at lakeside, Villa Encantada, and 2 on River Corobici
Groove-billed ani	2 at Vista del Valle, 1 on Corobici trip, common around Playa Flamingo
Lesser ground-cuckoo	1 from road near Playa de Azucar
Common pauraque	1 or 2 seen in garden at Villa Encantada and heard most nights
Grey-rumped swift	c10 over river valley at Vista del Valle on 31 July
White-collared swift	c10 over road from Canas to Tilaran; c.30 over Pan- American Highway north of Liberia
Green hermit	4-5 at feeders at Santa Elena Cloud Forest; 2 at Santa Elena Sky Walk
Long-tailed hermit	1 by lakeside at Villa Encantada
Green violetear	Sev. at feeders at Santa Elena and Monteverde
Violet sabrewing	Sev. at feeders at Santa Elena, Santa Elena Sky Walk and Monteverde
Green-breasted mango	1 at Arenal Hanging Bridges
Fiery-throated hummingbird	Singles at Santa Elena Skywalk and at Monteverde
Cinnamon hummingbird	2 at Vista del Valle; 1 at Playa Flamingo. Several hummingbirds in the Playa Flamingo area thought to be this species
Rufous-tailed hummingbird	Sev. at Villa Encantada; 1 in Nuevo Arenal
Striped-tailed hummingbird	Sev. at feeders at Santa Elena, Sky Walk and Monteverde
Coppery-headed emerald	Sev. at feeders at Santa Elena, Sky Walk and Monteverde
Purple-throated mountain-gem	Abundant at feeders at Santa Elena, Sky Walk and Monteverde with about 20 at each location at any time
Plain-capped starthroat	1 at Vista del Valle
Green thornail	1 at Santa Elena
Slaty-tailed trogon	1 at Rincon de la Vieja
Black-headed trogon	1 or 2 from Corobici River trip
Ringed kingfisher	2 at Villa Encantada, 2 at Lake Arenal, 2 at Play Flamingo
Amazon kingfisher	1 on Corobici River
Green kingfisher	3 at various places on Lake Arenal, 2 or 3 on Corobici River
Turquoise-browed motmot	1 from Corobici River, 1 near Playa Real, 1 at Santa Rosa, 2 at Playa Flamingo
Rufous motmot	1 at Arenal Hanging Bridges
Blue-crowned motmot	3 at Vista del Valle
Rufous-tailed jacamar	1 at Villa Encantada
Collared aracari	5-6 at Villa Encantada one afternoon
Keel-billed toucan	1 or 2 from road around Lake Arenal; 9-8 at Villa Encantada on two occasions
Chestnut-mandibled toucan	1 at Villa Encantada; 1 from road near Nuevo Arenal
Black-cheeked woodpecker	2 at Villa Encantada
Hoffman's woodpecker	Common – seen frequently at Vista del Valle, Villa Encantada, Santa Rosa, Corobici River, Playa Flamingo
Streaked-headed woodcreeper	2 at Villa Encantada on several occasions, 1 at Santa Rosa
Buffy tuftedcheek	1 at Santa Elena

Barred antshrike	3-4 at 'Canopy Tour Cartagena' near Flamingo
Dull-mantled antbird	1 at Arenal Hanging Bridges
Cinnamon becard	2-3 at Villa Encantada
Masked tityra	2 at Vista del Valle, 3 at Villa Encantada
Black-crowned tityra	1 at Vista del Valle
White-collared manakin	2 at Villa Encantada in forest
Tropical kingbird	Abundant everywhere, often at roadside
Bright-rumped Attila	1 at Villa Encantada in forest
Sulphur-bellied flycatcher	Sev. flocks of 4-5 at Villa Encantada in forest and in garden
Social flycatcher	2+ at Vista del Valle; 2+ at Villa Encantada
Common tody-flycatcher	1 at Lake Arenal; 1-2 at Villa Encantada
Yellow-bellied elaenia	1 at Vista del Valle; 1 at Villa Encantada
Mistletoe tyrannulet	1-2 at Villa Encantada
Grey-capped flycatcher	2-3 at Villa Encantada
Boat-billed flycatcher	Flocks of up to 4-5 seen at Vista del Valle and at Villa Encantada
Great kiskadee	Abundant everywhere including Vista del Valle, Villa Encantada, Corobici River, Playa Flamingo
Brown-crested flycatcher	2 at Santa Rosa; 1 at Playa Flamingo
Nutting's flycatcher	1 at Villa Encantada
Tropical pewee	1 near lake Arenal; 1 at Villa Encantada
Grey-breasted martin	5-6 at Playa Flamingo
Mangrove swallow	6-7 at Villa Encantada (Lake Arenal and in garden); 2 at Playa Flamingo
Northern rough-winged swallow	10+ at Vista del Valle; c10 at Lake Arenal dam
White-throated magpie-jay	Fairly common - parties of 3-6 at Arenal Volcano National Park, Corobici River, Santa Rosa, Playa Azucar, Playa Flamingo
Brown jay	3 at Villa Encantada; 3 at Toad Hall near Lake Arenal
Rufous-naped wren	Abundant – seen at Vista del Valle, Corobici River, Canopy Tour Cartagena, Playa Real, Santa Rosa, Playa Flamingo but not at Vila Encantada
Banded wren	2 at Playa Conchal, 1 at Santa Rosa, 1 at Playa Prieta
House wren	2-3 at Villa Encantada in garden and at lakeside
Grey-breasted wood wren	3 at Villa Encantada in forest
White-throated robin	1 at Villa Encantada in forest
Clay-coloured robin	Common at Vista del Valle and at Villa Encantada but not seen at lower elevations
Black-faced solitaire	1 at Santa Elena
Yellow-green vireo	3 or 4 at Vista del Valle
Bananaquit	5-6 at Monteverde Hummingbird garden feeders
Three-striped warbler	2 at Santa Elena
Rufous-capped warbler	1 at Santa Rosa
Buff-rumped warbler	2 at Arenal Hanging Bridges; 2 at Villa Encantada (lake edge and in forest)
Montezuma oropendola	Abundant at higher elevations – seen at Vista del Valle, Toad Hall, Arenal Hanging Bridges, and at Villa Encantada where 30+ seen most mornings
Black-cowled oriole	2 at Villa Encantada
Bronzed cowbird	Several at roadside near Lake Arenal
Great-tailed grackle	Abundant in mountains and on coast, with flocks of around 6-7 seen in many locations
Orchard oriole	1 female seen on Corobici River cruise
Streaked-backed oriole	3 at Playa Flamingo
Scrub euphonia	2 at Vista del Valle
Yellow-throated euphonia	Common at Villa Encantada, also at Eco Lodge
Golden-hooded tanager	2+ at Villa Encantada
Blue-grey tanager	c10 at Vista del Valle; sev at Villa Encantada and at Playa

	Flamingo
Red-legged honeycreeper	3-4 at Villa Encantada; 3 at Rincon de la Vieja
Green honeycreeper	1 female with young at Villa Encantada
Palm tanager	2+ at Villa Encantada
Scarlet-rumped tanager	c6 at Villa Encantada
Grey-headed tanager	Sev at Santa Rosa
Red-throated ant-tanager	3-4 at Villa Encantada in forest
Common bush-tanager	2 at Santa Elena; c6 at Sky Walk
Buff-throated saltator	2-3 at Villa Encantada
Greyish saltator	1 at Vista del Valle; 1-2 at Villa Encantada
Blue grosbeak	1 at Vista del Valle; 1 at Playa Azucar; 2 at Villa Encantada
Yellow-faced grassquit	1 at Arenal hanging Bridges
White-collared seedeater	2 at Villa Encantada by lake
Blue-black grassquit	4+ at Villa Encantada
Variable seedeater	1 at Villa Encantada by lake
Thick-billed seed-finch	c4 at Villa Encantada; also by roadside near Lake Arenal
Orange-billed sparrow	4 at Villa Encantada in forest
Black-striped sparrow	2 at Villa Encantada; 1 at Arenal Hanging Bridges; 2 at Lake Arenal lakeside
Striped-headed sparrow	2+ at Playa Flamingo; 1 at Flamingo beach; 2 on road to Playa Real
Rufous-collared sparrow	1 at Arenal Hanging Bridges; 1 in Nuevo Arenal
House sparrow	Sev at Canas