Sightings

Birds

The bird list follows the order used in The Birds of Trinidad & Tobago, which follows the American Ornithologists' Union's South American Checklist.

HC = High Count. BWI = Blue Waters Inn

Rufous-vented Chachalaca.	*Ortalis ruficauda*	Daily around BWI. HC 22
Least Grebe	*Tachybaptus dominicus*	1 Bloody Bay
Brown Pelican	*Pelecanus accidentalis*	>3 daily BWI. HC20 coastal drive
Audubon's Shearwater	*Puffinus lherminieri*	2 on Little Tobago
Red-billed Tropicbird	*Phaethon aethereus*	Daily from BWI. HC 20 on Little Tobago
Magnificent Frigatebird	*Fregata magnificens*	Daily from BWI and other coastal stops
Brown Booby	*Sula leucogaster*	Daily from BWI. HC 10 on Little Tobago
Red-footed Booby	*Sula sula*	20 on Little Tobago
Yellow-crowned Night Heron	*Nyctanassa violacea*	1 at BWI, 7 at Bloody Bay
Green Heron	*Butorides virescens*	1 at Betsey's Hope, 2 at Bloody Bay
Western Cattle Egret	*Bubulcus ibis*	Common. HC 7 at Bloody Bay
Little Blue Heron	*Egretta caerulea*	1 or 2 most river areas.
Great Blue Heron	*Ardea herodias*	1 at Betsey's Hope
Great Egret	*Ardea alba*	1 at Betsey's Hope
Tricoloured Heron	*Egretta tricolor*	1 at Betsey's Hope
Osprey	*Pandion haliaetus*	1 at Little Tobago. 1seen regularly at BWI
Great Black Hawk	*Buteogallus urubitinga*	3 Tobago Rainforest, 1 Starwood lookout
Broad-winged Hawk	*Buteo platypterus*	1 or 2 seen regularly
Yellow-headed Caracara	*Milvago chimachima*	1 at Bloody Bay, 2 near BWI Waterwheel
Peregrine Falcon	*Falco peregrinus*	1 at Little Tobago, 1 behind BWI
American Purple Gallinule	*Porphyrio matinica*	2 at Bloody Bay
Common Gallinule (Moorhen)	*Gallinula galeata*	4 at Betsey's Hope
Southern Lapwing	*Vanellus chilensis*	Seen regularly, HC 6 at Bloody Bay
Semipalmated Plover	*Charadrius semipalmatus*	6 at Betsey's Hope
Ruddy Turnstone	*Arenaria interpres*	14 daily at BWI, 9 Speyside
Greater Yellowlegs	*Tringa melanoleuca*	1 at Betsey's Hope
Spotted Sandpiper	*Actitis macularius*	1 BWI, 1 Turtle Bch, 1 Betsey's Hope, 1 He'tage
Laughing Gull	*Leucophaeus atricilla*	1 BWI, 50 Turtle Beach, 20 Charlotteville
Royal Tern	*Sterna maxima*	8 Turtle Beach
Cabot's (Sandwich) Tern	*Thalasseus sandvicensis acuflavidus*	20 Turtle Beach
Cayenne (Sandwich) Tern	*Thalasseus sandvicensis eurygnatha*	1 Turtle Beach
Eared Dove	*Zenaida auriculata*	3 Airport, 1 Betsey's Hope, 6 North roads
Pale-vented Pigeon	*Patagioenas cayennensis*	Daily around BWI, HC 6
Feral Pigeon	*Columba livia (feral)*	HC 4 on North roads
Ruddy Ground-Dove	*Columbina talpacoti*	Seen regularly, HC 4 at Turtle Bay
White-tipped Dove	*Leptotila verreauxi*	1 or 2 seen most days
Orange-winged Parrot	*Amazona amazonica*	Rainforest and North roads, HC 20
Green-rumped Parrolet	*Forpus passerines*	2 near BWI Waterwheel
Smooth-billed Ani	*Crotophaga ani*	6 BWI Waterwheel, HC 12 on North roads
Grey-rumped Swift	*Chaetura cinereiventris*	4 BWI, Betsey's Hope and near the Airport
Short-tailed Swift	*Chaetura brachyuran*	BWI, Speyside and Little Tobago. HC 6
Rufous-breasted Hermit	*Glaucis hirsutus*	1 or 2 BWI, Speyside and Rainforest
White-tailed Sabrewing	*Campylopterusensipennis*	2 Rainforest
Ruby-topaz Hummingbird	*Chrysolampis mosquitus*	Speyside,Arnos Vale & R'forest. Daily BWI
Black-throated Mango	*Anthracothorax nigricollis*	Speyside,Arnos Vale & R'forest. Daily BWI
White-necked Jacobin	*Florisuga mellivora*	2 Rainforest, 2 Speyside, 1 Arnos Vale
Copper-rumped Hummingbird	*Amazilia tobaci*	Speyside,Arnos Vale & R'forest. Daily BWI
Collared Trogon	*Trogon collaris*	2 Rainforest

Trinidad Motmot	*Momotus bahamensis*	2 Little Tobago, 2 Speyside, Regularly BWI
Rufous-tailed Jacamar	*Galbula ruficauda*	4 Rainforest, 1 BWI Starwood Trail
Belted Kingfisher	*Megaceryle alcyon*	1 Little Tobago
Green Kingfisher	*Chloroceryle Americana*	1 Hermitage
Red-crowned Woodpecker	*Melanerpes rubricapillus*	1 or 2 seen 3 times near BWI Waterwheel
Golden-olive Woodpecker	*Colaptes rubiginosus*	3 Rainforest
Stripe-breasted Spinetail	*Synallaxis cinnamomea*	1 Rainforest Gilpin Trace
Olivaceous Woodcreeper	*Sittasomus griseicapillus*	1 heard Rainforest Gilpin Trace
Cocoa Woodcreeper	*Xiphorhynchus susurrans*	1 Rainforest Gilpin Trace
Barred Antshrike	*Thamnophilus doliatus*	>3 regularly at BWI & trails, 1 Rainforest
White-fringed Antwren	*Formicivora grisea*	>2 regularly at BWI & trails
Yellow-bellied Elaenia	*Elaenia flavogaster*	>2 reg. at BWI & trails, 1 Betsey's Hope
Streaked Flycatcher	*Myiodynastes maculates*	1 Rainforest
Tropical Kingbird	*Tyrannus melancholicus*	Regularly BWI & trails, North roads HC10
Venezuelan Flycatcher	*Myiarchus venezuelensis*	3 Rainforest
Brown-crested Flycatcher	*Myiarchus tyrannulus*	>2 regularly BWI & trails
Grey Kingbird	*Tyrannus dominicensis*	1 Rainforest, 2 Hermitage, 2 BWI & trails
Blue-backed Manakin	*Chiroxiphia pareola*	2 Rainforest, 1 BWI Waterwheel trail
Red-eyed (Chivi) Vireo	*Vireo olivaceus*	2 on Little Tobago
Scrub Greenlet	*Hylophilus flavipes*	>3 regularly BWI & trails
Caribbean Martin	*Progne dominicensis*	Common. HC 8
Rufous-breasted Wren	*Pheugopedius rutilus*	1 Rainforest Gilpin Trace
House Wren	*Troglodytes aedon*	Common HC 4 at BWI
Tropical Mockingbird	*Mimus gilvus*	Seen daily. HC 8
Yellow-legged Thrush	*Turdus flavipes*	3 Rainforest Gilpin Trace
Spectacled Thrush	*Turdus nudigenis*	Fairly common. HC 4
White-necked Thrush	*Turdus albicollis*	1 Rainforest
White-lined Tanager	*Tachyphonus luctuosus*	4 Rainforest
Blue-grey Tanager	*Thraupis episcopus*	>2 seen most days BWI. 2 Rainforest
Palm Tanager	*Thraupis palmarum*	>4 seen most days BWI. 4 Rainforest
Red-legged Honeycreeper	*Cyanerpes cyaneus*	>6 Rainforest
Bananaquit	*Coereba floveola*	Common and widespread. Seen daily HC10
Black-faced Grassquit	*Tiaris bicolour*	Widespread. Seen most days HC 8
Blue-black Grassquit	*Volatinia jacarina*	2 Rainforest
American Redstart	*Setophaga ruticilla*	1 Little Tobago
Northern Waterthrush	*Seiurus noveboracensis*	1 BWI, 1 Little Tobago
Crested Oropendola	*Psarocolius decumanus*	BWI, L.Tobago, Hermitage & R'forest HC6
Shiny Cowbird	*Molothrus bonariensis*	Common HC 10
Giant Cowbird	*Molothrus oryzivorus*	2 Rainforest
Carib Grackle	*Quiscalus lugubris*	Common HC 6
Violaceous Euphonia	*Euphonia violacea*	1 Rainforest

Butterflies

Polydamas Swallowtail	*Battus polydamas*
Large Orange Sulphur	*Phoebis agarithe*
Little Yellowie	*Eurema venusta*
Ghost Yellow	*Eurema albula*
Mallow Scrub-hairstreak	*Strymon istapa*
Marine Blue	*Leptotes marina*
Cassius Blue	*Leptotes cassius*
Gulf Fritillary	*Agraulis vanillae*
The Postman	*Heliconius melpomene*
Caribbean Buckeye	*Junonia evarete*
White Peacock	*Anartia jatrophae*
Red Anartia	*Anartia amathea*
St. Lucia Mestra	*Mestra canna*

Common Lenmark	*Juditha caucana*
Metalmark sp. B'ved Brown's Metalmark	*Calephelis browni*
(no common name)	*Euptychia hermes*
Underleaf	*Lymnas iarbas*
Zilpa Longtail	*Chioides zilpa*
Brown Longtail	*Urbanus procne*
Common Long-tail Skipper	*Urbanus proteus*
Tropical Checkered-skipper	*Pyrqus oileus*
Mimosa Skipper	*Cogia calchas*
Whirlabout	*Polites vibex*

Reptiles and Amphibians

Giant Ameive	*Ameiva Ameiva*
Richard's Anole	*Anolis richardii*
Rainbow Whiptail	*Cnemidophorus lemniscatus*
House Gecko	*Hemidactylus mabouia*
Common Tiger Ratsnake	*Spilotes pullatus*
Numerous unid. tadpoles and baby frogs	

Mammals

Neotropical Red Squirrel	*Sciurus granatensis*
Agouti (believed Red-rumped)	*Dasyprocta leporine*
Bat (believed Lesser Spear-nosed)	*Phyllostomus elongatus*

Other sightings

Marine Crab
Ghost Crab
Fiddler Crab
Hermit Crab
Large black/violet flying beetle
4 species unid. Dragonflies