Manu Road 21-31 dec 2004

Part of the Manu Road with a view of the Cock-of-the-Rock lodge

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General

This trip was organized by Kolibri Expeditions. Although during the rainy season we had mainly fair weather with some nightly rain and a few midday showers. Birding was only disturbed by rain on a few occasions. The bird activity was generally poor and we had the feeling of birding in the northern hemisphere in July. We saw many juveniles of several species and also found a nest with eggs. The song activity was thus very poor with singing mainly the first hour making it difficult to find the shyer birds. We saw or heard a total of 301 species.

Leader - Roger Ahlman/Kolibri Expeditions
Participants - Elaine and Donald Mahaffey
Driver - Adriano

Itinerary

21 dec - The two participants, Elaine and Donald Mahaffey, were met at Lima airport by Roger Ahlman from Kolibri Expeditions and we boarded the 6 am flight to Cusco. The inflight was spectacular with snow covered mountains. Our driver Adriano was waiting for us at the airport with the Toyota Landcruiser and we were soon off towards Manu Road. A rather boring drive through upland cultivated landscape for a few hours took us to Paucartambo where we had lunch and soon afterwards started birding in the dry scrub picking up Chestnut-breasted mountain-finch among other more common birds. Once past the pass at Acjanco we were on the wet and humid east side of the mountains and the actual start of Manu road. We worked our way down the road with several stops picking up Moustached flowerpiercer but bird activity was rather poor. Short before dusk we arrived at Pillahuata at 2550 masl where we should camp (in-door) for two nights. Adriano was the cook of the night producing a nice fried chicken with rice while Roger surprised by bringing up a bottle of wine!
Weather: Sunny throughout the day. Nice and calm conditions on the wet side.

22 dec - We started the day with a short walk downhill before breakfast and then walked uphill until Adriano came and picked us up and we headed for the high part of the road trying to pick up some birds we missed yesterday. Birding was however very slow and Puna thistletail was the best find, so we drove a bit down the road to the tunnels and had a nice picnic lunch before walking the road downhill. The midday hours are usually slow and this day was no exception but Elaine proved sharp-eyed and found herself one of her most wanted birds - a Gray-breasted mountain-toucan that showed well. Later in the afternoon bird activity picked up a bit and Roger found two Golden-collared tanagers, another species high on the hitlist that we had searched for in vain higher up. We ended the day at dusk above Pillahuata with brief views and heard Swallow-tailed nightjar.
Weather: Sunny with just slight mist high up.

23 dec - Morning birding by foot downhill from Pillahuata across the river to 10 am then drive with a few stops to Cock-of-the-Rock lodge where we had lunch. A heavy rain shower gave us an excuse for having a midday break. Good birding along the road above the lodge in the afternoon.
Weather: Sunny with a heavy shower at CotR lodge at midday. A heavy thunderstorm during the night at Pillahuata.

24 dec - Christmas Eve begun at the lek of the Cock-of-the-Rock with a rather poor performance of five males. We did the short loop on the trail before breakfast and hit a flock which had Versicolored barbet among others. Rest of the morning walked downhill from the lodge along the road. Rather quiet but scope-views of two males Amazonian Umbrellabirds was great as was the Golden-collared honeycreeper that also allowed scope-views. Afternoon was spent lower down the road and at dusk we were waiting for the Lyre-tailed nightjars to perform but in vain. Instead we enjoyed a nice Christmas dinner at the
lodge with Christmas chicken and Champagne. 

Wheather: Clear and sunny for most of the day with just some overcast.

25 dec - We drove uphill almost to Rocotal after breakfast and started to walk down to the mirador. We came across a couple of flocks but most notable were two Slaty finches at the mirador and also an unusually high Plain-crowned spinetail. Afternoon along the trail at CotR lodge with not much activity. As Highland motmot was a target bird we drove up to Manu Cloud-forest lodge and searched for it there. Elaine eventually had brief views of one and later Roger found it again so all of us had gripping views. 

Wheather: Fair wheather with some rain during midday.

26 dec - Birded from the viewpoint below the lodge and down the road until the rain started at around 9 am. We waited a while for the rain to stop but then decided to drive down to Pilcopata and install ourselves at hotel Gallito de la Rocas which was going to be our base for the next four nights, and had the nice packed lunch from the lodge and a rest while it was raining. Afternoon birding along the road towards Atalaya. Surprisingly good activity in the afternoon. We ended the day at the mirador above Atalaya where we saw six overflying Military macaws.

Wheather: Overcast until 9 am then rain to 2 pm. Clearing up during the afternoon.

27 dec - Birded the road to Atalaya with good activity during the morning. Birds often pearch in the treetops and dead twigs during the early morning hours surveying their territory and we had good views of many things in the scope. The highlight was of course a male Scarlet-hooded barbet. Afternoon birding above Patria with a White-bearded manakin as a surprice. According to the book it should not be in Cusco department but it apparently lives here as well. During the last hour the bird activity picked up.

Wheather: Overcast in the morning. From 9 am a liggght drizzle for an hour. Afternoon fair and sunny.

28 dec - Birded from the Quita Calzones bridge and along the road downhill until 11 am when it got too hot. Afternoon birding on the hillside just outside Pilcopata. Three Blue-and yellow macaws flew over, a species normally found lower down. We hit a nice flock which among other things had a pair of Yellow-creasted tanagers.

Wheather: Sunny and hot.

29 dec - Breakfast at 4 am then off to Atalaya where a boat was waiting to take us out to amazonía lodge for a daytrip. We birded the trails until 11.30 am then a picnic lunch which the hotel had made for us. As we had been up early and it was very hot we had a good long rest at the lodge waiting for slightly cooler conditions during the afternoon. A couple of hours walk until 5 pm when the boat came for us and took us back to Atalaya. Highlights during the day were Blackish rail and Uniform crake and also nice views of Military macaw plus good views of the hummingbirds at the lodge with Rufous-creasted coquette being the best one.

Wheather: Rain during the night which stopped during the morning. Rest of the day sunny and hot.

30 dec - Birded the Quita Calzones area with Golden-bellied warbler and Rusty-crowned nunlet as high-lights. Midday around Cock-of-the-Rock lodge and the trail during the afternoon. Later in the afternoon we found a big flock along the road uphill from the lodge that produced the much-desired Golden-eared tanager.

Wheather: Fair wheather with just a short drizzle. A heavy shower in the afternoon.

31 dec - Left CotR lodge and birded uphill trying to pick up birds we had missed on the way down. Most of the time was spent around the tunnels with excellent activity, the best of the trip actually. Highlight here was Marcapata spinetail. A bit higher up we stopped again for a nice flock which had Golden-col lared tanager among others. A Red-and-white antpitta was singing nearby and after some playback Elaine finally got a glimps of the bird. We had tried this species several times around Pillahuata but they wouldn’t come in close enough. Afternoon was a long boring drive to Cusco.

Wheather: Nice overcast on the wet side and sun on the dry side of the pass.
Species list

Andean Tinamou      Nothoprocta pentlandii
1 probably this species seen briefly on the dry side of the pass

Cinereous Tinamou      Crypturellus cinereus
Singles heard around Pilcopata and about 5 at Amazonía

Undulated Tinamou      Crypturellus undulatus
Singles heard around Pilcopata and about 5 at Amazonía with an astonishing 4 seen!

Black-capped Tinamou   Crypturellus atrocapillus
Singles heard around Pilcopata and at Amazonía

Capped Heron            Pilherodius pileatus
3 seen at Amazonía lodge

Great Egret             Ardea alba
1 seen in the rice paddies at Patria

Snowy Egret             Egretta thula
2 seen from the mirador above Atalaya

Cattle Egret            Bubulcus ibis
6 seen at Pilcopata

Fasciated Tiger-Heron   Tigrisoma fasciatum
3 seen between Atalaya and Amazonía lodge, 1 juv seen at Cock-of-the-rock lodge

Puna Ibis               Plegadis ridgewayi
2 seen near Cusco

Speckled Teal           Anas flavirostris
10 seen near Cusco

Yellow-billed Pintail   Anas georgica
4 seen near Cusco

Black Vulture           Coragyps atratus
Singles in the lowlands

Turkey Vulture          Cathartes aura
Singles in the lowlands

Greater Yellow-headed Vulture   Cathartes melambrotus
2 seen at Amazonía lodge

Swallow-tailed Kite      Elanoides forficatus
singles seen below Cock-of-the-Rock lodge

Plumbeous Kite          Ictinia plumbea
Singles seen from Cock-of-the-Rock lodge and lower.
Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle  Geranoaetus melanoleucus
1 juv seen around the tunnels

Roadside Hawk  Buteo magnirostris
Singles seen in the lowlands

Broad-winged Hawk  Buteo platypterus
1 seen on two occasions above Pillahuata

Puna (Variable) Hawk  Buteo poecilochrous
2 seen around the pass

Red-throated Caracara  Ibycter americanus
2 ad and 1 juv was seen well just outside Pilcopata

Mountain Caracara  Phalcoboenus megalopterus
3 seen at high altitude

Laughing Falcon  Herpetotheres cachinnans
1-2 seen between Pilcopata and Atalaya

American Kestrel  Falco sparverius
5 seen en route to Cusco

Bat Falcon  Falco rufipennis
2 seen at the mirador above Atalaya and 1 seen near Cock-of-the-Rock lodge

Speckled Chachalaca  Ortalis guttata
Fairly common from Cock-of-the-Rock lodge and lower

Andean Guan  Penelope montagnii
2 seen below Pillahuata and 2 seen near Rocotal

Spix’s Guan  Penelope jacquacu
1 seen at Amazonía lodge

Hoatzin  Opisthocomus hoazin
About 25 seen at Amazonía lodge

Uniform Crake  Amaurolimnas concolor
1 seen at Amazonía lodge

Blackish Rail  Pardirallus nigricans
1 seen at Amazonía lodge

Gray-necked Wood-rail  Aramides cajanea
2 seen at Amazonía lodge

Wattled Jacana  Jacana jacana
1 seen in the rice paddies at Patria

Sunbittern  Eurypyga helias
1 seen near Manu Cloud-forest lodge and 2 seen at Amazonía lodge
Greater Yellowlegs  Tringa melanoleuca  
2 seen in the rice paddies near Patria

Lesser Yellowlegs  Tringa flavipes  
1 seen in the rice paddies near patria

Solitary Sandpiper  Tringa solitaria  
3 seen in the rice paddies near Patria

Spotted Sandpiper  Actitis macularia  
1 seen at Atalaya

Rock Pigeon  Columba livia  
Seen in Pilcopata

Band-tailed Pigeon  Columba fasciata  
Up to 20 seen along the higher part of the road.

Plumbeous Pigeon  Columba plumbea  
Fairly common around CotR lodge

Ruddy Pigeon  Columba subvinacea  
1 heard near Atalaya

Ruddy Ground-Dove  Columbina talpacoti  
3 seen around Partia

Gray-fronted Dove  Leptotila rufaxilla  
Common around Pilcopata-Amazonía lodge

White-throated Quail-Dove  Geotrygon frenata  
1 heard near Pillahuata

Blue-and-yellow Macaw  Ara ararauna  
3 seen on the hill above Pilcopata

Military Macaw  Ara militaris  
6 seen from the Mirador above Atalaya in the afternoon, 2 seen below Quita Calzones bridge and two seen at Amazonía lodge.

Scarlet Macaw  Ara macao  
6 seen at Amazonía lodge

Chestnut-fronted Macaw  Ara severa  
10 seen at Amazonía lodge and 2 near Pilcopata, also several unidentified smaller macaws around Pilcopata were probably this species.

White-eyed Parakeet  Aratinga leucophthalmus  
4+2 seen near CotR lodge

Dusky-headed Parakeet  Aratinga weddellii  
8 seen near Pilcopata and 10 seen at Amazonía lodge
Blue-headed Parrot  
*Pionus menstruus*  
Common from Quita Calzones bridge and below

Scaly-naped Parrot  
*Amazona mercenaria*  
4 seen near Pillahuata

Squirrel Cuckoo  
*Piaya cayana*  
Singles seen most days

Smooth-billed Ani  
*Crotaphaga ani*  
Fairly common around Pilcopata

Tawny-bellied Screech-Owl  
*Otus watsonii*  
1 heard every night behind the hotel in Pilcopata and seen once.

Yungas Pygmy-Owl  
*Glaucidium bolivianum*  
1 heard below Pillahuata

Sand-colored Nighthawk  
*Chordeiles rupestris*  
5 seen at Atalaya in the early morning

Swallow-tailed Nightjar  
*Uropsalis segmentata*  
1 seen briefly and also heard above Pillahuata

Chestnut-collared Swift  
*Streptoprocne rutila*  
Fairly common below CotR lodge

White-collared Swift  
*Streptoprocne zonaris*  
Common below CotR lodge, often in groups of 50-100

Short-tailed Swift  
*Chaetura brachyura*  
25 seen between Chontachaca and Patria

Chimney Swift  
*Chaetura pelagica*  
25+5 seen below CotR lodge

White-bearded Hermit  
*Phaethornis hispidus*  
2 seen near Pilcopata

Green-fronted Lancebill  
*Doryfera ludovicae*  
1 seen near Pillahuata and 1 seen at Quita Calzones bridge

Gray-breasted Sabrewing  
*Campylopterus largipennis*  
1-2 seen at Amazonía lodge

White-necked Jacobin  
*Florisuga mellivora*  
2 seen near Pilcopata

Green Violetear  
*Colibri thalassinus*  
1 seen at CotR lodge

Sparkling Violetear  
*Colibri coruscans*  
2-3 seen at CotR lodge and several at the open area 3 kms below
Black-throated Mango *Anthracothorax nigricollis*  
1 female seen from the mirador above Atalaya, scope-viewed at 100 metres!

Rufous-crested Coquette *Lophornis delattrei*  
2 male and female seen at Amazonía lodge

Wire-crested Thorntail *Popelairia popelairii*  
4 females seen at CotR lodge, 1 female seen near Quita Calzones

Blue-tailed Emerald *Chlorostilbon mellisugus*  
2 seen between Pilcopata and Atalaya, 2 seen at Amazonía lodge

Golden-tailed Sapphire *Chrysouronia oenone*  
2 seen at Amazonía lodge

Many-spotted Hummingbird *Leucippus hypostictus*  
1-2 seen at CotR lodge

Speckled Hummingbird *Adelomyia melanogenys*  
4 seen around Pillahuata

Violet-fronted Brilliant *Heliodoxa leadbeateri*  
Fairly common around CotR lodge

Chestnut-breasted Coronet *Boissonneaua matthewsi*  
2 seen above Pillahuata

Shining Sunbeam *Aglaeactis cupripennis*  
1 seen on the upper part of the road

Violet-throated Starfrontlet *Coeligena violifer*  
About 10 seen along the upper part of the road

Great Sapphirewing *Pterophanes cyanopterus*  
1 male seen at the Acjanco pass

Amethyst-throated Sunangel *Heliangelus amethysticollis*  
Common around Pillahuata

Booted Racket-Tail *Ocreatus underwoodii*  
Singles around CotR lodge

Green-tailed Trainbearer *Lesbia nuna*  
1 seen on the dry side before the Acjanco pass

Tyrian Metaltail *Metallura tyrianthina*  
Common along the upper part of the road

Long-tailed Sylph *Aglaiocercus kingi*  
2 seen below CotR lodge

Long-billed Starthroat *Heliomaster longirostris*  
2 seen between Pilcopata and Atalaya
White-bellied Woodstar  Chaetocercus mulsant  
1 female seen at CotR lodge, 1 male seen below the lodge and 1 male seen on the dry side of Acjanco pass.

Masked Trogon  Trogon personatus  
1 seen near Rocotal and 1 seen above Pillahuata

Blue-crowned Trogon  Trogon curucui  
1 pair seen between Pilcopata and Atalaya and 2 seen at Amazonía lodge

Golden-headed Quetzal  Pharomachrus auriceps  
Singles seen between Pillahuata and CotR lodge

Ringed Kingfisher  Ceryle torquata  
1 seen at Amazonía lodge

Highland Motmot  Momotus aequatorialis  
1 seen near Manu Cloud-forest lodge

Bluish-fronted Jacamar  Galbula cyanescens  
Singles seen below CotR and Pilcopata

Rufous-capped Nunlet  Nonnula ruficapilla  
1 seen below Quita Calzones bridge

Black-fronted Nunbird  Monasa nigrifrons  
1 seen at Amazonía lodge

Swallow-wing  Chelidoptera tenebrosa  
1 seen near Pilcopata and 1 seen at Amazonía lodge

Lemon-throated Barbet  Eubucco richardsoni  
2 seen at Amazonía lodge

Scarlet-hooded Barbet  Eubucco tucinkae  
1 male seen between Pilcopata and Atalaya

Versicolored Barbet  Eubucco versicolor  
1 seen at CotR lodge and 1 seen below Quita Calzones

Blue-banded Toucanet  Aulacorhynchus coeruleicinctis  
1 seen below Pillahuata

Chestnut-eared Aracari  Pteroglossus castanotis  
5 seen between Patria and Chontachaca

Gray-breasted Mountain-Toucan  Andigena hypoglauca  
1 seen near the tunnels

Yellow-tufted Woodpecker  Melanerpes cruentatus  
Singles and small groups seen in the lowlands

Little Woodpecker  Veniliornis passerinus  
1 seen near Pilcopata
Golden-olive Woodpecker  Piculus rubiginosus
Singles seen around CotR lodge

Crimson-mantled Woodpecker  Piculus rivolii
4 seen along the higher parts of the road

Crimson-crested Woodpecker  Campephilus melanoleucos
3 seen near Pilcopata and 1 seen at Amazonía lodge

Azara’s Spinetail  Synallaxis azarae
Common from CotR lodge and above

Dark-breasted Spinetail  Synallaxis albigularis
1 seen near Pilcopata

Cabanis’ Spinetail  Synallaxis cabanisi
3 seen at amazonia lodge and 1 below Quita Calzones

Plain-crowned Spinetail  Synallaxis gujanensis
Fairly common around Pilcopata and surprisingly 1 below Rocotal at about 1800 masl

Marcapata Spinetail  Cranioleuca marcapatae
2 seen in flocks near the tunnels

Puna Thistletail  Schizoeaca helleri
1 seen high up on the road

Spotted Barbtail  Premnoplex brunnescens
2 seen at CotR lodge

Pearled Treerunner  Margarornis squamiger
Fairly common in the flocks in the temperate forest

Plain Xenops  Xenops minutus
1 seen below Quita Calzones bridge

Streaked Xenops  Xenops rutilans
2 seen at CotR lodge

Montane Foliage-gleaner  Anabacerthia striaticollis
Singles in the flocks near CotR lodge

Streaked Tuftedcheek  Pseudocolaptes boissonneautii
2 seen near Pillahuata

Buff-fronted Foliage-gleaner  Philydor rufus
2 seen near CotR lodge

Cinnamon-throated Woodcreeper  Dendrexetastes rufigula
1 seen at Amazonía lodge

Olive-backed Woodcreeper  Xiphorhynchus triangularis
Singles near CotR lodge
Montane Woodcreeper  Lepidocolaptes lacrymiger
Singles in the flocks around Pillahuata and above

Red-billed Scythebill  Campylorhamphus trochilirostris
1 seen at CotR lodge and 1 seen at Amazonía lodge

Bamboo Antshrike  Cymbilaimus sanctaemariae
1 heard between Pilcopata and Atalaya

Great Antshrike  Taraba major
Singles seen and heard in the lowlands

Chestnut-backed Antshrike  Thamnophilus palliatus
Singles seen and heard at CotR lodge and below

Variable Antshrike  Thamnophilus caerulescens
1 male seen near Rocotal

Pygmy Antwren  Myrmotherula brachyura
1 seen at Amazonía lodge

Stripe-chested Antwren  Myrmotherula longicauda
Singles seen at CotR lodge and below

Yellow-breasted Antwren  Herpsilochmus axillaris
3 seen around CotR lodge and 1 seen at Quita Calzones

Dot-winged Antwren  Microrhopias quixensis
5 seen in bamboo between Quita Calzones and Chontachaca

Black Antbird  Cercomacra serva
1 pair seen near Quita Calzones

White-browed Antbird  Myrmoborus leucophrys
Fairly common in secondary habitat in the lowlands

Warbling Antbird  Hypocnemis cantator
Fairly common from CotR lodge and below. A couple of birds seen well around Quita calzones were yellowish below and probably belongs to ssp subflava. More than one species is probably involved.

White-lined Antbird  Percnostola lophotes
2 seen near Pilcopata

Southern Chestnut-tailed Antbird  Myrmeciza hemimelaena
Singles seen and heard at Amazonía lodge

Goeldi’s Antbird  Myrmeciza goeldii
1 heard at Amazonía lodge

Black-faced Antthrush Formicarius analis
Singles heard at Amazonía and 1 at Pilcopata

Red-and-white Antpitta  Grallaria erythroleuca
Several heard around Pillahuata and elaine got a brief view of one
Undulated Antpitta  Grallaria squaimegera  
1 heard below Pillahuta

Amazonian Antpitta  Hylopezus berlepschi  
3 heard at Amazonía lodge

Thrush-like Antpitta  Myrmothera campanisona  
1 heard at Amazonía lodge

Slaty Gnateater  Conopophaga ardesiaca  
1 seen at CotR lodge

Rusty-belted Tapaculo  Liosceles thoracicus  
1 heard at Amazonía lodge

Trilling Tapaculo  Scytalopus parvirostris  
3 heard around Pillahuata

Southern White-crowned Tapaculo  Scytalopus atratus  
About 5 heard and 1 seen around CotR lodge

Plum-throated Cotinga  Cotinga maynana  
1 female seen between Patria and Chantachoco

Spangled Cotinga  Cotinga cayana  
1 female seen near Quita Calzones

Amazonian Umbrellabird  Cephalopterus ornatus  
2 males and 1 female seen at/near CotR lodge. Allowing close scope-views!

Andean Cock-of-the-rock  Rupicola peruviana  
Singles seen around CotR lodge. Only 5 males came to the lek.

Yungas Manakin  Chiroxiphia boliviana  
2-3 birds calling throughout the days around CotR lodge

Band-tailed Manakin  Pipra fasciicauda  
1 seen at Amazonía lodge

White-bearded Manakin  Manacus manacus  
1 male seen and heard between patria and Chontachaco. This species is not mentioned in the Birds of Peru book but it occurs in SE Peru as well.

Yellow Tyrannulet  Capsiempis flaveola  
Singles seen in bamboo around Chontachaco

Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet  Tyrannulus elatus  
1 seen at Amazonía lodge

White-crested Elaenia  Elaenia Albiceps  
Singles seen in the temperate zone

Mottle-backed Elaenia  Elaenia gigas  
1 seen below CotR lodge
Sierran Elaenia Elaenia pallatangae  
Singles seen around Pillahuata

Marble-faced Bristle-Tyrant Phylloscartes ophthalmicus  
Fairly common around CotR lodge

Slender-footed Tyrannulet Zimmerius gracilipes  
2 seen near Pilcopata

Peruvian Tyrannulet Zimmerius viridiflavus  
1 seen below CotR lodge

White-throated Tyrannulet Mecocerculus leucophrys  
2 seen near Pillahuata

White-banded Tyrannulet Mecocercalus stictopterus  
Common around Pillahuata and above

Tufted Tit-Tyrant Anairetes parulus  
2 seen around the Acjanco pass

Scale-crested Pygmy-Tyrant Lophotriccus pileatus  
Fairly common around CotR lodge

Ochre-faced Tody-Flycatcher Todirostrum plumbeiceps  
2 seen above CotR lodge

Olive-sided Flycatcher Contopus cooperi  
2 seen below CotR lodge

Olive-sided Flycatcher Contopus sordidulus/virens  
3-4 seen below CotR lodge. Not calling and thus not identifiable

Black Phoebe Sayornis nigricans  
Singles near rivers

Rufous-breasted Chat-Tyrant Ochthoeca rufipectoralis  
Singles along the higher parts of the road

Brown-backed Chat-Tyrant Ochthoeca fumericolor  
Singles seen around the Acjanco pass
White-browed Chat-Tyrant  Ochthoeca leucophrys
1 seen at the dry side of the pass

White-winged Black-Tyrant  Knipolegus aterrimus
1 female seen above Pillahuata

Long-tailed Tyrant  Colonia colonus
Singles seen below CotR lodge

Boat-billed Flycatcher  Megarynchus pitangua
2 seen near Pilcopata

Social Flycatcher  Myizzetetes similis
Fairly common along the lower parts

Gray-capped Flycatcher  Myizzetetes granadensis
2 seen below CotR and 2 seen near Pilcopata

Lemon-browed Flycatcher  Conopias cinchoneti
Pairs seen around CotR and Pilcopata including a family group at CotR lodge

Golden-crowned Flycatcher  Myiodynastes chrysocephalus
1 seen near Pillahuata

Streaked Flycatcher  Myiodynastes maculatus
1 seen near Pilcopata

Piratic Flycatcher  Legatus leucophaius
2 seen below CotR lodge

Tropical Kingbird  Tyrannopsis melancholicus
Common in the lowlands

Eastern Kingbird  Tyrannopsis tyrannus
10 seen along the river near Amazonía lodge

Barred Becard  Pachyramphus versicolor
1 female seen near Pillahuata

Black-capped Becard  Pachyramphus marginatus
1 female seen near Quita Calzones

Black-crowned Tityra  Tityra inquisitor
2 seen between Pilcopata and Atalaya

Blue-and-white Swallow  Pygochelidon cyanoleuca
Common

Brown-bellied Swallow  Notiochelidon murina
Singles seen around the Acjanco pass

Southern Rough-winged Swallow  Stelgidopteryx ruficollis
5 seen above Atalaya
Southern House Wren *Troglodytes musculus*
Singles seen on the dry side of the pass and 1 at Amazonía lodge

Mountain Wren *Troglodytes solstitialis*
2 seen in flocks around the tunnels

Gray-breasted Wood-Wren *Henicorhina leucophrys*
Common

Fulvous Wren (Sepia-brown Wren) *Cinnycerthia fulva*
3 seen in flock around the tunnels and 3 seen below Pillahuata

Scaly-breasted Wren (Nightingale Wren) *Microcerculus marginatus*
Singles heard between Pilcopata and Atalaya. Impossible to see (almost).

Andean Solitaire *Myadestes ralloides*
Singles heard above Rocotal

White-eared Solitaire *Entomodestes leucotis*
2 seen and 2 heard between Rocotal and Manu cloud-forest lodge

Swainson’s Thrush *Catas ustulatus*
Singles seen along the lower part of the road

Chiguanco Thrush *Turdus chiguanco*
10 seen on the dry side of the pass

Great Thrush *Turdus fuscater*
Common along the upper part of the road

Black-billed Thrush *Turdus neglectus*
Common at Amazonía lodge and around Pilcopata. 1 recently fledged bird seen.

Hauxwell’s Thrush *Turdus hauxwelli*
Singles heard between Pilcopata and Atalaya

Violaceous Jay *Cyanocorax violaceus*
Common along the lower part of the road

White-collared Jay *Cyanocorax viridicyana*
2 seen below Pillahuata

Red-eyed Vireo *Vireo olivaceus*
Singles seen around Pilcopata

Lemon-chested Greenlet *Hylophilus thoracicus*
1 seen between Patria and Chantachoco

Olivaceous Siskin *Cyclarhis olivacea*
Fairly common

Tropical Parula *Parula pitiayumi*
Singles seen at CotR lodge
Blackburnian Warbler  Dendroica fusca
2 seen near Pillahuata

Slate-throated Whitestart  Myioborus miniatus
Common in flocks

Spectacled Whitestart  Myioborus melanocephalus
Common in flocks. Occurs higher up than previous species

Two-banded Warbler  Basileuterus bivittatus
Fairly common around CotR lodge and Quita Calzones area

Golden-bellied Warbler  Basileuterus chrysogaster
3 seen around Quita Calzones

Citrine Warbler  Basileuterus luteoviridis
Fairly common in flocks along the higher parts of the road

Russet-crowned Warbler  Basileuterus coronatus
5 seen around CotR lodge

Three-striped Warbler  Basileuterus tristriatus
Common in flocks in the subtropical zone

Buff-rumped Warbler  Basileuterus fulvicauda
3 seen between Pilcopata and Atalaya

Bananaquit  Coereba flaveola
Singles in the lowlands

Blue-backed Conebill  Conirostrum sitticolor
2 seen in flocks near the tunnel

Capped Conebill  Conirostrum albifrons
3 seen in flocks at the higher parts of the road

Magpie Tanager  Cissopis leveriana
Common in the lowlands

Grass-green Tanager  Chlorornis riefferii
3 seen near the tunnels

Common Bush-Tanager  Chlorospingus ophthalmicus
Singles seen in the subtropical zone

Yellow-throated Bush-Tanager  Chlorospingus flavicularis
Fairly common around CotR lodge

Yellow-whiskered Bush-Tanager  Chlorospingus parviostris
1 seen below Pillahuata and 1 seen near CotR lodge

Rust-and-yellow Tanager  Thlypopsis ruficeps
2+2 seen near the tunnels
Rufous-chested Tanager  Thlypopsis ornata
3 seen in a flock above the tunnels

Northern Black-capped Hemispingus Hemispingus atropileus
Fairly common in flocks above Pillahuata

(Northern) Superciliaried Hemispingus Hemispingus superciliaris maculifrons
Fairly common around Pillahuata

Black-eared Hemispingus Hemispingus melanotis
Common around CotR lodge

Slaty Tanager Creurgops dentata
Singles seen in flocks around CotR lodge

Yellow-crested Tanager Tachyphonus rufiventer
1 pair seen near Pilcopata

Black-goggled Tanager Trichothraupis melanops
1 seen below CotR lodge

Scarlet Tanager Piranga olivacea
Singles in flocks in the lowlands

Summer Tanager Piranga rubra
4 seen in flocks in the subtropics

Masked Crimson Tanager Ramphocelus nigrogularis
1 seen at Amazonía lodge

Silver-beaked Tanager Ramphocelus carbo
Common from CotR lodge and in the lowlands

Blue-gray Tanager Thraupis episcopus
As Silver-beaked

Blue-capped Tanager Thraupis cyanopephala
Fairly common along the higher parts of the road

Blue-and-yellow Tanager Thraupis bonariensis
Singles on the dry side of the pass

Palm Tanager Thraupis palmarum
1 seen below CotR lodge

Hooded Mountain-Tanager Buthraupis montana
Small groups seen around the tunnels

Scarlet-bellied Mountain-Tanager Anisognathus igniventris
Fairly common along the high part of the road

Yellow-throated Tanager Iridosornis analis
Singles in flocks around CotR lodge
Golden-collared Tanager  
**Iridosornis jelskii**  
2 seen above Pillahuata and 1 seen above the tunnels

Chestnut-bellied Mountain-Tanager  
**Delothraupis castaneoventris**  
1 seen near Pillahuata

Fawn-breasted Tanager  
**Pipraeidea melanonota**  
Singles around Pillahuata

Thick-billed Euphonia  
**Euphonia laniirostris**  
1 pair seen at Amazonía lodge

White-lored Euphonia  
**Euphonia chrysopasta**  
1 pair seen near Pilcopata

Orange-bellied Euphonia  
**Euphonia xanthogaster**  
Singles in flocks in the subtropics

Orange-eared Tanager  
**Chlorochrysa calliparaea**  
Fairly common around CotR lodge

Turquoise Tanager  
**Tangara mexicana**  
2 seen between Pilcopata and Atalaya

Paradise Tanager  
**Tangara chilensis**  
Fairly common around CotR lodge and below

Green-and-gold Tanager  
**Tangara schrankii**  
1 seen between Pilcopata and Atalaya

Golden Tanager  
**Tangara arthus**  
Fairly common around CotR lodge

Golden-eared Tanager  
**Tangara chrysotis**  
2 seen near CotR lodge

Saffron-crowned Tanager  
**Tangara xanthocephala**  
Singles seen around CotR lodge

Yellow-bellied Tanager  
**Tangara xanthogastra**  
1 seen near Pilcopata

Spotted Tanager  
**Tangara punctata**  
Fairly common around CotR lodge

Bay-headed Tanager  
**Tangara gyrola**  
Singles seen near CotR lodge

Blue-necked Tanager  
**Tangara cyanicollis**  
Fairly common around CotR lodge and below

Beryl-spangled Tanager  
**Tangara nigroviridis**  
Singles seen in the subtropical zone
Golden-naped Tanager  
Tangara ruficervix
2 seen near Pillahuata

Blue-and-black Tanager  
Tangara vassorii
Singles seen in the temperate zone

Golden-collared Honeycreeper  
Iridophanes pulcherrima
1 seen near cOTR lodge

Black-faced Dacnis  
Dacnis lineata
1 seen between Pilcopata and Atalaya

Yellow-bellied Dacnis  
Dacnis flaviventer
4 seen between Pilcopata and Atalaya

Blue Dacnis  
Dacnis cayana
Fairly common in the lowlands

Green Honeycreeper  
Chlorophanes spiza
Singles in the lowlands

Purple Honeycreeper  
Cyanerpes caeruleus
Singles from CotR lodge and below

Swallow-Tanager  
Tersina viridis
Fairly common in the lowlands

Blue-black Grassquit  
Volatinia jacarina
Common around Patria

Chestnut-bellied Seedeater  
Sporophila castaneiventris
1 seen near Pilcopata

Band-tailed Seedeater  
Catamenia analis
Common on the dry side of the pass

Slaty Finch  
Haplospiza rustica
2 seen in bamboo at the mirador above Manu Cloud-forest lodge

Lesser Seed-finch  
Oryzoborus angolensis
3 seen between Pilcopata and Atalaya

Moustached Flowerpiercer  
Diglossa mystacalis
Fairly common along the upper part of the road

Black-throated Flowerpiercer  
Diglossa brunneiventris
Singles on the dry side of the pass

Deep-blue Flowerpiercer  
Diglossopis glauca
2 seen in a flock above CotR lodge

Masked Flowerpiercer  
Diglossa cyanea
Fairly common along the higher parts of the road
Red-capped Cardinal  Paroaria gularis
2 seen at Amazonía lodge

Dark-faced Brush-Finch  Atlapetes melanolaemus
Common along the subtropical part of the road

Yellow-browed Sparrow  Ammodramus aurifrons
Fairly common from below CotR lodge in open country

Rufous-collared Sparrow  Zonotrichia capensis
Common along the upper part of the road

Blue-black Grosbeak  Cyanocompsa cyanoides
1 heard near Pilcopata

Grayish Saltator  Saltator coerulescens
2 seen at Amazonía lodge

Buff-throated Saltator  Saltator maximus
1 seen near Pilcopata and 1 seen at Amazonía lodge

Golden-billed Saltator  Saltator aurantirostris
5 seen on the dry side of the pass

Yellow-rumped Cacique  Cacicus cela
Common in the lowlands

Southern Mountain Cacique  Cacicus chrysonotus
5 seen between Pillahuata and the tunnels

Crested Oropendola  Psarocolius decumanus
2 seen near Pilcopata

Russet-backed Oropendola  Psarocolius angustifrons
Common from CotR lodge and in the lowlands