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## A TRIP REPORT FOR A BIRDING TRIP TO ABANCAY, MACHU PICCHU AND ABRA MALAGA

August 06<sup>th</sup> – August 11<sup>th</sup> 2010

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### BIRDING LOCALITIES AROUND ABANCAY, ABRA MALAGA AND MACHU-PICCHU

Huainipaca Road – above Abancay (3325m) S 10 01 017 W 072 53 071

Puente Sahuite (Road to Andahuaylas) – below Abancay (1875m)

Abra Malaga “East Slope” (3410 – 2980m)

Abra Malaga “*Polylepis* west slope” (4285 – 3565m)

Puente Ruinas - Aguas Calientes (below Machu Picchu) (2010m) S13 09 851 W 072 32 619

### DAY BY DAY ACTIVITIES

**August 06<sup>th</sup>:** Cusco to Abancay and bird Puente Sahuite, road to Andahuaylas area at dusk (below Abancay). Night in Abancay “Hotel de Turistas”

**August 07<sup>th</sup>:** Bird Puente “Pachachaca” first for the Screech-Owl and then Puente Sahuite (road to Andahuaylas), and then journey to Ollantaytambo. Overnight at Pakaritampu Hotel

**August 08<sup>th</sup>:** Abra Malaga east slope and west slope. Night in Ollantaytambo

**August 09<sup>th</sup>:** Abra Malaga *Polylepis* woodlands (west slope). Night in Ollantaytambo

**August 10<sup>th</sup>:** Ollantaytambo to Machu Picchu ruins; bird Puente Ruinas area below Aguas Caliente. Night at Aguas Caliente

**August 11<sup>th</sup>:** Birding Puente Ruinas area below Aguas Caliente. Return to Cusco at the Los Andes de America Hotel.

## THE BIRDLIST

**RR** = Restricted-range species (includes ‘endemics’)

**Conservation Status** follows Birdlife International (2007)

**Taxonomy** follows South American Check-list (2008) – mostly...

Family: TINAMIDAE

**Taczanowski’s Tinamou**

**Nothoprocta taczanowskii**

Again.....this is another bird that I found the very last time went I finally said! OK, this it will be the last try! And then .....it’s there!!!!!! And we all saw it well. Great bird!!!!

This is been seen at an area that it’s call “Penas” at Abra Malaga on the west slop.

Family: ANATIDAE

**Torrent Duck**

**Merganetta armata turneri**

Very good looks at Aguas Caliente where we observed a pair with 3 ‘ickle babies’; How on earth does this species cope “acoustically” by living in such torrential waters?



Torrent Duck

Family: ARDEIDAE

**Fasciated Tiger-Heron**

**Tigrisoma fasciatum**

One individual seen from the “Pachachaca” colonial bridge and one further on from the Andahuaylas road

Family: THRESKIORNITHIDAE

**Puna Ibis**

**Plegadis ridgwayi**

Seen at Abra Malaga on the east slop with the group of Black-faced Ibis

**Black-faced [Andean] Ibis**

**Theristicus melanops branckii**

Nice looks at a flock of 10+ individuals at Abra Malaga east slop hike and also the next day right before we started our hike to the Polylepis forest. Sibley & Monroe (1990) considered *branckii* as separate species ("Andean Ibis") from *melanopsis*. SACC are waiting for a proposal

Family: ACCIPITRIDAE

**Black-chested Buzzard Eagle**

**Geranoaetus melanoleucus**

One seen on our way back from Abancay to Ollantaytambo



**Variable Hawk**

**Buteo polysoma**

Seen the two days around Abra Malaga area; Taxonomy for this “group” is a little confusing and a recent publication has again proposed to split this into *Puna* and *Red-backed Hawks*. However, the data presented is poor and recent genetic data are consistent with the earlier hypothesis that both forms are conspecific. No vocal differences exist between the forms and apparent differences in wing formula represent an elevational cline

Family: FALCONIDAE

**Mountain Caracara**

**Phalcoboenus megalopterus**

Common around Abra Malaga area

**American Kestrel**

**Falco sparverius**

Common

Family: CRACIDAE

**Andean Guan**

**Penelope montagnii**

Two seen well above “Puente ruinas” by the Museum, bellow Machu-Picchu

Family: RALLIDAE

**Plumbeous Rail \***

**Pardirallus sanguinolentus**

Family: CHARADRIIDAE

**Andean Lapwing**

**Vanellus resplendens**

Common around Abra Malaga area



Andean Lapwing

Family: LARIDAE

**Andean Gull**

**Chroicocephalus serranus**

Seen first in our way back from Abancay to Ollantaytambo and also from Ollantaytambo to Machu-picchu from the train. Used to be in the genus *Larus*

Family: COLUMBIDAE

**Spot-winged Pigeon**

**Patagioenas maculosa**

Seen on our way to Abancay and also on our way to Machu-Picchu from Ollantaytambo

**Band-tailed Pigeon**

**Patagioenas fasciata**

Seen in the east slop of Abra Malaga

**Eared Dove**

**Zenaida ariculata**

Seen at Abancay

**White-tipped Dove**

**Leptotila verreauxi decipiens**

Common bellow Abancay

**White-throated Quail-Dove**

**Geotrigon frenata**

One seen briefly above "Puente ruinas"

Family: PSITTACIDAE

**Mitred Parakeet**

***Aratinga mitrata [alticola]***

We found this species in the Apurimac canyon and abundant around Puente Ruinas; so this is the specie we thought it was Scarlet-fronted Parakeet. Allocation to subspecies is highly confusing – it’s possible that the Apurimac birds represent a different subspecies, but throughout its range, this species is so variable in plumage characteristics. There is a paper proposing numerous splits in the complex but it’s based solely on morphological characteristics, no genetic or vocal data were presented. “Variable Parakeet” would be a more suitable vernacular name

**Speckle-faced Parrot**

***Pionus tumultuosus tumultuosus***

Several of them seen eating avocado fruit above Puente ruinas bellow Machu-Pichu

Family: STRIGIDAE

**Koepcke’s (Apurimac) Screech Owl **RR****

***Megascops koepckeae***

Oh yes! We were initially slightly worried about this guy because the first time along the Andahuaylas road we didn’t get to see it at dusk, but at pre-dawn the next day at the Colonial Pachachaca bridge, after a lot of effort and at the very last time 2 of them came in a very good distance and we got good views and pictures. These Apurimac birds may represent an undescribed subspecies – slight vocal differences between these and the northern Peruvian populations, and they tend to ignore playback of the northern calls.



**Koepcke’s (Apurimac) Screech-Owl – Silverio Duri**

**Lesser Horned-Owl**

***Bubo magellanicus***

Surprisingly two of them seen on our “short cut” way to Ollantaytambo

**Pacific Pygmy-Owl**

***Glaucidium peruanum***

Good look at the Colonial Pachachaca Bridge bellow Abancay

**Yungas Pygmy-Owl****Glaucidium bolivianus**

Cracking views of one that responded to the play back bellow Canchayoc on the east slop at Abra Malaga

Family: APODIDAE

**White-collared Swift****Streptoprocne zonaris**

Common

**White-tipped Swift****Aeronautes montivagus**

A very good view around Puente Ruinas, bellow Machu-picchu

Family: TROCHILIDAE

**Sparkling Violet-ear****Colibri coruscans**

Common throughout the tour

**Green and White Hummingbird RR****Leucippus viridicauda**

Common at Machu Picchu

**White-bellied Hummingbird****Leucippus chionogaster**

Common at Puente Sahuinte below Abancay with further individuals seen around the garden of the Pakaritampu hotel at Ollantaytambo

**Speckled Hummingbird****Adelomyia melanogenys**

Seen well around Puente Ruinas bellow Machu-picchu

**Andean Hillstar****Oreotrochillus estella**

One seen in the *polylepis* forest at Abra Malaga

**Giant Hummingbird****Patagona gigas**

Two seen well below “Penas” on our way back from the west slop of Abra Malaga

**White-tufted Sunbeam RR****Aglaeactis castelnaudii**

One seen very well just bellow of our lunch spot on the west slop of Abra Malaga

**Shining Sunbeam****Aglaeactis cupripennis caumatonotus**

Common around Abra Malaga

**Great Sapphirewing****Pterophanes cyanopterus**

One male seen bellow “Canchayoc” on the east slop of Abra Malaga

**Chestnut-breasted Coronet****Boissonneauta matthewsii**

Ace looks of one individual above Puente ruinas, bellow Machu-picchu

**Green-tailed Trainbearer****Lesbia nuna**

One seen from the train on one of the train stop on our way to Machu-picchu

**Purple-backed Thornbill****Ramphomicron microrhynchum**

One seen above Abancay along the Huainipaca road and another one on the east slop of Abra Malaga area

**Scaled Metaltail RR****Metallura aeneocauda**

One seen on the east slope of Abra Malaga

**Tyrian Metaltail**

Common above Abancay and on the east slop of Abra Malaga area

***Metallura tyrianthina smaragdnicollis***

**Blue-mantled Thornbill RR**

One seen at Abra Malaga *Polylepis*

***Chalcostigma stanleyi***

**Bearded Mountaineer RR**

Great views of one bird seen at the Pakaritampu hotel

***Oreonympha nobilis***



Bearded Mountaineer – Fabrice Schmitt

Family: BUCCONIDAE

**White-eared Puffbird**

What a fantastic find in the arid xeric forest at Puente Sahuite along the road to Andahuaylas

***Nystalus chacuru***

Family: CAPITONIDAE

**Versicolored Barbet**

Two individuals in separate occasion seen above Puente ruinas bellow Machu-picchu

***Eubucco versicolor***

Family: PICIDAE

**Ocellated Piculet**

Great looks of two males at Puente Ruinas

***Picumnus dorbygnianus***

**Bar-bellied Woodpecker**

Male and female seen in the *polylepis* forest at Abra Malaga area

***Veniliornis nigriceps***

**Andean Flicker**

Common around Abra Malaga area

***Colaptes rupicola***



Andean Flicker – Steve Gantlett

Family: FURNARIIDAE

**Cream-winged Cinclodes**

Common on the west top of the Abra Malaga area

**Cinclodes albiventris**

**White-winged Cinclodes**

One seen at Abancay

**Cinclodes atacamensis**

**Tawny Tit-spinetail RR Near-threatened**

Ace looks of two individuals at Abra Malaga *Polylepis* woodlands

**Leptasthenura yanacensis**

**White-browed Tit-spinetail RR Endangered**

One of the *Polylepis* specialists at Abra Malaga, good looks....

**Leptasthenura xenothorax**

**Puna Thistletail RR**

Great looks on the east top of Abra Malaga area

**Schizoeaca helleri**

**Azara's Spinetail**

Two seen well from the road along the Urubamba river bellow Machu-picchu

**Synallaxis azarae urubambae**

**Apurimac Spinetail RR Vulnerable**

Good views of this threatened species in the cloud forest fragments along the Huanipaca road

**Synallaxis courseni**

**Marcapata Spinetail RR**

Great looks at nesting pairs at Abra Malaga on the east slop

**Cranioleuca marcapatae marcapatae**

**Creamy-crested Spinetail RR**

Wonderful look of one bird along the Huainipaca road above Abancay

**Cranioleuca albicapilla albicapilla**

**Rusty-fronted Canastero RR**

Nice looks of this arid montane scrub species along the Huainipaca Road above Abancay

**Asthenes ottonis**

**Creamy-breasted [Pale-tailed] Canastero RR Asthenes huancavelicae usheri**

Gave us some trouble to find this guys and again at the very last time we saw two individuals along the road to Andahuaylas getting very good looks and nice pictures and tapes. Taxonomy for this species complex is still hotly debated with at least two other Peruvian endemic forms yet to be described. Some call this form "Pale-tailed Canastero" – and is ranked as Vulnerable

**Streak-throated Canastero**

Two individuals seen well at the beginning of the trail on the east slop of Abra Malaga

**Asthenes humilis**

**Line-fronted Canastero RR Near-threatened**

Very nice looks at Abra Malaga *Polylepis* woodlands

**Asthenes urubambensis**

**Junin Canastero RR**

Also seen well at Abra Malaga *Polylepis* forest

**Asthenes virgata**

**Pearled Treerunner**

Common in the elfin forest habitat at Abra Malaga

**Margarornis squamiger**

**Streaked Xenops**

Seen in two different days bellow Machu-picchu around Puente ruinas

**Xenops rutilans**



**Junin Canastero**

Family: THAMNOPHILIDAE

**Variable Antshrike**

**Thamnophilus caerulescens**

Nice looks of a male and female above Puente Ruinas bellow Machu-picchu

Family: GRALLARIDAE

**Undulated Antpitta**

**Grallaria squamigera**

Incredibly view of one individual seen in fly going across the road very close to us along the road bellow “Canchayoc” on the east slop of the Abra Malaga area

**Stripe-headed Antpitta RR**

**Grallaria andicola**

One of the easiest Antpittas to see at the Abra Malaga area in the *Polylepis* forest, because after we saw they were almost everywhere



**Stripe-headed Antpitta**

**Rufous Antpitta RR**

They were responding to the tape everywhere in the *Chusquea* bamboo forest in the east slop at Abra Malaga, but we saw just one that came almost right about the road in the very dense bamboo were almost everybody saw it

Family: RHINOCRYPTIDAE

**Trilling Tapaculo \*****Grallaria rufula occabambae****Scytalopus parvirostris****Puna Tapaculo RR**

Seen really well at the *Polylepis* forest at Abra Malaga

**Scytalopus simonsi****[Ampay] Tapaculo sp.nov RR**

Amazing full view of one individual along the Huainipaca road above Abancay; who says Tapaculos never come into view?

**Scytalopus sp.nov****Diademed Tapaculo RR**

Very good view of one individual that sat for a while but unfortunately not everybody saw it, in the elfin forest remnants at Abra Malaga

**Scytalopus schulenbergi**

Family: COTINGIDAE

**Red-crested Cotinga**

Very common above Abancay and in the east slop of Abra Malaga area

**Ampelion rubrocristata****Masked Fruiteater RR**

Another very nice endemic bird of the trip seen really well after lot of effort in the second day birding the Puente Ruinas area bellow Machu-picchu, where people got great pictures

**Pipreola pulchra**

Family: TYRANNIDAE

**Streak-necked Flycatcher**

One individual seen around Puente ruinas bellow Machu-picchu

**Mionectes striaticollis****Sclaters Tyrannulet**

Common at Machu Picchu

**Phyllomyias sclateri****Plumbeous-crowned Tyrannulet**

One seen well at close distance whilst birding Puente Ruinas bellows Machu Picchu

**Phyllomyias plumbeiceps****White-crested Elaenia**

One seen along the huainipaca road above Abancay

**Elaenia albiceps****Sierran Elaenia**

Seen at Machu-picchu

**Elaenia pallatangae****White-throated Tyrannulet**

Common at Abra Malaga

**Mecocerculus leucophrys****Unstreaked Tit-Tyrant RR**

Great views during our visit to the Abra Malaga elfin forest habitat where this proved to be common in mixed flocks

**Uromyias agraphia**



Unstreaked Tit-tyrant – Ian Merrill

**Ash-breasted Tit-Tyrant RR Endangered**

**Anairetes alpinus**

Great looks at Abra Malaga *Polylepis* woodlands; another of the *Polylepis* specialists that is in serious trouble

**Tufted Tit-Tyrant**

**Anairetes parulus**

Good looks of two individuals just bellow our lunch spot on the west slop of the Abra Malaga area

**Mottle-cheeked Tyrannulet**

**Phylloscartes ventralis**

Quite common around Puente Ruinas bellows Machu-picchu

**Cinnamon Flycatcher**

**Pyrrhomyias cinnamomea**

Common

**Smoke-coloured Pewee**

**Contopus fumigatus**

Seen also around Puente ruinas

**Black Phoebe**

**Sayornis nigricans latirostris**

Common along the Rio Urubamba around Puente ruinas; this is the southern subspecies *latirostris*. The change from the darker-winged nominate *nigricans* to the white-winged *latirostris* is a north-south cline, with larger amounts of white gradually appearing further south

**Crowned [Peruvian] Chat-Tyrant**

**Ochthoeca frontalis [spodionota]**

Brief views of one guy in the roadside edges of the Abra Malaga elfin forest during our first visit there.

**Rufous-breasted Chat-Tyrant**

**Ochthoeca rufipectoralis rufipectoralis**

Common

**Brown-backed Chat-Tyrant**

**Ochthoeca fumicolor berlepschi**

Several seen at both slop of the Abra Malaga area

**D'Orbigny's Chat-Tyrant**

**Ochthoeca oenanthoides**

Quality views of a couple in the *Polylepis* forest at Abra Malaga area

**Rufous-webbed Tyrant** **Polioptila rufipennis**  
Nice views of one individual on the valley of Abra Malaga area on the west slope

**Rufous-naped Ground Tyrant** **Muscisaxicola rufivertex**  
Two of them seen on the valley at Abra Malaga

**Puna Ground Tyrant** **Muscisaxicola juninensis**  
Difficult to ID but we managed to get this guy in the Abra Malaga *Polylepis* on our way out of the valley

**Taczanowski's Ground Tyrant** **Muscisaxicola alpina**  
A couple of birds seen in the Abra Malaga *Polylepis* valley

**Cinereous Ground Tyrant** **Muscisaxicola cinerea**  
Several of them seen at Abra Malaga *Polylepis* valley

**Ochre-naped Ground Tyrant** **Muscisaxicola flavinucha**  
To me one of the easiest Ground-tyrant to ID, two of them in very good views at Abra Malaga *Polylepis* valley

**Tropical Kingbird** **Tyrannus melancholicus**  
Common, also seen around Puente ruinas

**Golden-crowned Flycatcher** **Myiodynastes chrysocephalus**  
Seen at Puente Ruinas along the road going out from Aguas Caliente

Family: TITYRIDAE

**Barred Becard \*** **Pachyramphus versicolor**  
Heard around Puente ruinas

Family: VIREONIDAE

**Red-eyed (Chivi) Vireo** **Vireo olivaceus chivi**  
Seen around Puente Ruinas below Machu-picchu; some classifications have considered the South American *chivi* group as a separate species ("Chivi Vireo") from *V. olivaceus*, or as conspecific with *V. flavoviridis* (Hamilton 1962). Ridgely & Greenfield (2001) suggested, however, that more than one species may be involved within the South American *chivi* group itself

**Brown-capped Vireo** **Vireo leucophrys**  
Several seen at Puente Ruinas

Family: CINCLIDAE

**White-capped Dipper** **Cinclus leucocephalus**  
Seen first time along the Abancay River from the colonial bridge and also along the Rio Urubamba from the train and better views from walking along the Urubamba River

Family: TURDIDAE

**Andean Solitaire** **Myadestes ralloides ralloides**  
One seen around Puente ruinas below Machu-picchu; great song!

**White-eared Solitaire** **Entomodestes leucotis**  
Very good view of one individual seen around Puente ruinas

**Chiguanco Thrush** **Turdus chiguanco chiguanco**  
Common

**Great Thrush**  
Common

**Turdus fuscater ockenderi**

Family: TROGLODYTIDAE

**Inca Wren RR**

**Thryothorus eisenmanni**

Very good views of several individuals around the bamboo forest at Abra Malaga and also seen two more just below the restaurant at Machu-picchu ruins



**Inca Wren**

**House Wren**  
Common

**Troglodytes aedon**

**Mountain Wren**

**Troglodytes solstitialis**

Quiet common in the elfin forest habitat at Abra Malaga

**Gray-breasted Wood-Wren**

**Henicorhina leucophrys**

Two seen well Puente Ruinas bellow Machu-picchu

Family: HIRUNDINIDAE

**Brown-bellied Swallow**

**Notiochelidon murina**

Seen at Abra Malaga and Huainipaca road above Abancay

**Blue-and-white Swallow**

**Notiochelidon cyanoleuca**

Seen at Machu-picchu and east slop of Abra Malaga

**Pale-footed Swallow**

**Notiochelidon flavipes**

Seen bellow “Canhayoc” on the east slop of Abra Malaga

**Andean Swallow**

**Stelgidopteryx andecola**

Seen at Abra Malaga

Family: PARULIDAE

**Tropical Parula**

**Parula pitiayumi**

Seen around Puente Ruinas

**Slate-throated Whitestart**

Common

**Spectacled Whitestart**

Common

**Pale-legged Warbler**

Nice looks of several individuals at Puente Ruinas

**Citrine Warbler**

Great looks at several individuals foraging with mixed flocks at Abra Malaga

**Russet-crowned Warbler**

Seen at Puente Ruinas

Family: THRAUPIDAE

**Parodi's Hemispingus RR**

Good looks at the bamboo forest fragments at Abra Malaga

**Myioborus miniatus**

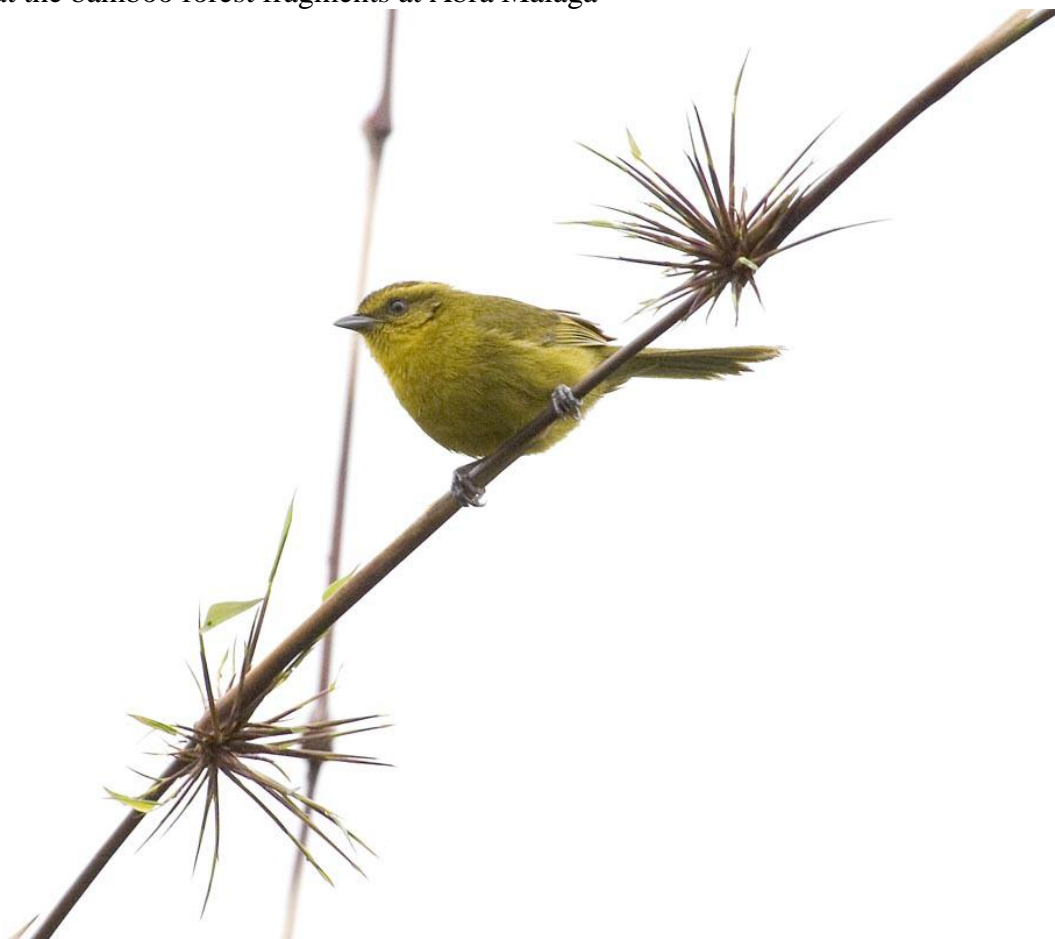
**Myioborus melanocephalus**

**Basileuterus signatus signatus**

**Basileuterus luteoviridis striaticeps**

**Basileuterus coronatus**

**Hemispingus parodi**



**Parodi's Hemispingus**

**Oleaginous Hemispingus**

Great looks of several individuals around Puente ruinas

**Blue-Gray Tanager**

Common around Puente ruinas

**Blue-capped Tanager**

Also seen around Puente ruinas

**Hemispingus frontalis**

**Thraupis episcopus**

**Thraupis cyanocephala**

<b>Blue-and-yellow Tanager</b> Seen above Abancay and also Puente Ruinas	<b>Thraupis bonariensis</b>
<b>Scarlet-bellied Mountain-Tanager</b> The “Christmas-card bird” – stunning in the east slop of Abra Malaga	<b>Anisognathus igniventris igniventris</b>
<b>Chestnut-bellied Mountain-Tanager RR</b> Great views in the mixed flocks species at Abra Malaga east slop	<b>Delothraupis castaneoventris</b>
<b>Fawn-breasted Tanager</b> One or two seen well along the Urubamba River bellow Machu-picchu	<b>Pipraeidea melanonota</b>
<b>Saffron-crowned Tanager</b> Very good views around Puente Ruinas - here the orange-crowned subspecies	<b>Tangara xanthocephala lamprotis</b>
<b>Golden-naped Tanager</b> Also seen at Puente Ruinas	<b>Tangara ruficervix</b>
<b>Blue-necked Tanager</b> Common	<b>Tangara cyanicollis</b>
<b>Beryl-spangled Tanager</b> Quite common around Machu-picchu	<b>Tangara nigroviridis</b>
<b>Silver-backed Tanager</b> Great looks of males and females at Puente Ruinas	<b>Tangara viridicollis</b>
<b>Tit-like Dacnis</b> Seen well in the east slop of Abra Malaga	<b>Xenodacnis parina</b>
<b>Cinereous Conebill</b> Seen around Abra Malaga area and Machu-picchu	<b>Conirostrum cinereum cinereum</b>
<b>White-browed Conebill RR</b> Good views around the east slop of Abra Malaga	<b>Conirostrum ferrugineiventre</b>
<b>Capped Conebill</b> Several individuals seen around Puente Ruinas	<b>Conirostrum albifrons</b>
<b>Giant Conebill RR Near-threatened</b> Another amazing bird that again we found it after a lot of effort in looking for it at Abra Malaga in the <i>Polylepis</i> forest	<b>Oreomanes fraseri</b>
<b>Rusty Flower-piercer</b> Seen nicely at the Pakaritampu hotel garden	<b>Diglossa sittoides</b>
<b>Moustached Flower-piercer</b> Two seen in the east slop of Abra Malaga area	<b>Diglossa mystacalis albilinear</b>
<b>Black-throated Flower-piercer</b> Common in both sides of Abra Malaga area	<b>Diglossa brunneiventris</b>
Family: EMBEZERIDAE <b>Rufous-collared Sparrow</b>	<b>Zonotrichia capensis</b>

Common

**Apurimac Brush-finch RR Near threatened**      **Atlapetes forbesi**

Very good views of one individual in response to tape along the Huainipaca road above Abancay, another bird that gave us a hard time to find one, that again we got it in the very last time

**Chestnut-capped Brush-finch**      **Atlapetes brunneinucha**

Great views of a single individual in response to tape just below the restaurant at the Machu-picchu ruins

**Peruvian Sierra-Finch RR**      **Phrygilus punensis**

Good looks along the Huainipaca road above Abancay and also around Abra Malaga

**Plumbeous Sierra-Finch**      **Phrygilus unicolor**

Common at Abra Malaga

**White-winged Diuca-Finch**      **Diuca speculifera**

Very nice looks of two or three of them at the beginning of our walk in the west slop of Abra Malaga

**Plain-colored Seedeater**      **Catamenia inornata inornata**

Two of them seen along the Huainipaca Road above Abancay

Family: CARDINALIDAE

Several tanager species (genus *Piranga* for example) and certain grosbeak species are now placed in this family. Awaiting news regarding their English (vernacular) names

**Black-backed Grosbeak**      **Pheucticus aureoventris**

Two individuals seen along the Huainipaca road above Abancay

Family: FRINGILLIDAE

**Thick-billed Euphonia**      **Euphonia laniirostris**

Quiet common bellow Machu-picchu, seen males and females. The genus names means "fine-voiced"

**Thick-billed Siskin RR**      **Carduelis crassirostris**

Seen briefly at the *Polylepis* woodland of Abra Malaga

**Hooded Siskin**      **Carduelis magellanica urubambensis**

Seen at Abra Malaga and above Abancay

**INCERTAE SEDIS**

For the following species there are currently SACC proposals needed or impending, or awaiting further research as to their exact taxonomic placement/treatment

**Dull-coloured Grassquit**      **Tiaris obscura**

Few individuals seen around Puente ruinas bellow Machu-picchu

**Golden-billed Saltator**      **Saltator aurantiirostris albociliaris**

Good views along the Huainipaca road above Abancay and also at the Pakaritampu hotel garden and even one more around the Machu-picchu ruins

# MAMMALS

Family **DEER Cervidae**

**Peruvian White-tailed Deer**

**Odocoileus peruvianus**

One seen going across the road a little bit below the pass of above Abancay