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Northwestern Argentina

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## INTRODUCTION

Our trip was focused on birds and culture of Central and Northwestern Argentina. This region of the Southern Cone offers a perfect combination of beautiful scenery, wildlife and an unique cultural heritage. It's a round experience of Andean colourful mountains, forest and deserts....needless mentioning the exquisite food and superb local wines.

We met at Cordoba Airport after Hugh and Margot spent a few days in Buenos Aires city enjoying a Tango Show and visiting the Costanera Sur Nature Reserve for a first encounter with the South American birds. At Cordoba we visited the mountains and the Sierran Chaco forest where we found most of the target species: the rare Black-bodied Woodpecker, Olive-crowned Crescentchest, Stripe-capped Sparrow and many others. During our journey to Tucumán we visited the "salinas grandes" saltflats and the dry forest around them, where we found nice species such as Crested Hornero, Black-crested Finch and the localized Spot-winged Falconet.

Once in Tucumán we stayed at Tafí del Valle, a beautiful mountain area nestled amongst the pre Andean mountain range. There we found several of the Argentine endemics: White-browed Tapaculo, Tucuman Mountain-Finch, Bare-eyed Ground-Dove, Yellow-striped Brush-Finch and the near endemic Rufous-throated Dipper. We were very much excited to have very close views of an adult Black-and-chestnut Eagle soaring above the forest in the Montane Forest below Tafí. A visit to the highland grasslands up the valley rewarded us with great views of a beautiful pair of Magellanic Horned Owl and several magnificent Andean Condors. Later on we moved to the Calchaqui valleys, an area located West from Tafí del Valle. We stayed in Cafayate, a town where the colonial architecture blends with its native heritage, and one of the main wine production regions. Here we had great moments finding the local specialities: three endemics, Steinbach's Canastero, Sandy Gallito and White-throated Cacholote, the stunning Chaco Owl and a pair of Black-legged Seriemas. The flowering *Ligaria* semi-parasitic plants attracted several individuals of White-sided Hillstar, a seasonal visitor, while a couple of Chaco Puffbirds called from a nearby Mesquite Tree. We also visited the ruins of the pre-colonial settlement of Quilmes and did some wine tasting in some typical vineyards near town.

On our way to Salta City, we visited the intern-andean valleys where we had good sightings of Zimmer's Tapaculo, Rufous-bellied Saltator and Scribble-tailed Canastero. We also enjoyed some nice "empanadas" (a sort of a pastry stuffed with grinded beef and spices) in a local roadside stop. We spent some leisure time in our hotel in the outskirts of Salta City birding at the gardens and in the surrounding forest. Here we found the range-restricted Dot-fronted Woodpecker and the tiny Slender-tailed Woodstar.

Driving northwards from Salta we visited a patch of open forest where we found three Red-legged Seriemas before continuing along Humahuaca Gorge towards the the high mountains and dry Altiplano habitats. As we climbed our way out of the valley, the landscape is mostly flat (it was once the bottom of an ocean), and semi-desert Andean steppes are the main habitat, with brackish water lagoons and lakes scattered here and there. We looked for flamingoes and we found the three species! Also Giant Coot, Andean Avocet and Puna Plover entered our list among many others. In this same area we visited the high mountains surrounding the altiplano, adding Ornate Tinamou, Grey-breasted Seednipe and the localized Red-backed Sierra-Finch.

Our trip ended in Yala area birding in Montane Forest habitats, which rewarded us with even more special birds: Red-faced Guan, Fulvous-headed Brush-Finch, Lyre-tailed Nightjar and Black-and-Chestnut Eagle (again!).

What a memorable trip! Beautiful scenery, great birding, exquisite food and the best posible company. We cound't wait to meet once again to explore some other part of Argentina!

#### REFERENCES USED ON THE LIST

X = A species seen on several localities.

i = INTRODUCED

e = ENDEMIC SPECIES

eb = ENDEMIC BREEDER

ne = NEAR ENDEMIC (90% or more of their distribution is in one country)

Global threat categories by BirdLife international:

CR = CRITICAL

EN = ENDANGERED

VU = VULNERABLE

NT = NEAR THREATENED

	REF	ENGLISH NAME	LATIN NAME
<b>Family Tinamidae (Tinamous)</b>			
1		Huayco Tinamou	<i>Rhynchotus maculicollis</i>
2		Ornate Tinamou	<i>Nothoprocta ornata</i>
3		Andean Tinamou	<i>Nothoprocta pentlandii</i>
4		Darwin's Nothura	<i>Nothura darwinii</i>
<b>Family Anatidae (Ducks, Geese, Swans)</b>			
5		White-faced Whistling-Duck	<i>Dendrocygna viduata</i>
6		Coscoroba Swan	<i>Coscoroba coscoroba</i>
7		Andean Goose	<i>Chloephaga melanoptera</i>
8		Brazilian Teal	<i>Amazonetta brasiliensis</i>
9		Crested Duck	<i>Lophonetta specularioides</i>
10		Yellow-billed Teal	<i>Anas flavirostris</i>
11		Yellow-billed Pintail	<i>Anas spinicauda</i>
12		White-cheeked Pintail	<i>Anas bahamensis</i>
13		Puna Teal	<i>Anas puna</i>
14		Silver Teal	<i>Spatula versicolor</i>
15		Cinnamon Teal	<i>Spatula cyanoptera</i>
16		Rosy-billed Pochard	<i>Netta peposaca</i>
17		Ruddy-Duck	<i>Oxyura jamaicensis</i>
18		Lake Duck	<i>Oxyura vittata</i>
<b>Family Cracidae (Chachalacas, Guans, Curassows)</b>			
19		Red-faced Guan	<i>Penelope dabbenei</i>
20		Dusky-legged Guan	<i>Penelope obscura</i>
21		Chaco Chachalaca	<i>Ortalis canicollis</i>
<b>Family Podicipedidae (Grebes)</b>			
22		White-tufted Grebe	<i>Rollandia rolland</i>
23		Least Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus dominicus</i>
24		Pied-billed Grebe	<i>Podilymbus podiceps</i>
25		Great Grebe	<i>Podiceps major</i>
26		Silvery Grebe	<i>Podiceps occipitalis</i>
<b>Family Phoenicopteridae (Flamingos)</b>			
27	NT	Chilean Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopterus chilensis</i>
28	VU	Andean Flamingo	<i>Phoenicoparrus andinus</i>
29	NT	Jame's Flamingo	<i>Phoenicoparrus jamesi</i>
<b>Family Ciconiidae (Storks)</b>			
30		Wood Stork	<i>Mycteria americana</i>
<b>Family Phalacrocoracidae (Cormorants)</b>			
31		Neotropic Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax brasilianus</i>
<b>Family Ardeidae (Hérons, Egrets, Bitterns)</b>			
32		Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>
33		Cocoi Heron	<i>Ardea cocoi</i>
34		Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>
35		Whistling Heron	<i>Syrigma sibilatrix</i>
36		Snowy Egret	<i>Egretta thula</i>
<b>Family Threskiornithidae (Ibises, Spoonbills)</b>			
37		White-faced Ibis	<i>Plegadis chihi</i>
38		Puna Ibis	<i>Plegadis ridgwayi</i>
39		Bare-faced Ibis	<i>Phimosus infuscatus</i>
40		Buff-necked Ibis	<i>Theristicus caudatus</i>
41		Roseate Spoonbill	<i>Platalea ajaja</i>

<b>Family Cathartidae (Vultures)</b>			
42		Turkey Vulture	<i>Cathartes aura</i>
43		Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture	<i>Cathartes burrovianus</i>
44		Black Vulture	<i>Coragyps atratus</i>
45	NT	Andean Condor	<i>Vultur gryphus</i>
<b>Family Accipitridae (Hawks, Kites, Eagles)</b>			
46		White-tailed Kite	<i>Elanus leucurus</i>
47	NT	Black-and-Chestnut Eagle	<i>Spizaetus isidori</i>
48		Cinereous Harrier	<i>Circus cinereus</i>
49		Sharp-shinned Hawk	<i>Accipiter striatus</i>
50		Savanna Hawk	<i>Buteogallus meridionalis</i>
51		Roadside Hawk	<i>Rupornis magnirostris</i>
52		Harris's Hawk	<i>Parabuteo unicinctus</i>
53		White-rumped Hawk	<i>Parabuteo leucorrhous</i>
54		Variable Hawk	<i>Geranoaetus polyosoma</i>
55		Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle	<i>Geranoaetus melanoleucus</i>
<b>Family Falconidae (Caracaras, Falcons)</b>			
56		Spot-winged Falconet	<i>Spizapteryx circumcincta</i>
57		Southern Caracara	<i>Caracara plancus</i>
58		Mountain Caracara	<i>Phalcoboenus megalopterus</i>
59		Chimango Caracara	<i>Milvago chimango</i>
60		American Kestrel	<i>Falco sparverius</i>
61		Aplomado Falcon	<i>Falco femoralis</i>
62		Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>
<b>Family Cariamidae (Seriemas)</b>			
63		Red-legged Seriema	<i>Cariama cristata</i>
64		Black-legged Seriema	<i>Chunga burmeisteri</i>
<b>Family Rallidae (Crakes, Rails, Coots)</b>			
65		Grey-necked Wood-Rail	<i>Aramides cajanea</i>
66		Common Gallinule	<i>Gallinula galeata</i>
67		Red-gartered Coot	<i>Fulica armillata</i>
68		Red-fronted Coot	<i>Fulica rufifrons</i>
69		Giant Coot	<i>Fulica gigantea</i>
70		Slate-colored Coot	<i>Fulica ardesiaca</i>
71		White-winged Coot	<i>Fulica leucoptera</i>
<b>Family Charadriidae (Plovers, Lapwings)</b>			
72		Southern Lapwing	<i>Vanellus chilensis</i>
73		Andean Lapwing	<i>Vanellus resplendens</i>
74		Puna Plover	<i>Charadrius alticola</i>
<b>Family Recurvirostridae (Stilts, Avocets)</b>			
75		Black-necked Stilt	<i>Himantopus mexicanus</i>
76		Andean Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra andina</i>
<b>Family Jacanidae (Jacanas)</b>			
77		Wattled Jacana	<i>Jacana jacana</i>
78		Upland Sandpiper	<i>Bartramia longicauda</i>
79		Greater Yellowlegs	<i>Tringa melanoleuca</i>
80		Lesser Yellowlegs	<i>Tringa flavipes</i>
81		Baird's Sandpiper	<i>Calidris bairdii</i>
82		Pectoral Sandpiper	<i>Calidris melanotos</i>
83		Stilt Sandpiper	<i>Calidris himantopus</i>
84		Wilson's Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus tricolor</i>

<b>Family Thinocoridae (Seedsnipes)</b>		
85		Grey-breasted Seedsnipe <i>Thinocorus orbignyianus</i>
<b>Family Laridae (Skuas, Gulls, Terns, Skimmer)</b>		
86		Andean Gull <i>Chroicocephalus serranus</i>
<b>Family Columbidae (Pigeons, Doves)</b>		
87		Picui Ground-Dove <i>Columbina picui</i>
88		Bare-faced Ground-Dove <i>Metriopelia ceciliae</i>
89	e	Bare-eyed Ground-Dove <i>Metriopelia morenoi</i>
90		Black-winged Ground-Dove <i>Metriopelia melanoptera</i>
91		Golden-spotted Ground-Dove <i>Metriopelia aymara</i>
92	i	Rock Pigeon <i>Columba livia</i>
93		Picazuro Pigeon <i>Patagioenas picazuro</i>
94		Spot-winged Pigeon <i>Patagioenas maculosa</i>
95		Eared Dove <i>Zenaida auriculata</i>
96		White-tipped Dove <i>Leptotila verreauxi</i>
97		Large-tailed Dove <i>Leptotila megalura</i>
<b>Family Psittacidae (Parrots)</b>		
98		Blue-crowned Parakeet <i>Thectocercus acuticaudata</i>
99		Mitred Parakeet <i>Psittacara mitratus</i>
100	ne	Burrowing Parrot <i>Cyanoliseus patagonus</i>
101		Monk Parakeet <i>Myiopsitta monachus</i>
102		Grey-hooded Parakeet <i>Psilopsiagon aymara</i>
103		Scaly-headed Parrot <i>Pionus maximiliani</i>
<b>Family Cuculidae (Cuckoos, Anis)</b>		
104		Guira Cuckoo <i>Guira guira</i>
<b>Family Strigidae (Owls)</b>		
105		Magellanic Horned Owl <i>Bubo magellanicus</i>
106		Chaco Owl <i>Strix chacoensis</i>
107		Burrowing Owl <i>Athene cunicularia</i>
<b>Family Caprimulgidae (Nighthawks, Nightjars)</b>		
108		Little Nightjar <i>Setopagis parvula</i>
109		Scissor-tailed Nightjar <i>Hydropsalis torquata</i>
<b>Family Apodidae (Swifts)</b>		
110		White-collared Swift <i>Streptoprocne zonaris</i>
111		Andean Swift <i>Aeronautes andecolus</i>
<b>Family Trochilidae (Hummingbirds)</b>		
112		Sparkling Violetear <i>Colibri coruscans</i>
113		Red-tailed Comet <i>Sappho sparganurus</i>
114		Andean Hillstar <i>Oreotrochilus estella</i>
115		White-sided Hillstar <i>Oreotrochilus leucopleurus</i>
116	NT	Wedge-tailed Hillstar <i>Oreotrochilus adela</i>
117		Blue-tufted Starthroat <i>Helimaster furcifer</i>
118		Slender-tailed Woodstar <i>Microstilbon burmeisteri</i>
119		White-bellied Hummingbird <i>Amazilia chionogaster</i>
<b>Family Bucconidae (Puffbirds, Nunlets)</b>		
120		Chaco Puffbird <i>Nystalus striatipectus</i>
<b>Family Ramphastidae (Toucans)</b>		
121		Toco Toucan <i>Ramphastos toco</i>
<b>Family Picidae (Woodpeckers)</b>		
122		White-barred Piculet <i>Picumnus cirratus</i>
123		White-fronted Woodpecker <i>Melanerpes cactorum</i>

124		Dot-fronted Woodpecker	<i>Veniliornis frontalis</i>
125		Green-barred Woodpecker	<i>Colaptes melanochloros</i>
126		Andean Flicker	<i>Colaptes rupicola</i>
127		Campo Flicker	<i>Colaptes campestris</i>
128	NT	Black-bodied Woodpecker	<i>Dryocopus schulzi</i>
129		Cream-backed Woodpecker	<i>Campephilus leucopogon</i>
<b>Family Furnariidae (Ovenbirds)</b>			
130		Common Miner	<i>Geositta cunicularia</i>
131		Puna Miner	<i>Geositta punensis</i>
132		Rufous-banded Miner	<i>Geositta rufipennis</i>
133		Scimitar-billed Woodcreeper	<i>Drymornis bridgesii</i>
134		Narrow-billed Woodcreeper	<i>Lepidocolaptes angustirostris</i>
135		Rock Earthcreeper	<i>Ochetorhynchus andeacola</i>
136		Straight-billed Earthcreeper	<i>Ochetorhynchus ruficaudus</i>
137		Chaco Earthcreeper	<i>Tarphonomus certhioides</i>
138		Rufous Hornero	<i>Furnarius rufus</i>
139		Crested Hornero	<i>Furnarius cristatus</i>
140		Scale-throated Earthcreeper	<i>Upucerthia dumetaria</i>
141	e	Buff-breasted Earthcreeper	<i>Upucerthia validirostris</i>
142		Cream-winged Cinclodes	<i>Cinclodes albiventris</i>
143		Olrog's Cinclodes	<i>Cinclodes olrogi</i>
144		White-winged Cinclodes	<i>Cinclodes atacamensis</i>
145	NT	Buff-browed Foliage-gleaner	<i>Syndactyla rufosuperciliata</i>
146		Brown-capped Tit-Spinetail	<i>Leptasthenura fuliginiceps</i>
147		Tufted Tit-Spinetail	<i>Leptasthenura platensis</i>
148		Streak-fronted Thornbird	<i>Phacellodomus striaticeps</i>
149		Spotted-breasted Thornbird	<i>Phacellodomus maculipectus</i>
150		Freckle-breasted Thornbird	<i>Phacellodomus striaticollis</i>
151		Firewood-gatherer	<i>Anumbius annumbi</i>
152		Lark-like Brushrunner	<i>Coryphistera alaudina</i>
153		Creamy-breasted Canastero	<i>Asthenes dorbignyi</i>
154		Short-billed Canastero	<i>Asthenes baeri</i>
155		Scribble-tailed Canastero	<i>Asthenes maculicauda</i>
156		Puna Canastero	<i>Asthenes sclateri</i>
157		Cordilleran Canastero	<i>Asthenes modesta</i>
158		Sharp-billed Canastero	<i>Asthenes pyrrholeuca</i>
159		Stripe-crowned Spinetail	<i>Cranioleuca pyrrhophia</i>
160	e	Steinbach's Canastero	<i>Pseudasthenes steinbachi</i>
161		Brown Cacholote	<i>Pseudoseisura lophotes</i>
162	e	White-throated Cacholote	<i>Pseudoseisura gutturalis</i>
<b>Family Thamnophilidae (Antbirds)</b>			
163		Variable Antshrike	<i>Thamnophilus caeruleus</i>
<b>Family Rhinocryptidae (Tapaculos)</b>			
164		Crested Gallito	<i>Rhinocrypta lanceolata</i>
165	e	Sandy Gallito	<i>Teledromas fuscus</i>
166		Zimmer's Tapaculo	<i>Scytalopus zimmeri</i>
167	e	White-browed Tapaculo	<i>Scytalopus superciliaris</i>
<b>Family Melanopareidae (Crescentchest)</b>			
168		Olive-crowned Crescentchest	<i>Melanopareia maximiliani</i>
<b>Family Tyrannidae (Tyrant Flycatchers)</b>			
169		Rough-legged Tyrannulet	<i>Phyllomyias burmeisteri</i>

170		Sclater's Tyrannulet	<i>Phyllomyias sclateri</i>
171		Suiriri Flycatcher	<i>Suiriri suiriri</i>
172		Yellow-billed Tit-Tyrant	<i>Anairetes flavirostris</i>
173		Tufted Tit-Tyrant	<i>Anairetes parulus</i>
174		White-bellied Tyrannulet	<i>Serpophaga munda</i>
175	eb	Stranek's Tyrannulet	<i>Serpophaga griseicapilla</i>
176		Greater Wagtail-Tyrant	<i>Stigmatura budytoides</i>
177		Southern Scrub-Flycatcher	<i>Sublegatus modestus</i>
178		Cliff Flycatcher	<i>Hirundinea ferruginea</i>
179		Smoke-colored Pewee	<i>Contopus fumigatus</i>
180		Black Phoebe	<i>Sayornis nigricans</i>
181		Vermilion Flycatcher	<i>Pyrocephalus rubinus</i>
182		Austral Negrigo	<i>Lessonia rufa</i>
183		Andean Negrigo	<i>Lessonia oreas</i>
184		Cinereous Tyrant	<i>Knipolegus striaticeps</i>
185		Andean Tyrant	<i>Knipolegus signatus</i>
186		White-winged Black-Tyrant	<i>Knipolegus aterrimus</i>
187		Spectacled Tyrant	<i>Hymenops perspicillatus</i>
188		Yellow-browed Tyrant	<i>Satrapa icterophrys</i>
189		Rufous-naped Ground-Tyrant	<i>Muscisaxicola rufivertex</i>
190		Black-billed Shrike-Tyrant	<i>Agriornis montanus</i>
191		Grey-bellied Shrike-Tyrant	<i>Agriornis micropterus</i>
192	eb	Lesser Shrike-Tyrant	<i>Agriornis murinus</i>
193		White Monjita	<i>Xolmis irupero</i>
194		Black-backed Water-Tyrant	<i>Fluvicola albiventer</i>
195		D'Orbigny's Chat-Tyrant	<i>Ochthoeca oenanthoides</i>
196		Cattle Tyrant	<i>Machetornis rixosa</i>
197		Great Kiskadee	<i>Pitangus sulphuratus</i>
198		Tropical Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus melancholicus</i>
199		Dusky-capped Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus tuberculifer</i>
<b>Family Cotingidae (Plantcutters, Cotingas)</b>			
200		White-tipped Plantcutter	<i>Phytotoma rutila</i>
<b>Family Vireonidae (Vireos, Greenlets)</b>			
201		Red-eyed Vireo	<i>Vireo olivaceus</i>
<b>Family Corvidae (Jays)</b>			
202		Plush-crested Jay	<i>Cyanocorax chrysops</i>
<b>Family Hirundinidae (Swallows)</b>			
203		Blue-and-white Swallow	<i>Pygochelidon cyanoleuca</i>
204		Southern Rough-winged Swallow	<i>Stelgidopteryx ruficollis</i>
<b>Family Troglodytidae (Wrens)</b>			
205		House Wren	<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>
<b>Family Polioptilidae (Gnatcatchers)</b>			
206		Masked Gnatcatcher	<i>Polioptila dumicola</i>
<b>Family Cinclidae (Dippers)</b>			
207	VU	Rufous-throated Dipper	<i>Cinclus schulzi</i>
<b>Family Turdidae (Thrushes)</b>			
208		Rufous-bellied Thrush	<i>Turdus rufiventris</i>
209		Andean-Slaty Thrush	<i>Turdus nigriceps</i>
210		Chiguanco Thrush	<i>Turdus chiguanco</i>
<b>Family Mimidae (Mockingbirds)</b>			
211	ne	Patagonian Mockingbird	<i>Mimus patagonicus</i>



212		Chalk-browed Mockingbird	<i>Mimus saturninus</i>
213	eb	White-banded Mockingbird	<i>Mimus triurus</i>
214		Brown-backed Mockingbird	<i>Mimus dorsalis</i>
<b>Family Motacillidae (Pipits)</b>			
215		Yellowish Pipit	<i>Anthus lutescens</i>
216		Short-billed Pipit	<i>Anthus furcatus</i>
217		Hellmayr's Pipit	<i>Anthus hellmayri</i>
<b>Family Parulidae (Wood Warblers)</b>			
218		Tropical Parula	<i>Setophaga pitiayumi</i>
219		Two-banded Warbler	<i>Myiothlypis bivittata</i>
220		Brown-capped Redstart	<i>Myioborus bruniceps</i>
<b>Family Thraupidae (Tanagers, etc)</b>			
221	NT	Rufous-bellied Saltator	<i>"Saltator" rufiventris</i>
222		Fawn-breasted Tanager	<i>Pipraeidea melanonota</i>
223		Blue-and-yellow Tanager	<i>Pipraeidea bonariensis</i>
224		Sayaca Tanager	<i>Thraupis sayaca</i>
225		Black-hooded Sierra-Finch	<i>Phrygilus atriceps</i>
226		Grey-hooded Sierra-Finch	<i>Phrygilus gayi</i>
227		Mourning Sierra-Finch	<i>Phrygilus fruticeti</i>
228		Plumbeous Sierra-Finch	<i>Phrygilus unicolor</i>
229	ne	Red-backed Sierra-Finch	<i>Phrygilus dorsalis</i>
230		Ash-breasted Sierra-Finch	<i>Phrygilus plebejus</i>
231		Common Diuca-Finch	<i>Diuca diuca</i>
232		Black-crested Finch	<i>Lophospingus pusillus</i>
233		Rufous-sided Warbling-Finch	<i>Poospiza hypochondria</i>
234	ne-VU	Tucuman Mountain-Finch	<i>Poospiza baeri</i>
235		Rusty-browed Warbling-Finch	<i>Microspingus erythrophrys</i>
236		Ringed Warbling-Finch	<i>Microspingus torquatus</i>
237		Black-capped Warbling-Finch	<i>Microspingus melanoleucus</i>
238		Puna Yellow-Finch	<i>Sicalis lutea</i>
239		Citron-headed Yellow-Finch	<i>Sicalis luteocephala</i>
240		Greenish Yellow-Finch	<i>Sicalis olivascens</i>
241		Monte Yellow-Finch	<i>Sicalis mendozae</i>
242		Saffron Finch	<i>Sicalis flaveola</i>
243		Grassland Yellow-Finch	<i>Sicalis luteola</i>
244		Great Pampa-Finch	<i>Embernagra platensis</i>
245		Double-collared Seedeater	<i>Sporophila caeruleascens</i>
246		Plain-colored Seedeater	<i>Catamenia inornata</i>
<b>Incertae Sedis (Saltator, Saltatricula, Mitrospingus)</b>			
247		Greyish Saltator	<i>Saltator coerulescens</i>
248		Golden-billed Saltator	<i>Saltator aurantirostris</i>
249		Many-colored Chaco-Finch	<i>Saltatricula multicolor</i>
<b>Family Emberizidae (Sparrows, Finches)</b>			
250		Rufous-collared Sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia capensis</i>
251		Grassland Sparrow	<i>Ammodramus humeralis</i>
252	ne	Stripe-capped Sparrow	<i>Rhynchospiza strigiceps</i>
253		Saffron-billed Sparrow	<i>Arremon flavirostris</i>
254		Stripe-headed Brush-Finch	<i>Arremon torquatus</i>
255		Fulvous-headed Brush-Finch	<i>Atlapetes fulviceps</i>
256	e	Yellow-striped Brush-Finch	<i>Atlapetes citrinellus</i>
257		Common Bush-Tanager	<i>Chlorospingus ophthalmicus</i>





A roosting pair of Magellanic Horned Owl. Photo by H. Slongo.



One of Red-legged Seriemas seen. Photo by H. Slongo.





The beautiful landscape of Northwest Argentina. Photo by H. Slongo.



Scribble-tailed Canastero.



Rufous-bellied Saltator



A view from our hotel at Purmamarca.



Our beautiful hotel in the outskirts of Salta City.





Lunch at Pozuelos Lagoon (4000 m)



Curious Lamas in the Altiplano.



A nice wetland North of Salta City.