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DEDICATION

BURT L. MONROE, JR.
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To Dr. Burt L. Monroe, Jr., Past Chairman of the Committee on Classification and Nomenclature, whose encyclopedic knowledge of avian taxonomy, nomenclature, and distribution were indispensable in the preparation of the initial draft of the present volume. As Chair, he led the Committee with patience and efficient diplomacy, gaining our friendship and deep respect. A skilled communicator, he corresponded globally with both scientists and amateurs in a highly productive effort to standardize English names, a task in which he enthusiastically welcomed the views of everyone. During the waning months of his tenure, while enduring the constant pain and fatigue of terminal illness, Burt labored selflessly toward the completion of this Check-list, a significant portion of which represents one of his many lasting contributions to ornithology.
PREFACE TO THE SEVENTH EDITION

Background

Soon after publication of the sixth edition of the Check-list in 1983, members of the reconstituted Committee on Classification and Nomenclature began preparing this seventh edition. A primary goal of the Committee was to produce a volume that would emphasize information on the nature and extent of geographic variation in each included species and relate that variation to subspecific nomenclature. Each Committee member accepted responsibility for particular groups of birds. Draft species accounts were sent to Chairman Burt L. Monroe, Jr., for compilation and distribution to other committee members for review. Although subspecies-level accounts were written for almost half of the species in the Check-list area, it eventually became clear that a volume at that level would not be completed within acceptable time limits. In 1991, the Committee reluctantly decided to postpone that edition and instead to work toward a new edition at the species level.

Concurrently with work on the subspecies edition, the Committee pursued two other goals: (1) to maintain the currency of the sixth edition by evaluating newly published studies in taxonomy and nomenclature, accepting those recommendations or findings based on sound data analysis, and (2) to maintain the accuracy of distributional data for species known to occur in North America as defined in the Check-list or in particular political subdivisions (countries, states, or provinces) thereof. Beginning in 1984, the Committee met twice annually, in mid-winter (a few meetings skipped) and at the annual A.O.U. meeting. In preparation for a meeting, a member of the Committee would distribute a detailed analysis of published evidence for proposed changes in existing classification or for range extensions that added species to the A.O.U. area or to North America north of Mexico. In December 1995, the Committee began a series of ballots by mail, after distribution of such analyses. When a vote from either a meeting or a mail ballot resulted in a change in species limits or nomenclature, or the addition of a species to the known avifauna of the Check-list area or to the geographic area of the fifth and earlier editions of the Check-list (thus requiring the assignment of an A.O.U. or World number), the decision was included in a Supplement to the Check-list. Supplements were published in the July issue of The Auk in each odd-numbered year after the publication of the sixth edition until the publication of the seventh. A list of all Supplements to the Check-list since the first edition in 1886 appears at the end of this volume. Proposals not adopted by the Committee at any given meeting remained available for future consideration and reanalysis. Unresolved matters generally are reflected by alternative treatments mentioned with citations in “Notes” at the end of species accounts in this edition. On a few occasions, the Committee generated proposals on its own, concerning reevaluations of previously published analyses. These generally were reviews of decisions made for the sixth edition, and they usually resulted in the reversal of earlier decisions that had been made without adequate documentation.

In 1992, Monroe sent copies of a revised species-level manuscript to regional distributional authorities in states and provinces, Mexico, Central America, and the Caribbean. When most of those authorities had reviewed the manuscript for species in their areas, Monroe sent the updated manuscript to the Committee members for taxonomic review and refinement. Committee members, each concentrating on particular taxonomic groups of birds, sent their comments or revisions to Monroe, who maintained the master manuscript in a computer file. Monroe’s health was failing in this period, and production of the revised edition went very slowly. When Burt Monroe died in May 1994 (Able 1996), Committee members became acutely aware of their dependence on him to carry the burden of the new edition.

In 1994, the A.O.U. Council authorized funds for the Committee to employ Andrew J. Kratter to assume the responsibility of maintaining the manuscript as members submitted new information and the Committee made taxonomic decisions. Kratter remained under contract, on a part time basis, from January 1995 until May 1996, after which the manuscript file and the responsibility of maintaining it were transferred to J. V. Remsen.

This edition includes taxonomic decisions made by the Committee up to March 1997. In general, taxonomic and systematic literature published after 1996 has not been reviewed. An important exception to that cutoff date is Ornithological Monographs no. 48, the contents of which were well known to the Committee because of editorial overlap. No new distri-
butional information was included after about 31 December 1996. Because of the considerable gap between return of the reviews of distributional information by regional authorities and the publication of this volume, it is likely that some important distributional records have been overlooked.

This edition of the Check-list contains 2,008 species, a significant increase from the 1,913 in the sixth edition. Of the total, 991 are nonpasserines; of the 1,017 passerines, 254 are suboscines and 763 are oscines. Of the latter, 315 are nine-primaries oscines. There are 83 additional species in part 1 of the Appendix, and 34 in part 2.

**Taxonomic Philosophy**

Since publication of the sixth edition of this Check-list, the Committee has studied a flood of new publications on the systematic status and taxonomic relationships of birds. Much of this literature has involved the examination of traditional morphologic data through the application of phylogenetic systematic or cladistic approaches. Increasingly, molecular systematic techniques, such as DNA-DNA hybridization, allozyme electrophoresis, restriction fragment length polymorphisms (RFLP), and direct sequencing of DNA bases, have been brought to bear on long-standing problems in classification and relationships, from subspecific to ordinal levels. The addition of molecular data to traditional information not only has provided a healthy multidisciplinary perspective heretofore lacking but also has given results that are based on independent data sets. In many instances the new techniques have provided conclusions entirely supportive of traditional taxonomies. In other examples, conflicting findings point to the need for further investigation. Throughout the species accounts of this check-list, we cite literature pertinent to our decisions on change in classification. Consequently, the Literature Cited is a reasonably comprehensive bibliography of recent literature on the systematics and taxonomy of North American birds and thus a major resource not found in previous editions of the Check-list.

As an official source on the taxonomy of North American birds, the Check-list of the American Ornithologists' Union is relied on by a variety of professional biologists, including museum curators, journal editors, state, provincial, and federal government wildlife managers and scientists, law enforcement personnel, and ornithologists in general. In addition, the Check-list is a basic resource for most of the technical and semi-popular references used by bird watchers. Because of wide acceptance of the Check-list as an authoritative standard, the Committee responsible for its preparation feels it necessary to avoid hasty decisions that risk quick reversal, thereby fostering instability. Following the time-honored tradition of previous Committees, our general stance has been conservative and cautious when judging recently published proposals for novel classifications, schemes of relationship, and species limits. We routinely have tabled recommendations for which supporting data were inconclusive and that lacked a consensus among the Committee. Such proposals can be reconsidered later in the light of additional relevant information.

**Changes from the Sixth Edition**

**Higher-level classification.**—The Committee established a policy for this edition whereby changes in classification of major groups require concordant evidence from two or more independent data sets. Among the more important changes in nonpasserines are the transfer of the family Cathartidae from the Falconiformes to the Ciconiiformes, the elevation of the New World Quail to the level of family (Odontophoridae), the removal of the family Pteroclidae from the Columbiformes to a position incertae sedis between the Charadriiformes and the Columbiformes, removing the family Upupidae from the Coraciiformes and raising it to the level of order (Upupiformes), and the separation of Old World and New World barbets (Capitonidae), with the latter placed as a subfamily (Capitoninae) in the family Ramphastidae.

In the suboscine passerines, the subfamily Thomnophilinae is elevated to the level of family (Thamnophilidae). In the Tyrannidae, we recognize a subfamily Platyrinchinae but not the subfamily Tityrinae. Several genera formerly scattered among the families Tyrannidae, Cotingidae, and Pipridae are removed from their former respective families and placed together incertae sedis before the Cotingidae.
In the oscine passerines, major changes include recognition of a corvine assemblage (the parvorder Corvida of Sibley and Ahlquist [1990]) of primarily Australasian families separate from other oscines. The Family Pycnonotidae is moved to follow the families Troglodytidae and Cinclidae, rather than precede them. The family Sturnidae is moved to a position following the Mimidae. The subfamilies of the sixth edition's Muscicapidae and Emberizidae are returned to their former rank as families; the kinglets, genus Regulus, are removed from the Muscicapidae and elevated to the rank of family (Regulidae). The genus Peucedramus is removed from the Parulidae and placed in a monotypic family (Peucedramidae), ahead of the Parulidae.

The many changes at lower taxonomic levels are summarized in Supplements published since the sixth edition.

A.O.U. numbers.—A system of numbering the species in the Check-list was established in the first edition and carried through, with necessary modifications, into the sixth. That system was applied only to those species that occurred in the geographic area covered by the first five editions, Canada and the continental United States plus Baja California, Mexico, and Greenland. Species in the sixth edition that occurred only in Hawaii, the Caribbean, Mexico, or Central America remained numberless. When an “extralimital” species was documented as occurring in the old Check-list area, the Committee assigned it a number. Any original significance of the sequence of numbers was lost as the classification changed over the years and as new species were interspersed. The original A.O.U. numbers retained usefulness in marking and organizing egg collections and other data sets or in administrative record keeping, but to an extent much limited by the geographic coverage. In 1990, Sibley and Monroe used a World List numbering system originally devised by P. William Smith, based on the old A.O.U. numbers but expanded to provide a number for each species of bird in the world. In the 38th Supplement to the Check-list (A.O.U. 1991), the Committee announced that it would adopt the World List numbering system in this seventh edition. Difficulties in applying that system as species were split or lumped over the next several years led the Committee to reevaluate what by default had become a commitment to maintain the system for a significant portion of the avian world. In 1995, the Committee decided to abandon any numbering system in the seventh edition, a decision noted in the 41st Supplement (A.O.U. 1997). The A.O.U. numbers for North American species in the sixth edition are still available and useful for those who see a need for a numbering system, as are those for the world list of birds in Sibley and Monroe (1990, 1993).

Statements of habitat.—Descriptions of habitat in the sixth edition were inconsistent and generalized, particularly for Neotropical species with which the Committee was less familiar. For the present edition we have adopted the standardized nomenclature for tropical American habitats used by Stotz et al. (1996) to compile ecological databases for all Neotropical bird species. Habitat terms that are initially capitalized here are from Stotz et al. (1996), and we refer readers to that publication for detailed botanical descriptions of those habitats.

Citations to literature.—As mentioned several times herein, the “Notes” sections at the ends of many species accounts have been expanded. We have attempted to provide references to document statements on alternative systematic treatments or nomenclature. We assume that most users of the Check-list are familiar with the historical literature on avian systematics, and will automatically refer to the classic compendia by Ridgway, Hellmayr, and Peters (as these series are generally known, although other authors also were involved). Those works, and the major scientific books on birds of the various Central American countries, may not always be cited in this Check-list, but they should always be consulted by researchers initiating taxonomic or distributional studies. Sibley and Ahlquist (1990) provided thorough historical reviews of the history of higher-level classification, which should be consulted by anyone interested in the classification of birds. That resource permits our “Notes” sections for higher-level categories to be brief.

French names.—A new feature of this edition is a list of French names for all included species. The French names used are derived from “Noms Francais des Oiseaux du Monde,” 1993, Commission internationale des noms français des oiseaux, Sainte-Foy, Canada, Editions MultiMondes. Additional or modified French names necessitated by taxonomic changes adopted in the Check-list since 1993 were provided by the North American representatives of the International Committee on French names.

Appendix.—The three major appendices (A, B and C) of the sixth edition have been
combined into a single Appendix for this volume. The Appendix includes species of birds whose names have been mentioned in the literature in a way suggesting that they are a part of the avifauna of the area covered but that the Committee finds inadmissible to the main list for reasons indicated. The Appendix consists of two parts—species reported with insufficient evidence, and named forms of doubtful status or hybrid origin. Appendix D of the sixth edition, unestablished introductions, has been omitted.

Taxonomic Categories

In general, our classification scheme uses only the familiar formal categories of Order, Suborder, Superfamily, Family, Subfamily, Tribe, Genus, and Species. We do not use the Superspecies as a taxonomic category as advocated by Amadon (1966) and as used by Sibley and Monroe (1990). In Notes at the end of many accounts, however, we indicate that species have been considered or treated as allospecies of superspecies by some authorities. The Committee believes that many such treatments are more conjectural than factual. An informal category that we invoke is that of Group, also used extensively by Sibley and Monroe (1990). A Group typically is a geographic portion (one or more subspecies) of a polytypic species that was previously treated as a separate species but that has been merged with another Group under the biological species concept (BSC). The use of the Group concept is helpful in tracing the nomenclatural history of a species and in many instances provides names for use if and when the species is redivided. Many mergers in the early days of the biological species concept were not based on strong biological evidence. We have retained the merged species because in most instances strong evidence for re-division has not been presented. In a few instances, recent studies have suggested, without thorough analysis, that populations long considered to be conspecific should perhaps be split into two or more species. We have in some instances used the term Group prospectively rather than retrospectively. In a sense, each mention of a Group is an invitation for research into the relationships of the populations involved.

Recognition of subspecies.—As in the sixth edition, for reasons of expediency, the Committee reluctantly excluded treatment of subspecies in the current volume. Their omission should not be interpreted as a devaluation of the importance of that taxonomic rank. To the contrary, the Committee strongly and unanimously continues to endorse the biological reality and practical utility of subspecies. Subspecies names denote geographic segments of species' populations that differ abruptly and discretely in morphology or coloration; these differences often correspond with differences in behavior and habitat. Such populations are thus flagged for the attention of evolutionists, ecologists, and conservationists. Some subspecies also are "species-in-the-making" and therefore constitute a significant element of newly evolving biodiversity. The Committee's endorsement of subspecies as entities worthy of scientific inquiry carries with it our realization that an uncertain number of currently recognized subspecies, especially those formally named early in this century, probably cannot be validated by rigorous modern techniques. The opposite is also true; after careful study an unknown number of present subspecies probably will be unmasked as cryptic biological species. This point further emphasizes the important role of this taxonomic rank in calling attention to examples of avian diversity deserving additional investigation.

Geographic Coverage

The geographic area covered by this edition is the same as that in the sixth edition—North and Middle America including the adjacent islands under the jurisdiction of the included nations; the Hawaiian Islands; Clipperton Island; Bermuda; the West Indies, including the Bahama Islands, the Greater Antilles, Leeward and Windward islands of the Lesser Antilles; and Swan, Providencia, and San Andrés islands in the Gulf of Mexico. In the Bering Sea the boundary is that delimiting the United States from Russia, which is also the International Date Line. To the east the boundary is the boundary between Canada and Greenland. The southern boundary in Middle America is the border between Panama and Colombia; in the Lesser Antilles, Grenada is the southernmost island included. Records of occurrence within 160 kilometers (100 miles) offshore from any coast in the Check-list area are included unless the locality of the records lies outside the specified limits in that region (e.g., an international boundary).
Criteria for Inclusion

All species for which there is a published record or report of occurrence within the Check-list area are included, either in the main list or in the Appendix. For inclusion in the main text, records of occurrence must be documented by a specimen or an unequivocally identifiable photograph. A recording of vocalizations diagnostic for a species could constitute equally valid documentation, but no species are included on that basis. Properly labeled specimens deposited in a public museum provide the best evidence of occurrence because they can be reexamined and verified in many ways (see beyond). Identifiable photographs, preferably published, that are deposited in a museum or photographic archive are the next best kind of evidence, and several species are included on the basis of such evidence. Once a species is admitted to the Check-list area, additional distributional data may be based on sight reports, but if the occurrence would constitute an addition to a national list, especially for the United States or Canada, documentation must be as firm as for addition to the entire list. For states and provinces in the United States and Canada, and for other political units where it might apply, this Committee has cooperated extensively with the Check-list Committee of the American Birding Association, which also is stringent in its assessment of the documentation of records. We note that a properly verified record of a species does not validate either earlier or later poorly documented or undocumented sight reports.

Species that have been introduced by humans, either deliberately or accidentally, are considered to be established if there are persistent records for at least ten years and satisfactory evidence that they are maintaining a reasonably stable or increasing population through successful reproduction. Ornithologists and birders are urged to pay close attention to species introduced in their areas and to document constancy of occurrence and changes in population size. Introduced species often are neglected, although they provide opportunity for fascinating research.

Format


Citation.—Each generic and specific scientific name is followed by the name of the author (original describer) of the name. If the author's name is in parentheses, the species was originally described in a genus different from that to which it is currently assigned. Each generic or specific name is further followed by the date (year, occasionally month and year) in which it was first published and the name of the publication in which the name appeared. Where more than one year is given, the one in parentheses is the ostensible date of publication, usually as on the cover or title page, and the one without parentheses is the actual date of publication as determined by other evidence. Some publication dates have been changed from the sixth edition because of the studies of Browning and Monroe (1991) or others. In a few instances, the change of a date has necessitated the change (from previous editions) of a citation or even of the name itself because of the Law of Priority as set forth in the Code. We are especially grateful to Alan P. Peterson for assistance in obtaining correct dates of publication.

English names.—We have followed the guidelines on English names set forth in the Preface to the sixth edition, with some exceptions. For species of primarily Eurasian distribution that are on the American list as a result of vagrancy, we have accepted the English name used by the B.O.U. (1992). An extensive suite of changes was published in the 40th Supplement (A.O.U. 1995). When a species was divided into two or more distinct species, we have used former English names, if available, for the resultant taxa. In general, we have followed the policy that no English name should be used for both a combined species and one of the components (Groups). However, we often have retained a well-known English name for a widespread North American form when a taxon that is either extralimital or restricted in distribution is separated from it. An example is the retention of the name Red-winged Blackbird for Agelaius phoeniceus when the Cuban population was separated as A. assimilis and named the Red-shouldered Blackbird.
Species Concepts

The Committee strongly and unanimously continues to endorse the biological species concept (BSC), in which species are considered to be genetically cohesive groups of populations that are reproductively isolated from other such groups. According to the BSC, geographic isolation leads to genetic change and potentially to the reproductive isolation of sister taxa. If and when these closely related forms later coexist, reproductive isolating mechanisms such as distinctive displays and vocalizations serve to maintain the essential genetic integrity of the newly formed biological species. In recent decades the BSC has been criticized because of several purported weaknesses (Cracraft 1983, McKitrick and Zink 1988). These problems fall into three categories (Zink 1996): interpretation of hybridization, the supposed recognition of nonhistorical groups, and the treatment of allopatric populations. Although space does not permit a thorough analysis of the relevant issues here, the Committee believes that the supposed weaknesses of the BSC have been overstated, as the following brief comments explain.

Regarding the interpretation of hybridization, we emphasize that a significant number of undisputed biological species of birds long retain the capacity for at least limited interbreeding with other species, even non-sister taxa (Prager and Wilson 1975, Grant and Grant 1992). Therefore, the occasional occurrence of hybridization, even between taxa that the Committee has long recognized as species, by no means diminishes the biological reality of their essential reproductive isolation. In practice, interbreeding has not been the ironclad determinate of conspecificity that some would believe. Thus, essential (lack of free interbreeding) rather than complete reproductive isolation has been and continues to be the fundamental operating criterion for species status by workers adhering to the BSC. In particular, hybridization of two forms across narrow and stable contact zones—once viewed as a sufficient criterion for treatment as one species—is now viewed as evidence for lack of free interbreeding. As a consequence, many pairs of sister taxa that were merged in the sixth edition have been resplit in this edition of the Check-list.

The BSC also has been criticized because it supposedly cannot correctly reflect the historical relationships of taxa. Admittedly, occasional examples of massive hybridization have led this Committee and previous ones (prior to the availability of molecular phylogenetic information) improperly to combine into single species probable non-sister taxa. Nonetheless, the BSC can readily accommodate new data on historical relationships of taxa as better estimates become available. Such estimates are now commonplace for many taxa, reflecting the widespread application of molecular systematic techniques appropriate to phylogenetic recovery.

Finally, the subjective treatment of allopatric populations, which by definition cannot pass the test of sympatry by proving their reproductive isolation, has been claimed to be a weakness of the BSC. In fact, modern technology has removed much of the taxonomic treatment of such populations from the realm of subjectivity and opinion. Quantified study of vocalizations and detailed investigation of genetic distances of allopatric populations, for example, provide data for quantitative comparison with levels of difference seen in the same features among sympatric biological species. When allopatric taxa demonstrate either similarities or differences in features related to reproductive isolation, such as song and genetic distance, taxonomic rank can be assigned by appropriate, objective criteria rather than through guesses as to their capacity for interbreeding with allopatric relatives.

Cracraft (1983) proposed a “phylogenetic species concept” (PSC) for ornithology, which narrowly defines species as “the smallest diagnosable cluster of individual organisms within which there is a parental pattern of ancestry and descent.” Using this definition, many groups of populations recognized as subspecies under the BSC would become species under the PSC. For strongly characterized subspecies or “near species” under the BSC, diagnosis as phylogenetic species presents no serious problem. But to elevate to species status the plethora of subspecies of birds exhibiting distinct but trivial, or geographically chaotic, variation would represent extreme retrogression to the typological species concepts of more than a century ago. The PSC would be reduced to absurdity when species status is granted to tiny clusters of individuals now diagnosable through sophisticated molecular approaches. Furthermore, use of diagnostic characters does not necessarily guarantee accurate phylogenetic construction. Moreover, we regard as indefensible the identification of species by what are
essentially phenetic criteria. A final major problem with the PSC is its lack of a distinctly biological foundation. This is revealed clearly by the fact that the PSC can apply equally well to either animate or inanimate objects, both categories of which include members that are diagnosable at some level and also have a history.

The Committee recognizes that essential genetic isolation is the indispensable feature of biological species and that this independence from all other living genetic systems is a consequence of reproductive isolation. The latter is, therefore, the main engine that propels the evolution of biodiversity, including that of birds. That one can observe directly and measure the reproductive isolating mechanisms that protect the essential genetic integrity of biological species of birds in natural environments is further reason to apply the BSC to members of this Class. Application of the BSC has the undeniable biological appeal of allowing the behavior of the populations themselves to determine taxonomic rank.

Collection of Specimens

The Committee strongly and unanimously supports the judicious and ethical collection of birds for scientific purposes. Specimens are indispensable for the investigation of a multitude of unsolved problems of relationship, evolutionary history, structure, and geographic occurrence. Existing collections are an irreplaceable foundation for present taxonomy and distribution. Nonetheless, most specimens in such collections were obtained decades ago when standards for systematic analysis were different from those at present. Because of discoloration resulting from age, inadequate reproductive data, and poor initial preparation—as well as ongoing evolutionary change—present collections, even when considered together, nearly always must be supplemented by new material for comprehensive systematic studies (Winker 1996). Furthermore, most current collections either lack or have an inadequate representation of preserved tissue necessary for the application of molecular systematic approaches.

We emphasize that the recognition, description, and conservation of all biodiversity, including that of birds, depends ultimately on proper taxonomic analyses. The latter, in turn, cannot be conducted without adequate scientific collections of specimens (Remsen 1995).

The Committee unanimously recognizes the contributions of an increasing number of serious amateurs and other workers with excellent skills in field identification who continue to add significant distributional information for the large number of easily identifiable kinds of birds. Despite such contributions, however, scientific collecting continues to play a crucial role in the proper documentation of avian distribution. Many species of birds in some plumages, and some species in all plumages, cannot be identified safely in the field, the increased sophistication of field skills notwithstanding. The Committee deplores the invasion of the primary distributional literature by an increasing volume of poorly documented reports of the latter two categories of species, resulting in a significant general decline in quality of the scientific database for avian distribution. For many taxa of birds, judicious scientific collecting is necessary to provide full and proper documentation for dependable distributional records.

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LIST OF THE 2,008 BIRD SPECIES (WITH SCIENTIFIC AND ENGLISH NAMES) KNOWN FROM THE A.O.U. CHECK-LIST AREA.

Notes: "(A)" = accidental/casual in A.O.U. area; "(H)" = recorded in A.O.U. area only from Hawaii; "(I)" = introduced into A.O.U. area; "(N)" = has not bred in A.O.U. area but occurs regularly as nonbreeding visitor; "†" preceding name = extinct.

TINAMIFORMES

TINAMIDAE

Tinamus major Great Tinamou.
Nothocercus bonapartei Highland Tinamou.
Crypturellus soui Little Tinamou.
Crypturellus cinnamomeus Thicket Tinamou.
Crypturellus boucardi Slaty-breasted Tinamou.
Crypturellus kerriae Choco Tinamou.

GAVIIFORMES

GAVIIDAE

Gavia stellata Red-throated Loon.
Gavia arctica Arctic Loon.
Gavia pacifica Pacific Loon.
Gavia immer Common Loon.
Gavia adamsii Yellow-billed Loon.

PODICIPEDIFORMES

PODICIPEDIDAE

Tachybaptus dominicus Least Grebe.
Podilymbus podiceps Pied-billed Grebe.
†Podilymbus gigas Atitlan Grebe.
Podiceps auritus Horned Grebe.
Podiceps grisegena Red-necked Grebe.
Podiceps nigricollis Eared Grebe.
Aechmophorus occidentalis Western Grebe.
Aechmophorus clarkii Clark’s Grebe.

PROCELLARIIFORMES

DIOMEDEIDAE

Thalassarche chlororhynchos Yellow-nosed Albatross. (A)
Thalassarche cauta Shy Albatross. (A)
Thalassarche melanophrys Black-browed Albatross. (A)
Phoebetria palpebrata Light-mantled Albatross. (A)
Diomedea exulans Wandering Albatross. (A)
Phoebastria immutabilis Laysan Albatross.
Phoebastria nigripes Black-footed Albatross.
Phoebastria albatrus Short-tailed Albatross. (N)

PROCELLARIIDAE

Fulmarus glacialis Northern Fulmar.
Pterodroma neglecta Kermadec Petrel. (A)
Pterodroma arminjoniana Herald Petrel. (A)
Pterodroma ultima Murphy’s Petrel. (N)
Pterodroma inexpectata Mottled Petrel. (A)
Pterodroma cahow Bermuda Petrel.
Pterodroma hasitata Black-capped Petrel.
Pterodroma externa Juan Fernandez Petrel. (N)
Pterodroma phaeopygia Dark-rumped Petrel.
Pterodroma cervicalis White-necked Petrel. (H)
Pterodroma hypoleuca Bonin Petrel. (H)
Pterodroma nigripennis Black-winged Petrel. (H, A)
Pterodroma cookii Cook’s Petrel. (N)
Pterodroma longirostris Stejneger’s Petrel. (A)
Bulweria bulwerii Bulwer’s Petrel. (H)
Bulweria fallax Jouanin’s Petrel. (H, A)
Procellaria parkinsoni Parkinson’s Petrel. (N)
Calonectris leucomelas Streaked Shearwater. (A)
Calonectris diomedea Cory’s Shearwater. (N)
Puffinus creatopus Pink-footed Shearwater. (N)
Puffinus carneipes Flesh-footed Shearwater. (N)
Puffinus gravis Greater Shearwater. (N)
Puffinus pacificus Wedge-tailed Shearwater.
Puffinus bulleri Buller’s Shearwater. (N)
Puffinus griseus Sooty Shearwater. (N)
Puffinus tenuirostris Short-tailed Shearwater. (N)
Puffinus nativitatis Christmas Shearwater. (H)
Puffinus puffinus Manx Shearwater.
Puffinus auricularis Townsend’s Shearwater.
Puffinus opisthomelas Black-vented Shearwater.
Puffinus herminieri Audubon’s Shearwater.
Puffinus assimilis Little Shearwater. (A)

HYDROBATIDAE
Oceanites oceanicus Wilson’s Storm-Petrel. (N)
Pelagodroma marina White-faced Storm-Petrel. (A)
Hydrobates pelagicus European Storm-Petrel. (A)
Oceanodroma furcata Fork-tailed Storm-Petrel.
Oceanodroma leucorhoa Leach’s Storm-Petrel.
Oceanodroma homochroa Ashy Storm-Petrel.
Oceanodroma castro Band-rumped Storm-Petrel. (N)
Oceanodroma tethys Wedge-rumped Storm-Petrel. (N)
Oceanodroma melanio Black Storm-Petrel.
†Oceanodroma macrodactyla Guadalupe Storm-Petrel.
Oceanodroma markhmani Markham’s Storm-Petrel. (A)
Oceanodroma tristrami Tristram’s Storm-Petrel. (H)
Oceanodroma microsoma Least Storm-Petrel.

PELECANIFORMES

PHAETHONTIDAE
Phaethon lepturus White-tailed Tropicbird.
Phaethon aethereus Red-billed Tropicbird.
Phaethon rubricauda Red-tailed Tropicbird.

SULIDAE
Sula dactylatra Masked Booby.
Sula nebouxii Blue-footed Booby.
Sula variegata Peruvian Booby. (A)
Sula leucogaster Brown Booby.
Sula sula Red-footed Booby.
Morus bassanus Northern Gannet.

PELECANIDAE
Pelecanus erythrorhynchos American White Pelican.
Pelecanus occidentalis Brown Pelican.

PHALACROCORACIDAE
Phalacrocorax penicillatus Brant’s Cormorant.
Phalacrocorax brasilianus Neotropic Cormorant.
Phalacrocorax auritus Double-crested Cormorant.
Phalacrocorax carbo Great Cormorant.
Phalacrocorax urile Red-faced Cormorant.
Phalacrocorax pelagicus Pelagic Cormorant.

ANHINGIDAE
Anhinga anhinga Anhinga.

FREGATIDAE
Fregata magnificens Magnificent Frigatebird.
Fregata minor Great Frigatebird.
Fregata ariel Lesser Frigatebird. (A)

CICONIIFORMES

ARDEIDAE

Botaurus pinnatus Pinnated Bittern.
Botaurus lentiginosus American Bittern.
Ixobrychus sinensis Yellow Bittern. (A)
Ixobrychus exilis Least Bittern.
Tigrisoma lineatum Rufescent Tiger-Heron.
Tigrisoma fasciatum Fasciated Tiger-Heron.
Tigrisoma mexicanum Bare-throated Tiger-Heron.
Ardea herodias Great Blue Heron.
Ardea cinerea Gray Heron. (A)
Ardea cocoi Cocoi Heron.
Ardea alba Great Egret.
Egretta eulophotes Chinese Egret. (A)
Egretta garzetta Little Egret. (A)
Egretta gularis Western Reef-Heron. (A)
Egretta thula Snowy Egret.
Egretta caerulea Little Blue Heron.
Egretta tricolor Tricolored Heron.
Egretta rufescens Reddish Egret.
Bubulcus ibis Cattle Egret.
Butorides virescens Green Heron.
Butorides striatus Striated Heron.
Agamia agami Agami Heron.
Pilherodius pileatus Capped Heron.
Nycticorax nycticorax Black-crowned Night-Heron.
Nyctanassa violacea Yellow-crowned Night-Heron.
Cochlearius cochlearius Boat-billed Heron.

THRESKIORNITHIDAE

Threskiorhynchinae
Eudocimus albus White Ibis.
Eudocimus ruber Scarlet Ibis. (A)
Plegadis falcinellus Glossy Ibis.
Plegadis chihi White-faced Ibis.
Mesembrinibis cayennensis Green Ibis.
Theristicus caudatus Buff-necked Ibis. (A)

Plateliaeae
Ajaia ajaja Roseate Spoonbill.

CICONIIDAE

Jabiru mycteria Jabiru.
Mycteria americana Wood Stork.

CATHARTIDAE

Coragyps atratus Black Vulture.
Cathartes aura Turkey Vulture.
Cathartes burrovianus Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture.
Gymnogyps californianus California Condor.
Sarcogyps papa King Vulture.

PHOENICOPTERIFORMES

PHOENICOPTERIDAE

Phoenicopterus ruber Greater Flamingo.

ANSERIFORMES

ANATIDAE

Dendrocygna viduata White-faced Whistling-Duck.
Dendrocygna autumnalis Black-bellied Whistling-Duck.
Dendrocygna arborea West Indian Whistling-Duck.
**Dendrocygna bicolor** Fulvous Whistling-Duck.

**Anserinae**

*Anser fabalis* Bean Goose. (A)

*Anser brachyrhynchus* Pink-footed Goose. (A)

*Anser albifrons* Greater White-fronted Goose.

*Anser erythropus* Lesser White-fronted Goose. (A)

*Chen canagica* Emperor Goose.

*Chen caerulescens* Snow Goose.

*Chen rossii* Ross’s Goose.

*Branta canadensis* Canada Goose.

*Branta sandvicensis* Hawaiian Goose. (H)

*Branta bernicla* Brant.

*Branta leucopsis* Barnacle Goose. (A)

*Cygnus olor* Mute Swan. (I)

*Cygnus buccinator* Trumpeter Swan.

*Cygnus columbianus* Tundra Swan.

*Cygnus cygnus* Whooper Swan.

**Tadorninae**

*Sarkidiornis melanotos* Comb Duck.

*Neochen jubata* Orinoco Goose. (A)

**Anatinae**

*Cairina moschata* Muscovy Duck.

*Aix sponsa* Wood Duck.

*Anas strepera* Gadwall.

*Anas falcata* Falcated Duck. (A)

*Anas penelope* Eurasian Wigeon. (N)

*Anas americana* American Wigeon.

*Anas rubripes* American Black Duck.

*Anas platyrhynchos* Mallard.

*Anas fulvigula* Mottled Duck.

*Anas wyvilliana* Hawaiian Duck. (H)

*Anas laysanensis* Laysan Duck. (H)

*Anas poecilorhyncha* Spot-billed Duck. (A)

*Anas discors* Blue-winged Teal.

*Anas cyanoptera* Cinnamon Teal.

*Anas clypeata* Northern Shoveler.

*Anas bahamensis* White-cheeked Pintail.

*Anas acuta* Northern Pintail.

*Anas querquedula* Garganey. (N)

*Anas formosa* Baikal Teal. (A)

*Anas crecca* Green-winged Teal.

*Aythya valisineria* Canvasback.

*Aythya americana* Redhead.

*Aythya ferina* Common Pochard. (A)

*Aythya collaris* Ring-necked Duck.

*Aythya fuligula* Tufted Duck.

*Aythya marila* Greater Scaup.

*Aythya affinis* Lesser Scaup.

*Polysticta stelleri* Steller’s Eider.

*Somateria fischeri* Spectacled Eider.

*Somateria spectabilis* King Eider.

*Somateria mollissima* Common Eider.

*Histrionicus histrionicus* Harlequin Duck.

†*Camptorhynchus labradorius* Labrador Duck.

*Melanitta perspicillata* Surf Scoter.

*Melanitta fusca* White-winged Scoter.

*Melanitta nigra* Black Scoter.

*Clangula hyemalis* Oldsquaw.
Bucephala albeola Bufflehead.
Bucephala clangula Common Goldeneye.
Bucephala islandica Barrow’s Goldeneye.
Mergellus albellus Smew. (N)
Lophodytes cucullatus Hooded Merganser.
Mergus merganser Common Merganser.
Mergus serrator Red-breasted Merganser.
Nomonyx dominicus Masked Duck.
Oxyura jamaicensis Ruddy Duck.

FALCONIFORMES

ACCIPITRIDAE

Pandioninae
  Pandion haliaetus Osprey.

Accipitrinae
  Leptodon cayanensis Gray-headed Kite.
  Chondrohierax uncinatus Hook-billed Kite.
  Elanoides forficatus Swallow-tailed Kite.
  Gampsonyx swainsonii Pearl Kite.
  Elanus leucurus White-tailed Kite.
  Rostrhamus sociabilis Snail Kite.
  Rostrhamus hamatus Slender-billed Kite.
  Harpagus bidentatus Double-toothed Kite.
  Ictinia mississippiensis Mississippi Kite.
  Ictinia plumbea Plumbeous Kite.
  Haliaeetus leucocephalus Bald Eagle.
  Haliaeetus albicilla White-tailed Eagle.
  Haliaeetus pelagicus Steller’s Sea-Eagle. (A)
  Busarellus nigricollis Black-collared Hawk.
  Circus cyaneus Northern Harrier.
  Accipiter soloensis Gray Frog-Hawk. (H, A)
  Accipiter superciliosus Tiny Hawk.
  Accipiter striatus Sharp-shinned Hawk.
  Accipiter cooperi Cooper’s Hawk.
  Accipiter gundlachi Gundlach’s Hawk.
  Accipiter bicolor Bicolored Hawk.
  Accipiter gentilis Northern Goshawk.
  Geranospiza caerulescens Crane Hawk.
  Leucopternis plumbea Plumbeous Hawk.
  Leucopternis princeps Barred Hawk.
  Leucopternis semiplumbea Semiplumbeous Hawk.
  Leucopternis albicollis White Hawk.
  Asturina nitida Gray Hawk.
  Buteogallus anthracinus Common Black-Hawk.
  Buteogallus subtilis Mangrove Black-Hawk.
  Buteogallus urubitinga Great Black-Hawk.
  Buteogallus meridionalis Savanna Hawk.
  Parabuteo unicinctus Harris’s Hawk.
  Harpyhaliaetus solitarius Solitary Eagle.
  Buteo magnirostris Roadside Hawk.
  Buteo lineatus Red-shouldered Hawk.
  Buteo ridgwayi Ridgway’s Hawk.
  Buteo platypterus Broad-winged Hawk.
  Buteo brachyurus Short-tailed Hawk.
  Buteo swainsoni Swainson’s Hawk.
  Buteo albicaudatus White-tailed Hawk.
  Buteo albonotatus Zone-tailed Hawk.
  Buteo solitarius Hawaiian Hawk. (H)
  Buteo jamaicensis Red-tailed Hawk.
Buteo regalis Ferruginous Hawk.
Buteo lagopus Rough-legged Hawk.
Morphnus guianensis Crested Eagle.
Harpia harpyja Harpy Eagle.
Aquila chrysaetos Golden Eagle.
Spizastur melanocephalus Black-and-white Hawk-Eagle.
Spizaetus tyrannus Black Hawk-Eagle.
Spizaetus ornatus Ornate Hawk-Eagle.

FALCONIDAE

Micrasturinae
Micrastur ruficollis Barred Forest-Falcon.
Micrastur mirandollei Slaty-backed Forest-Falcon.
Micrastur semitorquatus Collared Forest-Falcon.

Caracarinae
Daptrius americanus Red-throated Caracara.
Caracara plancus Crested Caracara.
Milvago chimachima Yellow-headed Caracara.

Falconinae
Herpetotheres cachinnans Laughing Falcon.
Falco tinnunculus Eurasian Kestrel. (A)
Falco sparverius American Kestrel.
Falco columbarius Merlin.
Falco subbuteo Eurasian Hobby. (A)
Falco femoralis Aplomado Falcon.
Falco rusticolus Gyrfalcon.
Falco deiroleucus Orange-breasted Falcon.

GALLIFORMES

CRACIDAE
Ortalis vetula Plain Chachalaca.
Ortalis cinereiceps Gray-headed Chachalaca.
Ortalis ruficauda Rufous-vented Chachalaca.
Ortalis wagleri Rufous-bellied Chachalaca.
Ortalis poliocephala West Mexican Chachalaca.
Ortalis leucogastra White-bellied Chachalaca.
Penelope purpurascens Crested Guan.
Chamaepetes unicolor Black Guan.
Penelopina nigra Highland Guan.
Oreophasis derbianus Horned Guan.
Crax rubra Great Curassow.

PHASIANIDAE

Phasianinae
Alectoris chukar Chukar. (I)
Francolinus pondicerianus Gray Francolin. (H, I)
Francolinus francolinus Black Francolin. (H, I)
Francolinus erckelii Erckel’s Francolin. (H, I)
Tetraogallus himalayensis Himalayan Snowcock. (I)
Perdix perdix Gray Partridge. (I)
Cothurnix japonica Japanese Quail. (H, I)
Gallus gallus Red Junglefowl. (H, I)
Lophura leuc melanopus Kalij Pheasant. (H, I)
Phasianus colchicus Ring-necked Pheasant. (I)
Pavo cristatus Common Peafowl. (I)

Tetraoninae
Bonasa umbellus Ruffed Grouse.
Centrocercus urophasianus Sage Grouse.
Falcipennis canadensis Spruce Grouse.
Lagopus lagopus Willow Ptarmigan.
Lagopus mutus Rock Ptarmigan.
Lagopus leucurus White-tailed Ptarmigan.
Dendragapus obscurus Blue Grouse.
Tymanuclus phasianellus Sharp-tailed Grouse.
Tymanuclus cupido Greater Prairie-Chicken.
Tymanuclus pallidicinctus Lesser Prairie-Chicken.

Meleagridinae
Meleagris gallopavo Wild Turkey.
Meleagris ocellata Ocellated Turkey.

Numidinae
Numida meleagris Helmeted Guineafowl. (I)

ODONTOPHORIDAE
Dendrortyx barbatus Bearded Wood-Partridge.
Dendrortyx macroura Long-tailed Wood-Partridge.
Dendrortyx leucophrys Buffy-crowned Wood-Partridge.
Oreortyx pictus Mountain Quail.
Callipepla squamata Scaled Quail.
Callipepla douglasi Elegant Quail.
Callipepla californica California Quail.
Callipepla gambelii Gambel’s Quail.
Philortyx fasciatus Banded Quail.
Colinus virginianus Northern Bobwhite.
Colinus nigrogularis Black-throated Bobwhite.
Colinus cristatus Crested Bobwhite.
Odontophorus gujanensis Marbled Wood-Quail.
Odontophorus melanotis Black-eared Wood-Quail.
Odontophorus dialeucos Tacarcuna Wood-Quail.
Odontophorus leucomaenus Black-breasted Wood-Quail.
Odontophorus guttatus Spotted Wood-Quail.
Dactylortyx thoracicus Singing Quail.
Cyrtonyx montezumae Montezuma Quail.
Cyrtonyx ocellatus Ocellated Quail.
Rynchortyx cinctus Tawny-faced Quail.

GRUIFORMES
RALLIDAE
Coturnicops noveboracensis Yellow Rail.
Micropygia schomburgkii Ocellated Crake. (A)
Laterallus ruber Ruddy Crake.
Laterallus albicularis White-throated Crake.
Laterallus exilis Gray-breasted Crake.
Laterallus jamaicensis Black Rail.
Crex crex Corn Crake. (A)
Rallus longirostris Clapper Rail.
Rallus elegans King Rail.
Rallus limicola Virginia Rail.
Aramides axillaris Rufous-necked Wood-Rail.
Aramides cajanea Gray-necked Wood-Rail.
Amaurolimnas concolor Uniform Crake.
†Porzana palmeri Laysan Rail. (H)
Porzana porzana Spotted Crake. (A)
Porzana carolina Sora.
†Porzana sandwichensis Hawaiian Rail. (H)
Porzana flaviventer Yellow-breasted Crake.
Neocrex colombianus Colombian Crake.
Neocrex erythrops Paint-billed Crake.
Cyanolimnas cerverai Zapata Rail.
Pardirallus maculatus Spotted Rail.
Porphyryla martinica Purple Gallinule.
Porphyryla flavirostris Azure Gallinule. (A)
Gallinula chloropus Common Moorhen.
Fulica atra Eurasian Coot. (A)
Fulica alai Hawaiian Coot. (H)
Fulica americana American Coot.
Fulica caribaea Caribbean Coot.

HELIORNITHIDAE
Helioris fulica Sungrebe.

EURYPYGIDAE
Eurypyas helias Sunbittern.

ARAMIDAE
Aramus guarauna Limpkin.

GRUIDAE
Gruinae
Grus canadensis Sandhill Crane.
Grus grus Common Crane. (A)
Grus americana Whooping Crane.

CHARADRIIFORMES
BURHINIDAE
Burhinus bistriatus Double-striped Thick-knee.

CHARADRIIDAE
Vanellus vanellus Northern Lapwing. (A)
Vanellus chilensis Southern Lapwing. (N)
Pluvialis squatarola Black-bellied Plover.
Pluvialis apricaria European Golden-Plover. (A)
Pluvialis dominica American Golden-Plover.
Pluvialis fulva Pacific Golden-Plover.
Charadrius mongolus Mongolian Plover. (N)
Charadrius collaris Collared Plover.
Charadrius alexandrinus Snowy Plover.
Charadrius wilsonia Wilson’s Plover.
Charadrius hiaticula Common Ringed Plover.
Charadrius semipalmatus Semipalmated Plover.
Charadrius melodus Piping Plover.
Charadrius dubius Little Ringed Plover. (A)
Charadrius vociferus Killdeer.
Charadrius montanus Mountain Plover.
Charadrius morinellus Eurasian Dotterel.

HAEMATOPODIDAE
Haematopus ostralegus Eurasian Oystercatcher. (A)
Haematopus palliatus American Oystercatcher.
Haematopus bachmani Black Oystercatcher.

RECURVIROSTRIDAE
Himantopus himantopus Black-winged Stilt. (A)
Himantopus mexicanus Black-necked Stilt.
Recurvirostra americana American Avocet.

JACANIDAE
Jacana spinosa Northern Jacana.
Jacana jacana Wattled Jacana.

SCHOLOPACIDAE
Tringa nebularia Common Greenshank. (N)
Tringa melanoleuca Greater Yellowlegs.
Tringa flavipes Lesser Yellowlegs.
Tringa stagnatilis Marsh Sandpiper. (A)
Tringa totanus Common Redshank. (A)
Tringa erythropus Spotted Redshank. (N)
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Glareolinae
Glareola maldiveorum Oriental Pratincole. (A)

LARIDAE
Stercorariinae
Catharacta skua Great Skua. (N)
Catharacta maccormicki South Polar Skua. (N)
Stercorarius pomarinus Pomarine Jaeger.
Stercorarius parasiticus Parasitic Jaeger.
Stercorarius longicaudus Long-tailed Jaeger.

Larinae
Larus atricilla Laughing Gull.
Larus pipixcan Franklin’s Gull.
Larus minutus Little Gull.
Larus ridibundus Black-headed Gull.
Larus philadelphia Bonaparte’s Gull.
Larus heermanni Heermann’s Gull.
Larus modestus Gray Gull. (A)
Larus belcheri Band-tailed Gull. (A)
Larus crassirostris Black-tailed Gull. (A)
Larus canus Mew Gull.
Larus delawarensis Ring-billed Gull.
Larus californicus California Gull.
Larus argentatus Herring Gull.
Larus cachinnans Yellow-legged Gull. (A)
Larus thayeri Thayer’s Gull.
Larus glaucoides Iceland Gull.
Larus fuscus Lesser Black-backed Gull. (N)
Larus schistisagus Slaty-backed Gull.
Larus livens Yellow-footed Gull.
Larus occidentalis Western Gull.
Larus glaucescens Glaucous-winged Gull.
Larus hyperboreus Glaucous Gull.
Larus marinus Great Black-backed Gull.
Xema sabini Sabine’s Gull.
Rissa tridactyla Black-legged Kittiwake.
Rissa brevirostris Red-legged Kittiwake.
Rhodostethia rosea Ross’s Gull.
Pagophila eburnea Ivory Gull.

Sterninae
Sternula nilotica Gull-billed Tern.
Sternula caspia Caspian Tern.
Sternula maxima Royal Tern.
Sternula elegans Elegant Tern.
Sternula bergii Great Crested Tern. (H, A)
Sternula sandvicensis Sandwich Tern.
Sternula dougallii Roseate Tern.
Sternula hirundo Common Tern.
Sternula paradisaea Arctic Tern.
Sternula forsteri Forster’s Tern.
Sternula albifrons Little Tern. (H, A)
Sternula antillarum Least Tern.
Sternula superciliaris Yellow-billed Tern. (A)
Sternula aleutica Aleutian Tern.
Sternula lunata Gray-backed Tern. (H)
Sternula anaethetus Bridled Tern.
Sternula fuscata Sooty Tern.
Phaethusa simplex Large-billed Tern. (A)
Chlidonias leucopterus White-winged Tern. (A)
Chlidonias hybridus Whiskered Tern. (A)
Chlidonias niger Black Tern.
Larosterna inca Inca Tern. (A)
Anous stolidus Brown Noddy.
Anous minutus Black Noddy.
Procelsterna cerulea Blue-gray Noddy. (H)
Gygis alba Common White-Tern. (H)

Rynchopinae
Rynchops niger Black Skimmer.

ALCIDAE
Alle alle Dovekie.
Uria aalge Common Murre.
Uria lomvia Thick-billed Murre.
Alca torda Razorbill.
Pinguinus impennis Great Auk.
Cepphus grylle Black Guillemot.
Cepphus columba Pigeon Guillemot.
Brachyramphus perdix Long-billed Murrelet. (A)
Brachyramphus marmoratus Marbled Murrelet.
Brachyramphus brevirostris Kittlitz’s Murrelet.
Synthliboramphus hypoleucus Xantus’s Murrelet.
Synthliboramphus craveri Craveri’s Murrelet.
Synthliboramphus antiquus Ancient Murrelet.
Psycharomphus aleuticus Cassin’s Auklet.
Aethia psittacula Parakeet Auklet.
Aethia pusilla Least Auklet.
Aethia pygmaea Whiskered Auklet.
Aethia cristatella Crested Auklet.
Cerorhinca monocerata Rhinoceros Auklet.
Fratercula arctica Atlantic Puffin.
Fratercula corniculata Horned Puffin.
Fratercula cirrhata Tufted Puffin.

Family INCERTAE SEDIS
PTEROCLIDIDAE
Pterocles exustus Chestnut-bellied Sandgrouse. (H, I)

COLUMBIFORMES
COLUMBIDAE
Columba livia Rock Dove. (I)
Columba cayennensis Pale-vented Pigeon.
Columba speciosa Scaled Pigeon.
Columba squamosa Scaly-naped Pigeon.
Columba leucocephala White-crowned Pigeon.
Columba flavirostris Red-billed Pigeon.
Columba inornata Plain Pigeon.
Columba fasciata Band-tailed Pigeon.
Columba caribaea Ring-tailed Pigeon.
Columba subvinacea Ruddy Pigeon.
Columba nigrirostris Short-billed Pigeon.
Streptopelia orientalis Oriental Turtle-Dove. (A)
Streptopelia risoria Ringed Turtle-Dove. (I)
Streptopelia turtur European Turtle-Dove. (A)
Streptopelia decaocto Eurasian Collared-Dove. (I)
Streptopelia chinensis Spotted Dove. (I)
Geopelia striata Zebra Dove. (H, I)
Zenaida asiatica White-winged Dove.
Zenaida aurita Zenaida Dove.
Zenaida auriculata Eared Dove.

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Zenaida macroura Mourning Dove.
Zenaida graysoni Socorro Dove.
†Ectopistes migratorius Passenger Pigeon.
Columbina inca Inca Dove.
Columbina passerina Common Ground-Dove.
Columbina minuta Plain-breasted Ground-Dove.
Columbina talpacoti Ruddy Ground-Dove.
Claravis pretiosa Blue Ground-Dove.
Claravis mondetoura Maroon-chested Ground-Dove.
Leptotila verreauxi White-tipped Dove.
Leptotila rufaxilla Gray-fronted Dove.
Leptotila wellsi Grenada Dove.
Leptotila jamaicensis Caribbean Dove.
Leptotila cassini Gray-chested Dove.
Geotrygon veraguensis Olive-backed Quail-Dove.
Geotrygon chrysea Key West Quail-Dove.
Geotrygon mystacea Bridled Quail-Dove.
Geotrygon albifacies White-faced Quail-Dove.
Geotrygon chiriquensis Chiriqui Quail-Dove.
Geotrygon carrikeri Tuxtla Quail-Dove.
Geotrygon lawrencii Purplish-backed Quail-Dove.
Geotrygon costaricensis Buff-fronted Quail-Dove.
Geotrygon goldmani Russet-crowned Quail-Dove.
Geotrygon caniceps Gray-headed Quail-Dove.
Geotrygon violacea Violaceous Quail-Dove.
Geotrygon montana Ruddy Quail-Dove.
Starnoenas cyanocephala Blue-headed Quail-Dove.

**PSITTACIFORMES**

**PSITTACIDAE**

Platycercinae

*Melopsittacus undulatus* Budgerigar. (I)

Psittacinae

*Psittacula krameri* Rose-ringed Parakeet. (I)

Ariinae

*Pyrrhura picta* Painted Parakeet.
*Pyrrhura hoffmanni* Sulphur-winged Parakeet.
*Myiopsitta monachus* Monk Parakeet. (I)
†*Conuropsis carolinensis* Carolina Parakeet.
*Aratinga holochroa* Green Parakeet.
*Aratinga strenua* Pacific Parakeet.
*Aratinga finschi* Crimson-fronted Parakeet.
*Aratinga chloroptera* Hispaniolan Parakeet.
*Aratinga euops* Cuban Parakeet.
*Aratinga nana* Olive-throated Parakeet.
*Aratinga canicularis* Orange-fronted Parakeet.
*Aratinga pertinax* Brown-throated Parakeet.
*Ara severa* Chestnut-fronted Macaw.
*Ara militaris* Military Macaw.
*Ara ambiguus* Great Green Macaw.
*Ara chloroptera* Red-and-green Macaw.
*Ara macao* Scarlet Macaw.
†*Ara tricolor* Cuban Macaw.
*Ara ararauna* Blue-and-yellow Macaw.
*Rhynchopsitta pachyrhyncha* Thick-billed Parrot.
*Rhynchopsitta terek* Maroon-fronted Parrot.
*Bolborhynchus lineola* Barred Parakeet.
*Forpus passerinus* Green-rumped Parrotlet.
Forpus cyanopygius Mexican Parrotlet.
Forpus conspicillatus Spectacled Parrotlet.
Brotogeris jugularis Orange-chinned Parakeet.
Brotogeris versicolurus White-winged Parakeet. (I)
Touit costaricensis Red-fronted Parrotlet.
Touit dilectissima Blue-fronted Parrotlet.
Pionopsitta pyrilia Saffron-headed Parrot.
Pionopsitta haematotis Brown-hooded Parrot.
Pionus menstruus Blue-headed Parrot.
Pionus senilis White-crowned Parrot.
Amazona albifrons White-fronted Parrot.
Amazona xantholora Yellow-lobed Parrot.
Amazona leucocephala Cuban Parrot.
Amazona collaria Yellow-billed Parrot.
Amazona ventralis Hispaniolan Parrot.
Amazona vittata Puerto Rican Parrot.
Amazona agilis Black-billed Parrot.
Amazona viridigenalis Red-crowned Parrot.
Amazona finschi Lilac-crowned Parrot.
Amazona autumnalis Red-lobed Parrot.
Amazona farinosa Mealy Parrot.
Amazona oratrix Yellow-headed Parrot.
Amazona auropalliata Yellow-naped Parrot.
Amazona ochrocephala Yellow-crowned Parrot.
Amazona arausiaca Red-necked Parrot.
Amazona versicolor St. Lucia Parrot.
Amazona guildingii St. Vincent Parrot.
Amazona imperialis Imperial Parrot.

CUCULIFORMES
CUCULIDAE
Cuculinae
Cuculus canorus Common Cuckoo. (A)
Cuculus saturatus Oriental Cuckoo. (A)
Coccyzinae
Coccyzus erythropthalmus Black-billed Cuckoo.
Coccyzus americanus Yellow-billed Cuckoo.
Coccyzus euleri Pearly-breasted Cuckoo. (A)
Coccyzus minor Mangrove Cuckoo.
Coccyzus ferrugineus Cocos Cuckoo.
Coccyzus melacoryphus Dark-billed Cuckoo. (A)
Saurothera merlini Great Lizard-Cuckoo.
Saurothera vetula Jamaican Lizard-Cuckoo.
Saurothera longirostris Hispaniolan Lizard-Cuckoo.
Saurothera vieilloti Puerto Rican Lizard-Cuckoo.
Hyetornis rufcilus Bay-breasted Cuckoo.
Hyetornis pluvialis Chestnut-bellied Cuckoo.
Playa cayana Squirrel Cuckoo.
Playa minuta Little Cuckoo.
Neomorphinae
Tapera naevia Striped Cuckoo.
Dromococcyx phasianellus Pheasant Cuckoo.
Morococcyx erythropygus Lesser Ground-Cuckoo.
Geococcyx velox Lesser Roadrunner.
Geococcyx californianus Greater Roadrunner.
Neomorphus Geoffroyi Rufous-vented Ground-Cuckoo.
Crotophaginae
Crotophaga major Greater Ani.
Crotophaga ani Smooth-billed Ani.
Crotophaga sulcirostris Groove-billed Ani.
STRIGIFORMES

TYTONIDAE

*Tyto alba* Barn Owl.
*Tyto glaucops* Ashy-faced Owl.

STRIGIDAE

*Otus flammeolus* Flammulated Owl.
*Otus sunia* Oriental Scops-Owl. (A)
*Otus kennicottii* Western Screech-Owl.
*Otus asio* Eastern Screech-Owl.
*Otus seductus* Balsas Screech-Owl.
*Otus cooperi* Pacific Screech-Owl.
*Otus trichopsis* Whiskered Screech-Owl.
*Otus choliba* Tropical Screech-Owl.
*Otus barbara* Bearded Screech-Owl.
*Otus guatemalae* Vermiculated Screech-Owl.
*Otus clarkii* Bare-shanked Screech-Owl.
*Otus nudipes* Puerto Rican Screech-Owl.
*Otus lawrencii* Cuban Screech-Owl.
*Lophostrix cristata* Crested Owl.
*Pulsatrix perspicillata* Spectacled Owl.
*Bubo virginianus* Great Horned Owl.
*Nyctea scandiaca* Snowy Owl.
*Surnia ulula* Northern Hawk Owl.
*Glaucidium gnoma* Northern Pygmy-Owl.
*Glaucidium jardinii* Andean Pygmy-Owl.
*Glaucidium griseiceps* Central American Pygmy-Owl.
*Glaucidium sanchezi* Tamaulipas Pygmy-Owl.
*Glaucidium palmarum* Colima Pygmy-Owl.
*Glaucidium brasianum* Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl.
*Glaucidium siju* Cuban Pygmy-Owl.
*Micrathene whitneyi* Elf Owl.
*Athene cunicularia* Burrowing Owl.
*Ciccaba virgata* Mottled Owl.
*Ciccaba nigrolineata* Black-and-white Owl.
*Strix occidentalis* Spotted Owl.
*Strix varia* Barred Owl.
*Strix fulvescens* Fulvous Owl.
*Strix nebulosa* Great Gray Owl.
*Asio otus* Long-eared Owl.
*Asio stygius* Stygian Owl.
*Asio flammeus* Short-eared Owl.
*Pseudoscops clamator* Striped Owl.
*Pseudoscops grammicus* Jamaican Owl.
*Aegolius funereus* Boreal Owl.
*Aegolius acadicus* Northern Saw-whet Owl.
*Aegolius ridgwayi* Unspotted Saw-whet Owl.

CAPRIMULGIFORMES

CAPRIMULGIDAE

Chordeillae

*Lurocalis semitorquatus* Short-tailed Nighthawk.
*Chordeiles acutipennis* Lesser Nighthawk.
*Chordeiles minor* Common Nighthawk.
*Chordeiles gundlachii* Antillean Nighthawk.

Caprimulginae

*Nyctidromus albicollis* Common Pauraque.
*Phalaenoptilus nuttallii* Common Poorwill.
*Siphonorhis americanus* Jamaican Pauraque.
*Siphonorhis brewsteri* Least Pauraque.

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**NYCTIBIIDAE**

Nyctibius grandis Great Potoo.
Nyctibius griseus Common Potoo.
Nyctibius jamaicensis Northern Potoo.

**STEATORNITHIDAE**

Steatornis caripensis Oilbird. (A)

**APODIFORMES**

**APODIDAE**

Cypseloidinae
- Cypseloides niger Black Swift.
- Cypseloides storeri White-fronted Swift.
- Cypseloides cryptus White-chinned Swift.
- Cypseloides cherriei Spot-fronted Swift.
- Streptoprocne rutila Chestnut-collared Swift.
- Streptoprocne zonaris White-collared Swift.
- Streptoprocne semicollaris White-naped Swift.

Chaeturinae
- Chaetura pelagica Chimney Swift.
- Chaetura vauxi Vaux’s Swift.
- Chaetura chapmani Chapman’s Swift. (A)
- Chaetura brachyura Short-tailed Swift.
- Chaetura andrei Ashy-tailed Swift. (A)
- Chaetura spinicauda Band-rumped Swift.
- Chaetura cinereiventris Gray-rumped Swift.
- Chaetura martinica Lesser Antillean Swift.
- Hirundapus caudacutus White-throated Needletail. (A)
- Aerodramus bartschi Guam Swiftlet. (H, I)

Apodinae
- Apus apus Common Swift. (A)
- Apus pacificus Fork-tailed Swift. (A)
- Apus melba Alpine Swift. (A)
- Aeronates saxatalis White-throated Swift.
- Panyptila cayennensis Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift.
- Panyptila sanctiheronymi Great Swallow-tailed Swift.
- Tachornis phoenicobia Antillean Palm-Swift.

**TROCHILIDAE**

Phaethornithinae
- Glaucis aenea Bronzy Hermit.
- Glaucis hirsuta Rufous-breasted Hermit.
- Threnetes ruckeri Band-tailed Barthroat.
- Phaethornis guy Green Hermit.
- Phaethornis superciliosus Long-tailed Hermit.
- Phaethornis anthophilus Pale-bellied Hermit.

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Phaethornis longuemareus Little Hermit.
Eutoxeres aquila White-tipped Sicklebill.

Trochilinae
Androdon aequatorialis Tooth-billed Hummingbird.
Doryfera ludovicae Green-fronted Lancebill.
Phaechroa cuvieri Scaly-breasted Hummingbird.
Campylopterus curvipennis Wedge-tailed Sabrewing.
Campylopterus excellens Long-tailed Sabrewing.
Campylopterus rufus Rufous Sabrewing.
Campylopterus hemileucurus Violet Sabrewing.
Florisuga mellivora White-necked Jacobin.
Colibri delphinae Brown Violet-ear.
Colibri thalassinus Green Violet-ear.

Anthracothorax prevostii Green-breasted Mango.
Anthracothorax nigricollis Black-throated Mango.
Anthracothorax veraguensis Veraguan Mango.
Anthracothorax dominicus Antillean Mango.
Anthracothorax viridis Green Mango.

Eulampis jugularis Purple-throated Carib.
Eulampis holosericeus Green-throated Carib.

Chrysolampis mosquitus Ruby-topaz Hummingbird.
Orthorhyncus cristatus Antillean Crested Hummingbird.
Klais guimeti Violet-headed Hummingbird.
Abeillia abeillei Emerald-chinned Hummingbird.
Lophornis brachylopha Short-crested Coquette.
Lophornis delattrei Rufous-crested Coquette.
Lophornis helenae Black-crested Coquette.
Lophornis adorabilis White-crested Coquette.
Discosura conversii Green Thorntail.

Chlorostilbon auriceps Golden-crowned Emerald.
Chlorostilbon forficatus Cozumel Emerald.
Chlorostilbon canivetii Canivet’s Emerald.
Chlorostilbon assimilis Garden Emerald.
Chlorostilbon ricordii Cuban Emerald.
Chlorostilbon bracei Brace’s Emerald.
Chlorostilbon swainsonii Hispaniolan Emerald.
Chlorostilbon maugaeus Puerto Rican Emerald.
Cynanthus sordidus Dusky Hummingbird.
Cynanthus latirostris Broad-billed Hummingbird.
Cyanophaga bicolor Blue-headed Hummingbird.
Thalurania ridgwayi Mexican Woodnymph.
Thalurania colombica Violet-crowned Woodnymph.
Thalurania fannyi Green-crowned Woodnymph.
Panterpe insignis Fiery-throated Hummingbird.
Damophila julie Violet-bellied Hummingbird.
Lepidopyga coeruleogularis Sapphire-throated Hummingbird.
Hylocharis grayi Blue-headed Sapphire.
Hylocharis elicioe Blue-throated Goldentail.
Hylocharis leucotis White-eared Hummingbird.
Hylocharis xantusi Xantus’s Hummingbird.
Goldmania violiceps Violet-capped Hummingbird.
Goethalsia bella Rufous-cheeked Hummingbird.
Trochilus polytmus Streamertail.
Amazilia candida White-bellied Emerald.
Amazilia luciae Honduran Emerald.
Amazilia amabilis Blue-chested Hummingbird.
Amazilia decora Charming Hummingbird.

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Amazilia boucardi Mangrove Hummingbird.
Amazilia cyanoecephala Azure-crowned Hummingbird.
Amazilia cyanifrons Indigo-capped Hummingbird.
Amazilia beryllina Berylline Hummingbird.
Amazilia cyanura Blue-tailed Hummingbird.
Amazilia saucerrottei Steely-vented Hummingbird.
Amazilia edward Snowy-bellied Hummingbird.
Amazilia tzacatl Rufous-tailed Hummingbird.
Amazilia yucatanensis Buff-bellied Hummingbird.
Amazilia rutila Cinnamon Hummingbird.
Amazilia violiceps Violet-crowned Hummingbird.
Amazilia viridifrons Green-fronted Hummingbird.
Eupherusa eximia Stripe-tailed Hummingbird.
Eupherusa cyanophrys Blue-capped Hummingbird.
Eupherusa poliocerca White-tailed Hummingbird.
Eupherusa nigriventris Black-bellied Hummingbird.
Elvira chionura White-tailed Emerald.
Elvira cupreiceps Coppery-headed Emerald.
Microchera albocoronata Snowcap.
Chalybura buffonii White-vented Plumeleteer.
Chalybura urochrysa Bronze-tailed Plumeleteer.
Lampornis viridipallens Green-throated Mountain-gem.
Lampornis erythronotus Green-breasted Mountain-gem.
Lampornis amethystinus Amethyst-throated Hummingbird.
Lampornis clemenciae Blue-throated Hummingbird.
Lampornis hemileucus White-bellied Mountain-gem.
Lampornis calolaema Purple-throated Mountain-gem.
Lampornis castaneoventris White-throated Mountain-gem.
Lampornis rhaimi Garnet-throated Hummingbird.
Heliodoxa jacula Green-crowned Brilliant.
Eugenes fulgens Magnificent Hummingbird.
Haplophaedia aureliae Greenish Puffleg.
Heliothryx barroti Purple-crowned Fairy.
Heliothryx longirostris Long-billed Starthroat.
Heliothryx constanti Fine-capped Starthroat.
Calliphlox evelynae Bahama Woodstar.
Calliphlox bryani Magenta-throated Woodstar.
Calliphlox Mitchelli Purple-throated Woodstar.
Doricha enicura Slender Sheartail.
Doricha eliza Mexican Sheartail.
Tilmatura dupontii Sparkling-tailed Hummingbird.
Calothorax lucifer Lucifer Hummingbird.
Calothorax pulcher Beautiful Hummingbird.
Archilochus colubris Ruby-throated Hummingbird.
Archilochus alexandri Black-chinned Hummingbird.
Mellisuga minima Vervain Hummingbird.
Mellisuga helenea Bee Hummingbird.
Calypte anna Anna's Hummingbird.
Calypte costae Costa's Hummingbird.
Stellula calliope Calliope Hummingbird.
Atthis heliosa Bumblebee Hummingbird.
Atthis elioti Wine-throated Hummingbird.
Selasphorus platycercus Broad-tailed Hummingbird.
Selasphorus rufus Rufous Hummingbird.
Selasphorus sassin Allen's Hummingbird.
Selasphorus flammea Volcano Hummingbird.
Selasphorus ardens Glow-throated Hummingbird.
Selasphorus scintilla Scintillant Hummingbird.
TROGNIFORMES
TROGONIDAE

Trogoninae

Priotelus temnurus Cuban Trogon.
Priotelus roseigaster Hispaniolan Trogon.
Trogon melanocephalus Black-headed Trogon.
Trogon citreolus Citreoline Trogon.
Trogon viridis White-tailed Trogon.
Trogon bairdii Baird’s Trogon.
Trogon violaceus Violaceous Trogon.
Trogon mexicanus Mountain Trogon.
Trogon elegans Elegant Trogon.
Trogon collaris Collared Trogon.
Trogon aurantiventris Orange-bellied Trogon.
Trogon rufus Black-throated Trogon.
Trogon melanurus Black-tailed Trogon.
Trogon massena Slaty-tailed Trogon.
Trogon clathratus Lattice-tailed Trogon.
Euptilotis neoxenus Eared Trogon.
Pharomachrus auriceps Golden-headed Quetzal.
Pharomachrus mocinno Resplendent Quetzal.

UPUPIFORMES

UPUPIDAE

Upupa epops Eurasian Hoopoe. (A)

CORACIIFORMES

TODIDAE

Todus multicolor Cuban Tody.
Todus subulatus Broad-billed Tody.
Todus angustirostris Narrow-billed Tody.
Todus todus Jamaican Tody.
Todus mexicanus Puerto Rican Tody.

MOMOTIDAE

Hylomanes momotula Tody Motmot.
Aspatha gularis Blue-throated Motmot.
Momotus mexicanus Russet-crowned Motmot.
Momotus momota Blue-crowned Motmot.
Baryphthengus martii Rufous Motmot.
Electron carinatum Keel-billed Motmot.
Electron platyrhynchum Broad-billed Motmot.
Eumomota superciliosa Turquoise-browed Motmot.

ALCEDINIDAE

Cerylinae

Ceryle torquata Ringed Kingfisher.
Ceryle alcyon Belted Kingfisher.
Chloroceryle amazona Amazon Kingfisher.
Chloroceryle americana Green Kingfisher.
Chloroceryle inda Green-and-rufous Kingfisher.
Chloroceryle aenea American Pygmy Kingfisher.

PICIFORMES

BUCCONIDAE

Nystalus radiatus Barred Puffbird.
Notharchus macrorhynchos White-necked Puffbird.
Notharchus pectoralis Black-breasted Puffbird.
Notharchus tectus Pied Puffbird.
Malacoptila panamensis White-whiskered Puffbird.
Micromonacha lanceolata Lanceolated Monklet.
Nonnula ruficapilla Gray-cheeked Nunlet.
Monasa morphoeus White-fronted Nunbird.
GALBULIDAE
*Brachygalba salomoni* Dusky-backed Jacamar.
*Galbula ruficauda* Rufous-tailed Jacamar.
*Jacamerops aurea* Great Jacamar.

RAMPHASTIDAE
Capitoninae
*Capito maculicoronatus* Spot-crowned Barbet.
*Eubucco bourcierii* Red-headed Barbet.
Semnornithinae
*Semnornis frantzii* Prong-billed Barbet.
Ramphastinae
*Aulacorhynchus prasinus* Emerald Toucanet.
*Pteroglossus torquatus* Collared Aracari.
*Pteroglossus frantzii* Fiery-billed Aracari.
*Selendiera spectabilis* Yellow-eared Toucanet.
*Ramphastos sulfuratus* Keel-billed Toucan.
*Ramphastos swainsonii* Chestnut-mandibled Toucan.

PICIDAE
Jynginiae
*Jynx torquilla* Eurasian Wryneck. (A)
Picumninae
*Picumnus olivaceus* Olivaceous Piculet.
*Nesoctites micromegas* Antillean Piculet.
Picinae
*Melanerpes lewis* Lewis’s Woodpecker.
*Melanerpes herminieri* Guadeloupe Woodpecker.
*Melanerpes portoricensis* Puerto Rican Woodpecker.
*Melanerpes erithrocephalus* Red-headed Woodpecker.
*Melanerpes formicivorus* Acorn Woodpecker.
*Melanerpes chrysauchen* Golden-naped Woodpecker.
*Melanerpes pucherani* Black-cheeked Woodpecker.
*Melanerpes striatus* Hispaniolan Woodpecker.
*Melanerpes radiolatus* Jamaican Woodpecker.
*Melanerpes chrysogenys* Golden-cheeked Woodpecker.
*Melanerpes hypopolius* Gray-breasted Woodpecker.
*Melanerpes pygmaeus* Red-vented Woodpecker.
*Melanerpes rubricapillus* Red-crowned Woodpecker.
*Melanerpes uropygialis* Gila Woodpecker.
*Melanerpes hoffmannii* Hoffmann’s Woodpecker.
*Melanerpes aurifrons* Golden-fronted Woodpecker.
*Melanerpes carolinus* Red-bellied Woodpecker.
*Melanerpes superciliaris* West Indian Woodpecker.
*Sphyrapicus thyroideus* Williamson’s Sapsucker.
*Sphyrapicus varius* Yellow-bellied Sapsucker.
*Sphyrapicus nuchalis* Red-naped Sapsucker.
*Sphyrapicus ruber* Red-breasted Sapsucker.
*Xiphidiopicus percussus* Cuban Green Woodpecker.
*Dendrocopos major* Great Spotted Woodpecker. (A)
*Picoides scalaris* Ladder-backed Woodpecker.
*Picoides nuchalis* Red-naped Sapsucker.
*Picoides ruber* Red-breasted Sapsucker.
*Picoides superciliaris* West Indian Woodpecker.
*Picoides pubescens* Downy Woodpecker.
*Picoides villosus* Hairy Woodpecker.
*Picoides stricklandi* Strickland’s Woodpecker.
*Picoides borealis* Red-cockaded Woodpecker.
*Picoides albolavus* White-headed Woodpecker.
*Picoides tridactylus* Three-toed Woodpecker.
*Picoides arcticus* Black-backed Woodpecker.
*Veniliornis fumigatus* Smoky-brown Woodpecker.
Veniliornis kirkii Red-rumped Woodpecker.
Piculus simplex Rufous-winged Woodpecker.
Piculus callopterus Stripe-cheeked Woodpecker.
Piculus chrysochloros Golden-green Woodpecker.
Piculus rubiginosus Golden-olive Woodpecker.
Piculus auricularis Gray-crowned Woodpecker.
Colaptes punctigula Spot-breasted Woodpecker.
Colaptes auratus Northern Flicker.
Colaptes chrysoides Gilded Flicker.
Colaptes fernandinae Fernandina's Flicker.
Celeus loricatus Cinnamon Woodpecker.
Celeus castaneus Chestnut-colored Woodpecker.
Dryocopus lineatus Lineated Woodpecker.
Dryocopus pileatus Pileated Woodpecker.
Campephilus haematogaster Crimson-bellied Woodpecker.
Campephilus melanoleucos Crimson-crested Woodpecker.
Campephilus guatemalensis Pale-billed Woodpecker.
Campephilus principalis Ivory-billed Woodpecker.
Campephilus imperialis Imperial Woodpecker.

PASSERIFORMES

FURNARIIDAE
Synallaxis albescens Pale-breasted Spinetail.
Synallaxis brachyura Slaty Spinetail.
Synallaxis erythrothorax Rufous-breasted Spinetail.
Craniomeura erythrota Red-faced Spinetail.
Craniomeura vulpina Rusty-backed Spinetail.
Xenerpestes minosi Double-banded Graytail.
Premnoplex brunnescens Spotted Barbtail.
Margarornis bellulus Beautiful Treerunner.
Margarornis rubiginosus Ruddy Treerunner.
Pseudocolaptes laurenticus Buffy Tuftedcheek.
Cranioleuca erythrops Red-faced Spinetail.
Cranioleuca vulpina Rusty-backed Spinetail.

DENDROCOLAPTIDAE
Dendrocincla fuliginosa Plain-brown Woodcreeper.
Dendrocincla anabatina Tawny-winged Woodcreeper.
Dendrocincla homochroa Ruddy Woodcreeper.
Sittasomus grisiceps Olivaceous Woodcreeper.
Deconychura longicauda Long-tailed Woodcreeper.
Glyphorynchus spirurus Wedge-billed Woodcreeper.
Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchus Strong-billed Woodcreeper.
Dendrocolaptes sanctithomae Northern Barred-Woodcreeper.
Dendrocolaptes picumnus Black-banded Woodcreeper.
Xiphocolaptes pictus Straight-billed Woodcreeper.
Xiphocolaptes susurrans Cocoa Woodcreeper.
Xiphocolaptes flavigaster Ivory-billed Woodcreeper.
Xiphorhynchus lachrymosus Black-striped Woodcreeper.
Xiphorhynchus erythropygius Spotted Woodcreeper.
Lepidocolaptes leucogaster White-striped Woodcreeper.
Lepidocolaptes souleyetii Streak-headed Woodcreeper.
Lepidocolaptes affinis Spot-crowned Woodcreeper.
Campylopharhampus trochillorostris Red-billed Scythebill.
Campylopharhampus pusillus Brown-billed Scythebill.

THAMNOPHILIDAE
Cymbilaimus lineatus Fasciated Antshrike.
Taraba major Great Antshrike.
Thamnophilus doliatuus Barred Antshrike.
Thamnophilus nigriceps Black Antshrike.
Thamnophilus bridgesi Black-hooded Antshrike.
Thamnophilus atrinucha Western Slaty-Antshrike.
Xenornis setifrons Spiny-faced Antshrike.
Thamnistes anabatinus Russet Antshrike.
Dysithamnus mentalis Plain Antvireo.
Dysithamnus striaticeps Streak-crowned Antvireo.
Dysithamnus puncticeps Spot-crowned Antvireo.
Myrmotherula brachyura Pygmy Antwren.
Myrmotherula surinamensis Streaked Antwren.
Myrmotherula fulviventris Checker-throated Antwren.
Myrmotherula axillaris White-flanked Antwren.
Myrmotherula schisticolor Slaty Antwren.
Herpsilochmus rufimarginatus Rufous-winged Antwren.
Microhraphias quixensis Dot-winged Antwren.
Formicivora grisea White-fringed Antwren.
Terenura callinota Rufous-rumped Antwren.
Cercomacra tyrannina Dusky Antbird.
Cercomacra nigricans Jet Antbird.
Gymnocaecitia nudiceps Bare-crowned Antbird.
Myrmeciza longipes White-bellied Antbird.
Myrmeciza exsul Chestnut-backed Antbird.
Myrmeciza laemosticta Dull-mantled Antbird.
Myrmeciza immaculata Immaculate Antbird.
Hylephy lax naevioides Spotted Antbird.
Myrmornis torquata Wing-banded Antbird.
Gymnophrys leucaspis Bicolored Antbird.
Phaenostictus mcleannani Ocellated Antbird.

FORMICARIIDAE
Formicarius analis Black-faced Antthrush.
Formicarius nigricapillus Black-headed Antthrush.
Formicarius rufpectus Rufous-breasted Antthrush.
Pittasoma michleri Black-crowned Antpitta.
Grallaria guatimalensis Scaled Antpitta.
Hylopezus perspicillatus Streak-chested Antpitta.
Hylopezus dives Thicket Antpitta.
Grallaricula flavirostris Ochre-breasted Antpitta.

RHINOCRYPTIDAE
Scytalopus panamensis Tacarcuna Tapaculo.
Scytalopus chocoensis Choco Tapaculo.
Scytalopus argentifrons Silvery-fronted Tapaculo.

TYRANNIDAE
Elaeniinae
Ornithion semiflavum Yellow-bellied Tyrannulet.
Ornithion bruneicapillus Brown-capped Tyrannulet.
Camptostoma imberbe Northern Beardless-Tyrannulet.
Camptostoma obsoletum Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet.

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Phaeomyias murina Mouse-colored Tyrannulet.
Nesotriccus ridgwayi Cocos Flycatcher.
Capsiempis flaveola Yellow Tyrannulet.
Tyrannulus elatus Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet.
Myiopagis gaimardii Forest Elaenia.
Myiopagis caniceps Gray Elaenia.
Myiopagis cotta Jamaican Elaenia.
Myiopagis viridicata Greenish Elaenia.
Elaenia martinica Caribbean Elaenia.
Elaenia flavogaster Yellow-bellied Elaenia.
Elaenia chiriquensis Lesser Elaenia.
Elaenia frantzii Mountain Elaenia.
Elaenia fallax Greater Antillean Elaenia.
Serpophaga cinerea Torrent Tyrannulet.
Mionectes olivaceus Olive-striped Flycatcher.
Mionectes olegineus Ochre-bellied Flycatcher.
Leptopoignon amaurocephalus Sepia-capped Flycatcher.
Leptopoignon superciliaris Slaty-capped Flycatcher.
Phylloscartes flavivirens Yellow-green Tyrannulet.
Phylloscartes superciliaris Rufous-browed Tyrannulet.
Phylomyias burmeisteri Rough-legged Tyrannulet.
Phylomyias griseiceps Sooty-headed Tyrannulet.
Zimmerius vilissimus Paltry Tyrannulet.
Sublegatus arenarum Northern Scrub-Flycatcher.
Pseudotriccus pezeli Northern Scrub-Flycatcher.

Platyrrhinchinae

Miornis atricapillus Black-capped Pygmy-Tyrant.
Lophotriccus pileatus Scale-crested Pygmy-Tyrant.
Lophotriccus pilaris Pale-eyed Pygmy-Tyrant.
Oncostoma cinereigulare Northern Bentbill.
Oncostoma olivaceum Southern Bentbill.
Poecilotriccus sylvia Slate-headed Tody-Flycatcher.
Todirostrum cinereum Common Tody-Flycatcher.
Todirostrum nigriceps Black-headed Tody-Flycatcher.
Cnipodectes subbrunneus Brownish Flycatcher.
Rhynchocycyclus brevirostris Eye-ringed Flatbill.
Rhynchocycyclus olivaceus Olivaceous Flatbill.
Tolmomyias sulphurescens Yellow-olive Flycatcher.
Tolmomyias assimilis Yellow-margined Flycatcher.
Platyrrhinchus cancrinclus Stub-tailed Spadebill.
Platyrrhinchus mystaceus White-throated Spadebill.
Platyrrhinchus coronatus Golden-crowned Spadebill.

Fluvicolinae

Onychorhynchus coronatus Royal Flycatcher.
Terenotriccus erythrus Rusty-tailed Flycatcher.
Myiobius villosus Tawny-breasted Flycatcher.
Myiobius sulphureipygii Sulphur-rumped Flycatcher.
Myiobius atricaudus Black-tailed Flycatcher.
Myiophobus fasciatus Bran-colored Flycatcher.
Lithrotricus euleri Euler's Flycatcher.
Aphanotriccus capitatus Tawny-chested Flycatcher.
Aphanotriccus audax Black-billed Flycatcher.
Xenotriccus callizonus Belted Flycatcher.
Xenotriccus mexicanus Pileated Flycatcher.
Mitrephanes phaeocercus Tufted Flycatcher.
Contopus cooperi Olive-sided Flycatcher.
Contopus pertinax Greater Pewee.
Contopus lugubris Dark Pewee.
Contopus ochraceus Ochraceous Pewee.
Contopus sordidulus Western Wood-Pewee.
Contopus virens Eastern Wood-Pewee.
Contopus cinereus Tropical Pewee.
Contopus caribaeus Cuban Pewee.
Contopus pallidus Jamaican Pewee.
Contopus hispaniolensis Hispaniolan Pewee.
Contopus latirostris Lesser Antillean Pewee.
Empidonax flaviventris Yellow-bellied Flycatcher.
Empidonax virescens Acadian Flycatcher.
Empidonax alnorum Alder Flycatcher.
Empidonax traillii Willow Flycatcher.
Empidonax albogularis White-throated Flycatcher.
Empidonax minimus Least Flycatcher.
Empidonax hammondii Hammond’s Flycatcher.
Empidonax wrightii Gray Flycatcher.
Empidonax oberholseri Dusky Flycatcher.
Empidonax affinis Pine Flycatcher.
Empidonax difficilis Pacific-slope Flycatcher.
Empidonax occidentalis Cordilleran Flycatcher.
Empidonax flavescens Yellowish Flycatcher.
Empidonax fulvifrons Buff-breasted Flycatcher.
Empidonax atriceps Black-capped Flycatcher.
Sayornis nigricans Black Phoebe.
Sayornis phoebe Eastern Phoebe.
Sayornis saya Say’s Phoebe.
Pyrocephalus rubinus Vermilion Flycatcher.
Fluvicola pica Pied Water-Tyrant.
Colonia colonus Long-tailed Tyrant.
Machetornis rixosus Cattle Tyrant. (A)

Tyranninae

Attila spadiceus Bright-rumped Attila.
Sirystes sibilator Sirystes.
Rhytipterna holerythra Rufous Mournor.
Myiarchus yucatanensis Yucatan Flycatcher.
Myiarchus barbirostris Sad Flycatcher.
Myiarchus tuberculifer Dusky-capped Flycatcher.
Myiarchus panamensis Panama Flycatcher.
Myiarchus cinerascens Ash-throated Flycatcher.
Myiarchus nuttingi Nutting’s Flycatcher.
Myiarchus crinitus Great Crested Flycatcher.
Myiarchus tyrannulus Brown-crested Flycatcher.
Myiarchus nugator Grenada Flycatcher.
Myiarchus validus Rufous-tailed Flycatcher.
Myiarchus sagrae La Sagra’s Flycatcher.
Myiarchus stolidus Stolid Flycatcher.
Myiarchus antillarum Puerto Rican Flycatcher.
Myiarchus oberi Lesser Antillean Flycatcher.
Deltarhynchus flammulatus Flammulated Flycatcher.
Pitangus lictor Lesser Kiskadee.
Pitangus sulphuratus Great Kiskadee.
Megarynchus pitangus Boat-billed Flycatcher.
Myiozetetes cayanensis Rusty-margined Flycatcher.
Myiozetetes similis Social Flycatcher.
Myiozetetes granadensis Gray-capped Flycatcher.
Conopias albovittata White-ringed Flycatcher.
Myiodynastes hemichrysus Golden-bellied Flycatcher.
Myiodynastes chrysocephalus Golden-crowned Flycatcher.

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Myiodynastes maculatus Streaked Flycatcher.
Myiodynastes luteiventris Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher.
Legatus leucophaius Piratic Flycatcher.
Empidonax varius Variegated Flycatcher. (A)
Tyrrannus melancholicus Tropical Kingbird.
Tyrrannus couchii Couch’s Kingbird.
Tyrrannus vociferans Cassin’s Kingbird.
Tyrrannus crassirostris Thick-billed Kingbird.
Tyrrannus verticalis Western Kingbird.
Tyrrannus tyrannus Eastern Kingbird.
Tyrrannus dominicensis Gray Kingbird.
Tyrrannus caudifasciatus Loggerhead Kingbird.
Tyrrannus cubensis Giant Kingbird.
Tyrrannus forficatus Scissor-tailed Flycatcher.
Tyrrannus savana Fork-tailed Flycatcher.

Genera INCERTAE SEDIS
Sapayoa aenigma Sapayoa.
Schiffornis tarsinus Thrush-like Schiffornis.
Piprites griseiceps Gray-headed Piprites.
Lipaugus unirufus Rufous Piha.
Laniocera rufescens Speckled Mourner.
Pachyramphus versicolor Barred Becard.
Pachyramphus rufus Cinereous Becard.
Pachyramphus cinnamomeus Cinnamon Becard.
Pachyramphus polychopterus White-winged Becard.
Pachyramphus albogriseus Black-and-white Becard.
Pachyramphus major Gray-collared Becard.
Pachyramphus aglaiae Rose-throated Becard.
Pachyramphus homochrous One-colored Becard.
Pachyramphus niger Jamaican Becard.
Tityra semifasciata Masked Tityra.
Tityra inquisitor Black-crowned Tityra.

COTINGIDAE
Cotinga amabilis Lovely Cotinga.
Cotinga ridgwayi Turquoise Cotinga.
Cotinga nattererii Blue Cotinga.
Carpodectes hopkei Black-tipped Cotinga.
Carpodectes antoniae Yellow-billed Cotinga.
Carpodectes nitidus Snowy Cotinga.
Querula purpurata Purple-throated Fruitcrow.
Cephalopterus glabricollis Bare-necked Umbrellabird.
Procnias tricaprina Banded Tody.

PIPRIDAE
Chloropipo holochlora Green Manakin.
Manacus candei White-collared Manakin.
Manacus aurantiacus Orange-collared Manakin.
Manacus vitellinus Golden-collared Manakin.
Corapipo altera White-ruffed Manakin.
Chiroxiphia lancenolata Lance-tailed Manakin.
Chiroxiphia lineartis Long-tailed Manakin.
Pipra pipra White-crowned Manakin.
Pipra coronata Blue-crowned Manakin.
Pipra erythrocephala Golden-headed Manakin.
Pipra mentalis Red-capped Manakin.

OXYRUNCIDAE
Oxyruncus cristatus Sharpbill.

MELIPHAGIDAE
†Moho braccatus Kauai Oo. (H)
†Moho apicalis Oahu Oo. (H)
Moho bishopi Bishop’s Oo. (H)
†Moho nobilis Hawaii Oo. (H)
†Chaetoptila angustipluma Kioea. (H)

LANIIDAE
Lanius cristatus Brown Shrike. (A)
Lanius ludovicianus Loggerhead Shrike.
Lanius excubitor Northern Shrike.

VIREONIDAE
Vireo brevipennis Slaty Vireo.
Vireo griseus White-eyed Vireo.
Vireo crassirostris Thick-billed Vireo.
Vireo pallens Mangrove Vireo.
Vireo bairdi Cozumel Vireo.
Vireo caribaeus St. Andrew Vireo.
Vireo modestus Jamaican Vireo.
Vireo gundlachii Cuban Vireo.
Vireo latimeri Puerto Rican Vireo.
Vireo nanus Flat-billed Vireo.
Vireo bellii Bell’s Vireo.
Vireo atricapillus Black-capped Vireo.
Vireo nelsoni Dwarf Vireo.
Vireo vicinior Gray Vireo.
Vireo osburni Blue Mountain Vireo.
Vireo flavifrons Yellow-throated Vireo.
Vireo plumbeus Plumbeous Vireo.
Vireo cassini Cassin’s Vireo.
Vireo solitarius Blue-headed Vireo.
Vireo carmioli Yellow-winged Vireo.
Vireo huttoni Hutton’s Vireo.
Vireo hypochryseus Golden Vireo.
Vireo gilvus Warbling Vireo.
Vireo leucophrys Brown-capped Vireo.
Vireo philadelphicus Philadelphia Vireo.
Vireo olivaceus Red-eyed Vireo.
Vireo flavoviridis Yellow-green Vireo.
Vireo altiloquus Black-whiskered Vireo.
Vireo magister Yucatan Vireo.
Hylophilus flavipes Scrub Greenlet.
Hylophilus ochraceiceps Tawny-crowned Greenlet.
Hylophilus aurantiifrons Golden-fronted Greenlet.
Hylophilus decurtatus Lesser Greenlet.
Vireolanus melitophrys Chestnut-sided Shrike-Vireo.
Vireolanus pulchellus Green Shrike-Vireo.
Vireolanus eximius Yellow-browed Shrike-Vireo.
Cyclarhis gujanensis Rufous-browed Peppershrike.

CORVIDAE
Perisoreus canadensis Gray Jay.
Cyanocitta stelleri Steller’s Jay.
Cyanocitta cristata Blue Jay.
Calocitta colliei Black-throated Magpie-Jay.
Calocitta formosa White-throated Magpie-Jay.
Cyanocorax dickeyi Tufted Jay.
Cyanocorax affinis Black-chested Jay.
Cyanocorax yncas Green Jay.
Cyanocorax morio Brown Jay.
Cyanocorax melanocyaneus Bushy-crested Jay.
Cyanocorax sanblasianus San Blas Jay.
Cyanocorax yucatanicus Yucatan Jay.
Cyanocorax beecheii Purplish-backed Jay.
Cyanolyca cucullata Azure-hooded Jay.
Cyanolyca pumilo Black-throated Jay.
Cyanolyca nana Dwarf Jay.
Cyanolyca argentigula Silvery-throated Jay.
Cyanolyca mirabilis White-throated Jay.
Aphelocoma coerulescens Florida Scrub-Jay.
Aphelocoma insularis Island Scrub-Jay.
Aphelocoma california Western Scrub-Jay.
Aphelocoma ultramarina Mexican Jay.
Aphelocoma unicolor Unicolored Jay.
Gymnorhinus cyanocephalus Pinyon Jay.
Nucifraga columbiana Clark’s Nutcracker.
Pica pica Black-billed Magpie.
Pica nuttali Yellow-billed Magpie.
Corvus monedula Eurasian Jackdaw. (A)
Corvus brachyrhynchos American Crow.
Corvus caurinus Northwestern Crow.
Corvus palmarum Palm Crow.
Corvus nasicus Cuban Crow.
Corvus leucognaphalus White-necked Crow.
Corvus jamaicensis Jamaican Crow.
Corvus imparatus Tamaulipas Crow.
Corvus sinolae Sinaloa Crow.
Corvus ossifragus Fish Crow.
Corvus hawaiiensis Hawaiian Crow. (H)
Corvus cryptoleucus Chihuahuan Raven.
Corvus corax Common Raven.

MONARCHIDAE
Chasiempis sandwichensis Elepaio. (H)

ALAUDIDAE
Alauda arvensis Sky Lark.
Eremophila alpestris Horned Lark.

HIRUNDINIDAE
Hirundininae
Progne subis Purple Martin.
Progne cryptoleuca Cuban Martin.
Progne dominicensis Caribbean Martin.
Progne sinolae Sinaloa Martin.
Progne chalybea Gray-breasted Martin.
Progne elegans Southern Martin.
Progne tapera Brown-chested Martin.
Tachycineta bicolor Tree Swallow.
Tachycineta albilinea Mangrove Swallow.
Tachycineta euchrysea Golden Swallow.
Tachycineta thalassina Violet-green Swallow.
Tachycineta cyaneoviridis Bahama Swallow.
Pygochelidon cyanoleuca Blue-and-white Swallow.
Notiochelidon pileata Black-capped Swallow.
Neochelidon tibialis White-thighed Swallow.
Stelgidopteryx serripennis Northern Rough-winged Swallow.
Stelgidopteryx ruficollis Southern Rough-winged Swallow.
Riparia riparia Bank Swallow.
Petrochelidon pyrrhonota Cliff Swallow.
Petrochelidon fulva Cave Swallow.
Hirundo rustica Barn Swallow.
Delichon urbica Common House-Martin. (A)
PARIDAE
Poecile carolinensis Carolina Chickadee.
Poecile atricapillus Black-capped Chickadee.
Poecile gambeli Mountain Chickadee.
Poecile sclateri Mexican Chickadee.
Poecile rufescens Chestnut-backed Chickadee.
Poecile hudsonicus Boreal Chickadee.
Poecile cinctus Gray-headed Chickadee.
Baeolophus wollweberi Bridled Titmouse.
Baeolophus inornatus Oak Titmouse.
Baeolophus griseus Juniper Titmouse.
Baeolophus bicolor Tufted Titmouse.

REMIZIDAE
Auriparus flaviceps Verdin.

AEGITHALIDAE
Psaltriparus minimus Bushtit.

SITTIDAE
Sittinae
Sitta canadensis Red-breasted Nuthatch.
Sitta carolinensis White-breasted Nuthatch.
Sitta pygmaea Pygmy Nuthatch.
Sitta pusilla Brown-headed Nuthatch.

CERTHIDAE
Certhiinae
Certhia americana Brown Creeper.

TROGLODYTIDAE
Donacobius atricapillus Black-capped Donacobius.
Campylorhynchus albobrunneus White-headed Wren.
Campylorhynchus zonatus Band-backed Wren.
Campylorhynchus megalepterus Gray-barred Wren.
Campylorhynchus chiapensis Giant Wren.
Campylorhynchus rufinucha Rufous-naped Wren.
Campylorhynchus gularis Spotted Wren.
Campylorhynchus jocosus Boucard’s Wren.
Campylorhynchus yucatanicus Yucatan Wren.
Campylorhynchus brunneicapillus Cactus Wren.
Salpinctes obsoletus Rock Wren.
Catherpes mexicanus Canyon Wren.
Hylorchilus sumichrasti Sumichrast’s Wren.
Hylorchilus navai Nava’s Wren.
Thryothorus spadix Sooty-headed Wren.
Thryothorus atrogularis Black-throated Wren.
Thryothorus fasciatoventris Black-bellied Wren.
Thryothorus nigricapillus Bay Wren.
Thryothorus semibadius Riverside Wren.
Thryothorus leucopogon Stripe-throated Wren.
Thryothorus thoracicus Stripe-breasted Wren.
Thryothorus rutilus Rufous-breasted Wren.
Thryothorus maculipectus Spot-breasted Wren.
Thryothorus rufalus Rufous-and-white Wren.
Thryothorus sinaloa Sinaloa Wren.
Thryothorus pleurostictus Banded Wren.
Thryothorus ludovicianus Carolina Wren.
Thryothorus felix Happy Wren.
Thryothorus leucotis Buff-breasted Wren.
Thryothorus modestus Plain Wren.
Thryomanes bewickii Bewick’s Wren.
Thryomanes sissonii Socorro Wren.
Ferminia cerverai Zapata Wren.
Troglodytes aedon House Wren.
Troglodytes tannert Clarion Wren.
Troglodytes rufociliatus Rufous-browed Wren.
Troglodytes ochraceus Ochraceous Wren.
Troglodytes troglodytes Winter Wren.
Cistothorus platensis Sedge Wren.
Cistothorus palustris Marsh Wren.
Uropsila leucogastra White-bellied Wren.
Thryorchilus browni Timberline Wren.
Hemicorehina leucosticta White-breasted Wood-Wren.
Hemicorehina leucomops Gray-breasted Wood-Wren.
Microcerculus philomela Nightingale Wren.
Microcerculus marginatus Scaly-breasted Wren.
Cyphorhinus phaeocephalus Song Wren.

CINCLUDIAE
Cinclus mexicanus American Dipper.

PYCNONOTIDAE
Pycnonotus cafer Red-vented Bulbul. (H, I)
Pycnonotus jocosus Red-whiskered Bulbul. (I)

REGULIDAE
Regulus satrapa Golden-crowned Kinglet.
Regulus calendula Ruby-crowned Kinglet.

SYLVIIDAE
Sylviinae
Cettia diphone Japanese Bush-Warbler. (H, I)
Locustella ochotensis Middendorff’s Grasshopper-Warbler. (A)
Locustella lanceolata Lanceolated Warbler. (A)
Acrocephalus familiaris Millerbird. (H)
Phylloscopus sibilatrix Wood Warbler. (A)
Phylloscopus fusiscatus Dusky Warbler. (A)
Phylloscopus borealis Arctic Warbler.
Polioptilinae
Microbates cinereiventris Tawny-faced Gnatwren.
Ramphocaenus melanurus Long-billed Gnatwren.
Polioptila caerulea Blue-gray Gnatcatcher.
Polioptila lembeyei Cuban Gnatcatcher.
Polioptila californica California Gnatcatcher.
Polioptila melanura Black-tailed Gnatcatcher.
Polioptila nigriceps Black-capped Gnatcatcher.
Polioptila albioris White-lobed Gnatcatcher.
Polioptila plumbea Tropical Gnatcatcher.
Polioptila schistaceigula Slate-throated Gnatcatcher.

MUSCICAPIDAE
Ficedula narcissina Narcissus Flycatcher. (A)
Ficedula mugimaki Mugimaki Flycatcher. (A)
Ficedula parva Red-breasted Flycatcher. (A)
Muscicapa sibirica Siberian Flycatcher. (A)
Muscicapa griseisticta Gray-spotted Flycatcher. (A)
Muscicapa dauurica Asian Brown Flycatcher. (A)

TURDIDAE
Luscinia calliope Siberian Rubythroat. (A)
Luscinia svecica Bluethroat.
Luscinia cyane Siberian Blue Robin. (A)
Tarstiger cyanurus Red-flanked Bluetail. (A)
Copyschus malabaricus White-rumped Shama. (H, I)
Oenanthe oenanthe Northern Wheatear.
Saxicola torquata Stonechat. (A)

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Sialia sialis Eastern Bluebird.
Sialia mexicana Western Bluebird.
Sialia currucoides Mountain Bluebird.
Myadestes townsendi Townsend's Solitaire.
Myadestes occidentalis Brown-backed Solitaire.
Myadestes elisabeth Cuban Solitaire.
Myadestes genibarbis Rufous-throated Solitaire.
Myadestes melanops Black-faced Solitaire.
Myadestes coloratus Varied Solitaire.
Myadestes unicolor Slate-colored Solitaire.
Myadestes myadestinus Kamao. (H)
†Myadestes woahensis Amaui. (H)
Myadestes lanaiensis Olomao. (H)
Myadestes obscurus Omao. (H)
Myadestes palmeri Puaiohi. (H)
Catharus gracilirostris Black-billed Nightingale-Thrush.
Catharus aurantirostris Orange-billed Nightingale-Thrush.
Catharus fuscaet Slaty-backed Nightingale-Thrush.
Catharus occidentalis Russet Nightingale-Thrush.
Catharus frantzii Ruddy-capped Nightingale-Thrush.
Catharus mexicanus Black-headed Nightingale-Thrush.
Catharus dryas Spotted Nightingale-Thrush.
Catharus fuscescens Veery.
Catharus minimus Gray-cheeked Thrush.
Catharus bicknelli Bicknell’s Thrush.
Catharus ustulatus Swainson’s Thrush.
Catharus guttatus Hermit Thrush.
Hyllocichla mustelina Wood Thrush.
Turdus merula Eurasian Blackbird. (A)
Turdus obscurus Eyebrowed Thrush. (N)
Turdus naumanni Dusky Thrush. (A)
Turdus pilaris Fieldfare. (A)
Turdus iliacus Redwing. (A)
Turdus nigrescens Sooty Robin.
Turdus infuscatus Black Robin.
Turdus plebejus Mountain Robin.
Turdus fumigatus Cocoa Thrush.
Turdus obsoletus Pale-vented Thrush.
Turdus grayi Clay-colored Robin.
Turdus nudigenis Bare-eyed Robin.
Turdus jamaicensis White-eyed Thrush.
Turdus assimilis White-throated Robin.
Turdus rufopalliatus Rufous-backed Robin.
Turdus rufitorques Rufous-collared Robin.
Turdus migratorius American Robin.
Turdus swalesi La Selle Thrush.
Turdus aurantius White-chinned Thrush.
†Turdus ravidus Grand Cayman Thrush.
Turdus plumbeus Red-legged Thrush.
Cichlerminia therminieri Forest Thrush.
Ixoreus naevius Varied Thrush.
Ridgwayia pinicola Aztec Thrush.

TIMALIIDAE
Garrulax pectoralis Greater Necklaced Laughingthrush. (H, I)
Garrulax canorus Hwamei. (H, I)
Leiiothrix lutea Red-billed Leiiothrix. (H, I)
Chamaea fasciata Wrentit.
ZOSTEROPIDAE
Zosterops japonicus Japanese White-eye. (H, I)

MIMIDAE
Dumetella carolinensis Gray Catbird.
Melanoptila glabrirostris Black Catbird.
Mimus polyglottos Northern Mockingbird.
Mimus gilvus Tropical Mockingbird.
Mimus gundlachii Bahama Mockingbird.
Oreoscopites montanus Sage Thrasher.
Mimodes graysoni Socorro Mockingbird.
Toxostoma rufum Brown Thrasher.
Toxostoma longirostre Long-billed Thrasher.
Toxostoma guttatum Cozumel Thrasher.
Toxostoma cinereum Gray Thrasher.
Toxostoma bendirei Bendire’s Thrasher.
Toxostoma ocellatum Ocellated Thrasher.
Toxostoma curvirostre Curve-billed Thrasher.
Toxostoma redivivum California Thrasher.
Toxostoma crissale Crissal Thrasher.
Toxostoma lecontei Le Conte’s Thrasher.
Ramphocinclus brachyurus White-breasted Thrasher.
Melanotis caerulescens Blue Mockingbird.
Melanotis hypoleucus Blue-and-white Mockingbird.
Margarops fuscus Scaly-breasted Thrasher.
Margarops fuscatus Pearly-eyed Thrasher.
Cinclocerthia ruficauda Brown Trembler.
Cinclocerthia gutturalis Gray Trembler.

STURNIDAE
Sturnus vulgaris European Starling. (I)
Acridotheres tristis Common Myna. (I)
Acridotheres cristatellus Crested Myna. (I)
Gracula religiosa Hill Myna. (H, I)

PRUNELLIDAE
Prunella montanella Siberian Accentor. (A)

MOTACILLIDAE
Motacilla flava Yellow Wagtail.
Motacilla citreola Citrine Wagtail. (A)
Motacilla cinerea Gray Wagtail. (A)
Motacilla alba White Wagtail.
Motacilla lugens Black-backed Wagtail.
Anthus trivialis Tree Pipit. (A)
Anthus hodgsoni Olive-backed Pipit. (A)
Anthus gustavi Pechora Pipit. (A)
Anthus cervinus Red-throated Pipit.
Anthus rubescens American Pipit.
Anthus spragueii Sprague’s Pipit.
Anthus latescens Yellowish Pipit.

BOMBYCILLIDAE
Bombycilla garrulus Bohemian Waxwing.
Bombycilla cedrorum Cedar Waxwing.

PTILOGONATIDAE
Phainoptila melanoxantha Black-and-yellow Silky-flycatcher.
Ptilogonyx cinereus Gray Silky-flycatcher.
Ptilogonyx caudatus Long-tailed Silky-flycatcher.
Phainopepla nitens Phainopepla.

DULIDAE
Dulus dominicus Palmchat.
PEUCEDRAMIDAE
Peucedramus taeniatus Olive Warbler.

PARULIDAE
†Vermivora bachmanii Bachman’s Warbler.
Vermivora pinus Blue-winged Warbler.
Vermivora chrysoptera Golden-winged Warbler.
Vermivora peregrina Tennessee Warbler.
Vermivora celata Orange-crowned Warbler.
Vermivora ruficapilla Nashville Warbler.
Vermivora virginiae Virginia’s Warbler.
Vermivora crissalis Colima Warbler.
Vermivora luciae Lucy’s Warbler.
Parula gutturalis Flame-throated Warbler.
Parula superciliosa Crescent-chested Warbler.
Parula americana Northern Parula.
Parula pitiayumi Tropical Parula.
Dendroica petechia Yellow Warbler.
Dendroica pensylvanica Chestnut-sided Warbler.
Dendroica magnolia Magnolia Warbler.
Dendroica tigrina Cape May Warbler.
Dendroica caerulescens Black-throated Blue Warbler.
Dendroica coronata Yellow-rumped Warbler.
Dendroica nigrescens Black-throated Gray Warbler.
Dendroica chrysoparia Golden-cheeked Warbler.
Dendroica virens Black-throated Green Warbler.
Dendroica townsendi Townsend’s Warbler.
Dendroica occidentalis Hermit Warbler.
Dendroica fusca Blackburnian Warbler.
Dendroica dominica Yellow-throated Warbler.
Dendroica graciae Grace’s Warbler.
Dendroica adelaidae Adelaide’s Warbler.
Dendroica pityophila Olive-capped Warbler.
Dendroica pinus Pine Warbler.
Dendroica kirtlandii Kirtland’s Warbler.
Dendroica discolor Prairie Warbler.
Dendroica vitellina Vitelline Warbler.
Dendroica palmarum Palm Warbler.
Dendroica castanea Bay-breasted Warbler.
Dendroica striata Blackpoll Warbler.
Dendroica cerulea Cerulean Warbler.
Dendroica plumbea Plumbeous Warbler.
Dendroica pharetra Arrowhead Warbler.
Dendroica angelae Elfin-woods Warbler.
Catharopeza bishopi Whistling Warbler.
Mniotilta varia Black-and-white Warbler.
Setophaga ruticilla American Redstart.
Protonotaria citrea Prothonotary Warbler.
Helmitheros vermivorus Worm-eating Warbler.
Limnothlypis swainsonii Swainson’s Warbler.
Seiurus aurocapillus Ovenbird.
Seiurus noveboracensis Northern Waterthrush.
Seiurus motacilla Louisiana Waterthrush.
Oporornis formosus Kentucky Warbler.
Oporornis agilis Connecticut Warbler.
Oporornis philadelphia Mourning Warbler.
Oporornis tolmiei MacGillivray’s Warbler.
Geothlypis trichas Common Yellowthroat.
Geothlypis beldingi Belting’s Yellowthroat.
Geothlypis flavovelata Altamira Yellowthroat.
Geothlypis rostrata Bahama Yellowthroat.
Geothlypis semiflava Olive-crowned Yellowthroat.
Geothlypis speciosa Black-polled Yellowthroat.
Geothlypis nelsoni Hooded Yellowthroat.
Geothlypis aequinoctialis Masked Yellowthroat.
Geothlypis poliocephala Gray-crowned Yellowthroat.
Microligea palustris Green-tailed Warbler.
Teretistris fernandinae Yellow-headed Warbler.
Teretistris fornsi Oriente Warbler.
Leucopeza semperi Semper’s Warbler.
Wilsonia citrina Hooded Warbler.
Wilsonia pusilla Wilson’s Warbler.
Wilsonia canadensis Canada Warbler.
Cardellina rubrifrons Red-faced Warbler.
Ergaticus ruber Red Warbler.
Ergaticus versicolor Pink-headed Warbler.
Myioborus pictus Painted Redstart.
Myioborus miniatus Slate-throated Redstart.
Myioborus torquatus Collared Redstart.
Euthlypis lachrymosa Fan-tailed Warbler.
Basileuterus culicivorus Golden-crowned Warbler.
Basileuterus rufifrons Rufous-capped Warbler.
Basileuterus bellii Golden-browed Warbler.
Basileuterus melanogenys Black-cheeked Warbler.
Basileuterus ignotus Pirre Warbler.
Basileuterus tristriatus Three-striped Warbler.
Phaeothlypis fulvicauda Buff-rumped Warbler.
Zeledonia coronata Wrenthrush.
Icteria virens Yellow-breasted Chat.
Granatellus venustus Red-breasted Chat.
Granatellus sallaei Gray-throated Chat.
Xenoligea montana White-winged Warbler.

COEREBIDAE
Coereba flaveola Bananaquit.

THRAUPIDAE
Conirostrum leucogenys White-eared Conebill.
Nesospingus speculiferus Puerto Rican Tanager.
Chlorospingus ophthalmicus Common Bush-Tanager.
Chlorospingus tacarcunae Tacarcuna Bush-Tanager.
Chlorospingus inornatus Pirre Bush-Tanager.
Chlorospingus pileatus Sooty-capped Bush-Tanager.
Chlorospingus flavicularis Yellow-throated Bush-Tanager.
Chlorospingus canigularis Ashy-throated Bush-Tanager.
Hemithraupis flavicollis Yellow-backed Tanager.
Chrysothlypis chrysomelas Black-and-yellow Tanager.
Phaenicophilus palmarum Black-crowned Palm-Tanager.
Phaenicophilus poliocephalus Gray-crowned Palm-Tanager.
Calyptophilus tertius Western Chat-Tanager.
Calyptophilus frugivorus Eastern Chat-Tanager.
Rhodonocichla rosea Rosy Thrush-Tanager.
Mitrospingus cassinii Dusky-faced Tanager.
Chlorothraupis carmioli Olive Tanager.
Chlorothraupis olivacea Lemon-spectacled Tanager.
Eucometis penicillata Gray-headed Tanager.
Lanio aurantius Black-throated Shrike-Tanager.
Lanio leucothorax White-throated Shrike-Tanager.
Heterospingus rubrifrons Sulphur-rumped Tanager.

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Heterospingus xanthopygius Scarlet-browed Tanager.
Tachyphonus luctuosus White-shouldered Tanager.
Tachyphonus delatrii Tawny-crested Tanager.
Tachyphonus rufus White-lined Tanager.
Habia rubica Red-crowned Ant-Tanager.
Habia fuscicauda Red-throated Ant-Tanager.
Habia atrimaxillaris Black-cheeked Ant-Tanager.
Piranga roseogularis Rose-throated Tanager.
Piranga flava Hepatic Tanager.
Piranga rubra Summer Tanager.
Piranga olivacea Scarlet Tanager.
Piranga ludoviciana Western Tanager.
Piranga bidentata Flame-colored Tanager.
Piranga leucoptera White-winged Tanager.
Piranga erythrocephala Red-headed Tanager.
Ramphocelus sanguinolentus Crimson-collared Tanager.
Ramphocelus dimidiatus Crimson-backed Tanager.
Ramphocelus passerinii Passerini’s Tanager.
Ramphocelus costaricensis Cherrie’s Tanager.
Ramphocelus flammigerus Flame-rumped Tanager.
Spindalis zena Stripe-headed Tanager.
Thraupis episcopus Blue-gray Tanager.
Thraupis abbas Yellow-winged Tanager.
Thraupis palmarum Palm Tanager.
Bangsia arcae Blue-and-gold Tanager.
Euphonia jamaica Jamaican Euphonia.
Euphonia affinis Scrub Euphonia.
Euphonia luteicapilla Yellow-crowned Euphonia.
Euphonia lanirostris Thick-billed Euphonia.
Euphonia hirundinacea Yellow-throated Euphonia.
Euphonia musica Antillean Euphonia.
Euphonia elegantissima Elegant Euphonia.
Euphonia fulvicrissa Fulvous-vented Euphonia.
Euphonia imitans Spot-crowned Euphonia.
Euphonia gouldi Olive-backed Euphonia.
Euphonia minuta White-vented Euphonia.
Euphonia anae Tawny-capped Euphonia.
Euphonia xanthogaster Orange-bellied Euphonia.
Chlorophonia flavirostris Yellow-collared Chlorophonia. (A)
Chlorophonia occipitalis Blue-crowned Chlorophonia.
Chlorophonia callophrys Golden-browed Chlorophonia.
Tangara inornata Plain-colored Tanager.
Tangara cabanisi Azure-rumped Tanager.
Tangara palmeri Gray-and-gold Tanager.
Tangara floridana Emerald Tanager.
Tangara icterocephala Silver-throated Tanager.
Tangara guttata Speckled Tanager.
Tangara gyrola Bay-headed Tanager.
Tangara lavinia Rufous-winged Tanager.
Tangara cucullata Lesser Antillean Tanager.
Tangara larvata Golden-naped Tanager.
Tangara dowii Spangle-cheeked Tanager.
Tangara fucosa Green-naped Tanager.
Dacnis venusta Scarlet-thighed Dacnis.
Dacnis cayana Blue Dacnis.
Dacnis viguieri Viridian Dacnis.
Chlorophanes spiza Green Honeycreeper.
Cyanerpes lucidus Shining Honeycreeper.

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Cyanerpes caeruleus Purple Honeycreeper.
Cyanerpes cyaneus Red-legged Honeycreeper.
Tersina viridis Swallow Tanager.

EMBERIZIDAE
Volatinia jacarina Blue-black Grassquit.
Sporophila schistacea Slate-colored Seedeater.
Sporophila americana Variable Seedeater.
Sporophila torqueola White-collared Seedeater.
Sporophila nigrilicollis Yellow-bellied Seedeater.
Sporophila minuta Ruddy-breasted Seedeater.

Oryzoborus nuttingi Nicaraguan Seed-Finch.
Oryzoborus funereus Thick-billed Seed-Finch.
Amaurospiza concolor Blue Seedeater.
Melopyrrha nigra Cuban Bullfinch.
Tiaris canora Cuban Grassquit.
Tiaris olivacea Yellow-faced Grassquit.
Tiaris bicolor Black-faced Grassquit.
Loxipasser anoxanthus Yellow-shouldered Grassquit.
Loxigilla portoricensis Puerto Rican Bullfinch.
Loxigilla violacea Greater Antillean Bullfinch.
Loxigilla noctis Lesser Antillean Bullfinch.
Euneornis campestris Orangequit.
Melanospiza richardsoni St. Lucia Black Finch.
Pinaroloxias inornata Cocos Finch.
Haplospiza rustica Slaty Finch.
Acanthidops bairdii Peg-billed Finch.
Diglossa baritula Cinnamon-bellied Flowerpiercer.
Diglossa plumbea Slaty Flowerpiercer.
Sicalis flaveola Saffron Finch.
Sicalis luteola Grassland Yellow-Finch.
Emberizoides herbicola Wedge-tailed Grass-Finch.
Paroaria coronata Red-crested Cardinal. (H, I)
Paroaria capitata Yellow-billed Cardinal. (H, I)
Lysurus crassirostris Sooty-faced Finch.
Pselliophorus tibialis Yellow-thighed Finch.
Pselliophorus luteoviridis Yellow-green Finch.
Pezopetes capitalis Large-footed Finch.
Atlapetes albinucha White-naped Brush-Finch.
Atlapetes pileatus Rufous-capped Brush-Finch.
Buarremon brunneinuchus Chestnut-capped Brush-Finch.
Buarremon virenticeps Green-striped Brush-Finch.
Buarremon torquatus Stripe-headed Brush-Finch.
Arremon aurantiirostris Orange-billed Sparrow.
Arremonops rufivirgatus Olive Sparrow.
Arremonops chloronotus Green-backed Sparrow.
Arremonops contirostris Black-striped Sparrow.
Melozone kieneri Rusty-crowned Ground-Sparrow.
Melozone biarcuatum Prevost's Ground-Sparrow.
Melozone leucotis White-eared Ground-Sparrow.
Pipilo chlorurus Green-tailed Towhee.
Pipilo ocai Collared Towhee.
Pipilo maculatus Spotted Towhee.
Pipilo erythrophthalmus Eastern Towhee.
Pipilo albicollis White-throated Towhee.
Pipilo fuscus Canyon Towhee.
Pipilo crissalis California Towhee.
Pipilo aberti Abert's Towhee.
Aimophila ruficauda Stripe-headed Sparrow.
Aimophila humeralis Black-chested Sparrow.
Aimophila mystacalis Bridled Sparrow.
Aimophila sumichrasti Cinnamon-tailed Sparrow.
Aimophila carpalis Rufous-winged Sparrow.
Aimophila cassini Cassin’s Sparrow.
Aimophila aestivalis Bachman’s Sparrow.
Aimophila botterii Botteri’s Sparrow.
Aimophila ruficeps Rufous-crowned Sparrow.
Aimophila rufescens Rusty Sparrow.
Aimophila notosticta Oaxaca Sparrow.
Aimophila quinquestriata Five-striped Sparrow.
Oriturus superciliosus Striped Sparrow.
Torreornis inexpectata Zapata Sparrow.
Spizella arborea American Tree Sparrow.
Spizella passerina Chipping Sparrow.
Spizella pallida Clay-colored Sparrow.
Spizella breweri Brewer’s Sparrow.
Spizella pusilla Field Sparrow.
Spizella worheni Worthen’s Sparrow.
Spizella altrigularis Black-chinned Sparrow.
Pooecetes gramineus Vesper Sparrow.
Chondestes grammacus Lark Sparrow.
Amphispiza bilineata Black-throated Sparrow.
Amphispiza belli Sage Sparrow.
Calamospiza melanocorys Lark Bunting.
Passerculus sandwichensis Savannah Sparrow.
Ammodramus savannarum Grasshopper Sparrow.
Ammodramus bairdii Baird’s Sparrow.
Ammodramus henslowii Henslow’s Sparrow.
Ammodramus lecontei Le Conte’s Sparrow.
Ammodramus nelsoni Nelson’s Sharp-tailed Sparrow.
Ammodramus caudacutus Saltmarsh Sharp-tailed Sparrow.
Ammodramus maritimus Seaside Sparrow.
Xenospiza baileyi Sierra Madre Sparrow.
Passerella iliaca Fox Sparrow.
Melospiza melodia Song Sparrow.
Melospiza lincolni Lincoln’s Sparrow.
Melospiza georgiana Swamp Sparrow.
Zonotrichia capensis Rufous-collared Sparrow.
Zonotrichia albicollis White-throated Sparrow.
Zonotrichia querula Harris’s Sparrow.
Zonotrichia leucophrys White-crowned Sparrow.
Zonotrichia atricapilla Golden-crowned Sparrow.
Junco vulcanti Volcano Junco.
Junco hyemalis Dark-eyed Junco.
Junco phaeonotus Yellow-eyed Junco.
Calcarius mccownii McCown’s Longspur.
Calcarius lapponicus Lapland Longspur.
Calcarius pictus Smith’s Longspur.
Calcarius ornatus Chestnut-collared Longspur.
Emberiza leucocephalos Pine Bunting. (A)
Emberiza pusilla Little Bunting. (A)
Emberiza rustica Rustic Bunting. (A)
Emberiza aureola Yellow-breasted Bunting. (A)
Emberiza variabilis Gray Bunting. (A)
Emberiza pallasi Pallas’s Bunting. (A)
Emberiza schoeniclus Reed Bunting. (A)
Plectrophenax nivalis Snow Bunting.
Plectrophenax hyperboreus McKay’s Bunting.
CARDINALIDAE

Saltator albicollis Lesser Antillean Saltator.
Saltator striatipennis Streaked Saltator.
Saltator coerulescens Grayish Saltator.
Saltator maximus Buff-throated Saltator.
Saltator atriceps Black-headed Saltator.
Saltator grossus Slate-colored Grosbeak.
Caryothraustes poliogaster Black-faced Grosbeak.
Caryothraustes canadensis Yellow-green Grosbeak.
Rhodothraupis celaeno Crimson-collared Grosbeak.
Cardinalis cardinalis Northern Cardinal.
Cardinalis sinuatus Pyrrhuloxia.

Pheucticus chrysopenplus Yellow Grosbeak.
Pheucticus tibialis Black-thighed Grosbeak.
Pheucticus ludovicianus Rose-breasted Grosbeak.
Pheucticus melanocephalus Black-headed Grosbeak.
Cyanocompsa cyanoides Blue-black Grosbeak.
Cyanocompsa parellina Blue Bunting.
Guiraca caerulea Blue Grosbeak.
Passerina rosita Rose-bellied Bunting.
Passerina amoena Lazuli Bunting.
Passerina cyanea Indigo Bunting.
Passerina versicolor Varied Bunting.
Passerina leclancherii Orange-breasted Bunting.
Passerina ciris Painted Bunting.
Spiza americana Dickcissel.

ICTERIDAE

Dolichonyx oryzivorus Bobolink.
Agelaius phoeniceus Red-winged Blackbird.
Agelaius assimilis Red-shouldered Blackbird.
Agelaius tricolor Tricolored Blackbird.
Agelaius humeralis Tawny-shouldered Blackbird.
Agelaius xanthomus Yellow-shouldered Blackbird.
Nesopsar nigerrimus Jamaican Blackbird.
Sturnella militaris Red-breasted Blackbird.
Sturnella magna Eastern Meadowlark.
Sturnella neglecta Western Meadowlark.
Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus Yellow-headed Blackbird.
Dives dives Melodious Blackbird.
Dives atroviolacea Cuban Blackbird.
Euphagus carolinus Rusty Blackbird.
Euphagus cyanoccephalus Brewer's Blackbird.
Quiscalus quiscula Common Grackle.
Quiscalus major Boat-tailed Grackle.
Quiscalus mexicanus Great-tailed Grackle.
Quiscalus palustris Slender-billed Grackle.
†Quiscalus nicaraguensis Nicaraguan Grackle.
Quiscalus niger Greater Antillean Grackle.
Quiscalus lugubris Carib Grackle.
Molothrus bonariensis Shiny Cowbird.
Molothrus aeneus Bronzed Cowbird.
Molothrus ater Brown-headed Cowbird.
Scaphidura oryzivora Giant Cowbird.
Icterus dominicensis Black-cowled Oriole.
Icterus laudabilis St. Lucia Oriole.
Icterus oberi Montserrat Oriole.
Icterus banana Martinique Oriole.
Icterus wagleri Black-vented Oriole.
*Icterus maculialatus* Bar-winged Oriole.
*Icterus spurius* Orchard Oriole.
*Icterus cucullatus* Hooded Oriole.
*Icterus chrysater* Yellow-backed Oriole.
*Icterus auricapillus* Orange-crowned Oriole.
*Icterus mesomelas* Yellow-tailed Oriole.
*Icterus icterus* Troupial. (I)
*Icterus pustulatus* Streak-backed Oriole.
*Icterus auratus* Orange Oriole.
*Icterus leucopyeryx* Jamaican Oriole.
*Icterus pectoralis* Spot-breasted Oriole.
*Icterus gularis* Altamira Oriole.
*Icterus graduacauda* Audubon’s Oriole.
*Icterus galbula* Baltimore Oriole.
*Icterus bullockii* Bullock’s Oriole.
*Icterus abeillei* Black-backed Oriole.
*Icterus parisorum* Scott’s Oriole.
*Amblycerus holosericeus* Yellow-billed Cacique.
*Cacicus uropygialis* Scarlet-rumped Cacique.
*Cacicus cela* Yellow-rumped Cacique.
*Cacicus melanicterus* Yellow-winged Cacique.
*Psarocolius decumanus* Crested Oropendola.
*Psarocolius wagleri* Chestnut-headed Oropendola.
*Psarocolius montezuma* Montezuma Oropendola.
*Psarocolius guatimozinus* Black Oropendola.

**FRINGILLIDAE**

*Fringillinae*

*Fringilla coelebs* Common Chaffinch. (A)
*Fringilla montifringilla* Brambling.

*Carduelinae*

*Leucosticta tephrocots* Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch.
*Leucosticta atrata* Black Rosy-Finch.
*Leucosticta australis* Brown-capped Rosy-Finch.
*Pinicola enucleator* Pine Grosbeak.
*Carpodacus erythrinus* Common Rosefinch. (N)
*Carpodacus purpureus* Purple Finch.
*Carpodacus cassini* Cassin’s Finch.
*Carpodacus mexicanus* House Finch.
*Loxia curvirostra* Red Crossbill.
*Loxia leucoptera* White-winged Crossbill.
*Carduelis flammea* Common Redpoll.
*Carduelis hornemanni* Hoary Redpoll.
*Carduelis spinus* Eurasian Siskin. (A)
*Carduelis pinus* Pine Siskin.
*Carduelis atriceps* Black-capped Siskin.
*Carduelis notata* Black-headed Siskin.
*Carduelis xanthogastra* Yellow-bellied Siskin.
*Carduelis cucullata* Red Siskin. (I)
*Carduelis dominicensis* Antillean Siskin.
*Carduelis psaltria* Lesser Goldfinch.
*Carduelis lawrencei* Lawrence’s Goldfinch.
*Carduelis tristis* American Goldfinch.
*Carduelis carduelis* European Goldfinch. (I)
*Carduelis sinica* Oriental Greenfinch. (A)
*Serinus mozambicus* Yellow-fronted Canary. (I)
*Serinus canaria* Common Canary. (I)
*Pyrrhula pyrrhula* Eurasian Bullfinch. (A)
*Coccothraustes abeillei* Hooded Grosbeak.
Coccothraustes vespertinus Evening Grosbeak.  
Coccothraustes cocc当地urus Hawfinch. (A)

Drepanidinae
Telespiza cantans Laysan Finch. 
Telespiza ultima Nihoa Finch. 
Psittirostra psittacea Ou.
†Dysmorodrepanis munroi Lanai Hookbill.
Loxioides bailleui Palila.
†Rhodacanthis flaviceps Lesser Koa-Finch.
†Rhodacanthis palmeri Greater Koa-Finch.
†Chloridops kona Kona Grosbeak.
Pseudonestor xanthophyrys Maui Parrotbill.
†Hemignathus virens Hawaii Amakihi.
†Hemignathus flavus Oahu Amakihi.
†Hemignathus kauaiensis Kauai Amakihi.
†Hemignathus parvus Anianiau.
†Hemignathus sagittirostris Greater Amakihi.
†Hemignathus obscurus Lesser Akialoa.
†Hemignathus ellisianus Greater Akialoa.
†Hemignathus lucidus Nukupu'u.
†Hemignathus munroi Akiapolaau.
†Oreomytis bairdi Akikiki.
†Oreomytis mana Hawaii Creeper.
Paroreomyza maculata Oahu Alauahio.
Paroreomyza flammea Kakawahi.
Paroreomyza montana Maui Alauahio.
Loxops caeruleirostris Akekee.
Loxops coccineus Akepa.
†Ciridops anna Ula-ai-hawane.
Vestiaria coccinea Iiwi.
†Drepanis pacifica Hawaii Mamo.
†Drepanis funerea Black Mamo.
†Palmeria dolei Akohekohe.
†Himatione sanguinea Apapane.
†Melampyrops phaeosoma Poo-uli.

PASSERIDAE
Passer domesticus House Sparrow. (I)
Passer montanus Eurasian Tree Sparrow. (I)

PLOCEIDAE
Ploceinae
Ploceus cucullatus Village Weaver. (I)
Euplectes franciscanus Orange Bishop. (I)
Euplectes afer Yellow-crowned Bishop. (I)

ESTRILIDIDAЕ
Estrildinae
Uraeginthus bengalus Red-cheeked Cordonbleu. (H, I)
†Estrilda caerulea Lavender Waxbill. (H, I)
†Estrilda melodia Orange-cheeked Waxbill. (I)
†Estrilda troglodytes Black-rumped Waxbill. (I)
†Estrilda astrild Common Waxbill. (I)
Amandava amandava Red Avadavat. (I)
Lonchura malabarica Warbling Silverbill. (I)
Lonchura cucullata Bronze Mannikin. (I)
Lonchura punctulata Nutmeg Mannikin. (I)
Lonchura malacca Chestnut Mannikin. (I)
Padda oryzivora Java Sparrow. (I)

Viduinae
Vidua macroura Pin-tailed Whydah. (I)

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THE CHECK-LIST: SPECIES

Class AVES: Birds
Subclass NEORNITItES: True Birds
Superorder PALEOGNATHAE: Ratites and Tinamous
Order TINAMIFORMES: Tinamous
Family TINAMIDAE: Tinamous

Genus TINAMUS Hermann


*Tinamus major* (Gmelin). Great Tinamou.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Veracruz and northern Oaxaca (possibly southeastern Puebla, at least formerly) south along the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Tabasco, Chiapas, southern Campeche, southern Quintana Roo, Guatemala, Belize, Honduras, and Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from dry northwest) and Panama (except the drier central regions), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and central Brazil.

Genus NOTHOCERCUS Bonaparte


*Nothocercus bonapartei* (Gray). Highland Tinamou.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, especially in ravines (1300–2500 m; upper Tropical, Subtropical, and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands of Costa Rica (north to Cordillera de Guanacaste) and extreme western Panama (Volcán de Chiriquí massif); and mountains from Colombia and western and northern Venezuela south through Ecuador to northwestern Peru.

Genus CRYPTURELLUS Brabourne and Chubb

CRYPTURELLUS SOUI (Hermann). Little Tinamou.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, River-edge Forest, (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from southern Veracruz and northern Oaxaca south through Tabasco, northern Chiapas, southern Campeche, southern Quintana Roo, Guatemala, Belize, Honduras, and Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from dry northwest) and Panama (including Isla del Rey in the Pearl Islands, where probably introduced), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and central and southeastern Brazil.

CRYPTURELLUS CINNAMOMEUS (Lesson). Thicket Tinamou.


**Habitat.**—Gallery Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1850 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope of Middle America from central Sinaloa (absent from Pacific Oaxaca) south to northwestern Costa Rica (Guanacaste), and on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from northern Tamaulipas and southeastern San Luis Potosí south to the Yucatan Peninsula, northern Guatemala (Petén), Belize, and the interior valleys of eastern Chiapas, central Guatemala, and northern Honduras.

**Notes.**—Also known as Rufescent Tinamou. Vocal differences between northern and southern populations in eastern Mexico suggest that two species may be involved. May hybridize with *Crypturellus boucardi* in Honduras (Monroe 1968), but this possibility has been questioned (Howell and Webb 1995). *Crypturellus idoneus* (Todd, 1919), a Colombian endemic once treated as a subspecies of *C. cinnamomeus*, appears to be a subspecies of *C. erythropus* (Pelzeln, 1863) based on ectoparasite data (fide Carriker in Blake 1977) and voice (P. Schwartz, unpubl.).

CRYPTURELLUS BOUARDI (Sclater). Slaty-breasted Tinamou.

*Crypturellus* *boucardi* (Sallé MS) Sclater, 1859, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, p. 391. (In statu Oaxaca reipublicae Mexicanae ... Playa Vicente ... and ... Teotalcingo = Teotalcingo, Oaxaca; Binford, 1989, Ornithol. Monogr. 43, p. 336.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Veracruz and northern Oaxaca south along the Gulf-Caribbean slope (also Pacific slope of Sierra Madre de Chiapas) of Tabasco, Chiapas, southern Quintana Roo, Guatemala, Belize, Honduras, and Nicaragua to Costa Rica (to the latitude of Puerto Limón, occurring also on the Pacific slope of the Cordillera de Guanacaste).

**Notes.**—Also known as Boucard’s Tinamou. *Crypturellus boucardi* and *C. kerriae* are closely allied and constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990). The relationships of the northern Colombian *C. columbianus* (Salvadori, 1895), variously treated as a separate species, a race of *C. boucardi*, or a race of the South American *C. erythropus* (Pelzeln, 1863), remain uncertain (see Blake 1977). See comments under *C. cinnamomeus*.

CRYPTURELLUS KERVRAE (Chapman). Choco Tinamou.

*Crypturellus* *kerriae* Chapman, 1915, Bull. Amer. Mus. Nat. Hist. 34: 636. (Baudó, Chocó, Colombia.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (300–800 m; upper Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).
Distribution.—*Resident* in extreme eastern Panama (Río Mono to Cerro Quía in southeastern Darién) and northwestern Colombia (foothills of the Serranía de Baudó in Chocó).

Notes.—See comments under *C. boucardi*.

Superorder NEOGNATHAE: Typical Birds

Order GAVIIFORMES: Loons

Notes.—The phylogenetic relationships of the Gaviiformes are highly controversial (see Sibley and Ahlquist 1990 and references therein); although they are probably close to the Procellariiformes or Charadriiformes, we retain them in their current position until their relationships are resolved.

Family GAVIIDAE: Loons

Genus GAVIA Forster


Notes.—Authors in the Old World use the group name Diver for species in this genus. *Colymbus* Linnaeus, 1758, has been used in Old World literature for *Gavia* but has been suppressed (I.C.Z.N. 1956a).


Habitat.—Ponds and shallow lakes in coastal and alpine tundra, and in coastal flats south of tundra, sometimes in wooded areas (breeding); primarily bays, inlets, estuaries, and seacoasts, occasionally on lakes and rivers (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds in North America on Arctic coasts and islands from Alaska to Ellesmere Island, south along the Pacific coast through the Aleutian Islands to the Queen Charlotte and Vancouver islands, in the interior of the continent to central Yukon, southern Mackenzie, northeastern Alberta (probably), northern Saskatchewan, around Hudson Bay, and along the Atlantic coast to southeastern Quebec (including Anticosti Island), Miquelon Island, and northern Newfoundland (Grey Island); and in Eurasia from Greenland, Iceland, and Arctic islands and coasts south to the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, northern Russia, Lake Baikal, Sakhalin, the Kuril Islands, Kamchatka, and the Commander Islands. Nonbreeding birds may remain on the wintering grounds through the summer as far south as California on the Pacific coast and Chesapeake Bay on the Atlantic coast.

Winters in North America primarily along the Pacific coast from Alaska south to Baja California and northwestern Sonora, and on the Atlantic coast from Newfoundland south to northeastern Florida, ranging casually or rarely to the Gulf coast of Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida; and in Eurasia south to the Mediterranean, Black, and Caspian seas, and along the western Pacific coast to China and Taiwan.

Migrates through south-central Canada and the Great Lakes region (commonly Lake Ontario, uncommonly or rarely elsewhere), rarely through the upper Ohio and Mississippi valleys and Appalachian region, and casually or rarely elsewhere in the interior of North America south to southern California, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, and the Gulf coast.

Casual in Hidalgo.

*Gavia arctica* (Linnaeus). Arctic Loon.

*Colymbus arcticus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 135. (in Europa & America boreali = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Lakes in tundra and taiga (breeding); primarily bays, estuaries, and seacoasts, rarely on lakes and rivers (nonbreeding).
**Distribution.**—Breeds [arctica group] in Eurasia from the British Isles east across Arctic coasts to the Lena River, and south to southern Scandinavia, central Russia, and Lake Baikal; and [viridigularis group] in eastern Siberia (east of arctica, but not in the Arctic east of the Indigirka River) south to Transbaicalia, Amurland, Sakhalin, and Kamchatka, and in western Alaska from the Cape Prince of Wales region to Cape Krusenstern and (possibly) Safety Sound.

Winters [arctica group] in Eurasia south to the Mediterranean, Black, Caspian, and Aral seas; and [viridigularis group] in Eurasia from the breeding range south to coastal eastern China, Ussuriland, Japan, and the Kuril Islands, probably also to Korea, and casually in North America in western and southern Alaska and California (Sonoma, Marin, and San Luis Obispo counties).

**Notes.**—Known also as Black-throated Loon or Black-throated Diver. The two groups were once regarded as distinct species, *G. viridigularis* Dwight, 1918 [Green-throated Loon] and *G. arctica* [Black-throated Loon], but the two appear to intergrade in eastern Siberia (east of the Lena River and Lake Baikal); however, the level of hybridization is insufficiently known and obscured by individual variation (Vaurie 1965, Cramp and Simmons 1977). See also *G. pacifica*.

**Gavia pacifica** (Lawrence). Pacific Loon.


**Habitat.**—Lakes in tundra and taiga (breeding); primarily seacoasts (often at considerable distance from shore), bays, upwellungen, and estuaries, rarely on lakes and rivers (non-breeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in eastern Siberia from the Arctic coast (west to the Indigirka River) south to Anadyrland, and in North America from the Arctic coast of Alaska and Canada, and Banks, Prince of Wales, Victoria, and northern Baffin islands south to St. Lawrence Island, southern Alaska (Alaska and Kenai peninsulas), southwestern Yukon, northwestern British Columbia, southern Mackenzie, northeastern Alberta, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, Belcher Islands, and northwestern Quebec. Nonbreeding birds may summer along the Pacific coast (south to Baja California), in Colorado, northern Alberta, and northwestern Saskatchewan, and north to Melville Island.

Winters from Siberia south to Japan, along the Pacific coast of North America from Alaska south to southern Baja California and southern Sonora, and (more frequently as migrants) in the interior of western North America south to southern California, Arizona, New Mexico, and Texas.

Casual in central and eastern North America east to the Great Lakes region, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, and Maine, and south irregularly to the Gulf coast and southern Florida; as a vagrant, most frequently recorded along the Atlantic coast from Maine to Virginia, rarely (species uncertain, possibly *G. arctica*) to the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu) and Bermuda. Accidental in western Greenland.

**Notes.**—In the Old World known as Pacific Diver. *Gavia pacifica* has been frequently treated as a subspecies of *G. arctica*, but sympatric breeding occurs widely in eastern Siberia and probably also western Alaska (Vaurie 1965, Stepanyan 1975, Kistchinski 1980); probable hybrids have been reported (Storer 1978).

**Gavia immer** (Brünnich). Common Loon.

*Colymbus Immer* Brünnich, 1764, Ornithol. Bor., p. 38. (Faeroes = Faeroe Islands.)

**Habitat.**—Large and small lakes and ponds, occasionally rivers, from tundra south in primarily forested situations (breeding); primarily seacoasts, bays, inlets, and estuaries, less frequently along lakes and rivers, rarely or uncommonly to the shelf break ca. 100 km off North Carolina (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from western and central Alaska (Seward Peninsula, western Aleutian Islands, and the Brooks Range), northern Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie,
central Keewatin, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, southern Baffin Island, Labrador, and Newfoundland south to northeastern California (at least formerly), Nevada, northwestern Montana, western Wyoming, northern North Dakota, northern Iowa (formerly), northern Wisconsin, northern Illinois (formerly), northern Indiana (formerly), southern Ontario, northern New York, southern New England, and Nova Scotia; also both coasts of Greenland, Iceland, Scotland (in 1970), and (probably) Bear Island (south of Spitsbergen). Nonbreeding birds summer regularly outside the breeding range south, at least casually, to southern California, Sonora, Texas, the Gulf coast, and Florida, in northern Europe, and on Jan Mayen.

Winters in North America primarily along the Pacific coast from the Aleutian Islands south to Baja California and Colima, and along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts from Newfoundland south to southern Florida and west to Tamaulipas, less frequently (especially in the north) on inland waters through most of the continental United States; and in the western Palearctic along the Atlantic coast south to northwestern Africa, casually to the eastern Atlantic islands and through Europe to the Mediterranean and Black seas.

Casual in Coahuila, Bermuda, and Cuba (Havana); sight reports for Hidalgo and México.

Notes.—In the Old World known as Great Northern Diver. Gavia immer and G. adamsii constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970; Storer in Mayr and Cottrell 1979).

Gavia adamsii (Gray). Yellow-billed Loon.


Habitat.—Tundra lakes (breeding); seacoasts, bays, and estuaries, less frequently on lakes (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds in North America from northern and western Alaska (south to St. Lawrence Island and the southern Seward Peninsula) east to Banks, Victoria, and Prince of Wales islands and northern Keewatin, and south to east-central Mackenzie and east-central Keewatin; and in Eurasia from extreme northwestern Russia east to Siberia (including Novaya Zemlya). Nonbreeding individuals summer outside the breeding range east to northeastern Keewatin (Melville Peninsula) and northern Baffin Island, and south to southwestern British Columbia, southern Mackenzie (Great Slave Lake), and southern Keewatin, casually to coastal California.

Winters in North America along the Pacific coast of Alaska and British Columbia, casually south in coastal areas to California, and inland to Alberta; and in Eurasia in the breeding range, casually west to Greenland and south to southern Europe, China, Korea, and Japan.

Casual or accidental in inland California, Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Baja California, Arizona, Nevada, Utah, Montana, Colorado, New Mexico, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Minnesota, Illinois, Missouri, Quebec, and New York (Long Island); sight reports for Idaho, Wyoming, Arkansas, and Ontario.

Notes.—Known in the Old World as White-billed Diver. See comments under G. immer.

Order PODICIPEDIFORMES: Grebes

Family PODICIPEDIDAE: Grebes

Notes.—The classification here follows Storer in Mayr and Cottrell (1979). For a summary of the relationships among the genera and species of grebes, see Vlug and Fjeldså (1990).

Genus TACHYBAPTUS Reichenbach


Limnodytes Oberholser, 1974, Bird Life Texas 1: 63; 2: 970. Type, by original designation, Colymbus dominicus Linnaeus.

Notes.—For recognition of Tachybaptus, see Storer (1976).
Tachybaptus dominicus (Linnaeus). Least Grebe.

Colymbus dominicus Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 223. Based on “La Grèbe de rivière de S. Domingue” Brisson, Ornithologie 6: 64, pl. 5, fig. 2. (in Dominica = Haiti, fide D. Wetherbee.)

Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes, Freshwater Lakes and Ponds, temporary bodies of water, generally in slow-flowing or still waters with emergent vegetation, occasionally mangrove swamps (0–2600 m; Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident locally from southern Baja California, southern Sonora (Pacific lowlands), southern Texas (Gulf lowlands), and the Bahamas (except Grand Bahama) south along both slopes of Middle America (including Cozumel Island), the Greater Antilles (east to Virgin Gorda and St. Croix in the Virgin Islands), and South America (also Trinidad and Tobago) to central Argentina.

Casual north to southeastern California (including one breeding record), southern Arizona, and central and eastern Texas. Accidental in Louisiana (Baton Rouge) and southern Florida (Big Pine Key).

Genus PODILYMBUS Lesson

Podilymbus Lesson, 1831, Traité Ornithol. 8: 595. Type, by monotypy, Podiceps carolinensis Latham = Colymbus podiceps Linnaeus.


Habitat.—Lakes, ponds, sluggish streams, and marshes, usually with tall emergent vegetation; in migration and winter also in brackish bays, lagoons, and estuaries.

Distribution.—Breeds in the Hawaiian Islands (Hawaii, since 1985; 1985; Amer. Birds 40: 161) and south-coastal Alaska (Copper River region, once), and from central and northeastern British Columbia, south-central Mackenzie, northern Alberta, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, Maine, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south locally through North America, Middle America, Bermuda (casually, where common as a migrant), the West Indies, and South America to central Chile and southern Argentina.

Winters in southeastern Alaska (rarely), through most of the breeding range from the Queen Charlotte Islands and southern British Columbia, the central United States, lakes Erie and Ontario, and New York southward (casually farther north), and on Bermuda (uncommonly). Northern populations are migratory, at least in part, and winter south to Panama; tropical populations are essentially sedentary.

Casual on the Hawaiian Islands of Kauai and Oahu, and on the continent north to southern Alaska, southern Yukon, southern Baffin Island, northern Labrador, Newfoundland, in the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island), and western Europe; accidental on the Azores and Canary Islands.

Notes.—Podiceps podiceps and P. gigas are closely allied and may constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970; Storer in Mayr and Cottrell 1979) although both were reported to have bred on Lake Atitlán, Guatemala.

†Podilymbus gigas Griscom. Atitlan Grebe.

Podilymbus gigas Griscom, 1929, Amer. Mus. Novit., no. 379, p. 5. (Panajachel, 5300 ft., north shore of Lake Atitlan, Guatemala.)

Habitat.—Reed and cattail beds, less frequently open water, on a single lake (1555 m; Subtropical Zone).

Distribution.—Apparently EXTINCT (Hunter 1988); formerly resident on Lake Atitlán, Guatemala (elevation, 1555 meters).

Notes.—Also known as Giant Pied-billed Grebe. See comments under P. podiceps.
Genus **Podiceps** Latham


Notes.—*Podiceps* has been considered by many authors to be a junior synonym of *Colymbus* Linnaeus, 1758, but the latter name has been officially suppressed (see comments under *Gavia*).

**Podiceps auritus** (Linnaeus). Horned Grebe.

*Colymbus auritus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 135. (in summis Europeæ & Americae lacubus = Vaasa, Finland.)

**Habitat.**—Marshes, ponds, and lakes, occasionally along sluggish streams (breeding); bays, inlets, estuaries, and seacoasts, and in migration commonly in inland fresh-water habitats, especially lakes and rivers (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from central Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, and northern Manitoba south to eastern Washington, southwestern Oregon, northeastern Idaho, northern Montana, northwestern Wyoming, northern South Dakota, northwestern Minnesota (rarely), central Wisconsin, northwestern Ontario (Fort Severn), and southeastern Quebec (Anticosti and Magdalen islands), and formerly (at least locally) from central Ontario, southern Quebec, and New Brunswick south to north-central Nebraska, and northern Indiana (once); reports of breeding in New England not substantiated; also breeds in northern Eurasia from Iceland, northern Scotland, and Scandinavia east across northern Russia and northern Siberia, south to central Russia, Lake Baikal, Amurland, Sakhalin, and Kamchatka.

*Winters* in North America on the Pacific coast from the Aleutians and south-coastal Alaska south to northern Baja California, and on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts from Nova Scotia south to southern Florida and west to southern Texas, more uncommonly on inland waters from southern Canada and the Great Lakes southward, uncommonly to Bermuda, casually to the Hawaiian Islands (Kauai) and the Gulf of California; and in Eurasia from the seas off Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, British Isles, and Norway south to the northern Mediterranean, Black, and Caspian seas, casually to Madeira, the Azores, and northern Africa, and on the Pacific coast from Japan south to Korea.

*Migrates* regularly through interior North America, and in western Europe.

Casual north to Labrador, Newfoundland, Greenland, Jan Mayen, and Spitsbergen, and to the Commander Islands; a sight report for the northern Gulf of California.

Notes.—Known in the Old World as Slavonian Grebe.

**Podiceps grisegena** (Boddaert). Red-necked Grebe.

*Colymbus grisegena* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 55. Based on “*Le Jougris*” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 931. (No locality given = France.)

**Habitat.**—Lakes and large ponds, occasionally along quiet rivers (breeding); primarily seacoasts, bays, inlets, and estuaries, less frequently large inland bodies of water, in migration regularly on lakes, ponds, and rivers (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America from western and central Alaska, central Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, northwestern Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, and western and central Ontario south to St. Lawrence Island (at least formerly), the Alaska Peninsula, central Washington, northern Idaho, northern Montana, northwestern Wyoming, central and eastern North Dakota, northeastern South Dakota, central Minnesota, and northwestern and southeastern Wisconsin, locally to southwestern Oregon, and rarely to northern Michigan, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, southwestern New Brunswick (formerly), and
New Hampshire; and in western Eurasia from Scandinavia and western Russia south to eastern Europe and Asia Minor, and in eastern Asia west to long. 115° E. and south to northern Japan.

Winters in North America from the Aleutian Islands south on the Pacific coast to southern California (rarely), and from the Bay of Fundy south on the Atlantic coast to South Carolina and Florida (where casual at best; no verifiable records), casually north in interior North America to northwestern Montana and north-central Colorado, and rarely to casually west along the Gulf coast to Texas; and in Eurasia primarily along the coasts of Norway and the North, Baltic, Caspian, Aegean, Adriatic, and Black seas, rarely to the Mediterranean, and in eastern Asia from Kamchatka south to eastern China (Fukien), Korea, and southern Japan.

Migrates regularly through the Great Lakes region, rarely through the Ohio and upper Mississippi valleys, and casually elsewhere in interior North America.

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands (Kauai) and Bermuda, and north to Hudson Bay, Labrador, Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, and Spitsbergen.

Notes.—Reasons for not accepting Bochenski’s (1994) proposal to split P. g. grisegena from P. g. holboellii are explained in Storer (1996).

**Podiceps nigricollis** Brehm. Eared Grebe.

*Podiceps nigricollis* C. L. Brehm, 1831, Handb. Naturgesch. Vögel Dtsch., p. 963. (Germany.)

**Habitat.**—Marshes, large ponds, and lakes, generally with emergent vegetation (breeding); in migration and winter also in salt lakes, bays, estuaries, seacoasts, and inland reservoirs.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in North America from central interior and northeastern British Columbia, southern Yukon, northwestern and central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, and western Minnesota south locally to northern Baja California, central and southeastern Arizona, Chihuahua, Nayarit, Jalisco, Puebla, Distrito Federal, and south-central Texas, east to northeastern Illinois (Cook County, casually), northern Iowa, eastern Nebraska, central Kansas, and western Oklahoma (Panhandle); in Eurasia locally from the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, central Russia, and eastern Siberia south to the Mediterranean region, northern Africa (formerly), Asia Minor, and Ussuriland; and locally in eastern and southern Africa.

Winters from southern British Columbia, northern Nevada, northern Utah, Montana, Colorado (casually), and Kansas (irregularly) south through the western United States and most of Mexico to Guatemala and El Salvador, in the southern and eastern United States from Kansas and Maryland south to the Gulf coast (rarely east of southwestern Louisiana); in Eurasia from the British Isles south to the Mediterranean Sea, Iran, and northern India, and on the Pacific coast from Japan south to southern China; and in eastern and southern Africa.

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu), southern Mackenzie, eastern North America (from the Great Lakes, southern Quebec, New York, and New England southward), Costa Rica, Greenland, Madeira, and the Canary Islands.

Notes.—Also known as Black-necked Grebe. The distinct, isolated, rufous-necked form in Colombia, *P. andinus* (Meyer de Schauensee, 1959, now apparently extinct), has sometimes been treated as a race of *P. nigricollis* (e.g., Blake 1977), but see Fjeldså (1982a) and Hilty and Brown (1986). *Podiceps nigricollis, P. andinus*, the South American *P. occipitalis* Garnot, 1826, and possibly *P. taczanowskii* Berlepsch and Stolzmann, 1894, appear to constitute a superspecies (Storer in Mayr and Cottrell 1979; Sibley and Monroe 1990). *Podiceps caspicus* (Hablitzl, 1783), used by some past authors for *P. nigricollis*, has been officially suppressed (I.C.Z.N. 1956b: 121).

**Genus AECHMOPHORUS** Coues


**Aechmophorus occidentalis** (Lawrence). Western Grebe.

**FAMILY DIOMEDEIDAE**

**Habitat.**—Marshes, lakes, and bays, generally with emergent vegetation (breeding); in migration and winter also in sheltered marine and brackish seacoasts, bays, inlets, channels, and lagoons, less frequently on inland reservoirs and lakes, and along rivers (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from extreme southwestern mainland and south-central British Columbia, central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, and southern Manitoba south locally to southern California, Arizona (except southwestern), southern Colorado, western Minnesota, and east-central Wisconsin (Rush Lake).

*Resident* in Mexico south to Guerrero and western Puebla, and north of Mexico on some lakes that do not freeze over in the winter (e.g., Clear Lake, California).

*Winters* from southeastern Alaska, coastal southern British Columbia, Montana (casually), southern Utah, Colorado, New Mexico and western and (rarely) southern Texas south to the west coast of Mexico (southern Baja California, Sonora, Sinaloa), casually east to Nuevo León and Coahuila (sight).

Casual or accidental north to southern Yukon, and to Colorado, the Great Lakes, southwestern Quebec, upper Mississippi Valley, and southeastern Texas, also casually to the Atlantic and Gulf coasts from Nova Scotia and New England to Florida, and west to Texas. Most records, especially those from the north and east, refer to *A. occidentalis* (see note).

**Notes.**—This species and the next were formerly considered color morphs of a single species (*A. occidentalis*), and thus most authors did not distinguish between them. Records of occurrence in the literature may refer to either or both species. The most consistent differences between the two species appear to be bill color, facial pattern, number of notes in the advertising call, and foraging behavior (Ratti 1979, Nuechterlein 1981, Storer and Nuechterlein 1985); DNA-DNA hybridization studies also indicate a species-level distinction (Ahlquist et al. 1987). Limited hybridization between the species (ca. 1%) occurs in some populations, and intermediates are known; the extent of hybridization in Mexico is unknown, although both species are resident on the Mexican Plateau. The only breeding record of the genus in Texas was reported to be a mixed pair *A. occidentalis* x *A. clarkii* at Lake Balmorhea in October 1991 (1992, Amer. Birds 46: 118).

*Aechmophorus clarkii* (Lawrence). Clark’s Grebe.


**Habitat.**—Marshes, lakes, and bays, generally with emergent vegetation; in migration and winter also sheltered seacoasts, less frequently on inland reservoirs and along rivers (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from south-central British Columbia, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southwestern Manitoba, south-central North Dakota, and South Dakota south to southern California (casually), Arizona (except southwestern), southwestern and north-eastern New Mexico, southern Colorado; essentially sympatric with *A. occidentalis*, although rare in the northern and eastern parts of its range.

*Resident* in Mexico south to Guerrero and western Puebla, and north of Mexico on some lakes that do not freeze over in the winter (e.g., Clear Lake, California).

*Winters* from central California (casually north to southern British Columbia) and Colorado (rarely) south to southern Baja California.

Casual east to Minnesota, Missouri, and Texas; there are sight reports east to Illinois and Tennessee.

**Notes.**—See comments under *A. occidentalis*.

**Order PROCELLARIIFORMES:** Tube-nosed Swimmers

**Family DIOMEDEIDAE:** Albatrosses

**Notes.**—We follow Nunn et al. (1996) for genus-level taxonomy and the linear sequence of taxa in the Diomedeidae.
Genus **THALASSARCHE** Reichenbach


**Thalassarche chlororhynchos** (Gmelin). Yellow-nosed Albatross.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; breeds on islands.

**Distribution.**—Breed on islands in the South Atlantic and southern Indian oceans, and ranges widely at sea in these southern oceans east to Australian and New Zealand waters.

Casual or accidental in Quebec (Gulf of St. Lawrence), New Brunswick (near head of Bay of Fundy, Moncton), Maine (East Fryeburg), New York (off Freeport, Long Island, and up the Hudson River), Maryland (Ocean City), Florida (St. Marks, Key Largo), Louisiana (Holly Beach), Texas (South Padre Island), and Greenland; sight reports offshore from Newfoundland and Maine south to Florida.

**Thalassarche cauta** (Gould). Shy Albatross.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; breeds on islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on islands off southern Australia and New Zealand, and ranges widely in the southern Pacific and Indian oceans, less commonly in the South Atlantic.

Accidental off the coast of Washington (lat. 47°55' N., long. 125°37' W., ca. 39 miles west of the mouth of Quillayute River, 1 September 1951; Slipp 1952) and in the Gulf of Aqaba, Elat, Israel.

**Notes.**—Also known as White-capped Albatross.

**Thalassarche melanophris** (Temminck). Black-browed Albatross.

*Diomedea melanophris* Temminck, 1828, Planches Color., livr. 77, p. 456 and text. (Cap. Nouvelle Hollande, et mers antarctiques = Cape of Good Hope.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; breeds on islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on islands off southern South America, Kerguelen in the southern Indian Ocean, and islands off southern New Zealand, and ranges at sea in southern oceans generally north to the Tropic of Capricorn.

Casual in the British Isles; accidental on Martinique (Vauclin, 12 November 1956; Bond 1959), near Greenland, and in Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, Spitsbergen, Norway, Germany, and Spain; sight reports, none satisfactory, for waters off the Atlantic coast of North America from Newfoundland to Florida.

**Notes.**—Although emended to *D. melanophris* by Temminck in 1839, the consistent use of the acceptable spelling *melanophris* by him in 1828 renders the former an unjustified emendation.

Genus **PHOEBETRIA** Reichenbach


**Phoebetria palpebrata** (Forster). Light-mantled Albatross.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; breeds on islands.
**Distribution.**—*Breeds* on subantarctic islands (Tristan da Cunha group, Prince Edward, Marion, Crozet, Kerguelen, Amsterdam, and St. Paul islands). *Ranges* at sea in southern oceans between latitude 30° S. and the edge of the pack ice.

Accidental off central California (Cordell Banks), 17 July 1994 (Stallcup and Terrill 1996; photograph). A specimen taken by Townsend near the “mouth of the Columbia River, Oregon” is the only specimen from northern waters; the locality, however, is regarded as erroneous (A.O.U. 1957).

**Notes.**—Also known as Light-mantled Sooty-Albatross.

**Genus** DIOMEDEA Linnaeus

*Diomedea Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 132. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), Diomedea exulans Linnaeus.*

*Diomedea exulans Linnaeus. Wandering Albatross.*


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; breeds on islands.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* on subantarctic islands from the South Atlantic east to the Auckland, Campbell, and Antipodes islands in the South Pacific, and *ranges* at sea generally throughout the southern oceans north to lat. 30° S.

Accidental in California (The Sea Ranch, Sonoma County, 11–12 July 1967; Paxton 1968), Panama (Bay of Panama, August 1937; Murphy 1938), and Japan; two old reports from Florida are unsatisfactory (Robertson and Woolfenden 1992). Although the possibility that Northern Hemisphere records may have been human-assisted cannot always be excluded, vagrancy to the N. Hemisphere by other southern albatrosses (e.g., Thalassarche chlororhynchos, *T. cauta*, and *T. melanophris*) lend support to the belief that the California and Panama reports are based on natural wanderings.

**Genus** PHOEBASTRIA Reichenbach

*Phoebastria Reichenbach, 1853, Handb. spec. Ornithol., lfr. 3, Die Vogel, p. 5. Type, by original designation, Diomedea brachyura Temminck = Diomedea albatrus Pallas.*

**Phoebastria immutabilis** (Rothschild). Laysan Albatross.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters, mainly beyond continental shelf; breeds on the ground in open areas on oceanic islands.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* on most of the northwestern Hawaiian Islands (Kure east to Kauai and Oahu), in the Ogasawara Islands (on Torishima), and, at least formerly, in the Seven Islands of Izu (on Torishima), and on Marcus, Johnston and Wake islands; also off Baja California (Guadalupe Island, since 1986; Alijos Rocks off Baja California) and in the Revillagigedo Islands (Clarión, since 1988; San Benedicto, 1992).

*Ranges* at sea in the Bering Sea, and in the North Pacific from the Gulf of Alaska south to the coast of California and Baja California, and Gulf of California, and from Kamchatka and the Kuril Islands south to the coast of Japan.

Casual in interior California (Palm Springs area, Salton Sea); accidental in Arizona (Yuma).

**Notes.**—Occasional hybrids between *P. immutabilis* and *P. nigripes* have been reported from the northwestern Hawaiian Islands (Midway).

**Phoebastria nigripes** (Audubon). Black-footed Albatross.

*Diomedea nigripes Audubon, 1839, Ornithol. Biogr. 5: 327. (Pacific Ocean, lat. 30°44′ N., long. 146° [W].)*
Habitat.—Pelagic Waters, mainly over continental shelf; nests on open sand on oceanic islands.

Distribution.—Breeds in the northwestern Hawaiian Islands (Kure east to Kaula), and on Torishima in the Seven Islands of Izu; bred formerly in the northern Bonin Islands (Mukoshima), Volcano Islands (Iwo Jima), Marianas (Agrihan), Marshall Islands (Taongi), and on Marcus, Wake, and Johnston islands.

Ranges at sea in the Bering Sea, and in the North Pacific from the Gulf of Alaska south to Baja California, and from Kamchatka south to the coast of China and the Caroline Islands.

Notes.—See comments under P. immutabilis.

Phoebastria albatrus (Pallas). Short-tailed Albatross.

Diomedea albatrus Pallas, 1769, Spic. Zool., 1 (5): 28. (ad oram Kamtschatcae orientalum... ad Insulam Beringii = in the Bering Sea off Kamchatka.)

Habitat.—Pelagic Waters; breeds on small oceanic islands.

Distribution.—Breeds in small but increasing numbers on Torishima, in the Seven Islands of Izu; formerly bred on Kita-no-shima (in the Parry group), Kobishi (in the Senkaku Archipelago, southern Ryukyu Islands) and Nishi-no-shima, Tome-shima, and Muko-shima (in the Bonin Islands). Occurs during the breeding season in the northwestern Hawaiian Islands (Midway, more than two individuals annually); reported breeding from Wake Island is erroneous, being based on D. immutabilis.

Ranges at sea (commonly prior to 1900, casually in the 20th Century) from Siberia, the Bering Sea and Gulf of Alaska south to the China coast and through the North Pacific to the northwestern Hawaiian Islands and southern Baja California; a sight report for the Revillagigedo Islands.

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Genus FULMARUS Stephens


Fulmarus glacialis (Linnaeus). Northern Fulmar.

Procellaria glacialis Linnaeus, 1761, Fauna Svecica (ed. 2): 51. Based primarily on “Mallemucke” Martens, Spitsbergen Groenland Reise, p. 68, pl. N, fig. c. (in mari septentrionali intra circulum arcticum = Spitsbergen.)

Habitat.—Pelagic Waters; nests primarily on sea cliffs, less frequently on low and flat rocky islands.

Distribution.—Breeds in western North America on islands in the Bering Sea (Hall, St. Matthew, and the Pribilofs), in the Aleutians (Buldur, Davidof, Gareloi, Bobrof, and Chagulak islands), in the northern Gulf of Alaska (on Seal, Semidi, Barren, and Chiswell islands); in the Canadian Arctic on Devon Island, eastern Baffin Island (south to Cumberland Sound and Admiralty Bay), and Labrador (Gannet Islands), and in Newfoundland (since 1973); in the Paleartic on northeastern Greenland, Spitsbergen, Franz Josef Land, Bear Island, Novaya Zemlya, and along the coast of Koryakland and the Chukotski Peninsula (Plover Bay) south to Jan Mayen, Iceland, the Faeroes, the British Isles, and northern France (Brittany and Normandy). Summers regularly outside the breeding range in the Bering and Chukchi seas, off the Pacific coast of Washington, Oregon, and California, in Arctic Canada west to Banks and Melville islands, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, south to the English Channel, northwestern France, northwestern Germany, and the North Sea, and along the coast of Kamchatka.

Winters in the North Pacific south to Japan and Baja California, and in the North Atlantic from Greenland, Labrador, Spitsbergen, and northern Norway south to the Newfoundland
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Banks, Georges Bank off Massachusetts, and northern France, less commonly but regularly off the east coast of the United States to South Carolina.

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands, Ontario, Quebec, northern New York, and continental Europe; sight reports for Yukon, the Gulf of California, Alabama, and the Bahama Islands.

**Notes.**—Known in Old World literature as the Fulmar. *Fulmarus glacialis* and *F. glacialoides* appear to constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

**Genus** PTERODROMA Bonaparte


**Pterodroma neglecta** (Schlegel). Kermadec Petrel.

*Procellaria neglecta* Schlegel, 1863, Mus. Hist. Nat. Pays-Bas, livr. 4, Procell., p. 10. (Kermadec and Sunday Islands.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows on islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on islands in the South Pacific (Kermadecs and Lord Howe east to the Juan Fernández group), and ranges at sea generally through the South Pacific.

Accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Kure, 30 April 1923, specimen in U.S.N.M.; Gould and King 1967) and Pennsylvania (Heintzelman 1961, now considered definite as to species identification), with additional sight reports from Hawaiian waters and Mexican waters north to the Revillagigedo Islands. Reports from California and England cannot be verified.

**Notes.**—Also known as Variable Petrel and formerly treated under the name of *P. philippi* (G. R. Gray, 1862). Jouanin and Mougin in Mayr and Cottrell (1979) considered *P. neglecta*, *P. arminjoniana*, and *P. alba* (Gmelin, 1789) to constitute a superspecies.

**Pterodroma arminjoniana** (Giglioli and Salvadori). Herald Petrel.

Æstrelata arminjoniana Giglioli and Salvadori, 1869, Ibis, p. 62. (near Trinidad [= Trindade] Island, in the South Atlantic.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests on bare rock under overhanging ledges or plants on islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds [arminjoniana group] on islands in the South Atlantic (Trindade, Martin Vas Rocks) and Indian Ocean (Round Island off Mauritius) and [heraldica group] on islands in the tropical South Pacific; ranges at sea generally in the oceans near the respective breeding grounds.


**Notes.**—Groups: *P. heraldica* (Salvin, 1888) [Herald Petrel] and *P. arminjoniana* [Trindade or South Trinidad Petrel]. Brooke and Rowe (1996) used genetic evidence to treat these groups as species, and to divide *heraldica* into two species. See comments under *P. neglecta*.

**Pterodroma ultima** Murphy. Murphy’s Petrel.

*Pterodroma ultima* Murphy, 1949, in Mayr and Schuz (eds.), Ornithol. Biol. Wiss., p. 89. (Oeno Island, south Pacific.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows on small islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in the south-central Pacific Ocean in the Austral, Tuamotu, and Pitcairn islands.

Ranges at sea in the northern and central Pacific Ocean north to the Hawaiian Islands (Kure, French Frigate Shoals, Kauai, off Oahu), and to the Pacific coast off California and Mexico (Revillagigedo Islands), where it is probably regular in spring, casually off Washington and Oregon.
Notes.—Jouanin and Mougin in Mayr and Cottrell (1979) considered *P. ultima*, *P. brevirostris* (Lesson, 1831), and *P. mollis* (including *P. feae* and *P. madeira*) to constitute a superspecies. Bretagnolle (1995) presented evidence indicating that *P. feae* (including *madeira*) is closer to *P. cahow* than to *P. mollis*.

**Pterodroma inexpectata** (Forster). Mottled Petrel.

*Proccellaria inexpectata* J. R. Forster, 1844, Descr. Anim., p. 204. (in Oceano antarctico = Antarctic Ocean.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests primarily along mountain bluffs and in burrows on small islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in the New Zealand region in the Snares Islands and on islets off Stewart Island, and formerly in the highlands of New Zealand (North and South islands). Ranges at sea in Antarctic waters between New Zealand and South America, and throughout much of the Pacific from the southern Bering Sea and Gulf of Alaska south to the Hawaiian Islands and California (mostly far-offshore waters).

Casual along the Pacific coast from British Columbia to California, and in the vicinity of the Galapagos Islands. Accidental in New York (Mount Morris, Livingston County, 1880).

**Notes.**—Also known as Scaled Petrel.

**Pterodroma cahow** (Nichols and Mowbray). Bermuda Petrel.

*Æstrelata cahow* Nichols and Mowbray, 1916, Auk 33: 194. (Gurnet Head Rock, Bermuda.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows in sandy areas on islets.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in Bermuda, persisting in small numbers on islets in Castle Roads, formerly also the Bahamas (Crooked Island, bone deposits in caves).

Ranges at sea but no confirmed records away from the breeding grounds; sightings have been reported off North Carolina.

**Notes.**—Also known as Cahow. See comments under *P. hasitata* and *P. ultima*.

**Pterodroma hasitata** (Kuhl). Black-capped Petrel.

*Proc[ellaria] hasitata* Kuhl, 1820, Beitr. Zool. 1: 142. (No locality given = Dominica.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows at high elevations on island mountain summits.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on Hispaniola (Massif de La Selle east to western end of Sierra de Baoruco), Jamaica (Blue Mountains, formerly), Guadeloupe, Dominica (where probably extirpated), and (possibly) Martinique. Reports of breeding in Cuba are unsubstantiated.

Ranges at sea in the Caribbean and western Atlantic Ocean from about the Tropic of Cancer south to eastern Brazil, regularly in the Gulf Stream north to North Carolina, irregularly north to Maine.

Accidental in Ontario, Pennsylvania, New York, Massachusetts, western Virginia, Kentucky, Ohio, western Florida (Leon County), and England.

**Notes.**—The possibly extinct, dark form that bred on Jamaica may represent a distinct species, *Pterodroma caribbaea* Carte, 1866 [Jamaican Petrel]. Sibley and Monroe (1990) considered *P. hasitata* and *P. cahow* to constitute a superspecies; Jouanin and Mougin in Mayr and Cottrell (1979) also included *P. externa*, *P. baraui* (Jouanin, 1964), and *P. phaeopygia* in this superspecies. Bretagnolle (1995) presented evidence from vocalizations that suggests that *P. hasitata* is not closely related to *P. cahow* and *P. feae*.

**Pterodroma externa** (Salvin). Juan Fernandez Petrel.

*Æstrelata externa* Salvin, 1875, Ibis, p. 373. ("Islands of Masafuera and Juan Fernandez" = Más Afuera.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows on islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on Más Afuera, in the Juan Fernández Islands, off Chile.

Ranges at sea in the eastern Pacific Ocean north to the Hawaiian Islands (off Kaula,
on Oahu, with sight reports off Maui and Hawaii) and Middle America (north to Clipperton Island, apparently regular); a sight report off Washington.

Notes.—It is clear from Salvin’s type description that the specimens on which the description was based came from Más Afuera. English names for this and P. defilippiana were confused in the 37th Supplement (A.O.U. 1989: 532, 537) but were subsequently corrected (A.O.U. 1990, 1991). See comments under P. cervicalis and P. hasitata.

**Pterodroma phaeopygia** (Salvin). Dark-rumped Petrel.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows at higher elevations on islands.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* [sandwichensis group] in the interior highlands of the Hawaiian Islands (Kauai, Maui, and Hawaii, probably also on Lanai, possibly on Molokai); and [phaeopygia group] in the Galapagos Islands (Isabela, San Salvador, Santa Cruz, Floreana, and San Cristóbal).

*Ranges at sea* [sandwichensis group] in the central Pacific Ocean from 5° to 42° N. lat.; and [phaeopygia group] in the eastern Pacific Ocean from Clipperton Island and Costa Rica south to northern Peru; one record (photograph) [group uncertain] and two sight reports for California; one sight report for Oregon.

**Notes.**—Groups: P. sandwichensis (Ridgway, 1884) [Hawaiian Petrel] and P. phaeopygia [Galapagos Petrel]. See comments under P. hasitata.

**Pterodroma cervicalis** (Salvin). White-necked Petrel.

*Æstrelata cervicalis* Salvin, 1891, Ibis, p. 192. (Kermadec Islands.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows on islands.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in the Kermadec Islands north of New Zealand, and *ranges* at sea in the central Pacific Ocean, principally between the Equator and the Hawaiian Islands.

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands (between Midway and Laysan, 3 November 1984, and ca. 16 km west-northwest of Tern Island, French Frigate Shoals, 16 November 1984, photographs; Pyle and Eilerts 1986: 182); there are also several sight reports off Hawaii.

**Notes.**—Often considered conspecific with P. externa, but these two species are apparently not closely related (Imber 1985).

**Pterodroma hypoleuca** (Salvin). Bonin Petrel.

*Æstrelata hypoleuca* Salvin, 1888, Ibis, p. 359. (Krusenstern Is., in North Pacific Ocean = Hawaiian Leeward Islands, probably Laysan; Murphy, 1951, Amer. Mus. Novit. 1512, p. 17–18.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows on oceanic islands.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in the northwestern Hawaiian Islands (Kure east to Nihoa), and in the Bonin and Volcano islands.

*Ranges* at sea in the western North Pacific in the vicinity of the breeding grounds and from Sakhalin south to Taiwan and the Seven Islands of Izu.

**Notes.**—The relationships of this species and several closely allied forms that breed in southern waters from Australia and New Zealand east to South America remain uncertain.

**Pterodroma nigripennis** (Rothschild). Black-winged Petrel.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows on islands.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* on islands in the New Zealand region in the Kermadec, Austral, Three Kings, and Chatham islands, and on Lord Howe, Norfolk, and Portland islands, and *ranges* at sea, primarily in the South Pacific near the breeding grounds.

Casual in Hawaiian waters (ca. 60 miles west of Hawaii, 12 November 1965; Berger
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1972) and in Maui (Kahului harbor, 11 October 1990, captured; 1991, Amer. Birds 45: 155); several other sight reports for Hawaiian waters.

Notes.—See comments under P. hypoleuca.

**Pterodroma cookii** (Gray). Cook’s Petrel.

*Procellaria Cookii* G. R. Gray, 1843, in Dieffenbach, Travels N. Z., 2, p. 199. (New Zealand.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows on islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on islands off the coast of New Zealand (Little and Great Barrier, off North Island; and Codfish, off Stewart Island).

**Ranges** at sea from the northern and eastern Pacific Ocean south to New Zealand and Peru, and uncommonly to the Aleutians (near Adak), off California, and off Baja California; many of these reports are sight reports.

Accidental at sea in the northwestern Hawaiian Islands, and in Washington (Gray’s Harbor), and interior southern California (Salton Sea).

Notes.—Also known as Blue-footed Petrel. Jouanin and Mougin in Mayr and Cottrell (1979) considered *P. cookii* to form a superspecies with *P. defilippiana* (Giglioli and Salvadori, 1869), *P. longirostris*, and *P. leucoptera* (Gould, 1844).

**Pterodroma longirostris** (Stejneger). Stejneger’s Petrel.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; breeds on islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on Más Afuera, in the Juan Fernández group in the South Pacific off Chile, and ranges at sea in the North Pacific to waters off Japan and between the Hawaiian Islands and North America.

Accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Lanai, 1914, a specimen previously misidentified as *P. hypoleuca*; [Clapp 1984]) and off California (35 miles southwest of Point Reyes, 17 November 1990, photograph; 1991, Amer. Birds 45: 146, 174; DeBenedictis 1994a); additional photographs and sight reports from off southern California (where species may prove to be regular) and south of Clipperton Island.

Notes.—Specimens taken in international waters more than 600 miles west of California (Moffitt 1938) were reported as *P. leucoptera masafuerae* Lönnberg, 1921, presently regarded as a synonym of *P. longirostris*; other reports of *P. leucoptera* between the Hawaiian Islands and California also pertain to *P. longirostris*. See comments under *P. cookii*.

**Genus BULWERIA** Bonaparte


**Bulweria bulwerii** (Jardine and Selby). Bulwer’s Petrel.

*Procellaria bulwerii* Jardine and Selby, 1828, Illus. Ornithol. 2: pl. 65. (Madeira or the small islands adjacent.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in small holes in rocky areas and under plants on oceanic islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in the Pacific Ocean in the Hawaiian Islands (Pearl and Hermes Reef east to Kaula, and on small islets around the main islands), on small islands off the coast of China, in the Bonin, Volcano, Marquesas, and Phoenix islands, and on Johnston Island; and in the Atlantic Ocean in the Azores, Madeira, Canary, and Cape Verde islands.

**Ranges** at sea in the western Pacific Ocean in the breeding areas and from Japan to Taiwan and the Moluccas; casually in the eastern Atlantic Ocean north to England, the Mediterranean Sea and the western Atlantic (off Trinidad); and to the equatorial, western, and central Indian Ocean; sight reports from Florida.
Notes.—*Bulweria bulwerii* and *B. fallax* constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990); they have been considered conspecific, but see Zonfrillo (1988).

*Bulweria fallax* Jouanin. Jouanin’s Petrel.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters.

**Distribution.**—Breeds presumably on small islands in the Indian Ocean off Arabia, and ranges at sea primarily in the northwestern Indian Ocean.

Accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Lisianski Island, 4 September 1967).

Notes.—See comments under *B. bulwerii*.

Genus *PROCELLARIA* Linnaeus


*Procellaria parkinsoni* Gray. Parkinson’s Petrel.

*Procellaria parkinsoni* G. R. Gray, 1862, Ibis, p. 245. (New Zealand.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows on islands and at high elevations in mountains.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on islands off New Zealand (Great Barrier and Little Barrier) and, at least formerly, in the mountainous interior ranges of both North and South islands, New Zealand.

Ranges at sea west to Australia and east, apparently regularly, to the vicinity of the Galapagos Islands and waters off Ecuador and the west coast of Middle America (ca. 50 miles off Guatemala, 14 April 1973, and 17 miles off the Nicoya Peninsula, Costa Rica, 21 April 1973, plus many sight reports between Mexico and Panama probably referable to this species; Jehl 1974), and South America south to Peru.

Notes.—Also known as Black Petrel. *Procellaria aequinoctialis* Linnaeus, 1758, *P. parkinsoni*, and *P. westlandica* Falla, 1946, of New Zealand, constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Genus *CALONECTRIS* Mathews and Iredale


Notes.—For reasons for separation of *Calonectris* from *Puffinus*, see Kuroda 1954: 102–104, 117.

*Calonectris leucomelas* (Temminck). Streaked Shearwater.

*Procellaria leucomelas* Temminck, 1835, Planches Color., livr. 99, pl. 587. (seas of Japan and Nagasaki Bay.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows or occasionally under shrubs on small wooded islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on islands from the Bonin and Pescadores groups to the coast of Japan, and ranges at sea in the western Pacific Ocean from Korea and Japan to Borneo, Australia, New Guinea, and off Thailand.

Casual in California (Monterey Bay and Red Bluff), and the Hawaiian Islands (Laysan), and also to Sri Lanka.

*Calonectris diomedea* (Scopoli). Cory’s Shearwater.

*Procellaria diomedea* Scopoli, 1769, Annus I, Hist.-Nat., p. 74. (No locality given = Tremiti Islands, Adriatic Sea.)
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**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters, primarily warm water over continental shelf; nests in burrows or crevices on islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on islands in the eastern North Atlantic Ocean in the Azores, on Berlenga Island off Portugal, in the Madeira, Salvage, and Canary islands, and in the Mediterranean Sea from Gibraltar, Corsica, and Sardinia locally east to the Adriatic Sea, the Balkans, Turkey, and the Near East.

Ranges widely at sea in the Atlantic Ocean, including west to the North American coast from Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, and southern Quebec south to Florida, and west in the Gulf of Mexico to Texas.

Casual in the Bahamas (Grand Bahama), Cuba (off Gibara), Barbados, Trinidad, Brazil, Argentina, western Europe, Syria, South Africa, and New Zealand; sight reports off Cozumel Island and Panama.

**Genus Puffinus** Brisson

*Puffinus* Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 56; 6: 130. Type, by tautonymy, *Puffinus* Brisson = *Procellaria puffinus* Brünnich.


Notes.—For assignment of species to subgenera, see Jouanin and Mougin in Mayr and Cottrell (1979).

*Puffinus creatopus* Coues. Pink-footed Shearwater.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters, primarily over continental shelf; nests in burrows on islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on islands off Chile (Más á Tierra and Santa Clara in the Juan Fernández group, and Isla Mocha in Arauco Bay).

Ranges at sea off the Pacific coast of the Americas, north at least as far as south-coastal Alaska.

Notes.—*Puffinus creatopus* and *P. carneipes* constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows on islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on islands off the south coast of western Australia (from Cape Leeuwin to Archipelago of the Recherche), on Lord Howe Island, on islands off New Zealand (eastern coast of North Island), and on St. Paul Island in the Indian Ocean.

Ranges at sea from the breeding areas throughout most of the Pacific Ocean to the Hawaiian Islands, the west coast of North America (from the southern Bering Sea and Gulf of Alaska south, uncommonly, to California), waters off Japan and the Juan Fernández Islands off Chile, and to the Indian Ocean (north to the Arabian Sea and Sri Lanka); a sight report off northern Baja California.

Notes.—Also known as Pale-footed Shearwater. See comments under *P. creatopus*.

*Puffinus gravis* (O'Reilly). Greater Shearwater.

*Procellaria Gravis* O'Reilly, 1818, Voy. Greenland Adj. Seas, p. 140, pl. 12, fig. 1. (Latitude of Cape Farewell and Staten Hook, frequently Newfoundland in summer.)
**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters, primarily cold water over continental shelf; nests in burrows on oceanic islands.

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** in the South Atlantic Ocean on Tristan da Cunha (Nightwingale and Inaccessible islands), on Gough Island, and in the Falkland Islands.

Ranges at sea throughout the Atlantic Ocean from Greenland and Iceland south to Tierra del Fuego and South Africa, most numerous between May and October off the Atlantic coast of North America (rarely also the Gulf of St. Lawrence) from Newfoundland to Florida and the West Indies, and rarely in the Gulf of Mexico from southeastern Texas to Florida; in June in the Davis Strait off Labrador and Greenland; and between August and October off Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, and the west coast of Europe (including the western Mediterranean east to Algeria and Sardinia).

Casual in Trinidad and continental Europe; sight reports for interior New York (Albany) and the New Zealand region; accidental off California (photograph; Monterey Bay) and (doubtfully) Costa Rica (Tortuguero).

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as Great Shearwater.

**Puffinus pacificus** (Gmelin). Wedge-tailed Shearwater.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows on islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on islands off the western coast of Mexico (on San Benedicto, in the Revillagigedo group), in the Hawaiian Islands (Kure east to Kauai and Oahu, and on small islets around the main islands), in the central and western Pacific Ocean (from the Pescadores and Bonin Islands south to the Tonga, Austral, and Pitcairn groups), in waters off southern Australia and around New Zealand, and in the Indian Ocean (from the Seychelles and Cocos-Keeling south to the Mascarenes and Western Australia).

Ranges at sea in the Pacific Ocean off the west coast of Middle America and South America (from southern Baja California and Colima south to Panama and Colombia) and throughout most of the central and western Pacific Ocean north to Japan and Taiwan; and in the Indian Ocean north to the Arabian and southern Red seas.

Casual in California (Monterey Bay [Stallcup et al. 1988] and inland at Salton Sea [McCaskie and Webster 1990]).

**Puffinus bulleri** Salvin. Buller’s Shearwater.

*Puffinus bulleri* Salvin, 1888, Ibis, p. 354. (New Zealand.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters, especially near upwellings; nests in burrows or rocky crevices on islands.

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** on Poor Knights Islands, off North Island, New Zealand.

Ranges at sea in the Pacific Ocean off the west coast of North America (from the Gulf of Alaska south to Baja California), near the Hawaiian and Galapagos islands, off the Kuril Islands, and off the west coast of South America (from Ecuador to Chile).

Accidental inland in southern California (Salton Sea) and off New Jersey (off Barnegat); sight reports off Baja California.

Notes.—Also known as Gray-backed Shearwater or New Zealand Shearwater.

**Puffinus griseus** (Gmelin). Sooty Shearwater.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters, primarily cold water over continental shelf, often close to shore; nests in burrows or rock crevices on small islands.

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** on islands off southeastern Australia (off New South Wales and Tasmania) and widely in New Zealand waters (including Stewart, Snares, Auckland, and
Chatham islands); and off southern South America (Wollaston, Deceit, and Chiloé, probably also Huao and Mocha, off Chile; off Tierra del Fuego); and in the Falkland Islands.

Ranges at sea throughout the Pacific Ocean north to the southern Bering Sea, Aleutian Islands, Kamchatka, Taiwan, and the Hawaiian Islands, and along the entire Pacific coast of the Americas; and in the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of North America (rarely also the Gulf of St. Lawrence) from Newfoundland south to Florida, the Bahamas, and Cuba (also in the Gulf of Mexico, casually west to Texas, and in the Lesser Antilles), off eastern South America north to Brazil, off the west coast of Europe from Greenland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden, and Denmark south to Portugal and the Mediterranean Sea (east to Algeria and Italy), and off the west coast of Africa north to Fernando Po and Angola.

Casual inland in the United States, mostly after storms, where recorded from southeastern California, southern Arizona, Alabama (Attalla), and North Carolina (Twin Oaks); accidental in Arabia.

**Puffinus tenuirostris** (Temminck). Short-tailed Shearwater.

*Procellaria tenuirostris* Temminck, 1835, Planches Colon, livr. 99, text facing pl. 587. (dans les mers au nord du Japon et sur les côtes de la Corée = Japan.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters, primarily cold water over continental shelf; nests in burrows on small islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on islands off the coast (and locally along the mainland coast) of southern Australia from Archipelago of the Recherche east to Victoria and Tasmania, and north to New South Wales (Bateman’s Bay).

Ranges at sea in southern Australian and New Zealand waters, and north through the Pacific Ocean to the Bering and Chukchi seas, and south along the west coast of North America to Baja California (Los Coronados Islands).

Casual in Hawaiian waters, in northern Canada (Northwest Territories), in the Gulf of California, off Nayarit and Guerrero, and in the Indian Ocean (Pakistan east to Sri Lanka and the Malay Peninsula); a questionable sight report from Costa Rican waters.

**Notes.**—Also known as Slender-billed Shearwater.

**Puffinus nativitatis** Streets. Christmas Shearwater.

*Puffinus (Nectris) nativitatis* Streets, 1877, Bull. U. S. Natl. Mus., no. 7, p. 29. (Christmas Island [Pacific Ocean].)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests under vegetation or in small burrows on oceanic islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in the Hawaiian Islands (from Kure east to Kauai, on Lehua off Niihau, and on Moku Manu off Oahu), in the Phoenix, Marquesas, Tuamotu, and Austral islands, and on Wake, Christmas, and Easter islands.

Ranges at sea in the tropical Pacific Ocean east to waters off southern Mexico between Nayarit and Oaxaca.

**Puffinus puffinus** (Brünnich). Manx Shearwater.

*Procellaria Puffinus* Brünnich, 1764, Ornithol. Bor., p. 29. (E Feroa & Norvegia = Faeroe Islands.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows on grassy coastal islands, on cliffs of rocky islands, and occasionally inland in mountainous regions.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in the North Atlantic on islands off Newfoundland (since 1977) and Massachusetts (Penikese Island, 1973), and from Iceland and the Faeroe and Shetland islands south around most of the British Isles to western France (Brittany), and in Madeira and the Azores.

Ranges at sea to the western Atlantic along the coast of North America (recorded regularly at sea from Newfoundland south to Florida and Bermuda), rarely the Gulf of St. Lawrence, to the eastern Atlantic from Iceland and Norway south to the Canary Islands, and to the east coast of South America from Trinidad to Argentina.

Casual or accidental in Washington (off Westport), California (Monterey Bay region), on
the Gulf coast of Texas, Alabama, and Florida, and in Belize, Puerto Rico, Grenada, Greenland, continental Europe, South Africa, and South Australia.

Notes.—Species limits in the superspecies complex that includes P. puffinus, the two following species, and two species from the Australian-New Zealand region, P. gavia (Forster, 1844) and P. huttoni Mathews, 1912, are uncertain. Varying treatments include the entire complex as a single species or the recognition of three species (P. puffinus, P. gavia, and P. huttoni), the other forms united with one of the three. Murphy (1952) united auricularis and newelli with the puffinus group, and opisthomelas with the gavia group. Bourne et al. (1988) treated the Mediterranean populations as a separate species, P. yelkouan (Acerbi, 1827), and genetic differences between these forms consistent with treatment as species have been shown by Wink et al. (1993).

**Puffinus auricularis** Townsend. Townsend’s Shearwater.


Habitat.—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows on oceanic islands.

Distribution.—Breeds [newelli group] in the Hawaiian Islands on Kauai (possibly also on other main islands); and [auricularis group] in the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro, and, at least formerly, Clarión and San Benedicto), off western Mexico.

Ranges at sea [newelli group] primarily near the Hawaiian Islands; and [auricularis group] from southern Baja California south to Clipperton Island, west to approximately 121° W. long., and along the coast of Mexico south to Oaxaca; sight reports from California, and from Oaxaca southward, require confirmation.

Accidental [newelli group] in the Marianas and American Samoa.

Notes.—Groups: P. auricularis [Townsend’s Shearwater] and P. newelli Henshaw, 1900 [Newell’s Shearwater]. See comments under P. puffinus.

**Puffinus opisthomelas** Coues. Black-vented Shearwater.


Habitat.—Pelagic Waters, primarily warm water over continental shelf near shore; nests in burrows or rock crevices on islands.

Distribution.—Breeds off the Pacific coast of Baja California (on Guadalupe, San Martín, Natividad, and the San Benito islands).

Ranges at sea along the Pacific coast of North America from central California (casually north to Calvert and Vancouver islands, British Columbia) south to Baja California, Sonora, and (at least casually) Guerrero.

Notes.—See comments under P. puffinus.

**Puffinus lherminieri** Lesson. Audubon’s Shearwater.


Habitat.—Pelagic Waters; nests in rock crevices or under dense vegetation on islands.

Distribution.—Breeds in the Caribbean and western Atlantic region on Crab Cay (off Isla Providencia east of Nicaragua), on Tiger Rock and other nearby islets (off the Caribbean coast of Bocas del Toro, Panama), on Los Hermanos and Islas Los Roques (off Venezuela), on Bermuda (formerly), in the Bahamas, near Puerto Rico (Mona Island, and Cayo del Agua, off Culebra), in the Virgin Islands, and widely in the Lesser Antilles (from St. Martin south to islets off Tobago); in the eastern Atlantic on the Cape Verde Islands; in the Indian Ocean (islands in the southern Persian Gulf south to the Mascarene, Seychelles, and Maldives groups); and in the Pacific Ocean from the Bonin and Volcano islands south to the Palau, Vanuatu, Samoa, Society, Tuamotu, and Galapagos islands.

Ranges at sea in the western Atlantic from Massachusetts (at least casually, sight reports north to Nova Scotia) south to Florida and throughout the West Indies to the Caribbean.
coast of Costa Rica and Panama, and in the Gulf of Mexico west (casually) to Louisiana and Texas; in the tropical Indian Ocean north to the Persian Gulf, Arabian Sea, and India; in the eastern Pacific along the Pacific coast of Mexico from Jalisco (sight report) south to northern South America in Colombia; and in the tropical Pacific from the general breeding range south to Indonesia, New Guinea, and northern Australia.

Accidental in Ontario (Almonte) and England.

Notes.—*Puffinus herminieri* and *P. assimilis* constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990); they are often treated as conspecific.

**Puffinus assimilis** Gould. Little Shearwater.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows or crevices on islands.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* on islands in the eastern Atlantic (the Azores, Desertas, Salvage, and Canary islands), southern Indian Ocean (St. Paul, formerly Amsterdam), and off Australia and New Zealand (east to Lord Howe and Norfolk islands), and *ranges* at sea primarily in southern oceans.

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands, Nova Scotia, South Carolina, and continental Europe; sight reports for Puerto Rico and off North Carolina.

Notes.—Also known as Allied Shearwater. See comments under *P. herminieri*.

**Family HYDROBATIDAE**: Storm-Petrels

**Genus OCEANITES** Keyserling and Blasius


**Oceanites oceanicus** (Kuhl). Wilson’s Storm-Petrel.

*Procellaria oceanica* Kuhl, 1820, Beitr. Zool. 1: 136. (No locality given = South Georgia.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters, primarily over continental shelf, especially near upwellings; nests in burrows and cliff crevices on islands and in coastal areas.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* on islands off southern South America (Wollaston, Deceit, Herschel, and the Falklands), South Georgia, South Sandwich, South Orkney, and South Shetland islands, on the Antarctic Peninsula, around Antarctica, and on the Crozets, Kerguelen, Heard, and probably other subantarctic islands.

*Ranges* widely at sea throughout the Atlantic Ocean, eastern Caribbean Sea, and Gulf of Mexico north to Texas, the Gulf coast, Labrador, and the British Isles, and east in the Mediterranean to Sardinia, throughout the Indian Ocean north to the Red Sea and Persian Gulf, in Australian and New Zealand waters north to Indonesia and New Guinea, and in the Pacific to Japan (rarely), and to central California, and along the west coast of South America from Peru and occasionally Ecuador southward.

Casual north in the Pacific Ocean off North and Middle America (Panama, sight reports from Washington, Oregon, northern Baja California, Guatemala, and Costa Rica). Accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (between Midway and Laysan), southern Ontario (Long Beach, Lake Muskoka), southwestern Quebec (Lake Deschénes), northern and western New York, and Pennsylvania (Greensburg, Reading). Reports from inland Florida and Mexico are regarded as unsatisfactory.

**Genus PELAGODROMA** Reichenbach

**Pelagodroma marina** (Latham). White-faced Storm-Petrel.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows under dense vegetation on islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on islands off Australia (from Abrolhos east to Bass Strait and Broughton Islands) and in New Zealand waters (Kermadec, Chatham, Auckland, and others near the mainland); in the eastern Atlantic Ocean on the Salvage, Canary (possibly), and Cape Verde islands, and on Tristan da Cunha and Gough Island in the South Atlantic; and in the southern Indian Ocean, at least formerly, on Amsterdam and St. Paul islands.

Ranges at sea in the Indian and Pacific oceans from the Arabian Sea south and east throughout the Australian and New Zealand breeding range across the Pacific to the Galápagos Islands and the west coast of South America (off Ecuador, at least casually); in the Atlantic from the Azores (casually north to the British Isles) south along the west coast of Africa to the South Atlantic and southern Indian Ocean, occurring west to the coasts of Uruguay and Argentina.

Casual in the western Atlantic off North America from Massachusetts south to North Carolina.

Genus **HYDROBATES** Boie


**Hydrobates pelagicus** (Linnaeus). European Storm-Petrel.

*Procellaria pelagica* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 131. (in albo Oceano = Sweden.)

**Habitat**—Pelagic Waters; nests in natural cavities, under stones, and burrows on small rocky islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on islands in the northern and eastern Atlantic Ocean and western Mediterranean Sea, and ranges at sea throughout the Mediterranean and Black seas and the eastern Atlantic and western Indian oceans.

Accidental in Nova Scotia (Sable Island, 10 August 1970; McNeil and Burton 1971); there is also an old specimen (USNM) from the “Bay of Fundy” lacking further data. A specimen taken at McClellanville, South Carolina, in 1972, and reported as *H. pelagicus*, was subsequently identified as *Oceanodroma castro* (1973, Amer. Birds 27: 44).

**Notes.**—Also known as British Storm-Petrel. Known in Old World literature as the Storm Petrel.

Genus **OCEANODROMA** Reichenbach


*Thalobata* Mathews, 1943, in Mathews and Hallstrom, Notes on Order Procellariiformes, p. 27. Type, by original designation, *Thalassidroma castro* Harcourt.

**Oceanodroma furcata** (Gmelin). Fork-tailed Storm-Petrel.

Habitat.—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows or under rocks or among drift logs on hilly, vegetated islands.

Distribution.—Breeds in the North Pacific from southern Alaska (the Aleutian Islands, islands in the Gulf of Alaska, and the Alexander Archipelago) south along the west coast of North America to islets off northern California (Del Norte and Humboldt counties), and in eastern Asia from the Commander Islands south to the Kuril Islands.

Ranges at sea from the Bering Sea (casually the southern Chukchi Sea) south through the North Pacific along the west coast of North America from southern Alaska south to central (casually southern) California, to Marcus Island, and west to Japan and the Volcano Islands; two sight reports from the Hawaiian Islands are poorly documented.

Oceanodroma leucorhoa (Vieillot). Leach’s Storm-Petrel.

(sur les bords maritimes de la Picardie, se tient sur l’Ocean, jusqu’au Brésil = Picardy, France.)

Habitat.—Pelagic Waters, especially upwellings; nests in burrows on islands.

Distribution.—Breeds in the North Pacific from the Aleutian and Shumagin islands and south-coastal Alaska south along the North American coast to Baja California (Los Coronados, San Benito, and Guadalupe islands, and Alijos Rocks), and from the Commander Islands south to the Kuril Islands and northern Hokkaido, Japan; and in the North Atlantic from southern Labrador (Gannet Islands) south to Gulf of St. Lawrence, Newfoundland, Maine (Casco Bay), and Massachusetts (Penikese Islands), and from southern Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, and Norway to northern Scotland.

Ranges at sea in the Pacific Ocean from the breeding areas south to the Hawaiian, Revillagigedo, and Galapagos islands, and in the western Pacific to Indonesia and New Guinea; and in the Atlantic Ocean south along both coasts to Florida, the West Indies, Caribbean Sea, South America (Venezuela east to eastern Brazil), and South Africa, also to the west coast of Greenland (rarely but regularly); casual to the eastern Atlantic islands, Mediterranean Sea and western Europe.

Casual or accidental in interior Oregon, interior California, Ohio, Baffin Island, southern Ontario, northern Quebec, northern New York, Vermont, the District of Columbia, along the Gulf coast (from Texas east to Florida), inland in Alabama (Eufaula), along the Pacific coast of Costa Rica (Cabo Velas), and in New Zealand.

Notes.—Oceanodroma leucorhoa and the closely allied O. monorhis (Swinhoe, 1867) of Japan and Korea, probably constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990). There are three breeding populations off western Mexico: one dark-rumped population on Socorro Island in the Isla Revilligigedo group (here regarded as a race of O. leucorhoa but which has been treated variously as a subspecies of O. monorhis or as a distinct species, O. socorroensis C. H. Townsend, 1890 [Dusky-rumped Storm-Petrel]); one variably, mostly white-rumped summer breeding population on Guadalupe Island; and a distinct, white-rumped, winter breeding population, also on Guadalupe Island. See Ainley (1980, 1983) and Bourne and Jehl (1982). Mayr and Short (1970) considered O. leucorhoa and O. castro to constitute a superspecies.

Oceanodroma homochroa (Coues). Ashy Storm-Petrel.


Habitat.—Pelagic Waters; nests in natural crevices or burrows on rocky islands.

Distribution.—Breeds on islands off the coast of California (on Bird Island in Marin County, the Farallon Islands, and on San Miguel, Santa Barbara, and Santa Cruz islands in the Channel Islands) and, rarely, northern Baja California (Los Coronados Islands).

Ranges at sea off the coast of California and northern Baja California from Humboldt County south to the San Benito Islands.
Oceanodroma castro (Harcourt). Band-rumped Storm-Petrel.

_Thalassidroma castro_ Harcourt, 1851, Sketch Madeira, p. 123. (Deserta Islets, near Madeira.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows or rock crevices on islands.

**Distribution.**—_Breeds_ on islands in the Pacific Ocean in the Hawaiian Islands (no nest located, indirect evidence for nesting on Kauai and Hawaii, possibly also Maui), off Japan, in the Galapagos Islands, and possibly on Cocos Island, off Costa Rica; and in the Atlantic Ocean in the Azores (probably), Salvage, Madeira, Cape Verde, Ascension, and St. Helena islands.

**Ranges** at sea primarily in the vicinity of the breeding grounds, occurring uncommonly but regularly off the Atlantic coast of North America (Massachusetts to Florida).

Casual off the Pacific coast of Costa Rica, in the Gulf of Mexico (Texas, Florida; sight reports from Louisiana), and off Cuba, also off the coast of Brazil and the British Isles. Accidental inland in Missouri, Indiana, Ontario, Pennsylvania, the District of Columbia, South Carolina and Tennessee; a sight report for California.

**Notes.**—Also known as Madeira Storm-Petrel or Harcourt's Storm-Petrel. See comments under _O. leucorhoa._

Oceanodroma tethys (Bonaparte). Wedge-rumped Storm-Petrel.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows on islands.

**Distribution.**—_Breeds_ in the Galapagos Islands (Tower and Pitt) and on islands off the coast of Peru (San Gallán and Pescadores).

**Ranges** at sea along the west coast of the Americas north to southern Baja California and south to the coast of Chile (lat. 20° S.), casually north to central California (Monterey Bay).

**Notes.**—Also known as Galapagos Storm-Petrel.

Oceanodroma melania (Bonaparte). Black Storm-Petrel.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows or crevices on rocky islands.

**Distribution.**—_Breeds_ on Sutil Island, adjacent to Santa Barbara Island in the Channel Islands, off southern California; on the Los Coronados and San Benito islands, off the Pacific coast of Baja California; and on islands in the northern third of the Gulf of California (Consag Rock, San Luis Islands, and Partida Island).

**Ranges** at sea along the Pacific coast of the Americas from northwestern Oregon south to Panama, Colombia, Ecuador, and Peru (to lat. 8° S.).

A sight report for interior southern California (Salton Sea).

**Notes.**—_Oceanodroma melania_ and _O. matsudairae_ Kuroda, 1922, of the Volcano Islands and Japanese waters, constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

†Oceanodroma macrodactyla Bryant. Guadalupe Storm-Petrel.

_Oceanodroma leucorhoa macrodactyla_ W. E. Bryant, 1887, Bull. Calif. Acad. Sci. 2: 450. (Guadalupe Island, Baja California.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nested in burrows among coniferous trees at high elevations.

**Distribution.**—EXTINCT. _Breeds_ formerly on Guadalupe Island, Baja California; not certainly recorded since 1912. Known only from the vicinity of the breeding grounds.

Oceanodroma markhami (Salvin). Markham's Storm-Petrel.

Habitat—Pelagic Waters.
Distribution.—Breeding grounds unknown; ranges at sea along the Pacific coast of South America from northern Peru to central Chile, occasionally to the Galapagos Islands.
Casual north to Clipperton Island, western Costa Rica (Cocos Island), and western Panama.
Notes.—Oceanodroma markhami and O. tristrami constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990); if these two are considered conspecific, Sooty Storm-Petrel may be used for the broader specific unit.

Oceanodroma tristrami Salvin. Tristram’s Storm-Petrel.

Oceanodroma tristrami (Stejneger MS) Salvin, 1896, Cat. Birds Brit. Mus. 25: xiv, 347, 354. (Sendai Bay, [Honshu,] Japan.)

Habitat.—Pelagic Waters; nests in burrows and crevices among rocks on islands.
Distribution.—Breeds in the northwestern Hawaiian Islands (from Pearl and Hermes Atoll east to Nihoa, and possibly Kure and Lisianski), in the Seven Islands of Izu (Torishima), and in the Volcano Islands (Kita Iwo).
Ranges at sea from the Hawaiian Islands (east to Kauai) to Japanese waters and the Bonin Islands.
Notes.—See comments under O. markhami.

Oceanodroma microsoma (Coues). Least Storm-Petrel.

Halocyptena microsoma Coues, 1864, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia 16: 79. (San Jose del Caba [sic], Lower California = San José del Cabo, Baja California.)

Habitat.—Pelagic Waters, primarily warm water over continental shelf; nests in crevices or among stones on rocky islets.
Distribution.—Breeds on the Pacific side of Baja California in the San Benito Islands and in the northern third of the Gulf of California (Consag Rock, and San Luis and Partida islands, probably other islands).
Ranges at sea along the west coast of North America from central California (Monterey Bay), south to Oaxaca, less frequently south as far as Panama and northern South America (Colombia and Ecuador, to lat. 2° S.).
Casual in northern and central southern California (Humboldt County, Salton Sea), and the lower Colorado river (in California and Arizona). Accidental in New Mexico (Silver City).
Notes.—This species was formerly treated in the monotypic genus Halocyptena.

Order PELECANIFORMES: Totipalmate Birds

Notes.—Because considerable controversy surrounds what is included in this order and the relationships among the groups included (Cracraft 1985, Sibley and Monroe 1990 and references therein), we retain the arrangement used in the Sixth Edition (AOU 1983).

Suborder PHAETHONTES: Tropicbirds

Family PHAETHONTIDAE: Tropicbirds

Genus PHAETHON Linnaeus


Phaethon lepturus Daudin. White-tailed Tropicbird.


Habitat.—Pelagic Waters; nests on tropical islands in rocky crevices, holes, or caves, especially on cliffs, occasionally in trees.
**Distribution.**—*Breeds* on islands in the Atlantic Ocean and Caribbean Sea from Bermuda, the Bahamas, and throughout the Greater and Lesser Antilles south to islets off Tobago, Fernando de Noronha (off Brazil), Ascension Island, and islands in the Gulf of Guinea; in the Pacific Ocean from the Hawaiian Islands (main islands west to Kauai, occasionally on Midway) and the Bonin and Volcano islands south to New Caledonia and the Fiji, Marquesas, and Tuamotu islands; and in the Indian Ocean from the Seychelles and Andaman Islands south to the Mascarenes and Christmas Island.

*Ranges* at sea throughout the breeding areas and tropical waters in the western Atlantic, rarely north along the east coast of North America to North Carolina (casually to Nova Scotia), casually in the Gulf of Mexico (mostly off Florida, regularly at Dry Tortugas), and the Caribbean Sea (recorded off Cozumel Island and off northern Colombia); also in the western Pacific Ocean from Japan to Australia and (casually) New Zealand; and in the Indian Ocean south to South Africa.

Accidental in southern California (Orange County), Arizona (Scottsdale), Pennsylvania (Gettysburg), western New York, and Chiapas; a sight report for Panama.

**Notes.**—Also known as Yellow-billed Tropicbird.

*Phaethon aethereus* Linnaeus. Red-billed Tropicbird.

*Phaethon aethereus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 134. (in Pelago inter tropicos = Ascension Island.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in crevices and holes, usually on cliffs, on tropical islands.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* on islands in the Caribbean region (on Culebra and Vieques off Puerto Rico, on small islets in the Virgin Islands and Lesser Antilles south to Tobago and Grenada, and on Swan Key in Almirante Bay, Panama, also on Los Hermanos and Los Roques off Venezuela), and on islands in the eastern Atlantic from the Cape Verde Islands south to islets off Senegal; in the eastern Pacific off Mexico (off Colima and probably Guerrero, and Revillagigedo, Tres Marías, and Isabela islands), in the Gulf of California (Con sag and Alijos rocks, and San Pedro Mártir and San Jorge islands) and northern South America (the Galapagos and islands off the coast from Colombia to Ecuador and Peru); and in the northern Indian Ocean, Red Sea, and Persian Gulf.

*Ranges* at sea in the breeding areas in the western Atlantic region throughout the Lesser Antilles and off northern South America, less frequently through the Greater Antilles, casually north off the Atlantic coast of North America from Maine to Florida; in the Pacific regularly from Baja California south to Peru, irregularly north to California, west to the Hawaiian Islands (recorded French Frigate Shoals, Niihoa, and Kauai) and south to Chile; and in the tropical Indian Ocean.

Casual or accidental in Washington, interior southern California (Morongo Valley), southern Arizona, Texas (Houston, Zapata), Louisiana, Bermuda, Madeira, and southern Africa.

*Phaethon rubricauda* Boddaert. Red-tailed Tropicbird.

*Phaeton [sic] rubricauda* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 57. Based on “Paille-en queue de l’Isle de France” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 979. (Mauritius.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests on the ground on tropical islands.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* on islands in the Pacific Ocean from the Hawaiian Islands (from Kure east to Kauai, Lanai, and Kahoolawe, on Manana Island off Oahu, and probably on islets off Molokai), and Bonin and Volcano islands south to northeastern Australia (Raine Island) and Lord Howe, Norfolk, Kermadec, Tuamotu, and Pitcairn islands; and in the Indian Ocean near Mauritius, in the Cocos-Keeling Islands, and off the northwestern coast of Australia.

*Ranges* at sea from Japan, Taiwan, and the Hawaiian Islands (throughout) south throughout the breeding range and east (at least casually) to waters well off California (including San Nicolas Island) and islands off Mexico (Guadalupe, Revillagigedo, Clipperton). Accidental on Vancouver Island and off the coast of Chile.
Suborder PELECANI: Boobies, Pelicans, Cormorants, and Darters

Family SULIDAE: Boobies and Gannets

Genus SULA Brisson


**Sula dactylatra** Lesson. Masked Booby.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests on the ground on low, flat oceanic islands.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in the Atlantic-Caribbean region off the Yucatan Peninsula (Cayo Arcas, Cayo Arenas, and Alacrán reef), in the Florida Keys (Dry Tortugas, occasionally), in the southern Bahamas (Santo Domingo Cay, formerly), on Cayman Brac in the Cayman Islands, southwest of Jamaica (the Pedro and Serranilla cays), off Puerto Rico (Monito Island, and off Culebra), in the Virgin Islands (Cockroach and Sula cays), in the Lesser Antilles (Dog Island off Anguilla, Sombrero Island, and in the Grenadines), off Venezuela (Islas de Aves east to Los Hermanos), and on islands off Brazil east to Ascension Island; in the Pacific off Mexico (on Alijos Rocks off southwestern Baja California, on Clarion and San Benedito islands in the Revillagigedo group, and on Clipperon Island), from the Hawaiian (Kure east to Kaula Rock, Lehua off Niihau, and on Moku Manu off Oahu) and Ryukyu islands south to eastern Australia (Queensland) and the Kermadec, Tuamotu, and Easter islands, and in the Galapagos and on islands off Ecuador, Peru, and Chile (San Ambrosia and San Félix); and in the Indian Ocean from the Gulf of Aden and Cocos-Keeling and Christmas islands south to the Mascarenes and northwestern Australia.

**Ranges** at sea in the Atlantic-Caribbean region from the Bahamas, Antilles, and the Yucatan Peninsula south through the breeding range, rarely north through the Gulf of Mexico from Tamaulipas and Texas east to Florida, Bermuda (casually), along the Atlantic coast to North Carolina, and casually along the coast of Middle America; and in the Pacific and Indian oceans generally throughout the breeding range south to western Mexico (Oaxaca), eastern Australia, and South Africa.

Casual off central and southeastern California (north to Monterey County), northwestern Baja California (Los Coronados Islands); a sight report for Guatemala.

**Notes.**—Also known as Blue-faced Booby or White Booby.

**Sula nebouxii** Milne-Edwards. Blue-footed Booby.


**Habitat.**—Coastal Waters; nests on the ground on islands.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* on islands in the Gulf of California (from Consag Rock and George Island southward), off western Mexico (Isabela, the Tres Marietas, and the Tres Marias islands), off Honduras (Los Farallones), in the Gulf of Panama (Isla Villa, Farallón del Chirú, and Isla Pachequilla in the Pearl Islands, and Isla Boná), in the Galapagos Islands, and along the coast of South America from Colombia to northern Peru.

**Ranges** at sea in the eastern Pacific from Baja California and the Gulf of California south along the coast of Middle America and South America to the Galapagos Islands and central Peru, casually north to central coastal California (San Francisco), southeastern California (mostly Salton Sea and lower Colorado River), southern Nevada (Lake Mead) and southwestern Arizona (lower Colorado River, Phoenix).

Accidental in Washington (Everett), interior central California, and Texas (Burnet and Cameron counties); a sight report for northwestern California (Del Norte County).
Sula variegata (Tschudi). Peruvian Booby.

_**Dasyporus variegatus**_ Tschudi, 1843. Arch. Naturgesch. 9: 390. (coasts and islands of Pacific Ocean = islands off coast of Peru.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests on islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on islands off coasts of Ecuador, Peru, and Chile, and ranges at sea off western South America.

Casual off the Pacific coast of Panama (Bay of Panama), where present in summer 1983 (maximum about 3500 individuals on 17 June) in apparent association with a major “El Niño Southern Oscillation” (Aid et al. 1985, Reed 1988).

Sula leucogaster (Boddaert). Brown Booby.

_Pelecanus Leucogaster_ Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum, p. 57. Based on “Le Fou, de Cayenne” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 973. (No locality given = Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Coastal Waters, Pelagic Waters; nests on the ground on islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on islands in the Atlantic-Caribbean region from islets off the Yucatan Peninsula and Bahamas south through the Antilles (including Cayman Brac in the Cayman Islands) and along the coasts of Middle America and northern South America (east to Los Hermanos), and from the Cape Verde Islands and the Gulf of Guinea south to the coast of central Brazil and Ascension Islands; in the Pacific from Consag Rock and George Island in the Gulf of California south to Guerrero and the Revillagigedo and Clipperton islands, off Honduras (Los Farallonones and Bird Island in Gulf of Fonseca), on islets off Costa Rica, in the Bay of Panama (Isla Boná, Farallon Rock, and the Pearl Islands), and off Colombia (Gorgona Island), and from the Hawaiian Islands (Kure east to Ni-i-hau and Moku Manu off Oahu), the Bonin and Volcano islands and the Seven Islands of Izu south to the South China Sea, northern Australia, New Caledonia, and the Tonga and Tuamotu islands; and in the Indian Ocean from the Red Sea and the Malay Peninsula south to the Seychelles, cocos-Keeling, and Christmas islands.

Ranges at sea generally in the breeding range, and in the Atlantic-Caribbean region north (at least rarely) to the Gulf coast (Texas east to Florida), along the Atlantic coast north (at least casually) as far as New York, Massachusetts, and Nova Scotia, and to Bermuda; in the Pacific from Baja California south to northwestern South America, casually north along coast to central California, and inland in southeastern California (Salton Sea, Colorado River), southern Nevada (Lake Mead), and western and southern Arizona, and from Hawaiian waters and Japan south to Australia and (rarely) New Zealand; and in the Indian Ocean south to South Africa.

**Notes.**—Also known as White-bellied Booby.

Sula sula (Linnaeus). Red-footed Booby.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests in trees and shrubs on islands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on islands in the Atlantic-Caribbean region off Yucatán (Alacran reef), Belize (Half Moon Cay), in the Cayman Islands (Little Cayman), Bahama Islands (White Cay off San Salvador) Swan Islands (Little Swan), off Puerto Rico (Mona, Monito, Desecheo, and Culebra islands), in the Virgin Islands (Dutchcap, Frenchcap and, formerly, Cockroach and Sula cays), in the Grenadines (Battowia and Kick-em-Jenny), off Venezuela (Los Roques east to Los Hermanos), and off Brazil (Fernando de Noronha and Trindade islands); in the Pacific off Mexico (the Tres Marias islands, Isla Isabela, and Clarion and San Benedicto in the Revillagigedo group), off Costa Rica (Cocos Island), in the Galapagos Islands, off Ecuador (Isla de la Plata), and from the Hawaiian (west to Kure, uncommon east of Oahu) and Bonin islands south to northern Australia, New Caledonia, and the Fiji, Samoa, and Tuamotu islands; and in the Indian Ocean from Aldabra east to Cocos-Keeling Island.
Ranges at sea in the breeding areas in the Atlantic-Caribbean region from Quintana Roo and Belize south along the coasts (rarely inshore) of Middle America and South America to eastern Brazil, casually north to the Gulf coast (from Texas east to western Florida) and through the Greater Antilles to southern Florida; in the Pacific throughout the Hawaiian Islands (rare east to Oahu) and (rarely inshore) along Pacific coast from Sinaloa south to Panama; and in the Indian Ocean north to the Bay of Bengal.

Casual in California (from Farallon Islands and Marin County south to the Channel Islands and Los Angeles) and Gulf of California; accidental in South Carolina (Edisto Island).

Genus **MORUS** Vieillot


Notes.—*Morus* is recognized as a genus on the basis of Olson and Warheit (1988) and van Tets et al. (1988).

*Morus bassanus* (Linnaeus). Northern Gannet.

*Pelecanus Bassanus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 133. (in Scotia, America = Bass Rock, Scotland.)

Habitat.—Pelagic, primarily over continental shelf; nests primarily on open ground on flat-topped islands, less frequently on rocky slopes and cliffs along coasts.

Distribution.—Breeds on islands in eastern North America in the Gulf of St. Lawrence (on Bonaventure, Anticosti, and Bird Rocks in the Magdalen Islands), off Quebec (Perroquet Island, formerly), and in Labrador (Ramah Bay) and Newfoundland (Cape St. Mary, and on Baccalieu and Funk islands), formerly in Nova Scotia (near Yarmouth) and off New Brunswick (Gannet Rock); and in Europe around Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, British Isles, northern France, and Norway.

Ranges at sea off eastern North America from southern Labrador, Greenland, and areas near the breeding range south along the Atlantic coast (regular inside Chesapeake Bay) to Florida, and west along the Gulf coast to Texas; and in Europe east and south to northern Russia, Scandinavia, the Baltic Sea, throughout the Mediterranean Sea, and along the Atlantic coast to northwestern Africa and (casually) the Cape Verde Islands.

Casual inland in the St. Lawrence Valley, New England, and the Great Lakes west to Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio; and in Eurasia to Spitsbergen, Bear Island, and continental Europe. Accidental on Victoria Island (Holman) and in Kentucky; sight reports for Manitoba, Illinois, Tennessee, Tamaulipas, Veracruz, and the Bahama Islands (Berry and Exuma islands).

Notes.—Known in most literature as the Gannet. The gannets of the world, *M. bassanus*, *M. capensis* (Lichtenstein, 1823) of South Africa, and *M. serraror* (G. R. Gray, 1843) of Australia and New Zealand, constitute a superspecies (Dorst and Mougin in Mayr and Cottrell 1979).

Family **PELECANIDAE**: Pelicans

Genus **PELECANUS** Linnaeus


**Pelecanus erythrorhynchos** Gmelin, American White Pelican.


**Habitat.**—Shallow lakes, rivers, and freshwater marshes, rarely around coastal islands; nests on the ground, usually on islands in inland lakes; in winter, primarily estuaries, bays, brackish marshes, and large lakes.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from south-central British Columbia (Stum Lake), northeastern Alberta, northwestern Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, and west-central Ontario south locally to northern California, western Nevada, northern Utah, central Colorado, Wyoming, northeastern South Dakota, and western Minnesota, with sporadic breeding on the central coast of Texas and from central to southern California (formerly on Salton Sea), also in Durango and Tamaulipas. Recorded in summer in southern Mackenzie (possibly breeding at Great Slave Lake), southern California (to Salton Sea), and coastal Mississippi and Alabama, also in many localities within the winter range.

Winters along the Pacific coast from central California and southern Arizona south along the Pacific lowlands (less frequently in the interior) of Mexico to Guatemala, El Salvador, and Nicaragua (sight reports for Costa Rica), and from Florida and the Gulf states south along the Gulf coast of Mexico to the Yucatan Peninsula, casually in the breeding range in western North America.

Wanders irregularly after the breeding season through most of eastern North America from Hudson Bay, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south to the Gulf coast and (rarely) the West Indies (Bimini and Great Inagua in the Bahamas, Grand Cayman, Cuba, Jamaica, and Puerto Rico). Accidental in Alaska (Petersburg), northern Mackenzie (Liverpool Bay), Victoria Island (Holman), Panama (Herrera), and the Lesser Antilles (Antigua).

**Notes.**—In American literature usually known as the White Pelican.

**Pelecanus occidentalis** Linnaeus, Brown Pelican.


**Habitat.**—Coastal Waters; nests on islands on the ground or in small bushes and trees.

**Distribution.**—Breeds [occidentalis group] on islands along the Pacific coast of North America from central California (the Channel Islands, formerly north to Monterey County) south to Isabela and the Tres Marias Islands (and including islands in the Gulf of California), in the Bay of Fonseca (Honduras), off Costa Rica (Guayabo and Bolaños) and Panama (mostly in the Pearl Islands, and islets off Isla Coiba and in the Bay of Panama), in the Galapagos Islands, along the Atlantic, Gulf and Caribbean coasts from Maryland south around Florida (including inland at Lake Okeechobee) and west to southern Texas, in the northwestern Bahamas (Great Inagua, Caicos, and formerly Bimini), Greater Antilles (from Cuba east to the Virgin Islands and St. Martin), Lesser Antilles (St. Kitts), in southern Veracruz (Roca Partida), off the Yucatan Peninsula and Belize (Man-of-war Cay), and off the northern coast of Venezuela from Los Roques east to Tobago and Trinidad; and [thagus group] along the South American coast from northern Peru to southern Chile (Isla de Chiloé).

Ranges [occidentalis group] along on the Pacific coast of the Americas from southern British Columbia south to northern Peru, and inland to the great lakes of Nicaragua, southeastern California (Salton Sea), and southern Arizona, casually elsewhere in the interior of the southwestern United States, and throughout the Atlantic, Gulf, and Caribbean coastal and insular areas from southern New York (casually north to New England) south to eastern Venezuela (rarely to northern Brazil); and [thagus group] to coastal Ecuador.


**Notes.**—Groups: *P. occidentalis* [Brown Pelican] and *P. thagus* Molina, 1782 [Peruvian Pelican].
Family PHALACROCORACIDAE: Cormorants

Genus PHALACROCORAX Brisson

Phalacrocorax Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 60; 6: 511. Type, by tautonymy, Phalacrocorax Brisson = Pelecanus carbo Linnaeus.

Notes.—Siegel-Causey (1988) split the family Phalacrocoracidae into two subfamilies and the genus Phalacrocorax into nine genera. The subfamily Phalacrocoracinae ("cormorants") contained the species listed herein through P. carbo, whereas the Leucocarboninae ("shags") contained the remaining species. The genera used were Phalacrocorax (carbo), Hypoleucus (auritus, brasilius), Compsohalieus (penicillatus, perspicillatus), Stictocarbo (pelagicus, urile, gaimardi), and Leucocarbo (bougainvillii). We retain a more traditional classification because other data (e.g., DNA-DNA hybridization data, see Sibley and Ahlquist 1990: 851) suggest that the relationships among them differ from the Siegel-Causey arrangement.

Phalacrocorax penicillatus (Brandt). Brandt’s Cormorant.


Habitat.—Coastal Waters, ranging at sea as well as inshore on brackish bays; nests on open ground on rocky slopes.

Distribution.—Breeds along the Pacific coast in south-coastal Alaska (Seal Rocks, Hinchinbrook Entrance, Prince William Sound), and southeastern Alaska (Hazy Islands, St. Lazaria Island), south-coastal British Columbia (Vancouver Island), and Washington (Matia Island) south to Baja California (Isla Natividad, in San Cristobal Bay, and on Guadalupe Island, Pacific coast; and San Pedro Mártir, Salsipuedes, and Roca Blanca islands, Gulf of California).

Ranges generally near the breeding areas but occurs from southern Alaska south to southern Baja California (Cape San Lucas) and widely in the Gulf of California (rarely to the coast of Sonora), casually in interior California and to Nayarit (Isla Isabela).

Phalacrocorax brasilius (Gmelin). Neotropic Cormorant.

Pelecanus brasilius Gmelin, 1789, Syst. Nat. 1 (2): 564. Based on “Maiagué” Piso, Ind. utriusque Re Nat. Med., p. 83 = (northeastern Brazil.)

Habitat.—Freshwater Lakes and Ponds, Coastal Waters, Rivers; nests in trees and on rocks (0–3500 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.— Resident from Sonora, southwestern New Mexico, north-central and eastern Texas, Oklahoma (possibly), and southwestern Louisiana south through Middle America and South America (also islands north of Venezuela from Aruba to Trinidad) to Tierra del Fuego; also in the Bahama Islands (Great Inagua) and Cuba.

Ranges north to southeastern Arizona.

Casual north to southern Baja California, southeastern California, Colorado, Nebraska, South Dakota, southern Minnesota, and northern Illinois, and in Jamaica, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands; a sight report for southern Nevada.

Notes.—Also known as Olivaceous Cormorant. For acceptance of the name P. brasilius (Gmelin, 1789) over P. olivaceus (Humboldt, 1805) see Browning (1989a). See comments under P. auritus.

Phalacrocorax auritus (Lesson). Double-crested Cormorant.

Habitat.—Lakes, rivers, swamps, and seacoasts; nests on the ground or in trees in freshwater situations, on coastal cliffs, and even on artificial structures.

Distribution.—Breeds in the southeastern Bering Sea (Cape Peirce), southern Alaska (from Carlisle Island in the eastern Aleutians east to Yakutat Bay, and inland to Lake Louise), and from southern British Columbia, northern Alberta, northwestern and central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, southern James Bay, the north shore of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and Newfoundland south, in isolated colonies, to Baja California, coastal Sonora, central Chihuahua, central Durango, southwestern and south-central Arizona, southern New Mexico, west-central and southern Texas, the Gulf coast, Florida, the northern Bahamas (south to Great Inagua and San Salvador), Cuba, the Isle of Pines, Yucatan Peninsula, and northern Belize.

Winters along the Pacific coast from the Aleutians and southern Alaska south to Baja California, Nayarit, and inland from east-central Washington and Montana (rarely) south locally to southeastern California (Salton Sea and southern Arizona); in the interior United States (casually farther north) from northeastern Colorado (rarely), southern Minnesota, and the southern Great Lakes south to New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, and the Gulf states, and in the Atlantic region from Lake Ontario and New England south to Florida, Bermuda (irregularly), the Bahamas, Greater Antilles (east, at least casually, to the Virgin Islands), the Yucatan Peninsula, and northern Belize.

Migrates regularly through the Great Plains and Mississippi and Ohio valleys, irregularly north to southern Mackenzie and Pribilof Islands.

Casual north to Yukon, Hudson Bay, Baffin Island, and Labrador, and in Bermuda and the Cayman Islands. Accidental in the Lesser Antilles (St. Martin) and England.

Notes.—In view of the description of a small race of this species on San Salvador Island in the Bahamas (Watson et al. 1991), breeding records of this species and of P. brasilianus in the Bahamas need to be reviewed and more data obtained.

Phalacrocorax carbo (Linnaeus). Great Cormorant.

Pelecanus Carbo Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 133. (in Europa = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Coastal Waters; nests mostly on cliffs; in winter, occasionally on large rivers slightly inland. In Old World, also breeds on rivers and lakes, and nests in trees.

Distribution.—Breeds [carbo group] in northeastern North America from the north shore of the Gulf of St. Lawrence in Quebec (Lake, Outer Wapitagun, Anticosti, Magdalen, and St. Mary islands) and southwestern Newfoundland (Guernsey Island, Coal River, and Port au Prince Peninsula) south to Prince Edward Island (Cape Tryon and East Point), Nova Scotia (south to Shelburne County, formerly south to the Bay of Fundy), and Maine (Isle au Haut), casually to Massachusetts; and in the Palearctic from southern Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, northern Scandinavia, and the Kola Peninsula south to the Mediterranean and southern Europe, and across central Asia to Sakhalin, Japan, Taiwan, and China; and in New Guinea, Australia, and New Zealand.

Winters [carbo group] in North America in the breeding range and south regularly to South Carolina, casually to southern Florida, the Gulf coast (west to Mississippi), and Bermuda, and inland to Lake Ontario; and in the Old World from the breeding range south to the Canary Islands, Mediterranean and Black seas, Persian Gulf, India, the Malay Peninsula, Sumatra, the Philippines, and Bonin Islands; and generally in the breeding range in the Australian region.

Resident [lucidus group] in the Cape Verde Islands and Africa.

Accidental [carbo group] in West Virginia.

Notes.—Also known as Black Cormorant or Common Cormorant and, in Old World literature, as the Cormorant. Groups: P. carbo [Great Cormorant] and P. lucidus (Lichtenstein, 1823) [White-breasted Cormorant]. Phalacrocorax carbo and P. capillatus (Temminck and Schlegel, 1850), of Japan and Korea, constitute a superspecies (Dorst and Mougin in Mayr and Cottrell 1979).

Phalacrocorax urile (Gmelin). Red-faced Cormorant.

**Family ANHINGIDAE**

**Habitat.**—Coastal Waters; nests on cliffs or steep slopes.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in the southern Bering Sea (in the Pribilofs, on Cape Peirce, and in the Walrus Islands), throughout the Aleutian Islands, and east along the Alaska coast to Prince William Sound; also in the Commander Islands and off Japan (Hokkaido). 

*Winters* generally throughout the breeding range, occurring casually north to St. Michael in Norton Sound, Alaska, and south to southeastern Alaska (Sitka) and Japan (Honshu).

**Notes.**—Dorst and Mougin in Mayr and Cottrell (1979) considered *P. urile* and *P. pelagicus* to constitute a superspecies, but overlap in breeding distribution appears extensive.

**Phalacrocorax pelagicus** Pallas. Pelagic Cormorant.

*Phalacrocorax pelagicus* Pallas, 1811, Zoogr. Rosso-Asiat. 2: 303. (maris Camtschatici orientalis et Americanarum insularum incola = Aleutian Islands.)

**Habitat.**—Coastal Waters; nests on cliffs on islands and along rocky coasts.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from the southern Chukchi Sea (Cape Lisburne and Cape Thompson, Alaska) south through the Bering Sea to the Aleutian Islands, and along the Pacific coast of North America to northern Baja California (Los Coronados Islands), and from Wrangel Island east along the Arctic coast of Siberia to the Bering Strait, and south to northern Japan (Honshu).

*Winters* from the Aleutian Islands and southern Alaska south to central Baja California (casually to Cape San Lucas), and from Kamchatka south to China.

Casual north to northern Alaska (Point Barrow). Accidental in the northwestern Hawaiian Islands (Midway, Laysan) and inland California (Mono County).

**Notes.**—See comments under *P. urile*.

Family ANHINGIDAE: Darters

**Genus ANHINGA** Brisson


*Anhinga anhinga* (Linnaeus). Anhinga


**Habitat.**—Fresh-water swamps, lakes, and sluggish streams at low elevations and, in tropical regions, around brackish lagoons and in mangroves; nests in trees (0–900 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from central and eastern Texas, southeastern Oklahoma, southern and eastern Arkansas, southeastern Missouri (formerly), western Tennessee, southern Illinois (formerly), north-central Mississippi, southern Alabama, southern Georgia, and coastal North Carolina south to southern Florida, Cuba, and the Isle of Pines, and from Sinaloa and the Gulf coast south along both lowlands of Mexico and through Central America and South America (including Trinidad and Tobago) west of the Andes to Ecuador and east of the Andes to northern Argentina and Uruguay.

*Winters* from central South Carolina, southern Georgia, Florida, and the Gulf coast southward, being essentially resident in Cuba, the Isle of Pines, and Middle America and South America.

Casual north to northern California, Arizona, Colorado, Nebraska, Illinois, Wisconsin, southern Ontario, Ohio, New Jersey, and Maryland, and to the Florida Keys, Bahamas (Andros), Cayman Islands, Haiti, and Grenada; sight reports for Massachusetts.

**Notes.**—Also known as American Darter. The relationship of *A. anhinga* to the Old World forms *A. rufa* (Daudin, 1802) of Africa, *A. melanogaster* Pennant, 1769, of Southeast Asia, and *A. novaehollandiae* (Gould, 1847) of the Australian region, remains in doubt; all forms constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970; Dorst and Mougin in Mayr and Cottrell 1979).
Family FREGATIDAE: Frigatebirds

Genus FREGATA Lacépède

Fregata Lacépède, 1799, Tabl. Mamm. Ois., p. 15. Type, by subsequent designation (Daudin, 1802), Pelecanus aquilus Linnaeus.

Fregata magnificens Mathews. Magnificent Frigatebird.

Fregata minor magnificens Mathews, 1914, Austral Avian Rec. 2: 20. (Barrington, Indefatigable, Albemarle Islands = Barrington Island, Galapagos.)

Habitat.—Coastal Waters, Pelagic Waters, Mangrove Forest; nests on islands in low trees and shrubs.

Distribution.—Breeds in the Revillagigedo Islands (San Benedicto), off Baja California (Santa Margarita Island), Nayarit (Isabela and the Tres Marietas islands), Oaxaca (Natartiac Island in Laguna Superior; near Punta Paloma in Mar Muerte), Honduras (Isla Pájaro in the Gulf of Fonseca), Costa Rica (Isla Bolaños), Panama (many islets in the Gulf of Chiriquí and Bay of Panama), and South America (Colombia, Ecuador, and the Galapagos Islands); in the Atlantic-Caribbean region in Florida (Dry Tortugas and, formerly, Marquesas Key), on the central coast of Texas (Aransas County, formerly) and the coast of Veracruz (Laguna de Tamiahua, Roca Partida), off the Yucatan Peninsula and Belize (Man-of-war Cay), widely in the Bahamas and Antilles (south to St. Kitts and east to Barbuda in the northern Lesser Antilles), in the Cayman (Little Cayman) and Swan (Little Swan) islands, on islands north of Venezuela (Los Hermanos and Margarita east to Tobago), in the Grenadines of the southern Lesser Antilles, and locally along the South American coast to southern Brazil; and in the Cape Verde Islands, off western Africa.

Ranges at sea along the Pacific coast from Baja California (rarely from northern California and casually from the Alaska Peninsula) south to northern Peru, north through the Gulf of California, and inland to the great lakes of Nicaragua, southeastern California (Salton Sea), and southern Arizona; throughout the Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Bermuda (rarely), and western Atlantic from North Carolina (casually from New England and Nova Scotia) south to northern Argentina; and in the eastern Atlantic in the vicinity of the Cape Verde Islands.

Casual or accidental in the remainder of interior North America, mostly after storms, north to central California, Colorado, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Ontario, Quebec, and Newfoundland, and in the British Isles, continental Europe, and the Azores; a sight report for Michigan.

Fregata minor (Gmelin). Great Frigatebird.


Habitat.—Pelagic Waters; nests on islands in trees or on low vegetation.

Distribution.—Breeds on islands in the Pacific Ocean from the Revillagigedo Islands (San Benedicto), off Costa Rica (Cocos Island), in the Galapagos Islands, and from the Hawaiian Islands (Kure east to Niihau) and South China Sea south to northeastern Australia (Raine Island), the Fiji and Tuamotu islands, and Sala-γ-Gomez Island (off Chile); in the South Atlantic on Trindade Island and Martín Vas Rocks (off Brazil); and in the Indian Ocean from Aldabra and the Seychelles east to Christmas Island.

Ranges at sea generally in the vicinity of the breeding areas, and occurring throughout the Hawaiian Islands, north to Japan and south to southeastern Australia and New Zealand; not certainly recorded (sight reports only) from the Pacific coast of North or South America.

Fregata ariel (Gray). Lesser Frigatebird.

Atagen Ariel (Gould MS) G. R. Gray, 1845, Genera Birds 3: [669], col. pl. [185]. (No locality given = Raine Island, Queensland.)

Habitat.—Pelagic Waters; nests on islands primarily in low bushes or trees.

Distribution.—Breeds in the South Pacific off northern Australia (northwestern West Australia east to Raine Island, Queensland), in New Caledonia, and from the Howland, Line and Marquesas islands south to the Fiji, Tonga, and Tuamotu islands; in the South Atlantic at Trindade Island and Martin Vas Rocks, off Brazil; and in the western Indian Ocean in the Aldabra Islands.

Ranges widely at sea, especially in the Pacific Ocean, north regularly through Indonesia, the South China Sea and western Pacific to Korea, Japan, and Kamchatka, and casually to the northwestern Hawaiian Islands (Kure, French Frigate Shoals); also recorded in the South Atlantic not far from the breeding grounds, and in the Indian Ocean in the Mascarene Islands.

Accidental in Maine (Deer Island, Hancock County, 3 July 1960; Snyder 1961) and Siberia.

Notes.—Also known as Least Frigatebird.

Order CICONIIFORMES: Herons, Ibises, Storks, American Vultures, and Allies

Notes.—The monophyly of the Ciconiiformes, the relationships among the subgroups within it, and the relationships between this order and others are by no means clear. For a summary of these problems, see Sibley and Ahlquist (1972).

Suborder ARDEAE: Herons, Bitterns, and Allies

Family ARDEIDAE: Herons, Bitterns, and Allies

Notes.—Recent studies of genetic and vocal characters (Sheldon 1987, Sheldon et al. 1995, McCracken and Sheldon 1997) support the traditional arrangement used here in most ways; the relationships of Butorides might be with the Nycticoracini rather than the Ardeini.

Tribe BOTATORINI: Bitterns

Genus BOTATORUS Stephens


Botaurus pinnatus (Wagler). Pinnated Bittern.

Ardea pinnata (Lichtenstein MS) Wagler, 1829, Isis von Oken, col. 662. (Bahia, Brazil.)

Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes (0–2600 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident locally in the lowlands of Middle America in southeastern Mexico (Veracruz, Tabasco, Yucatan Peninsula, Chiapas), Belize, El Salvador (Laguna Jocotolal, Nicaragua (Managua, Río San Juan), and Costa Rica (Río Frío district, Guanacaste, Turrialba); and locally in South America in central Colombia and western Ecuador, and east of the Andes from southern Venezuela and the Guianas south to northern Argentina, Uruguay, and southern Brazil (generally absent from Amazonia).

Notes.—Sibley and Monroe (1990) considered B. pinnatus and B. lentiginosus to represent a superspecies. Mayr and Short (1970) considered all species in Botaurus to represent a superspecies.

Botaurus lentiginosus (Rackett). American Bittern.


Habitat.—Fresh-water and brackish marshes, usually with tall vegetation.
**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from extreme southeastern Alaska, central interior British Columbia, southern Mackenzie, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, and Newfoundland south locally to southern California, central Arizona (formerly), southern New Mexico, Texas, central Arkansas, central and western Tennessee, western Kentucky, central Ohio, southern Pennsylvania, northeastern West Virginia, eastern Maryland, and eastern Virginia; at least formerly also bred in Louisiana, Florida, Puebla, and México.

*Winters* from east-central British Columbia, western Washington, western Oregon, northern Nevada, northern and central Utah, northern Arizona, central New Mexico, northern Texas, the Gulf states and southern New England (casually farther north) south to southern Mexico and Cuba, rarely (or formerly) to Costa Rica and Panama, and to the Swan and Cayman islands, Greater Antilles (east to the Virgin Islands), Bahamas, and Bermuda.

Casual or accidental north to Keewatin and Labrador, south to the Lesser Antilles (Martimique), on Clipperton Island, and in Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, British Isles, continental Europe, the Azores, and Canary Islands.

**Notes.**—See comments under *B. pinnatus*.

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**Genus IXOBRYCHUS** Billberg


*Ixobrychus sinensis* (Gmelin). Yellow Bittern.


**Habitat.**—Tall emergent vegetation in marshes (0–3100 m).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in Asia and the Australasian region from India, China, and southeastern Siberia south to Indonesia, New Guinea, and the Solomon Islands, and *winters* in the southern portion of the breeding range.


**Notes.**—Also known as Chinese Little Bittern or Chinese Bittern. See comments under *I. exilis*.

*Ixobrychus exilis* (Gmelin). Least Bittern.


**Habitat.**—Tall emergent vegetation in marshes, primarily fresh-water, reedbeds, sedges, less commonly in coastal brackish marshes and mangrove swamps (Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* locally in western North America in southern Oregon, interior and southern coastal California, southern Arizona, and Baja California; in central and eastern North America from southern Manitoba, northeastern and south-central North Dakota, northwestern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, extreme southeastern Quebec, eastern Maine, and southern New Brunswick south to western and southern Texas, the Gulf coast, Florida, the Greater Antilles, and probably on Grand Cayman in the Cayman Islands, and west to southern Montana (probably), Utah (rare), northeastern Colorado (local), and south-central New Mexico; in western Mexico from Sonora (Kino Bay) south to Guerrero; in eastern Mexico south to southern Veracruz; in Central America in Guatemala, Belize, El Salvador (Lake Oloymega, Laguna El Ocotal), Honduras (Lake Yojola, Copén), *Nicaragua*, Costa Rica (Guanacaste), Panama (Canal area), and probably elsewhere in Middle America; in the Lesser Antilles on Guadeloupe and Marie Galante, probably also Dominica; and in South America in northern Colombia, northern Venezuela, Trinidad, the Guianas, coastal Peru, northern Bolivia, Paraguay, eastern Brazil, and northern Argentina.

*Winters* from southern and (rarely) central California, southwestern Arizona, southern Texas, northern Florida (rarely the Gulf coast), and Bermuda (rarely, uncommon in migration) south throughout the Greater Antilles and Middle America through the breeding range in...
South America. Breeding populations south of the United States are mostly sedentary; North American breeding birds winter as far south as Panama and Colombia.

Casual north to southern British Columbia, southern Saskatchewan, southern Quebec, and Newfoundland, and throughout most western states where breeding has not been verified. Accidental on Clipperton Island, Bermuda, Iceland, and the Azores.

Notes.—*Ixobrychus exilis*, *I. sinensis*, and *I. minutus* (Linnaeus, 1766), including the Australasian *I. novaezelandiae* (Potts, 1871) constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970; Payne in Mayr and Cottrell 1979). Vocal differences among Neotropical populations (Behrs-tock 1996) suggest that more than one species may be involved. The rare, dark color-morph of *I. exilis* was once considered a separate species, *I. neoxena* [Cory’s Least Bittern] (see summary in Pittaway and Burke 1996).

Tribe TIGRISOMATINI: Tiger-Herons

Genus *TIGRISOMA* Swainson


Notes.—Members of this genus are sometimes known under the group name Tiger-Bittern.

*Tigrisoma lineatum* (Boddaert). Rufescent Tiger-Heron.

*Ardea lineata* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 52. Based on “L’Onoré rayé, de Cayenne” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., p. 860. (Cayenne.)

Habitat.—Interior of shaded forests and along forest streams, wooded swamps, open marshes (South America only), less commonly in mangroves (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident [lineatum group] in Middle America on the Caribbean slope of extreme eastern Honduras (Gracias a Dios), Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and Panama (east to San Blas, also on the Pacific slope in Darién), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and Trinidad south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to northeastern Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil; and [marmoratum group] in Bolivia (except northeastern), eastern and southern Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay, and northern Argentina.

Reports from Chiapas and Guatemala are unsatisfactory.

Notes.—Groups: *T. lineatum* [Lineated Tiger-Heron] and *T. marmoratum* (Vieillot, 1817) [Banded Tiger-Heron].

*Tigrisoma fasciatum* (Such). Fasciated Tiger-Heron.

*Ardea fasciata* Such, 1825, Zool. J. 2: 117. (Brazil.)

Habitat.—Rivers, Streams, in hilly regions (0–2400 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in Costa Rica (Caribbean slope foothills of the Cordillera Central and Cordillera Talamanca) and Panama (primarily Caribbean slope from Bocas del Toro to San Blas, and in Darién); and in South America from Colombia and Venezuela south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to southern Argentina and southeastern Brazil.

Notes.—For use of *T. fasciatum* instead of *T. salmoni* Scletar and Salvin, 1875, see Eisenmann (1965).

*Tigrisoma mexicanum* Swainson. Bare-throated Tiger-Heron.

*Tigrisoma mexicana* Swainson, 1834, in Murray, Encycl. Geogr., p. 1383. (Real del Monte, [Hidalgo,] Mexico.)

Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes, Rivers, Streams (0–800 m; Tropical Zone).
Distribution.—Resident from southern Sonora, southern San Luis Potosí, and southern Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America to eastern Panama (Pacific slope throughout, including the Pearl Islands, Isla Coiba, and several smaller islets; Caribbean slope in San Blas) and northwestern Colombia (lower Atrato Valley).

Notes.—Formerly placed in the monotypic genus Heterocnus.

Tribe ARDEINI: Typical Herons

Genus ARDEA Linnaeus

Ardea Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 141. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), Ardea cinerea Linnaeus.


Notes.—Studies by Payne and Risley (1976) of skeletal characters, and by Sheldon (1987) and Sibley and Ahlquist (1990) of DNA-DNA hybridization indicate that Casmerodius should not be separated from Ardea.

Ardea herodias Linnaeus. Great Blue Heron.


Habitat.—Fresh-water, brackish, and (rarely) salt marshes, along lakes, rivers, and lagoons, and mangroves; in winter also on seacoasts, shorelines of bays, and mudflats (0–2500 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds [herodias group] from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska (west to Prince William Sound), coastal and southern interior British Columbia, northern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, southern Quebec (Gaspé Peninsula), New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south, at least locally, throughout the United States and much of lowland Mexico to Nayarit, Tabasco, the Gulf coast, and interior southern Florida, also in the Galapagos Islands; and [occidentalis group] in southern coastal Florida (from Florida Keys north to the Tampa area and Key Biscayne), Cuba, the Isle of Pines, St. Thomas, Anegada (possibly), the coast of the Yucatan Peninsula, and Los Roques off the northern coast of Venezuela, with probable breeding elsewhere in the Greater Antilles and on other islands off Venezuela.

Winters [herodias group] from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska, the coast of British Columbia and Washington, Idaho, western and central Montana, northern Wyoming, central Nebraska, central Missouri, central Wisconsin (rarely), southern Michigan, the Ohio Valley, southern Ontario, and the southern New England coast (casually farther north) south throughout the southern United States, Middle America, Bermuda, and the West Indies to northern Colombia, northern Venezuela, and (rarely) to western Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands; and [occidentalis group] primarily in the vicinity of the breeding range and along the coasts of Venezuela and on islands offshore (east to Tobago and Trinidad).

Wanders widely [herodias group] west to Cook Inlet, Alaska, and north to the Arctic coast of Alaska (casually), southern Yukon, northern British Columbia, the Revillagigedo Islands, southern Keewatin, Hudson Bay (rarely), northern Quebec, Anticosti Island, and Newfoundland; and [occidentalis group] north in peninsular Florida and casually along the Gulf coast west to Texas and the Atlantic coast to North Carolina, and in the Bahamas. Casual or accidental [herodias group] in the Hawaiian Islands (from Kauai to Hawaii), northwestern Alaska (Wainwright), Clipperton Island, Greenland, the Azores, and Spain; and [occidentalis group] in Pennsylvania.

Notes.—The white and mixed white and blue forms have often been considered as a separate species, A. occidentalis Audubon, 1835 [Great White Heron], but are now generally regarded as being conspecific with A. herodias (Mayr 1956, Meyerriecks 1957); a juvenile white morph in an all-blue colony was discovered in Texas (McHenry and Dyes 1983).
Ardea cinerea, A. cocoi, and A. herodias constitute a superspecies (Payne in Mayr and Cottrell 1979).

Ardea cinerea Linnaeus. Gray Heron.

Ardea cinerea Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 143. (in Europa = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Breeds in habitats similar to those of A. herodias.

Distribution.—Breeds from the British Isles and Scandinavia east to Sakhalin and throughout much of Eurasia south locally to South Africa and the East Indies, wandering within this range after the breeding season.

Casual in Greenland, the Lesser Antilles (Montserrat, Martinique, Barbados), Trinidad, French Guiana, and Amazonian Brazil.

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as the Heron. See comments under A. herodias.

Ardea cocoi Linnaeus. Cocoi Heron.


Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes, Freshwater Lakes and Ponds, Rivers (0–900 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in eastern Panama (eastern Panamá province and eastern Darién) and throughout lowland South America (including Trinidad) south to southern Chile and southern Argentina.

Casual in central Panama (west to the Canal area). Accidental in the Falkland Islands.

Notes.—Also known as White-necked Heron. See comments under A. herodias.

Ardea alba (Linnaeus). Great Egret.

Ardea alba Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 144. (in Europa = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Marshes, swampy woods, tidal estuaries, lagoons, mangroves, and along streams; in winter, also in roadside ditches, canals, and wet fields (0–1500 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds in North America locally from central Washington, southern Oregon, and southern Idaho south through California, Nevada, and southwestern Arizona, and from southeastern Saskatchewan (rarely), southwestern Manitoba, South Dakota, central Minnesota, western and southern Wisconsin, northwestern and southern Michigan, northern Ohio, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec (Dickerson Island), and New England south through the Gulf states, west locally to eastern Colorado, southern New Mexico, and southwestern Texas, along both slopes of Mexico (also locally in the interior), and through the Bahamas, Antilles, Middle America and South America to southern Chile and southern Argentina, also the Galapagos Islands; in the Old World from central Europe east to Ussuriland and Japan, and south to Turkey, Iran, India, China, most of Southeast Asia, the East Indies, the Philippines, New Guinea, Australia, and New Zealand; and locally in Africa south of the Sahara and in Madagascar.

Winters in North America from coastal Oregon, northern California, central Nevada, central Utah, central New Mexico, central Texas, the Gulf coast region, coastal Maryland, and Bermuda (rarely) south throughout Mexico and the remainder of the breeding range in the Americas to the Straits of Magellan (casually the Falkland Islands); in the Old World from the Mediterranean coast of Africa, the Red Sea, Persian Gulf, central India, China, Korea, and Japan south through the breeding range in Southeast Asia to Australia and New Zealand; and in the breeding range in Africa and Madagascar.

Wanders north irregularly in North America to northwestern and central British Columbia, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southeastern Manitoba, south-coastal and eastern Quebec, Maine, and Newfoundland, casually to southern Alaska (west to Kodiak Island) and South Georgia; and in Europe to the British Isles, Scandinavia, and the Baltic states, casually to the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island), Clipperton Island, the Canary Islands, and southern Africa.
Accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu, Maui).

Notes.—Formerly placed in the monotypic genus *Casmerodius*; placed by some authors (e.g., Blake 1977) in *Egretta*. Also known as Common Egret or American Egret and, in Old World literature, as Great White Heron.

Genus *EGRETTA* Forster


*Egretta eulophotes* (Swinhoe). Chinese Egret.

*Herodias eulophotes* Swinhoe, 1860, Ibis, p. 64. (Amoy, China.)

Habitat.—Shallow tidal estuaries, mudflats, bays.

Distribution.—Formerly bred from the mouth of the Amur River south along the coast of Asia to at least Hong Kong. Now drastically reduced in numbers, with breeding colonies in North Korea, South Korea, Shandong, and Hebei provinces in China, and possibly between the Amur River delta and Vladivostok and other parts of its former range.

Winters from the Malay Peninsula east to the Philippines and Sulawesi. Wanders widely from northern Japan southward, accidentally to Christmas Island (Indian Ocean).


*Egretta garzetta* (Linnaeus). Little Egret.

*Ardea Garzetta* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 237. (in Oriente = northeastern Italy.)

Habitat.—Marshy areas.

Distribution.—Breeds locally in southern Europe, Africa, Madagascar, and from Southeast Asia and Japan south to Australia and New Guinea.

Winters principally in Southeast Asia and the African and Australian regions.

Accidental in Quebec (Cacouna area), Newfoundland, Nova Scotia (Bon Portage Island), New Hampshire (Rye), Massachusetts (Plum Island, Nantucket), Virginia (Chincoteague), Bermuda, Puerto Rico (Culebra Island), St. Lucia, Martinique, Trinidad, and Surinam.

Notes.—*Egretta garzetta*, *E. gularis*, *E. dimorpha* Hartert, 1914, and *E. thula* appear to constitute a superspecies (Payne in Mayr and Cottrell 1979, Sibley and Monroe 1990).

*Egretta gularis* (Bosc). Western Reef-Heron.


Habitat—Seacoasts, estuaries, and mudflats.

Distribution.—[*gularis* group] western Africa from Mauritania to Nigeria, ranging (at least casually) north to the Azores, Cape Verde Islands, and Spain, and south to Gabon; and [*schistacea* group] from the Red Sea and Persian Gulf to western India, ranging to southern India and Sri Lanka.

Accidental in Massachusetts (Nantucket, 12 April-September 1983, numerous observers and photos, dark-morph bird identifiable to *gularis*; Cardillo et al. 1983); in addition, several birds have been reported from Barbados, presumably also representing the *gularis* group.
Egretta thula (Molina). Snowy Egret.

Habitat.—Marshes, lakes, ponds, lagoons, mangroves, and shallow coastal habitats (0–1500 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds from eastern Oregon, northern California, northern Nevada, southeastern Idaho, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, central Kansas, central Oklahoma, Arkansas, southeastern Missouri, northeastern Wisconsin, southern Illinois, southern Ontario, northwestern Ohio, and the Gulf and Atlantic coasts (north to Maine) south, primarily in coastal lowlands (locally in the interior) through the United States, Greater Antilles, Cayman Islands, Middle America, and South America to southern Chile and central Argentina.

Winters from western Oregon (rarely), northern California, southwestern Arizona, Mexico, the Gulf coast, and coastal South Carolina south throughout the breeding range in the West Indies, Middle America, and South America.

Wanders irregularly north to southwestern British Columbia, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, northern Ontario, southern Quebec, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland; also to the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu, Maui, Hawaii), Bahamas, and throughout the Lesser Antilles, regularly to Bermuda, uncommonly to the Galapagos Islands. Accidental in Iceland and in the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island; sight report), on Clipperton Island, Tristan da Cunha, and South Georgia; a sight report for southeastern Alaska.

Notes.—This species was formerly placed in the monotypic genus Leucophoyx. See comments under E. garzetta.

Egretta caerulea (Linnaeus). Little Blue Heron.

Habitat.—Swamps, marshes, ponds, lakes, meadows, streams, and mangroves; primarily in fresh-water habitats (0–1500 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds locally from southern California (rarely; since 1979), Baja California, southern Sonora, southern New Mexico (rarely), south-central Colorado (once), north-central Texas, central Oklahoma, central Kansas, southeastern Missouri, southern Illinois, west-central Indiana, northwestern Ohio, northern Alabama, southern Georgia, and the Atlantic coast (north to Maine), and south along both slopes of Mexico (also in the interior in Jalisco and Guanajuato) and Middle America, through the Gulf coast region and West Indies, and in South America (including Tobago and Trinidad) from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas west of the Andes to central Peru and east of the Andes (mostly coastal lowlands) to eastern Bolivia, central Brazil, and Uruguay; also sporadically in North Dakota, South Dakota, and central Minnesota.

Winters from southwestern California, southern Sonora, the Gulf coast, and coastal Virginia south throughout most of the breeding range and South America (to northern Chile).

Wanders irregularly north to northern California, Oregon, southeastern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northern Ontario, southern Quebec, southern Labrador, Newfoundland, and Nova Scotia. Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu), southwestern British Columbia, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Utah, Chile, western Greenland, and the Azores.

Notes.—This species was formerly placed in the monotypic genus Florida.
Egretta tricolor (Müller). Tricolored Heron.


**Habitat.**—Primarily coastal marshes, but also locally inland in swamps, lakes, and rivers, especially near coast (0–700 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southern Sonora, southeastern New Mexico, north-central and northeastern Texas, southern Arkansas, the Gulf states, and the Atlantic coast (north to southern Maine) south along both slopes of Middle America (including Baja California) and South America (including interior) to central Peru and northeastern Brazil; and in the Bahamas, Greater Antilles (east to St. Thomas and St. Croix), and on Providencia and San Andrés islands in the western Caribbean Sea. Casual or rare breeding inland in North Dakota, South Dakota, and central Kansas.

*Winters* from Baja California, southern Sonora, southeastern Texas, the Gulf coast, and the Atlantic coast (north to New Jersey, casually farther) south through the remainder of the breeding range.

Wanders irregularly (or casually) north to California, Oregon, Utah, southern New Mexico, Colorado and, east of the Rockies, to southern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, Ontario, southern Quebec, southern New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland, also to the Lesser Antilles (south to Barbados); a sight report for Socorro Island; accidental in the Azores.

**Notes.**—Also known as Louisiana Heron. This species was formerly placed in the monotypic genus *Hydranassa*.

Egretta rufescens (Gmelin). Reddish Egret.


**Habitat.**—Brackish marshes, sandy beaches, and other shallow coastal habitats; suitable nesting habitat requires low trees, primarily red mangrove, for nest sites (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in Baja California (north to San Quintín on the Pacific coast and Isla San Luis in the Gulf of California), and along the coast of Sonora (Tobari Bay), Sinaloa (Isla Las Tunas), and Oaxaca (Mar Muerto); along the Gulf coast of Texas (Cameron to Chambers counties), Louisiana (vicinity of Chandeleur Sound), and Alabama (Cat Island); in southern Florida (north to Merritt Island and the Tampa area), the northwestern Bahamas (Grand Bahama, Abaco, Andros, and Great Inagua), Cuba, the Isle of Pines, and Hispaniola (formerly Jamaica); and on the coast of the Yucatan Peninsula (including offshore islands) and in northern Belize.

*Winters* primarily in the breeding range, north regularly (but rarely) to southwestern (casually central coastal) California; along the Gulf coast (from Texas to Florida) and Georgia (casually north to Delaware); and south along the Pacific coast to Costa Rica, and in the Caribbean to Belize, the Cayman Islands, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and the northern coast of Venezuela (also the Netherlands Antilles east to Margarita Island).


**Notes.**—This species was formerly placed in the monotypic genus * Dichromannassa*.

Genus *BUBULCUS* Bonaparte


**Notes.**—By some merged in the Old World genus *Ardeola* Boie, 1822, or in *Egretta* (e.g., Payne in Mayr and Cottrell 1979); affinities remain uncertain (Sheldon 1987).
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*Bubulcus ibis* (Linnaeus). Cattle Egret.


**Habitat.**—Primarily pastures, especially where cattle or horses are actively grazing, lawns, and roadsides; occasionally in flooded fields and marshes; requires low trees and bushes for nest sites (Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* [ibis group] in the Western Hemisphere locally from central (casually northwestern) California, eastern Oregon, southern Utah, Colorado, North Dakota, southern Saskatchewan (rarely), Minnesota, Wisconsin, southern Michigan, southern Ontario, northern Ohio, eastern Pennsylvania, and Maine south, primarily in coastal lowlands (very scattered inland localities) through Middle America, the Gulf and Atlantic states, West Indies, and South America (including Tobago, Trinidad, and the Galapagos Islands) to northern Chile and northern Argentina, and in southern Europe from the Mediterranean region east to the Caspian Sea, and south throughout most of Africa (except the Sahara), including Madagascar and islands in the Indian Ocean; and *[coromanda group]* in Southeast Asia from India east to eastern China, Japan, and the Ryukyu Islands, and south throughout the Philippines and East Indies to New Guinea and Australia.

*Winters* [ibis group] in the Americas through much of the breeding range from western Oregon, northern California, coastal Texas, the Gulf states, and Florida south through the West Indies, Middle America, and South America; frequent vagrant to Bermuda; and in the Old World from southern Spain and northern Africa south and east through the remainder of the breeding range in Africa and southwestern Asia; and *[coromanda group]* from southern Asia and the Philippines south throughout Indonesia and the Australian region.

*Wanders* [ibis group] to Clipperton Island and South Georgia, and north, at least casually, to southeastern Alaska, southern Mackenzie, southern Canada (from British Columbia east to Nova Scotia and Newfoundland); also to Eurasia north to Iceland, the British Isles, continental Europe, and the eastern Atlantic islands; and *[coromanda group]* to Johnston Island, Micronesia (east to Pohnpei), and New Caledonia; accidental *[coromanda group]* in Alaska (Agattu, in the Aleutians, 19 June 1988; Gibson and Kessel 1992).

Introduced [ibis group] (in 1959) and established on most of the larger Hawaiian Islands, wandering to French Frigate Shoals and Midway.

**Notes.**—Also known as Buff-backed Heron. Groups: *B. ibis* [Common Cattle-Egret] and *B. coromanda* (Boddaert, 1783) [Eastern Cattle-Egret]. This species apparently spread to the New World (Guianas in South America) in the late 1870's, reaching Florida by the early 1940's; the range is still expanding.

Genus *BUTORIDES* Blyth


**Notes.**—Sometimes merged with the Old World *Ardeola* Boie, 1822 (e.g., Payne in Mayr and Cottrell 1979).

*Butorides virescens* (Linnaeus). Green Heron.


**Habitat.**—Primarily wooded wetlands, especially swamps, ponds, rivers, lakes, lagoons, marshes, and mangroves (Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from extreme southwestern British Columbia (including south-eastern Vancouver Island), western Washington, western Oregon, northern California, west-central and southern Nevada, southern Idaho, probably, southern Utah, western and central Arizona, north-central New Mexico, the western edge of the Great Plains states (north to eastern Colorado, eastern North Dakota, eastern South Dakota), southern Manitoba, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, and southern New Brunswick south through Middle America, the eastern United States and West Indies to eastern...
Panama (including the Pearl Islands), islands off the north coast of Venezuela (Aruba east to La Tortuga and Blanquilla), and Tobago.

Winters from southwestern British Columbia, coastal and southeastern California, southern Arizona, southern Texas, the Gulf states (casually Tennessee), northern Florida, South Carolina, and Bermuda (rarely, regular on migration) south throughout the breeding range (also in the Bahama Islands) to northern Colombia and northern Venezuela.


Notes.—See comments under B. striatus.

Butorides striatus (Linnaeus). Striated Heron.

Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes, Saltwater/Brackish Marshes, Mangrove Forest, Rivers, Streams (0–1900 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the Americas from eastern Panama (eastern Panamá province and Darién), Colombia, Venezuela (including Margarita Island), and Trinidad south to southern Peru, Chile (rarely), central Argentina and Uruguay, also in the Galapagos Islands; and in the Old World from the Red Sea to the Gulf of Aden, in Africa south of the Sahara, on islands in the Indian Ocean, and from northern China, the Amur Valley and Japan (northern populations in eastern Asia are migratory) south throughout Southeast Asia, the East Indies and Philippines to Australia and southern Polynesia.

Wanders north to Costa Rica (Guancaste, Cocos Island) and St. Vincent (Lesser Antilles).

Notes.—Butorides virescens was considered conspecific with B. striatus (A.O.U. 1983) because intermediate specimens have been reported (Payne 1974); however, hybridization in zones of contact is limited without demonstrated introgression, and no mixed pairings are known (Monroe and Browning 1992). When the two species are considered conspecific, Green-backed Heron, Striated Heron, or Little Heron have been used as the English name. Butorides sundevalli (Reichenow, 1877) of the Galapagos Islands is sometimes considered conspecific with striatus (e.g., Payne in Mayr and Cottrell 1979).

Genus AGAMIA Reichenbach


Agamia agami (Gmelin). Agami Heron.

Habitat.—River-edge Forest, Gallery Forest, Freshwater Lakes and Ponds (0–600 m; Tropical, occasionally to Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident locally from southern Veracruz, Tabasco, Chiapas (including Pacific coast), southern Campeche, and Quintana Roo south through eastern Guatemala (Petén), Belize, northern Honduras (La Ceiba), Costa Rica, and Panama (not recorded Nicaragua), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

Casual in Nuevo León (Contreras B. 1988, a specimen record, contra Howell and Webb 1995).

Notes.—Also known as Chestnut-bellied Heron.

Genus PILHERODIUS Bonaparte

**Pilherodius pileatus** (Boddaert). Capped Heron.

*Ardea pileata* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 54. Based on "Heron blanc, hupé de Cayenne" Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 907. (Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Freshwater Marshes, Freshwater Lakes and Ponds, Rivers (0–900 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident from eastern Panama (primarily in Darién but recorded west to Canal area), Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia, northern Paraguay, and eastern Brazil (to Santa Catarina).

Tribe NYCTICORACINI: Night-Herons

**Genus NYCTICORAX** Forster


**Nycticorax nycticorax** (Linnaeus). Black-crowned Night-Heron.

*Ardea Nycticorax* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 142. (in Europa australi = southern Europe.)

**Habitat.**—Marshes, swamps, ponds, lakes, rivers, streams, lagoons, and mangroves (0–440 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in the Western Hemisphere from extreme southwestern British Columbia (Reifel Island), central Washington, southern Idaho, Montana, east-central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northwestern and central Minnesota, central Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, northeastern New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia south locally through the United States, Middle America, the Bahamas, Greater Antilles, and South America to Tierra del Fuego and the Falkland Islands; and in the Old World from the Netherlands, central and southern Europe and northwestern Africa east to south-central Russia, and south locally through East and South Africa, on Madagascar, and from Asia Minor east across Southeast Asia to eastern China and Japan, and south to the Philippines and East Indies.

**Winters** in the Western Hemisphere from western Washington, southern Oregon, southern Nevada, northern Utah, Colorado, southern Texas, the southern Great Lakes and southern New England (casually farther north) south throughout the breeding range, becoming more widespread in winter (including Bermuda, Cayman Islands, and through the Lesser Antilles); and in the Old World in Africa south of the Sahara (most European populations), and from Asia Minor across Southeast Asia to Japan, and southward.

**Resident** in the Pacific from the Hawaiian Islands (west to Niihau) south locally through the islands of Polynesia.

Wanders north in North America to southern British Columbia, northern Wisconsin, central Ontario, central Quebec, and Newfoundland; and in Europe to Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, British Isles, Scandinavia, and the eastern Atlantic islands. Casual in the western Hawaiian Islands (Kure, Midway), southern Alaska (St. Paul Island in the Pribilofs; Attu, Shemya, and Atka in the Aleutians; and at Juneau), Clipperton Island, and Greenland.

**Notes.**—Also known as Night Heron in European literature. *Nycticorax nycticorax* and *N. caledonicus* (Gmelin, 1789), of Polynesia and the Australian region, constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970; Payne in Mayr and Cottrell 1979).

**Genus NYCTANASSA** Stejneger


**Nyctanassa violacea** (Linnaeus). Yellow-crowned Night-Heron.

Habitat.—Primarily wooded wetlands, especially swamps, lakes, lagoons, and mangroves; sometimes nests in wooded suburbs (Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds from central Baja California (both slopes), central Sonora, central and northeastern Texas, central Oklahoma, east-central Colorado (rarely), Kansas, southeastern Nebraska, southern and eastern Iowa, southeastern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, southern Michigan, the lower Ohio Valley, eastern Tennessee, southeastern Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, and southern Maine (rarely) south along both slopes of Mexico, the Gulf coast, Bahamas, Antilles, Middle America (including Socorro Island in the Revillagigedo Islands and Isla Maria Madre in the Tres Marías Islands), and South America (including the Galapagos Islands) on the Pacific coast to extreme northern Peru and on the Caribbean-Atlantic coast to eastern Brazil.

Winters from central Baja California, central Sonora, the Gulf coast (locally), and coastal South Carolina south throughout the remainder of the breeding range.

Introduced and breeding in Bermuda (since 1979), where formerly considered casual.

Wanders, at least casually, north as far as central California, southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, Montana, North Dakota, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, southern New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Nova Scotia, and to Clipperton Island.

Notes.—This species was placed in the genus Nycticorax in the 6th edition but was subsequently (A.O.U. 1989: 533) treated in Nyctanassa, based on Sheldon (1987).

Tribe COCHLEARIINI: Boat-billed Herons

Genus COCHLEARIUS Brisson

Cochlearius Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 48; 5: 506. Type, by tautonymy, Cochlearius Brisson = Cancroma cochlearia Linnaeus.

Cochlearius cochlearius (Linnaeus). Boat-billed Heron.


Habitat.—Freshwater Lakes and Ponds, Rivers, Mangrove Forest (0–800 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident [zeledoni group] from Sinaloa in the Pacific lowlands and Tamaulipas in the Gulf-Caribbean lowlands south through Middle America (including islands off the Yucatan Peninsula) to El Salvador (at least formerly) and northern Honduras; and [cochlearius group] in Costa Rica, Panama, and South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia, northeastern Argentina and eastern Brazil.

Notes.—Groups: C. zeledoni (Ridgway, 1885) [Northern Boat-billed Heron] and C. cochlearius [Southern Boat-billed Heron].

Suborder THRESKIORNITHES: Ibises and Spoonbills

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Genus EUDOCIMUS Wagler

Eudocimus Wagler, 1832, Isis von Oken, col. 1232. Type, by subsequent designation (Reichenow, 1877), Scolopax rubra Linnaeus.

Eudocimus albus (Linnaeus). White Ibis.

Habitat.—Marshes, mangroves, lagoons, and shallow lake margins; nests primarily in wooded swamps; often also in flooded and wet fields (Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from central Baja California (lat. 27° N.), central Sinaloa, southern and eastern Texas, Louisiana, central Alabama, Florida, southeastern Georgia, and coastal North Carolina (rarely Virginia) south along both slopes of Middle America, through the Greater Antilles (Cuba, the Isle of Pines, Jamaica, and Hispaniola), and along the coasts of South America to northernmost Peru and French Guiana.

Wanders to the Cayman Islands and north, at least casually, to southern California, southern Arizona, and central New Mexico, and east of the Rockies to southeastern South Dakota, southern Michigan, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, and Nova Scotia; reports from northern (and possibly some from southern) California may be based on escapes. Casual on Clipperton Island, and in southern Idaho, Bermuda, and Puerto Rico; sight reports from Wyoming, Manitoba, North Dakota, Wisconsin, the Bahamas, and Barbados.

Notes.—Despite slight overlap in mixed colonies in Venezuela, E. albus and E. ruber appear to constitute a superspecies (Steinbacher in Mayr and Cottrell 1979). Hybridization between the two occurs in captivity and among the mixed Florida colony, also occasionally (but at a low level) under natural conditions in South America. Ramo and Busto (1985, 1987) proposed conspecificity for E. albus and E. ruber on the basis of interbreeding of the two forms in mixed colonies in Venezuela. The White Ibis population in these colonies is only about 10% of the total of thousands of birds, and the maximum number of mixed pairs (albus x ruber) recorded per year is less than 0.3% of the number of pairs breeding. As yet there is not conclusive evidence of random or nonassortative mating nor any data on the relative viability and fertility of the offspring of mixed pairs. Pending the acquisition of such information, we retain the two forms as separate species.

Eudocimus ruber (Linnaeus). Scarlet Ibis.

Scolopax rubra Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 145. Based mainly on “The Red Curlew” Catesby, Nat. Hist. Carolina 1: 84, pl. 84. (in America.)

Habitat.—Primarily in coastal swamps and lagoons, mangroves, and occasionally along rivers and marshes in drier interior areas (Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident coastally from northern Colombia east through Venezuela (including Margarita Island), Trinidad, and the Guianas to northeastern and southern Brazil.

Accidental in Florida (1874), Grenada, and eastern Ecuador; reports from Nova Scotia, Texas, Louisiana, the Bahamas, Cuba, Jamaica, Honduras, and Costa Rica are all open to question. Attempted introductions by placing eggs in nests of E. albus in southern Florida have been generally unsuccessful.

Notes.—See comments under E. albus.

Genus PLEGADIS Kaup


Plegadis falcinellus (Linnaeus). Glossy Ibis.


Habitat.—Marshes, swamps, lagoons, and margins of shallow lakes, and flooded and wet fields, with reed beds, low trees, or bushes for nest sites (Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds in North America locally from Maine (Stratton Island) and Rhode Island south to Florida, and west on the Gulf coast to south-central Louisiana (Avery Island), although largely absent between St. Mark’s, Florida, and southeastern Louisiana, also inland (formerly) in Arkansas; in southwest Campeche; in Yucatan Peninsula (including Cozumel Island); in northwestern Costa Rica (Guancaste, since 1978); in the Greater Antilles (Cuba, Hispaniola, and Puerto Rico); in South America in northern Venezuela (Aragua); and locally
in the Old World from southeastern Europe east to eastern China, India, and the Malay Peninsula, and south through East Africa to South Africa and Madagascar, and through the East Indies to Australia. Reported breeding in eastern Texas has not been verified; a breeding attempt in New Brunswick was unsuccessful.

Winters in the Americas from northern Florida and the Gulf coast of Louisiana south through the Greater Antilles (casually the Bahamas, the Cayman Islands, and northern Lesser Antilles), and in northwestern Costa Rica, Panama, and northern Venezuela; and in the Old World from the Mediterranean region east to Southeast Asia and south widely through Africa, the East Indies, and Australia.

In North America wanders, at least casually, west to Kansas and central Oklahoma, north to Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, Minnesota, Wisconsin, central Michigan, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland, east to Bermuda, and south to southeastern Mexico (Chiapas, Quintana Roo), and San Andrés; and in Eurasia to Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, British Isles, and Scandinavia. Frequent vagrant to Bermuda. Casual in Colombia and the eastern Atlantic islands; sight reports from Wyoming, Colorado, Belize, Honduras, and Costa Rica (away from Guanacaste) are not certainly identifiable to species.

Notes.—Plegadis falcinellus and P. chihi were formerly considered conspecific, but sympatric breeding occurs in Louisiana (Avery Island). Despite limited sympatry, the two constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970; Steinbacher in Mayr and Cottrell 1979).

Plegadis chihi (Vieillot). White-faced Ibis.


Habitat.—Marshes, swamps, margins of shallow lakes and rivers, mostly in fresh-water areas, and flooded and wet fields (Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds in North America locally from northern California, eastern Oregon, southern Idaho, Montana, southern Alberta (rarely), north-central North Dakota, and (formerly) southwestern Minnesota south to Durango, Jalisco (perhaps elsewhere on Mexican Plateau), southern and eastern Texas, southern Louisiana (east to Avery Island), coastal Alabama (rarely), and occasionally (or formerly) in northwestern Iowa (Spirit Lake) and possibly Florida (Brevard County and Lake Okeechobee); and in South America west of the Andes in northern and central Chile, and east of the Andes from central Bolivia, Paraguay, and extreme southern Brazil south to central Chile and central Argentina.

Winters from central California, southwestern Arizona, and the Gulf coast of Texas and southern Louisiana south through Mexico (including Baja California) to the Pacific lowlands of Guatemala; and in the general breeding range in South America.

Wanders, at least casually, to the Hawaiian Islands, north to southern British Columbia, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio, Ontario (sight report), New York (Long Island), and Massachusetts, and along the Gulf coast to Florida, and south to southwestern Campeche and, at least formerly, El Salvador and Costa Rica (Térabasa Valley), also to Clipperton Island.

Notes.—See comments under P. falcinellus.

Genus MESEMBRINIBIS Peters


Mesembrinibis cayennensis (Gmelin). Green Ibis.


Habitat.—River-edge Forest, Gallery Forest, Freshwater Marshes, Freshwater Lakes and Ponds, Rivers (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).
**Distribution.**—*Resident* from Costa Rica (Caribbean lowlands), Panama, Colombia, southern Venezuela, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia, Paraguay, northeastern Argentina and extreme southeastern Brazil; **sight reports for Nicaragua (Río San Juan)** and northeastern Honduras (Río Platano).

Genus **THERISTICUS** Wagler


**Theristicus caudatus** (Boddaert). Buff-necked Ibis.

*Scolopax caudatus* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 57. Based on “Courly à col blanc de Cayenne” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 976. (Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Pastures/Agricultural Lands (0–1200 m)

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the open areas that ring Amazonia from northern and eastern Colombia, northern Venezuela, and the Guianas south through interior and eastern Brazil to eastern Bolivia, Paraguay, and northern Argentina.

Accidental in Panama (near Pacora, eastern Panamá province; Wetmore 1965).

**Notes.**—*Theristicus caudatus*, the southern South American *T. melanopis* (Gmelin, 1789), including the high Andean *T. branickii* Berlepsch and Stolzmann, 1894, constitute a super-species (Steinbacher in Mayr and Cottrell 1979).

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**Subfamily PLATALEINAE: Spoonbills**

Genus **AJAIA** Reichenbach


**Ajaja ajaja** (Linnaeus). Roseate Spoonbill.


**Habitat.**—Marshes, swamps, ponds, margins of rivers, and lagoons; breeding habitat requires low trees and bushes for nest sites (0–800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* locally from northern Sinaloa, the Gulf coast of Texas, and southwestern Louisiana (Cameron Parish), and central and southern Florida south along both slopes of Middle America and through the Greater Antilles (Cuba, the Isle of Pines, and Hispaniola), Bahamas (Great Inagua), and South America to central Chile and central Argentina.

Wanders north to interior Louisiana east in the Gulf states to northern Florida, and north along the Atlantic coast to North Carolina; in interior Mexico north to central Durango; also widely through much of the West Indies (rare in Cayman Islands and Lesser Antilles). Casual or accidental north to central and southern California, southern Nevada, southwestern Arizona, central New Mexico, northwestern Utah, Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas, Wisconsin, Iowa, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, and the Pacific coast of Baja California south to southern Chile and the Falkland Islands.

**Notes.**—This species is sometimes placed in the genus *Platalea* (e.g., Payne in Mayr and Cottrell 1979).

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**Suborder CICONIAE: Storks and American Vultures**

Family **CICONIIDAE: Storks**

Tribe **LEPTOPTILINI: Jabirus and Allies**

Genus **JABIRU** Hellmayr

**Jabiru mycteria** (Lichtenstein). Jabiru.


**Habitat.**—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Freshwater Marshes, Freshwater Lakes, and Ponds (0–700 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in Middle America from Tabasco, Chiapas, Campeche, and Quintana Roo south through Central America (not recorded Guatemala) to Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, mostly east of the Andes, to southern Bolivia, northeastern Argentina, and Uruguay.

Wanders casually north to Veracruz (Cosamaloapan) and Texas (Kleberg, Brooks, and Hidalgo counties, Houston and Corpus Christi as well as an 1867 record from Austin). Accidental in Oklahoma (near Tulsa).

Tribe MYCTERIINI: Wood Storks

**Genus MYCTERIA** Linnaeus


*Mycteria americana* Linnaeus. Wood Stork.


**Habitat.**—Freshwater Marshes, Saltwater/Brackish Marshes, Freshwater Lakes, and Ponds, occasionally flooded fields (0–800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident (but breeding very locally in colonies only) from southern Sonora, the Gulf coast (from eastern Texas to Florida), and the Atlantic coast (from South Carolina to southern Florida) south locally along both lowlands of Middle America (including many offshore islands), in Cuba and Hispaniola (Dominican Republic, including Saona Island), and through South America west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to northern Argentina.

Wanders north to southeastern California (rarely, breeding attempted), southwestern Arizona, in the Gulf states to southern Oklahoma, Arkansas, and western Tennessee, and in the Atlantic states to North Carolina, casually north to northern California, southern Idaho, Montana, northwestern Wyoming, northeastern Colorado, South Dakota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Indiana, central Michigan, southern Ontario, New York, Maine, Magdalen Island, and southern New Brunswick. Casual in Jamaica and Grand Bahama; accidental in northwestern British Columbia (Telegraph Creek) and Chile.

**Notes.**—Also known as Wood Ibis.

**Family CATHARTIDAE: New World Vultures**

**Notes.**—A relationship between the New World vultures and storks was suggested by Ligon (1967) and supported by additional analyses of anatomy, morphology, and behavior (König 1982, Rea 1983), chemical composition of the uropygial gland (Jacob 1983), DNA-DNA hybridization studies (Sibley and Ahlquist 1990, Harshman 1994), and mitochondrial DNA sequences (Wink 1995). For a critique of many of these analyses and a contrary opinion (to retain the Cathartidae in the Falconiformes), see Griffiths (1994).

**Genus CORAGYPS** Geoffroy

*Coragyps Geoffroy, 1853, in Le Maout, Hist. Nat. Ois., p. 66. Type, by monotypy, Vultur urubu Vieillot = Vultur atratus Bechstein.*
Coragyps atratus (Bechstein). Black Vulture.

Vultur atratus Bechstein, 1793, in Latham, Allg. Uebers. Vogel 1 (Anh.): 655. Based on "The black vulture or carrion crow" Bartram, Travels Carolina, pp. 152, 289. (St. John’s River, Florida.)

Habitat.—Nearly everywhere except in heavily forested regions and open plains, primarily in lowlands; especially common in cattle country and, in tropics, around garbage dumps and towns (0–2800 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southern Arizona, Chihuahua, western Texas, eastern Oklahoma, eastern Kansas (formerly), southern Missouri, southern Illinois, southern Indiana, central Ohio, south-central Pennsylvania, and New Jersey south to the Gulf coast and southern Florida, and throughout Middle America and South America (including Trinidad and Margarita Island, off Venezuela) to central Chile and central Argentina. Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) north to southeastern New York and southern Maine. Wanders casually north to southwestern Yukon, Saskatchewan (sight report), North Dakota, Wisconsin, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia, and south to the Bahamas (Bimini); also questionably recorded (sight reports only) from California, New Mexico, and the Antilles (Cuba, Jamaica, Barbados, Grenada). Some populations appear to be partly migratory, especially the northernmost ones in the eastern United States.

Genus CATHARTES Illiger

Cathartes Illiger, 1811, Prodromus, p. 236. Type, by subsequent designation (Vigors, 1825), Vultur aura Linnaeus.

Cathartes aura (Linnaeus). Turkey Vulture.


Habitat.—Primarily areas of open woodland and open country, generally near wooded areas or cliffs for roosting and nesting, from lowlands to mountains; avoids dense forest; regularly over small coastal islands (0–2500 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds from south-coastal and southern British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, western Ontario, northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, New York, southern Vermont, southwestern and eastern New Hampshire and southeastern Maine south throughout the remaining continental United States, Middle America and South America (including Trinidad and Margarita Island, off Venezuela) to the Straits of Magellan; also in the Greater Antilles (Cuba, the Isle of Pines, and Jamaica). Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) in the Cayman Islands (Cayman Brac) and north to northern Manitoba, northern Vermont, and southwestern Nova Scotia. Winters mainly from northern California, Arizona, Chihuahua, Texas, the Ohio Valley, and Maryland (casually north to southern Canada) south to the Gulf coast, Florida, and the northern Bahamas (casually to Bimini, New Providence, and Andros), and through the breeding range in Middle America, the Greater Antilles, and South America. Introduced and established in Puerto Rico. Casual north to east-central Alaska, northern Ontario, central Quebec, Labrador, and Newfoundland, and on Bermuda, Hispaniola, St. Croix (in the Virgin Islands), and the Cayman Islands. Accidental on South Georgia.

Cathartes burrovianus Cassin. Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture.


Habitat.—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Second-growth Scrub, Saltwater/Brackish Marshes (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).
**Distribution.**—Resident locally in eastern and southern Mexico (southern Tamaulipas, Veracruz, Tabasco, Chiapas, the Yucatan Peninsula, and on both slopes of Oaxaca), Belize, Guatemala (Petén), eastern Honduras (Mosquitia), northeastern Nicaragua, and Costa Rica (Río Frío region, recorded rarely elsewhere), and from Panama (both slopes) south through most of nonforested South America east of the Andes to northern Argentina and Uruguay.

Genus *GYMNOGYPS* Lesson


*Gymnogyps Californianus* (Shaw). California Condor.

*Vultur Californianus* Shaw, 1798, in Shaw and Nodder, Naturalists’ Misc. 9: pl. 301 and text. (coast of California = Monterey.)

**Habitat.**—Mountainous country at low and moderate elevations, especially rocky and brushy areas with cliffs for nest sites; forages in grasslands, oak savanna, mountain plateaus, ridges, and canyons.

**Distribution.**—Resident formerly (last living birds removed from the wild in 1987) in the coastal ranges of California from Monterey and San Benito counties south to Ventura County, ranging, at least casually, north to Santa Clara and San Mateo counties, and east to the western slope of the Sierra Nevada (north as far as Fresno County) and the Tehachapi Mountains, with breeding sites apparently confined to Los Padres National Forest in Santa Barbara, Ventura, and extreme northern Los Angeles counties. Formerly resident (before 1900) along the Pacific coast and in part inland west of the Cascade-Sierra Nevada ranges, apparently from southwestern British Columbia south to northern Baja California (although there are no confirmed breeding records outside of California). Recent reports of condors east to southeastern Arizona, as well as within or around the former range in Baja California, seem to be without foundation. Reintroduced into the wild in southern California (Los Padres National Forest) in 1992 and in northern Arizona (Grand Canyon area) in 1996.

Genus *SARCORAMPHUS* Duméril


*Sarcoramphus Papa* (Linnaeus). King Vulture.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Low Seasonally Wet Grassland (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from Sinaloa (at least formerly), Guerrero, and Veracruz south through Middle America and South America west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to northern Argentina and Uruguay; former occurrence in Florida is not convincing (Robertson and Woolfenden 1992: 184, contra Harper 1936). Casual in Trinidad; a sight report for San Luis Potosí.
Order **PHOENICOPTERIFORMES**: Flamingos

**Notes.**—The taxonomic position of the flamingos is uncertain; some evidence suggests a relationship with the Charadrii of the Charadriiformes (see Olson and Feduccia 1980), whereas other data support a relationship with the Ciconiiformes (see Sibley and Ahlquist 1990: 516–527) or Anseriformes (Hagey et al. 1990).

Family **PHOENICOPTERIDAE**: Flamingos

Genus *PHOENICOPTERUS* Linnaeus


*Phoenicopterus ruber* Linnaeus. Greater Flamingo.


**Habitat.**—Coastal Waters, mud flats, lagoons, and lakes, generally of high salinity; nests on mud mounds in shallow water.

**Distribution.**—*Resident [ruber group]* locally in the Americas along the northern coast of the Yucatan Peninsula (Celestún, Río Lagartos), in the Greater Antilles (Cuba, Hispaniola, and probably Gonâve and Beata islands), in the southern Bahamas (Acklins Island and Great Inagua), in the Netherlands Antilles (Bonaire) and in the Galapagos Islands; and *[roseus group]* in the Old World locally along the coasts of the Mediterranean and northwest Africa, in the rift lakes of East Africa, in South Africa, and from southern Russia and the Caspian Sea south to the Persian Gulf and northwestern India. Formerly bred *[ruber group]* in the Florida Keys (once, possibly), widely in the Bahamas, locally from Culebra and Anegada to the Virgin Islands, along the north coast of South America from Colombia to the Guianas; and *[roseus group]* in the Cape Verde Islands.

Wanders *[ruber group]* to southern Florida (where captive flocks are also established), widely through the Bahamas and Antilles, along the east coast of the Yucatan Peninsula (including Cozumel Island) and northeastern South America from Colombia to northern Brazil; and *[roseus group]* widely through Europe and to the Canary Islands. Casual or accidental (but many if not all probably pertaining to escaped individuals) *[ruber group]* along the Gulf coast from Texas to Florida, inland north to Kansas, Michigan, Ontario, and southern Quebec, along the Atlantic coast north to New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, and to Bermuda and the Cayman Islands; reports from Washington, California, and Nevada almost certainly pertain to escaped individuals.

**Notes.**—Known in Old World literature as the Flamingo. Groups: *P. ruber* [American Flamingo] and *P. roseus* Pallas, 1811 [Greater Flamingo]. *Phoenicopterus ruber* (including *roseus*) and the South American *P. chilensis* Molina, 1782, appear to constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1970). See also *P. chilensis* (Appendix).

Order **ANSERIFORMES**: Screamers, Swans, Geese, and Ducks

**Notes.**—The following classification and sequence are based on a series of studies by Livezey (especially 1991, 1995a, b, c, 1996a, b), although they differ in some details. Subtribes and subgeneric categories are omitted.
FAMILY ANATIDAE

Suborder ANSERES: Waterfowl

Superfamily ANATOIDEA: Typical Waterfowl

Family ANATIDAE: Ducks, Geese, and Swans

Subfamily DENDROCYGNINAE: Whistling-Ducks and Allies

Tribe DENDROCYGNINI: Whistling-Ducks

Genus DENDROCYGNA Swainson


Notes.—The group name Tree-Duck was formerly used for members of this genus.

*Dendrocygna viduata* (Linnaeus). White-faced Whistling-Duck.

*Anas viduata* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 205. (in *Carthagena lacubus* = Cartagena, Colombia.)

Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes, Freshwater Lakes and Ponds, Streams (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident locally in Costa Rica (Guanacaste and the Gulf of Nicoya area, at least formerly) and irregularly in eastern Panama (eastern Panamá province, wandering casually to the Canal area); locally through savanna regions of South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including Curacao), Trinidad, and Guyana south to central Bolivia, northern Argentina, Uruguay, and southern Brazil; in Africa south of the Sahara to Angola in the west and Natal in the east; and in Madagascar and the Comoros.

Casual in the Antilles (Cuba, the Dominican Republic on Hispaniola, and Barbados).

*Dendrocygna autumnalis* (Linnaeus). Black-bellied Whistling-Duck.

*Anas autumnalis* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 127. (in America = West Indies.)

Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes, shallow freshwater lakes (0–1500 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from central Sonora, southern Arizona, central and southeastern Texas, and southwestern Louisiana (Lacassine Refuge) south through most of Middle America and South America (including Trinidad) west of the Andes to southwestern Peru and east of the Andes (except locally in Amazonia) to northern Argentina, Paraguay, and southern Brazil. Some withdrawal in winter at northern periphery of breeding range, e.g., Arizona and southwestern Louisiana.

Established in central and southern Florida, perhaps from a mixture of escaped captives and natural colonizers (Robertson and Woolfenden 1992), and in Cuba.

Casual in southeastern California, southern Baja California, southern New Mexico, western Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Ontario, Minnesota, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama, Virginia, South Carolina, Baja California (Cape district), Valley of México, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and Lesser Antilles; sight reports for Missouri, Georgia, the Bahama Islands, and the Cayman Islands.
**Dendrocygna arborea** (Linnaeus). West Indian Whistling-Duck.


**Habitat.**—Primarily mangroves and forested swamps.

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Bahamas (Andros, Exuma, Great Inagua, and Middle Caicos islands, and probably Eleuthera; vagrant elsewhere), throughout the Greater Antilles (including the Isle of Pines, Grand Cayman, and ile-à-Vache off Hispaniola), in the Virgin Islands (formerly), and in the northern Lesser Antilles (at least on Barbuda and Antigua, formerly on Martinique and probably St. Kitts). Accidental in Bermuda; sight reports from Florida may be of natural vagrants.

**Dendrocygna bicolor** (Vieillot). Fulvous Whistling-Duck.


**Habitat.**—Shallow waters (both fresh and brackish), preferring marshes, lagoons, and wet and flooded cultivated fields (primarily Tropical Zone.)

**Distribution.**—Breeds in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu); in North America from southeastern California (formerly north to Merced County), central and eastern Texas, and southwestern Louisiana south at least to Nayarit, Jalisco (Lake Chapala, at least formerly) and Veracruz; locally in central and southern Florida, the West Indies (from Cuba, Hispaniola, Puerto Rico, and Grand Bahama south to Barbados, Grenada, Tobago, and Trinidad), El Salvador, central Honduras (Lake Yojoa) and, probably, northwestern Costa Rica; in South America from Colombia, northern Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to southwestern Peru, and east of the Andes to southern Bolivia, Paraguay, and northeastern Argentina; and in the Old World in East Africa, Madagascar, India, Sri Lanka, and southwestern Burma.

**Winters** in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu, occasionally reaching other main islands), from southeastern California (casually), southern Arizona (at least formerly), the Gulf coast, and central and southern Florida south to Oaxaca, Tabasco, and Quintana Roo, and in the breeding range elsewhere in the American tropics, South America, and the Old World.

Casual north to southern British Columbia, western Washington, coastal Oregon, Nevada, Utah, Colorado (sight report), North Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, Maine, southern New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia; also from the Valley of México to Guatemala (Lago de Retana), and to Nicaragua (sight report), Bermuda, Grand Cayman, central Chile, central Argentina, and Morocco. Accidental in Panama (La Jagua, eastern Panamá province), presumably from South American populations.

**Notes.**—*Dendrocygna bicolor* and *D. arcuata* (Horsfield, 1824), of the Australian region, may constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970; Johnsgard in Mayr and Cottrell 1979).

*Subfamily ANSERINAE: Geese and Swans*

*Tribe ANSERINI: True Geese*

**Genus ANSER** Brisson


**Notes.**—See comments under *Chen.*

**Anser fabalis** (Latham). Bean Goose.

*Anas Fabalis* Latham, 1787, Gen. Synop. Birds (suppl.) 1: 297. (Great Britain.)

**Habitat.**—Tundra tund taiga watercourses, open heath, and grassy plains; in winter, brackish and marine situations as well as fresh-water lakes and ponds.
Distribution.—Breeds from Scandinavia, northern Russia (including Novaya Zemlya) and northern Siberia south to northern Mongolia, Lake Baikal, Amurland, and Anadyrland. Winters south to the Mediterranean Sea, Iran, China, and Japan. Migrates regularly in spring east to the western Aleutian Islands (east casually as far as Adak), and casually to the Pribilofs, St. Lawrence Island, and the mainland coast of southern Alaska (Safety Sound, Hooper Bay). Casual to Iceland, the eastern Atlantic islands and northern Africa. Accidental in Quebec (Cap-Tourmente) and on the Iowa-Nebraska border. Notes.—Anser fabalis and A. brachyrhynchos constitute a superspecies; they are regarded as conspecific by some authors (e.g., Vaurie 1965).

Anser brachyrhynchos Baillon. Pink-footed Goose.

Anser Brachyrhynchos Baillon, 1834, Mém. Soc. R. Emulation Abbeville, sér. 2, no. 1 (1833), p. 74. (Abbeville, lower Somme River, France.)

Habitat.—River gorges, low heathy mounds and ridges, and boggy grasslands; in winter, estuarine flats and sandbanks, and freshwater lakes.

Distribution.—Breeds in eastern Greenland, Iceland, Spitsbergen, and possibly also Franz Josef Land and the Kola Peninsula, and winters in northwestern Europe. Accidental in Newfoundland (St. Anthony, 10 May-3 June 1980, photograph; 1980, Amer. Birds 34: 755; also spring 1995, Nat. Aud. Soc. Field Notes 49: 221) and Quebec (Cap-Tourmente, 6–21 October 1988, photograph; 1989, Amer. Birds 43: 68); sight reports from Quebec; reports from New York and Massachusetts are doubtful.

Anser albifrons (Scopoli). Greater White-fronted Goose.

Branta albifrons Scopoli, 1769, Annus I, Hist.-Nat., p. 69. (No locality given = northern Italy.)

Habitat.—Arctic tundra and open areas in subarctic forest zone, often along small lakes and ponds, in deltas and estuaries; winters in inland and coastal marshes, pastureland, and open terrain with small bodies of water; in migration often in flooded fields.

Distribution.—Breeds in North America from northern Alaska south to Bristol Bay in the Cook Inlet region, and east across northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, and southern Victoria Island to northern Keewatin; in western Greenland; and in northern Eurasia from the Kanin Peninsula east to Anadyrland. Recorded in summer on Melville Island. Winters in North America from southern British Columbia south (mostly through the Pacific states) to Baja California, Sinaloa, on the Mexican Plateau to Jalisco and México, in the Gulf region from Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas, and Louisiana south to Veracruz and (casually) Campeche, and rarely (or locally) in the eastern United States from the Great Lakes south to Mississippi and Florida; and in Eurasia from the British Isles and southern Scandinavia south to the eastern Atlantic islands (rarely), Mediterranean Sea, Asia Minor, India, and from Manchuria and Japan south to eastern China. Migrates through most of North America primarily west of the Mississippi River, and rarely to casually in eastern North America from Ontario, Quebec, and Labrador south to Florida and North Carolina, casually to Cuba. Casual in the Hawaiian Islands, Aleutians (Attu, Amchitka, Adak), Pribilofs (St. Paul), southern Arizona, Bermuda, and Belize.

Notes.—Usually known as White-fronted Goose. The form elgasi Delacour and Ripley, 1975 (= gambellii auct., not Hartlaub, 1852) [Tule Goose] differs in behavior and ecology, and may represent a distinct species that breeds in the Cook Inlet area of southern Alaska and winters in the Sacramento Valley of California (Krogman 1978, 1979, Bauer 1979). Johnsgard in Mayr and Cottrell (1979) considered A. albifrons and A. erythropus to constitute a superspecies.

Anser erythropus (Linnaeus). Lesser White-fronted Goose.

Anas erythropus Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat., (ed. 10) 1: 123. (in Europa septentrionali = northern Sweden.)
Habitat.—Breeds in taiga; winters on marshes, lakes, and ponds.


Notes.—See comments under A. albifrons.

Genus CHEN Boie

Chen Boie, 1822, Isis von Oken, col. 563. Type, by monotypy, Anser hyperboreus Pallas = Anas caerulescens Linnaeus.

Exanthemops Elliot, 1868, Birds N. Amer. 2 (9): pl. 44. Type, by monotypy, Anser rossii Cassin.


Notes.—Most authors, including Livezey (1996a), merge Chen into Anser, where it may be treated as a subgenus.

Chen canagica (Sevastianov). Emperor Goose.


Habitat.—Arctic tundra in lowland marsh areas, generally not far from the coast, commuting to upland areas to forage; winters in salt-water areas along reefs and rocky beaches.

Distribution.—Breeds along the coast of western Alaska from Kotzebue Sound south to Kuskokwim Bay, on St. Lawrence and Nunivak islands, and in northeastern Siberia from Koliutschin Bay east to East Cape and south to the Gulf of Anadyr. Winters throughout the Aleutians, along the Alaska Peninsula (east to Sanak Island and Bristol Bay), on Kodiak Island, irregularly south along the Pacific coast from southeastern Alaska and British Columbia to northern California (casually south to Orange County), and in Kamchatka and the Commander Islands. Casual in the Hawaiian Islands (Midway, Laysan, and the main islands from Kauai east to Hawaii) and northern Alaska (east to Barrow). Accidental in Greenland.

Notes.—This species is frequently placed in the monotypic genus Philacte.

Chen caerulescens (Linnaeus). Snow Goose.

Anas caerulescens Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 124. (in Canada = Hudson Bay, northeastern Manitoba.)

Habitat.—Open tundra, nesting on raised hummocks and ridges, generally near water and usually near coast; winters in both fresh-water and salt marshes, wet prairies, and extensive sandbars, foraging also in pastures, cultivated lands, and flooded fields.

Distribution.—Breeds from northern Alaska (Sagavanirktok River delta) east along the Arctic coast and islands of Canada to northwestern Greenland and Ellesmere and Baffin islands, south to Southampton Island, and along both coasts of Hudson Bay to mid James Bay (Akimiski Island), also in northeastern Siberia (Wrangel Island, possibly also on the Chukotski Peninsula); isolated breeding reports from Oregon (Malheur Lake), northern California (Tule Lake), North Dakota (Arrowwood), and southern Quebec (near Quebec City). Winters in western North America from protected coastal waters of British Columbia and Washington south to the interior valleys and the southern coast of California, northern Baja California, northwestern Sonora, southwestern Arizona, and (rarely) eastern Colorado; from Chihuahua and southern (rarely northeastern) New Mexico south to Jalisco (where locally common) and to (locally and rarely) Durango and Guanajuato; from Nebraska, Iowa, and the Great Lakes south to the Gulf coast (from Florida to northern Veracruz), most commonly from Louisiana and Texas south to northern Tamaulipas; on the Atlantic coast from New
York (casually north to the St. Lawrence River and New England) to Florida (primarily from Chesapeake Bay to North Carolina); and in eastern Asia in Japan and eastern China. Migrates chiefly along the Pacific coast and through Alberta and western Saskatchewan, occurring widely in the United States west of the Rocky Mountains; and through the Great Plains and Mississippi Valley, with large staging areas in Montana, the Dakotas, Minnesota, Nebraska, and Iowa; and through Quebec, Ontario, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Vermont to the Atlantic wintering ground.

Casual south to southern Mexico (Tabasco), Belize, the Greater Antilles (east to the Virgin Islands), and the Bahamas; also in the Hawaiian Islands (Midway, Oahu, Maui), Aleutians (Attu, Alaid), Pribilofs (St. Paul), New England (coastal area), Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, continental Europe, the Azores, and Korea. Accidental in Honduras (Campín, near La Lima) and the Marshall Islands.

Notes.—The “blue” morph and “white” morph were formerly considered distinct species, C. caerulescens [Blue Goose] and C. hyperborea [Snow Goose]; see Cooke and Cooch (1968) and Cooke et al. (1988, 1995).

Chen rossii (Cassin). Ross’s Goose.

Habitat.—Arctic tundra, usually flat and with mix of grass and stunted shrubs, often near lakes and ponds, frequently associated with C. caerulescens; in migration and winter in both fresh-water and brackish marshes and wet prairies, foraging in grassy areas, pastures, and cultivated fields.

Distribution.—Breeds primarily in the Queen Maud Gulf area of northern Mackenzie (probably also Banks Island in Franklin District), northwestern Keewatin, southern Southampton Island, and along the west coast of Hudson Bay south to James Bay (Akimiski Island), also once in northern Alaska (Sagavanirktok River delta).

Winters mainly in the interior valleys of California (rarely to coastal California and southern Arizona), and to Chihuahua, Durango, southern (casually northern) New Mexico, Colorado, Oklahoma, Missouri, Arkansas, and southwestern Louisiana, casual east to inland Mississippi and Alabama.

Migrates primarily from Alberta, western Montana, and western Saskatchewan south through the interior western states (rarely west to British Columbia and Washington, and east to Wyoming, Colorado, and Utah), and through the Great Plains (uncommonly east to southern Manitoba, Minnesota, Missouri, and Arkansas, rarely to Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, and Tennessee).

Casual in northern Alaska (Barrow, Teshekpuk Lake, Canning River Delta), southeastern Alaska (Stikine River Delta), northern Baja California (sight report), Jalisco, Ohio, Quebec, Vermont, and along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts from New York (sight reports) and Pennsylvania (rare and regular in recent years in New Jersey and Delaware) to Florida.

Genus **BRANTA** Scopoli

*Branta* Scopoli, 1769, Anns I, Hist.-Nat., p. 67. Type, by subsequent designation (Bannister, 1870), *Anas bernicla* Linnaeus.


*Nesochen* Salvadori, 1895, Cat. Birds Brit. Mus. 27: xii, 81, 126. Type, by original designation, *N. sandvicensis = Bernicla sandvicensis* Vigors.


**Branta canadensis** (Linnaeus). Canada Goose.

Habitat.—A variety of habitats near water, from temperate regions to tundra; winters from tidewater areas and marshes to wooded inland lakes and flooded and cultivated fields, increasingly in areas with large lawns in urban areas, such as parks and golf courses.

Distribution.—Breeds from the Arctic coast of Alaska and northern Canada east to southern Baffin Island, western Greenland, and Labrador, and south to the Commander Islands (formerly), Aleutians (Buldir), central and northeastern California, central Utah, southern New Mexico, northern Texas, Arkansas, western Tennessee, western Kentucky, Ohio, New York, and Virginia.

Winters from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska (west to Prince William Sound), British Columbia, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, the Great Lakes region and Atlantic coast of Newfoundland south to central Baja California, the northern Mexican states (casually south to Jalisco and Veracruz), Texas, and southwestern Louisiana, and to (rare) Mississippi, Alabama, and northern Florida (casually to the Florida Keys), formerly also to Kamchatka and Japan.

Introduced and established in Iceland, the British Isles, Sardinia, and New Zealand; in addition, there are many feral, usually nonmigratory (although free-flying) populations in the United States, both within and outside the normal breeding range, and often of a subspecies other than that expected in the wild.

Casual north to Melville Island, and in the Hawaiian Islands, central Siberia, and Japan. Accidental in Bermuda, the Bahamas (Andros, New Providence, Eleuthera), Cuba, and the Dominican Republic; there are records in Jamaica and Puerto Rico of birds of questionable origin.

Notes.—The northern populations of small Canada Geese have been variously treated taxonomically as three separate species, B. hutchinsii (Richardson, 1832) [Hutchins’s or Richardson’s Goose], B. minima Ridgway, 1885 [Cackling Goose], and B. leucopareia (Brandt, 1836) [Aleutian Goose]; as a single species under the name B. hutchinsii; or as one or more subspecies of B. canadensis. Relationships between breeding populations and groups are still uncertain, but this complex probably consists of at least two species, a large one, B. canadensis [Canada Goose], and a small one, B. hutchinsii [Tundra Goose], that includes the other two groups (Aldrich 1946, supported by mtDNA data in Quinn et al. 1991).

Branta sandvicensis (Vigors). Hawaiian Goose.


Habitat.—Uplands, primarily sparsely vegetated lava flows with no standing water.

Distribution.—Resident in the Hawaiian Islands on Hawaii (population small and locally distributed, the surviving native populations having been increased by introductions from captive stock); recently introduced in the Haleakala area of Maui, where it may formerly have bred, and on Kauai.

Notes.—Formerly placed in the monotypic genus Nesochen. Quinn et al. (1991) indicated that this species is closely related to B. canadensis. Also known as Nene.

Branta bernicla (Linnaeus). Brant.

Anas Bernicla Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 124. (in Europa boreali = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Arctic tundra, near coast and often in river deltas; winters primarily in coastal marshes, lagoons, estuaries, and shallow bays.

Distribution.—Breeds [bernicla group] in North America from Prince Patrick, Melville, and Ellesmere islands south to northern Keewatin (Adelaide Peninsula), Prince of Wales Island (probably), and Southampton, Coats, and western Baffin islands, and in the Palearctic in northern Greenland, Spitsbergen, and Franz Josef Land east to the Taimyr Peninsula; and [nigricans group] in North America from western (Kuskokwim Bay) and northern Alaska east to northern Mackenzie and Banks, Melville, and Prince Patrick islands (probably also Victoria Island), and in the Palearctic along the coast of Siberia east of the Taimyr Peninsula to the Bering Strait, Wrangel Island, and the Chukotski Peninsula.
Winters [bernicla group] in eastern North America along the Atlantic coast from New York, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia south to Florida, and in western Eurasia south to the coasts of northwestern Europe, rarely on the Pacific coast from southern British Columbia to California, and to the Azores; and [nigricans group] in western North America along the Pacific coast from British Columbia (including Queen Charlotte Islands) south to southern Baja California, Sonora, and Sinaloa, casually north to southeastern Alaska and to southern Arizona, and in eastern Eurasia south, at least rarely, to the coast of northern China and Korea.

Migrates [bernicla group] regularly through eastern Ontario, Quebec, the Gulf of St. Lawrence, New England, and lakes Ontario and Erie, especially in fall; and [nigricans group] through southern California (Salton Sea), otherwise casual in interior California.

Casual [bernicla group] on the coast of northwestern Alaska, elsewhere in interior North America from northern California, eastern Colorado, South Dakota, Manitoba, Wisconsin, Michigan, and southwestern Ontario south to Texas, Arkansas, Kentucky, northern Alabama, and West Virginia (a report from Barbados is unsatisfactory), and in Bermuda; and [nigricans group] in the Hawaiian Islands, western North America east to Saskatchewan, Minnesota, Iowa, and Kansas, and south to New Mexico, Texas, and Louisiana, along the Atlantic coast from Massachusetts to Virginia, Bermuda, and in Iceland, the British Isles, and northern continental Europe; sight reports for Nayarit, Guerrero, and the Yucatan Peninsula.

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as Brent Goose. Groups: B. bernicla [White-bellied Brant] and B. nigricans (Lawrence, 1846) = B. orientalis Tougarinov, 1941 [Black Brant]. Delacour and Zimmer (1952) suggested that the name nigricans applies to an eastern, perhaps extinct, dark-bellied form and that the Black Brant of the Pacific should be known as orientalis Tougarinov, 1941. Handley (1950) reported that pale-bellied and dark-bellied birds coexist without interbreeding on Prince Patrick Island, although others (e.g., Manning et al. 1956) reported many intermediates in the western Canadian archipelago. Shields (1990) has shown that birds from Melville Island differ in mitochondrial DNA from Alaskan birds referred to nigricans, and that both differ markedly from light-bellied birds from eastern Canada.

Branta leucopsis (Bechstein). Barnacle Goose.

Anas leucopsis Bechstein, 1803, Ornithol. Taschenb. Dtsch. 2: 424. (auf dem Zuge, Deutschland = Germany.)

Habitat.—Rivers and marshes in Arctic regions, nesting primarily on rocky outcrops, ledges and crevices, less frequently on low islands; in winter, marshes and grasslands, generally near the coast.

Distribution.—Breeds in eastern Greenland, Spitsbergen, and southern Novaya Zemlya. Winters in the British Isles and Netherlands.

Casual in North America, from Labrador west to Baffin Island and James Bay, and south to Quebec, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia, along the Atlantic coast south to South Carolina, and on rare occasions inland as far as eastern Washington, California, Oklahoma, Illinois, Missouri, Kentucky, Manitoba (sight report), Michigan, and Pennsylvania, and south to the Gulf coast (recorded Texas and Alabama); and in the Old World to Bear Island, the Mediterranean region, the Azores, and northern Africa. Many North American vagrant records almost certainly represent escapees from captivity, especially away from the Atlantic coast of northeastern North America; nevertheless, the seasonal pattern of distribution suggests that many are natural vagrants (Szantyr 1985).

Tribe CYGNINI: Swans

Genus CYGNUS Bechstein

Cygnus Bechstein, 1803, Ornithol. Taschenb. Dtsch. 2: 404, footnote. Type, by monotypy, Anas olor Gmelin.

Clangocyclus Oberholser, 1908, Emu 8: 3. Type, by monotypy, Cygnus buccinator Richardson.

Cygnus olor (Gmelin). Mute Swan.


Habitat.—Open and quiet waters of lakes, ponds, marshes, and sluggish rivers, especially where reed beds and similar emergent vegetation provide nesting habitat; winters also in brackish and protected marine situations.

Distribution.—Breeds from the British Isles, southern Scandinavia and Russia southeast through central Europe to Asia Minor, and east to eastern Siberia and Ussuriland.

Winters from the breeding range south to the Mediterranean, Black, and Caspian seas and northwestern India, and from Korea south to eastern China, wintering casually to the Azores, northern Africa, Japan, and the Seven Islands of Izu.

Introduced and established in North America, with breeding recorded locally from southwestern British Columbia, southwestern Montana, southern Saskatchewan (formerly), northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, southern Ontario, central and southeastern New York, and southern New England (east to Cape Cod) south to central Missouri, central Illinois, northern Indiana, northwestern Ohio and Virginia, also in southern Alabama; and in the Old World in the Faeroe Islands, South Africa, Australia, and New Zealand. Recorded after the breeding season from the breeding range and Maine south to the Ohio Valley; also Bermuda. Some of these records, as well as numerous reports elsewhere in North America, pertain to local escapes from captivity.

Notes.—This species and the next three have been treated as 1–4 species (Johnsgard 1974, Johnsgard in Mayr and Cottrell 1979).

Cygnus buccinator Richardson. Trumpeter Swan.

Cygnus buccinator Richardson, 1831, in Wilson and Bonaparte, Amer. Ornithol. (Jameson ed.) 4: 345. (Hudson's Bay.)

Habitat.—Ponds, lakes, marshes, and slow-moving rivers, especially where reeds, sedges, or similar emergent vegetation that provide nesting habitat, occasionally in brackish situations; winters on open lakes and bays, occasionally ponds, and often feeds in agricultural fields.

Distribution.—Breeds in northern Alaska (casually, from the Canning River east to De- marcation Point), in western Alaska (Noatak River Valley, Seward Peninsula, and Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta), widely in central and southern Alaska (from the middle Yukon River south to the Kenai Peninsula and Yakutat Bay, casually southeastern), northern British Columbia, southwestern Mackenzie, northwestern Alberta, western and central Montana, and southern Saskatchewan. Formerly bred from northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, northern Manitoba, and James Bay south to Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri, central Illinois, Indiana, and (probably) New Brunswick.

Winters from southern Alaska, western and central British Columbia, southern Alberta (rarely), and Montana south to southern California, Arizona, New Mexico, and southern Texas (casually), and east to eastern Colorado and Minnesota; formerly wintered south to the Mexican border (one record from Tamaulipas), the Gulf coast of Texas and Louisiana, Mississippi Valley, and Atlantic coast to North Carolina.

Introduced and established locally from southern British Columbia, southeastern Alberta, and southwestern Saskatchewan south to southeastern Oregon, eastern Idaho, western Montana, and northwestern Wyoming, also in Nevada (Ruby Lake), southwestern South Dakota, northwestern Nebraska, and the Great Lakes region, with wintering to Texas, Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, Indiana, Ohio, and New York; sight reports from Mississippi.

Cygnus columbianus (Ord). Tundra Swan.

Anas Columbianus Ord, 1815, in Guthrie, Geogr (ed. 2, Amer.) 2: 319. (below the great narrows of the Columbia River = The Dalles, Oregon.)
Habitat.—Open tundra ponds, lakes, and sluggish streams, occasionally swampy bogs, often near coast; winters primarily in shallow lakes, slow-moving rivers, less frequently on bays and estuaries, and in flooded and agricultural fields.

Distribution.—Breeds [columbianus group] from northwestern Alaska (Point Barrow and Cape Prince of Wales) south to St. Lawrence Island and the Alaska Peninsula, and east near the Arctic coast (including Banks Island) to Baffin Island, thence south to Churchill, the Belcher Islands, Cape Henrietta Maria, and Quebec (Hudson Bay, coast of the Ungava Peninsula), also on the Chukotski Peninsula in eastern Siberia; and [bewickii group] from northern Russia east along the Arctic coast (including Novaya Zemlya and other islands) to northern Siberia.

Winters [columbianus group] on the Pacific coast of North America from coastal and southern interior British Columbia south to southern California, in the interior through the valleys of California to northern Baja California (casually), in western Nevada, northern Utah, Montana, and Wyoming, and rarely to southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, and Chihuahua; the Great Lakes region; and also commonly along the Atlantic coast and Piedmont from southeastern Pennsylvania and Maryland to North Carolina, casually north to Maine and south to Florida, and in the interior of North America south of the Great Lakes region; casual on the Gulf coast and inland in the Gulf states from southern Texas to Florida; and [bewickii group] in Eurasia south to the British Isles, northern Europe, the Caspian Sea, Japan, Korea, and the coast of China.

Migrates [columbianus group] widely through the interior of North America on large bodies of water, primarily in the Great Basin, upper Mississippi Valley and Great Lakes, also across the Appalachians in southern Pennsylvania and northern West Virginia.

Casual or accidental [columbianus group] in the Hawaiian Islands (Midway, Maui), Bermuda, Cuba, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands (St. Thomas), Newfoundland, England, Japan, and the Commander Islands; and [bewickii group] in the Aleutians (Adak), British Columbia, Washington, Oregon, California, Saskatchewan, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Labrador (some of these reports are probably based on escaped individuals, although the bird from Adak and one from California were recoveries of birds banded in Siberia), and in the Old World in Iceland, the British Isles, Netherlands, and Sweden.

Notes.—The two groups have been considered (e.g., Johnsgard 1978) as distinct species, C. columbianus [Whistling Swan] and C. bewickii Yarrell, 1830 [Bewick’s Swan], but are generally treated as conspecific (e.g., Palmer 1976, Cramp and Simmons 1977, Sibley and Monroe 1990, del Hoyo et al. 1992) despite lack of a thorough, published analysis, and despite Johnsgard’s (1974) suggestion that each might be more closely related to other species of Cygnus than to each other.

Cygnus cygnus (Linnaeus). Whooper Swan.

Anas Cygnus Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 122. (in Europa, America septentrionali = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Lakes, ponds, marshes, and quiet-flowing rivers; winters also in bays and estuaries.

Distribution.—Breeds from Greenland (formerly; currently a visitor only), Iceland, the Faeroe Islands (formerly), Scotland, Scandinavia, and northern Russia east to Anadyrland and Kamchatka, and south to Poland, the Caspian Sea, Turkestan, and Ussuriland. One breeding record on Attu, Aleutian Islands, May 1996 (1996, N.A.S. Field Notes 50: 319).

Winters south to central Europe, the eastern Mediterranean, Black and Caspian seas; and from Korea and Japan south to eastern China (casually to India and the Bonin Islands), and east to the central Aleutian Islands (at least as far as Atka).

Casual in the Pribilof Islands, western and south-coastal Alaska, Jan Mayen, Spitsbergen, Bear Island, and south to northern Africa. Accidental in Maine (Washington County, 1903); the origin of this bird and of individuals recorded in Oregon and California is controversial.
Subfamily TADORNINAE: Shelducks and Allies

Tribe PLECTROPTERINI: Pied Shelducks

Genus SARKIDIORNIS Eyton

*Sarkidiornis* Eyton, 1838, Monogr. Anatidae, p. 20. Type, by original designation, *Anser melanotos* Pennant.

*Sarkidiornis melanotos* (Pennant). Comb Duck.

*Anser melanotos* Pennant, 1769, Indian Zool., p. 12, pl. 11. (Ceylon.)

**Habitat.**—Freshwater Lakes and Ponds, Freshwater Marshes (0–1200 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [*sylvicola* group] locally in tropical America from eastern Panama (Río Chucunaque in eastern Darién, casually west to La Jagua, eastern Panamá province) south through northern South America to northwestern Peru, central Bolivia (rarely), northern Argentina, and Uruguay (generally absent from Amazonia); and [*melanotos* group] in the Old World in Africa (south of the Sahara), Madagascar, and from India east to southeastern China and Sri Lanka.

**Notes.**—Groups: *S. sylvicola* Ihering and Ihering, 1907 [American Comb-Duck] and *S. melanotos* [African Comb-Duck].

Tribe TADORNINI: True Shelducks and Sheldgeese

Genus NEOCHEN Oberholser


*Neochen jubata* (Spix). Orinoco Goose.

*Anser jubatus* Spix, 1825, Avium Nov. Spec. Bras., 2, p. 84, pl. 108. (Ad ripam fl. Solimoëns in insula Praya das Onças.)

**Habitat.**—Riverine Sand Beaches, Freshwater Marshes (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in South America east of the Andes from eastern Colombia, central Venezuela, and the Guianas south to southern Bolivia, Paraguay, and northwestern Argentina. Accidental in Barbados (19–29 March 1995, photograph) and Jamaica (1865).

Subfamily ANATINAE: True Ducks

Tribe ANATINI: Surface-feeding Ducks

Genus CAIRINA Fleming


*Cairina moschata* (Linnaeus). Muscovy Duck.

*Anas moschata* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 124. (in India, error = Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Freshwater Lakes and Ponds, Rivers, Freshwater Marshes (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the lowlands from Sinaloa and Tamaulipas south through most of Middle America (including Cozumel Island) and South America south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to northern Argentina and Uruguay. Rare visitor or resident on the Rio Grande in Texas (Hidalgo, Starr, and Zapata counties),
where breeding was reported in 1994 (T.O.S. 1995); established in Florida from feral stock, some hybridized with domestic *Anas platyrhynchos* (Robertson and Woolfenden 1992). Also established from feral stock in Cuba. Feral birds found widely in North America, including lower Rio Grande Valley.

Casual in Trinidad and western Peru.

**Notes.**—Also known as Muscovy.

**Genus AIX Boie**

*Aix Boie, 1828, Isis von Oken, col. 329. Type, by subsequent designation (Eyton, 1838), Anas sponsa Linnaeus.*

*Aix sponsa* (Linnaeus). Wood Duck.


**Habitat.**—Inland waters near woodland, such as swamps, flooded forest, ponds, marshes, and along slow-moving streams and rivers, where nesting in holes in trees and bird boxes; winters mainly on fresh-water marshes, ponds, streams, and occasionally brackish marshes and estuaries.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southern British Columbia, southern Alberta, east-central Saskatchewan, central and southeastern Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and (possibly) Newfoundland south to central (rarely southern) coastal and interior California, west-central Nevada, central Arizona, central (rarely southern) New Mexico, central and southeastern Texas, the Gulf coast, southern Florida, and Cuba.

Winters at least irregularly throughout the breeding range in western North America (most commonly near coastal areas and in the interior valleys of California, casually south to Jalisco, Guerrero, and Distrito Federal); in eastern North America primarily in the southern parts of the breeding range north to eastern Colorado, southern Kansas, southern Minnesota, the Ohio River Valley, and New England (casually farther north); and in Cuba and the Bahamas.

Casual in southeastern Alaska (Juneau, Stikine River, Ketchikan), northeastern British Columbia, northern Baja California (sight report), Veracruz, the Yucatan Peninsula, Bermuda, Jamaica (at least formerly), and the Cayman Islands (Little Cayman). Accidental in Hispaniola, Puerto Rico, the Lesser Antilles (Saba), and Azores; European reports almost certainly based mostly on escapes.

**Genus ANAS Linnaeus**

*Anas Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 122. Type, by subsequent designation (Lesson, 1828), Anas boschas Linnaeus = Anas platyrhynchos Linnaeus.*

*Spatula Boie, 1822, Isis von Oken, col. 564. Type, by monotypy, Anas clupeata Linnaeus.*


Notes.—Mareca is treated as a genus by Livezey (1991), with Chaulelasmus and Eunetta as subgenera. The remaining synonyms have been used for genera or subgenera.

**Anas strepera** Linnaeus. Gadwall.

*Anas strepera* Linnaeus, 1758, *Syst. Nat.* (ed. 10) 1: 125. (in Europæ aquis dulcibus = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Shallow lakes and marshes with grassy margins; in winter, fresh-water and brackish marshes, shallow lakes, and wet and flooded fields.

**Distribution.**—Breeds [strepera group] in North America from southern Alaska (the Alaska Peninsula, and east to Prince William Sound and, rarely, southeastern Alaska), southern Yukon, northeastern British Columbia, central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, central Ontario, southwestern Quebec, Prince Edward Island, Anticosti Island (rarely), and New Brunswick south locally to southern California, southern Nevada, northern Arizona, southern New Mexico, south-central Texas, southern Kansas, northern Iowa, central Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, northern Ohio, northern Pennsylvania (formerly) and, on the Atlantic coast, to North Carolina, with one isolated breeding in northern Alabama (Wheeler Refuge); and in Eurasia from Iceland, the British Isles, and southern Scandinavia east to eastern Siberia, and south to the Mediterranean region, Algeria, Turkey, Iran, Afghanistan, northern China, and Sakhalin.

Winters [strepera group] in the Hawaiian Islands (rarely); in North America from southern Alaska (west to the Aleutian and Kodiak islands), southern British Columbia, Idaho, Montana, southern South Dakota, southeastern Minnesota, the southern Great Lakes, and southern New England (rarely from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia) south to northern Baja California, Oaxaca, México, Puebla, Veracruz, Tabasco, Yucatán, the Gulf coast throughout, Florida, the Bahamas (New Providence, Andros), western Cuba, Jamaica (formerly), and Puerto Rico; and in Eurasia from the British Isles, central Europe, and the Black and Caspian seas south to northern and eastern Africa, and east to India, Burma, eastern China, and Japan.

**Resident** [couesi group] formerly in the southern Indian Ocean on the Crozets and Kerguelen Island (now extinct).

Casual or accidental [strepera group] in the Hawaiian Islands, Pribilofs, western and northern Alaska, northern Manitoba, Bermuda, Greenland, the Faeroe Islands, Nigeria, Sri Lanka, and the Marshall Islands; a sight report from the Cayman Islands.

Notes.—Groups: *A. strepera* [Common Gadwall] and *A. couesi* (Streets, 1876) [Coues’s Gadwall]. This species was long placed in the genus Chaulelasmus; Livezey (1991) placed it in Mareca.

**Anas falcata** Georgi. Falcated Duck.


**Habitat.**—Primarily in fresh-water on and around ponds, small lakes and quiet rivers; forages and winters also in rice fields.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in eastern Siberia from the Yenisei River east to the Sea of Okhotsk and Kamchatka, and south to Lake Baikal, Mongolia, Amurland, Sakhalin, and Japan.

Winters from Japan south to Korea and eastern China, less frequently to Iran, India, Burma, Vietnam, and southeastern China, rarely to Thailand.

Casual in Alaska in the Pribilof (St. George, St. Paul) and Aleutian islands (Attu, Shemya, Amchitka, Adak), and in the Commander Islands. Reports from British Columbia, Washington (Willapa Bay), and California (San Francisco, Newport Bay) are considered to be of uncertain origin; records from Virginia, North Carolina, and Europe almost certainly are of escapes.

Notes.—Also known as Falcated Teal. Placed in the genus Mareca by Livezey (1991).

**Anas penelope** Linnaeus. Eurasian Wigeon.

**Habitat.**—Marshes and lakes with substantial vegetation along shores, mainly in taiga and forested areas, less commonly in open moors and cultivated country; in winter, lakes, ponds, marshes, and estuaries (in North America, usually in association with American Wigeon).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in Eurasia from Iceland, the British Isles, and Scandinavia east to eastern Siberia and Kamchatka, south to northern Europe, central Russia, and Transcaucasia. *Winters* in the Old World from Iceland, the British Isles, northern Europe, southern Russia, and Japan south to the eastern Atlantic islands, northern and eastern Africa, Arabia, India, the Malay Peninsula, southern China, Taiwan, and the Philippines, casually to Sri Lanka, Borneo, Sulawesi, and Greenland; and regularly in small numbers in North America, mostly on the Pacific coast from southeastern Alaska south to northern Baja California, and (less frequently) on the Atlantic-Gulf coast from Labrador and Newfoundland south to Florida, and in the Hawaiian Islands.

*Migrates* regularly (primarily in the spring) through southwestern Alaska (rare elsewhere in Alaska) and coastal British Columbia, and irregularly in the interior of North America from the southern parts of the Canadian provinces southward.

Casual or accidental throughout most of interior North America from southern Yukon to the Mexican border and the Gulf coast, Bermuda, the Antilles (Hispaniola, Puerto Rico, Barbuda, and Barbados), Jan Mayen, Spitsbergen, Bear Island, and the Caroline and Marshall Islands; sight reports from southern Baja California, Sonora, and Clipperton Island.

**Notes.**—Also known as European Wigeon and, in Old World literature, as the Wigeon. *Anas penelope* and *A. americana* constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970; Johnsgard in Mayr and Cottrell 1979); occasional hybrids between the two species have been reported. Both species were placed in the genus *Mareca* in the past, and are so treated by Livezey (1991).

**Anas americana** Gmelin. American Wigeon.


**Habitat.**—Large marshes and shallow lakes; in winter, lakes, ponds, marshes, sloughs, and estuaries, also golf courses and parks with extensive lawns.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from central (rarely western) Alaska, central Yukon, northwestern and central Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northeastern Manitoba, northern Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland, and Nova Scotia south to south-coastal Alaska (Cook Inlet east to Yakutat Bay) and coastal British Columbia, in the interior through much of British Columbia, northwestern and eastern Washington, and eastern Oregon to northeastern (rarely central) California, northern Nevada, northern Utah, eastern Arizona (formerly) northern New Mexico, central Colorado, northwestern Nebraska, South Dakota, northern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, southern Michigan, southern Ontario, northwestern Ohio, and northern New York, sporadically to the Atlantic coast (recorded breeding in Maine, Massachusetts, and Delaware); the breeding range east of Manitoba and Minnesota is highly local.

*Winters* in the Hawaiian Islands; and from southern Alaska, southern British Columbia, Washington, Idaho, southern Utah, and Colorado sporadically across the central United States to the southern Great Lakes region, Ohio River Valley, and Atlantic coast (north to Nova Scotia), south throughout the southern United States, Bermuda (rare), Middle America, and the West Indies to Panama, northern Colombia, northern Venezuela (rarely), Tobago, and Trinidad.

Regular migrant in the Pribilof Islands. Casual or accidental in the Aleutians, Banks Island, Greenland, Iceland, Europe, the Azores, Japan, and the Commander, Caroline, and Marshall islands; a sight report for Clipperton Island.

**Notes.**—See comments under *A. penelope.*


Anas obscura rubripes Brewster, 1902, Auk 19: 184. (Lake Umbagog, New Hampshire shore.)

Habitat.—A variety of wetland habitats in both fresh-water and marine situations, in and around marshes, swamps, ponds, lakes, bays, estuaries, and tidal flats, favoring wooded swamps for breeding; in winter, primarily estuaries, tidal marshes, lakes, and ponds.

Distribution.—Breeds from northern Saskatchewan (rarely), northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northern Quebec, Labrador, and Newfoundland south to northern South Dakota, northern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, northern Illinois, central Indiana, northern Ohio, central West Virginia, and on the Atlantic coast to North Carolina; also sporadic breeding west to southern Alberta and south to the northern Gulf states, Georgia, northern Florida, and Bermuda.

Winters from southeastern Minnesota, central Wisconsin, central Michigan, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and southern Newfoundland south to Texas (perhaps only casual now), the northern portions of the Gulf coastal states, and Bermuda.

Introduced and established in British Columbia (Vancouver area) and Washington (Everett).

Casual visitant (in summer in the northern areas, in migration and winter in western and southern localities) from central Alaska, northern Mackenzie, Keewatin, and Baffin Island south to northern California, Wyoming, Colorado (at least formerly), and western Texas, and along Gulf Coast and southern Florida. Accidental in Puerto Rico, Iceland, the British Isles, northern continental Europe, the Azores, and Korea; some extralimital records and peripheral reports in the southwest may pertain to escaped or released individuals.

Notes.—Formerly known in American literature as the Black Duck. See comments under A. platyrhynchos.

Anas platyrhynchos Linnaeus. Mallard.

Anas platyrhynchos Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 125. (in Europa maritimis = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Shallow waters such as ponds, lakes, marshes, and flooded fields; in winter, mostly in fresh-water and cultivated fields, less commonly in brackish situations; [diazi group] Freshwater Marshes (800–1800 m)

Distribution.—Breeds [platyrhynchos group] in North America from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northeastern Manitoba, northern Ontario, southern Quebec, and southern Maine south to the Aleutian and Pribilof islands, northern Baja California, Arizona, southern New Mexico, and from Oklahoma east through the Ohio River Valley to Virginia, with local breeding (probably through introduction or semi-domestic stock) to the Gulf coast and Florida, and in the Palearctic in southwestern Greenland, Iceland, and from Scandinavia east to eastern Siberia and south to the Mediterranean region, central Asia, and Japan; and [diazi group] from southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, and west-central Texas south in the highlands of Mexico to Jalisco, Michoacán, México, Distrito Federal, Tlaxcala, and Puebla.

Winters [platyrhynchos group] in North America generally from southern Alaska (west coastally to the Aleutian Islands, rare in central Alaska) and southern Canada south to central Mexico (at least formerly to Michoacán, México, and Veracruz), the Gulf coast, southern Florida, and Bermuda (rare), and in Eurasia from Iceland, the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, and the southern part of the breeding range south to the eastern Atlantic islands, northern Africa, India, Burma, and Borneo; and [diazi group] east to southern Coahuila, San Luis Potosí, and western Tamaulipas.

Introduced and established [platyrhynchos group] in the Virgin Islands, Hawaiian Islands, Australia, and New Zealand; in addition, wild populations throughout most of the normal range are supplemented frequently by escapes from captivity.
Casual or accidental [platyrhynchos group] in Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica (near Turrialba), Panama (Canal area), the Bahamas (Andros, New Providence), Cuba, the Cayman Islands, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands (St. Croix), Trinidad, Spitsbergen, Bear Island, and the Marshall and Gilbert [= Kiribati] islands.

Notes.—The two groups were formerly recognized as distinct species, A. platyrhynchos and A. diazi Ridgway, 1886 [Mexican Duck] (e.g., Aldrich and Baer 1970), but extensive hybridization in southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, and west-central Texas compels merger into a single species (Hubbard 1977). Anas platyrhynchos (including diazi), A. fulvigula, A. rubripes, A. wyvilliana, A. laysanensis, and possibly several Old World forms are all closely related; at least the first three appear to constitute a superspecies (Johnsgard in Mayr and Cottrell 1979). In various treatments, some or even all the taxa mentioned are treated as conspecific under the name A. platyrhynchos (e.g., Johnsgard 1961, 1967). Anas rubripes hybridizes frequently with A. platyrhynchos in an area of broad overlap, largely the result of introductions of the latter in the range of the former. These two forms differ somewhat behaviorally and tend to segregate as species (Brodsky and Weatherhead 1984, Hepp et al. 1988), although genetically they are virtually identical (Ankney et al. 1986, Ankney and Dennis 1988, Avise et al. 1990).

Anas fulvigula Ridgway. Mottled Duck.

Anas obscura, var. fulvigula Ridgway, 1874, Amer. Nat. 8: 111. (St. John’s river, Florida = Dummits, Brevard County.)

Habitat.—Fresh-water and brackish marshes and ponds, usually treeless, foraging also in wet and flooded fields, especially rice.

Distribution.—Breeds along the Gulf coast from northwestern Florida, southern Alabama, southern Louisiana, and Texas south to Tamaulipas; in peninsular Florida from Alachua County south to Cape Sable; and locally inland in central Kansas and northeastern Texas. Winters in the breeding range and along the entire Gulf coast from western Florida to central Texas and south to Veracruz.

Introduced and established in South Carolina. Casual in the Great Plains region from Nebraska south to northern Texas, and southern Florida (Key Largo); a sight report for Nuevo León.

Notes.—Some individuals taken in the Great Plains region from Kansas to Oklahoma show indications of hybridization with A. platyrhynchos (Hubbard 1977).

Anas wyvilliana Sclater. Hawaiian Duck.


Habitat.—Coastal lagoons, marshes, and mountain streams.

Distribution.—Resident in the Hawaiian Islands (Kauai and possibly Niihau, formerly on all main islands except Lanai and Kahoolawe); recent introductions from captive stocks to Oahu and Hawaii have bred successfully.

A record from Sinaloa (Mazatlán, prior to 1859 = type of A. aberti Ridgway, 1878) is almost certainly based on a mislabeled specimen.

Notes.—Also known as Koloa. See comments under A. platyrhynchos.

Anas laysanensis Rothschild. Laysan Duck.


Habitat.—Brackish lagoons, and adjacent dense brush and sedges.

Distribution.—Resident in small numbers on Laysan Island, in the Hawaiian Islands.

Notes.—Also known as Laysan Teal. See comments under A. platyrhynchos.

Anas poecilorhyncha Forster. Spot-billed Duck.

Anas poecilorhyncha J. R. Forster, 1781, Zool. Indica, p. 23, pl. 13, fig. 1. (Ceylon.)

Habitat.—Small streams and ponds.
Distribution.—Breeds in eastern Asia from Siberia and Sakhalin south to India, Sri Lanka, and Southeast Asia, and winters south to the Philippines. Casual in Alaska in the Aleutians (Attu, Adak) and on Kodiak Island.

**Anas discors** Linnaeus. Blue-winged Teal.


**Habitat.**—Fresh-water and brackish marshes, ponds, sloughs, lakes, and sluggish streams, with emergent vegetation; in winter, primarily fresh-water and brackish marshes, also in wet and flooded fields.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from east-central Alaska, southern Yukon, southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and southwestern Newfoundland south to northeastern California, central Nevada, north-central Arizona, southern New Mexico, western and southern Texas, Louisiana (locally), eastern Arkansas, central Tennessee, and eastern North Carolina, locally to north-central Arizona, the Gulf coast, and central Florida, casually to southern California and in central Mexico (Distrito Federal).

Winters from northern California, southern Arizona, central New Mexico, western and southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and North Carolina on the Atlantic coast (casually north to Montana, the southern Great Lakes, and Chesapeake Bay) south throughout Middle America and the West Indies to central Peru, central Argentina, and southern Brazil.

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands (bred twice on Hawaii), north to the Aleutians (Adak), northern Alaska, northern Mackenzie, Anticosti Island, and southern Labrador; and to Clipperton Island, Bermuda, southern Argentina, Uruguay, Greenland, the British Isles, and South Georgia. Accidental in Iceland, Europe, and the Azores; a sight report for the Galapagos Islands.

**Notes.**—*Anas discors* and *A. cyanoptera* are closely related and natural hybrids are known (e.g., Anderson and Miller 1953).

**Anas cyanoptera** Vieillot. Cinnamon Teal.


**Habitat.**—Shallow lakes, ponds, sluggish streams, and marshes (Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in North America from coastal and southern interior British Columbia, central Alberta, southwestern Saskatchewan, central North Dakota, southwestern South Dakota (probably), western Nebraska, and central Kansas south to northern Baja California, central Mexico (to Jalisco, Valley of México, and Hidalgo) and central Texas (formerly); also one breeding record for Ontario (Amherstburg). Winters from northern California, southern Nevada, Utah (rarely), southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, and central Texas south through Middle America to Colombia, northern Venezuela, and northern Ecuador (at least formerly).

Resident in South America in Colombia (Eastern Andes, and the Cauca and Magdalena valleys), and from central Peru, Bolivia, Paraguay, and southern Brazil south to the Straits of Magellan.

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands (Kauai, Molokai, Maui, Hawaii), and from northern Alaska, southern Yukon, central British Columbia, central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, western and southern Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, New York, and New Jersey south to the Gulf coast, Florida, the Bahamas (Grand Bahama), Cuba, Jamaica, and the Virgin Islands (St. Croix); a sight report for Clipperton Island.

**Notes.**—See comments under *A. discors.*
Anas clypeata Linnaeus. Northern Shoveler.

Anas clypeata Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 124. (in Europeæ maritimis = southern Sweden.)

Habitat.—Shallow lakes and ponds with emergent vegetation, especially in muddy, sluggish water situations; in winter, both fresh-water and brackish marshes, shallow lakes, and flooded fields.

Distribution.—Breeds in North America from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, northern Manitoba, and northern Ontario (casually east to southern Quebec, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia) south to southern California (rarely west of the coast ranges from central British Columbia southward), Utah, central Arizona (possibly), northern Colorado, northwestern Oklahoma, central Kansas, northern Missouri, central Illinois, northern Indiana, central Ohio, western Pennsylvania, New York, northeastern Maryland, and Delaware, also in southern New Mexico and southeastern Texas, and casually to northern Alabama; and in Eurasia from Iceland, the British Isles, and Scandinavia east across northern Russia and Siberia to Kamchatka and the Commander Islands, and south to the Mediterranean, Black, and Caspian seas, southern Russia, Mongolia, Transbaicalia, and Sakhalin.

Winters in the Hawaiian Islands, and from coastal and southern British Columbia, western Washington, Idaho, western Montana, Colorado, central Texas, the Gulf coast, and Maryland on the Atlantic coast south through Middle America, Bermuda, and the West Indies to Colombia, the Netherlands Antilles, and Trinidad, rarely in southern Alaska (in the Aleutians, on Kodiak Island, and in southeastern Alaska), and north to Iowa, the Great Lakes, and New England; and in the Old World from the British Isles, central Europe, southern Russia, eastern China, and Japan south to northern and eastern Africa, the Indian Ocean, Malay Peninsula, Borneo, the Philippines, and Micronesia.

Migrates regularly through the Aleutian Islands.

Casual or accidental in Clipperton Island, Labrador, Newfoundland, Greenland, Spitsbergen, Bear Island, the eastern Atlantic islands, South Africa, and the Gilbert Islands.

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as the Shoveler.

Anas bahamensis Linnaeus. White-cheeked Pintail.

Anas bahamensis Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 124. (in Bahama = Bahama Islands.)

Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes, Coastal Saltwater Marshes, Freshwater Lakes and Ponds, Alkaline Lakes, Coastal Waters, sometimes foraging in cultivated fields.

Distribution.—Resident [bahamensis group] in the Bahamas (from Abaco south to the Caicos), Greater Antilles, northern Lesser Antilles (south to Guadeloupe), islands off the north coast of Venezuela (Netherlands Antilles east to Tobago and Trinidad), and along the coasts (mostly) of South America south to northern Chile and northeastern Argentina; and [galapagensis group] in the Galapagos Islands.

Casual [bahamensis group] in peninsular Florida, the Florida Keys, and the Cayman Islands (Grand Cayman). Accidental [bahamensis group] in Wisconsin (Lake Winneconne), Illinois (Steward Lake), Texas (Laguna Atascosa), Alabama (Magnolia Springs), Virginia (Pungo, Chincoteague), and Delaware (Assawoman); most or all of these reports, as well as those from California and one from New Jersey representing a South American race, probably pertain to escapes from captivity.

Notes.—Also known as Bahama Pintail or Bahama Duck. Groups: A. bahamensis [White-cheeked Pintail] and A. galapagensis (Ridgway, 1889) [Galapagos Pintail].

Anas acuta Linnaeus. Northern Pintail.

Anas acuta Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 126. (in Europæ maritimis = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Lakes, rivers, marshes, and ponds in grasslands, barrens, dry tundra, open boreal forest, and cultivated fields; in winter, shallow lakes, ponds, marshes, and estuaries.

Distribution.—Breeds in North America from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northern
Mackenzie, southwestern Banks Island, southern Victoria Island, northern Keewatin, Southampton Island, northern and eastern Quebec, central Labrador, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia south, at least locally, to southwestern and south-coastal Alaska, along the Pacific coast to southern California, and to northern Arizona, southern New Mexico, western Oklahoma (Panhandle), Kansas, northwestern Missouri, northern Iowa, northern Illinois, northern Indiana, northern Ohio, northern New York, and Massachusetts, casually or sporadically to western Kentucky and Virginia, also once on Ellesmere Island and recorded in summer casually to Banks and Baffin islands, and in Newfoundland; and in the Palearctic from western Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, Spitsbergen, and Scandinavia east across Arctic areas to the Chukotski Peninsula, Kamchatka, and the Commander Islands, and south to the British Isles, central Europe, Caspian Sea, Transcaucasia, and the Kuril Islands.

*Winters* in the Hawaiian Islands; in the Americas from southern Alaska (coastal areas west to the Aleutian and Kodiak islands), coastal and southern interior British Columbia, central Washington, southern Idaho, Montana, eastern Colorado, Nebraska, central Missouri, the southern Great Lakes, and along the Atlantic coast from Massachusetts, south throughout the southern United States, Middle America, Bermuda, and the West Indies (south at least to Guadeloupe) to northern Colombia, northern Venezuela, and the Guianas; and in the Old World from the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, southern Russia, Turkestan, and Japan south to northern and eastern Africa, the Indian Ocean, Borneo, the Philippines, and islands of Micronesia.

*Migrates* regularly in the Aleutians, Labrador, and Newfoundland.

Casual to Clipperton Island, Bear Island, Madeira, and the Azores.

Notes.—*Anas eatoni* (Sharpe, 1875) of Kerguelen Island (including *A. drygalskii* Reichenow, 1904 of the Crozet Islands) is often (e.g., A.O.U. 1983) considered conspecific with *A. acuta*, but has been separated by Stahl et al. (1984) [*Eaton's Pintail*]. Also known as Common Pintail and, in Old World literature, as the Pintail. Johnsgard in Mayr and Cottrell (1979) considered *A. acuta* and South American *A. georgica* Gmelin, 1789 to constitute a superspecies.

*Anas querquedula* Linnaeus. Garganey.

*Anas Querquedula* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 126. (in Europae aquis dulcisibus = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Shallow inland lakes, ponds, and streams bordered with dense emergent vegetation, reed beds or marshes; winters primarily on fresh-water but also in marine or brackish situations.

Distribution.—Breeds from the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, central Russia, and eastern Siberia (east to Amurland and Kamchatka) south to southern Europe, the Black and Caspian seas, Turkey, Transcaucasia, Mongolia, and Ussuriland.

*Winters* in the Hawaiian Islands (rarely), and from the Mediterranean Sea (rarely), Iraq, Arabia, India, eastern China, Taiwan, and Japan south to southern Africa, the Maldives Islands, Sri Lanka, Greater Sunda Islands, New Guinea, and Australia.

*Migrates* regularly through the western Aleutians (casually as far east as Adak, in the Pribilofs, and at Middleton Island).

Casual (mainly as spring migrant) in Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, Azores, and widely in continental North America from southern British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Minnesota, Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south to California, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Iowa, Illinois, and North Carolina. Accidental in Bermuda, Puerto Rico, and Barbados; sight reports for Sinaloa and Missouri.

*Anas formosa* Georgi. Baikal Teal.


Habitat.—Small ponds, pools or edges of streams, generally in forested areas.

Distribution.—Breeds in eastern Siberia from the Yenisei River east to western Anadyrland and Kamchatka, and south to Lake Baikal, Transbaicalia, and the Sea of Okhotsk.
Winters from eastern China, Korea, and Japan south (currently rare) to India, Burma, and Thailand.

Casual in western and northern Alaska from Wainwright south to the Pribilofs, Nanvak Bay, and the Aleutians (Attu), and in fall and winter on the Pacific coast from British Columbia south to southern California. Birds reported from Colorado, Oklahoma, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, North Carolina, and Europe may be escaped individuals.

**Anas crecca** Linnaeus. Green-winged Teal.

Anas Crecca Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 126. (in Europæ aquis dulcibus = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Shallow lakes, marshes, ponds, pools, and shallow streams with emergent vegetation; in winter, both fresh-water and brackish situations around marshes, shallow lakes, estuaries, and wet and flooded fields.

**Distribution.**—Breeds [crecca group] in North America in the Pribilof Islands and Aleutian Islands (east to Akutan), Greenland (casually), and in Eurasia from the British Isles east to eastern Siberia and the Commander, Kuril, and Bering islands, and south to the Mediterranean, Black, and Caspian seas, Mongolia, Manchuria, Ussuriland, and Japan; and [carolinensis group] in North America from western and northern Alaska (including the eastern Aleutians), northern Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northeastern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northern Quebec, north-central Labrador, and Newfoundland south to western Washington, central Oregon, northern Nevada, northern Utah (rarely), Colorado, South Dakota, southern Minnesota, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, Massachusetts, and Nova Scotia, with sporadic local breeding south to southern California, northeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, Kansas, northern Iowa, northern Illinois, northern Indiana, northern Ohio, Pennsylvania, northeastern West Virginia, and on the Atlantic coast to Maryland and Delaware.

Winters [crecca group] in North America in the Aleutians, and in Eurasia from Iceland, the British Isles, northern Europe, the Black and Caspian seas, Korea, and Japan south to tropical Africa, India, Sri Lanka, the Malay Peninsula, southeastern China, and the Philippines; and [carolinensis group] in the Hawaiian Islands, and in North America from southern Alaska (Kodiak Island), southern British Columbia, central Montana, South Dakota, southern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, the Great Lakes, New York, New England, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia south to Baja California, Oaxaca, the Gulf coast, southern Florida, Bermuda, and the Bahamas, rarely to northern Central America (El Salvador, northern Honduras, and Belize), the Antilles (recorded south to Tobago), the Cayman Islands, and Bermuda.

Migrates [crecca group] in small numbers through Greenland.

Casual [crecca group] in the Hawaiian Islands (Midway, Oahu), in continental North America from Alaska and Labrador south on the Pacific coast to southern California, in the interior to Nevada, Ohio, and Pennsylvania, and on the Atlantic coast to Florida, and in Micronesia, Jan Mayen, Spitsbergen, and the eastern Atlantic islands; and [carolinensis group] in Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Colombia, Greenland, the British Isles, continental Europe, Morocco, and Japan.

**Notes.**—Known in Old World literature as the Teal. The two groups within the species were formerly considered as separate species, *A. crecca* [Common Teal] and *A. carolinensis* Gmelin, 1789 [Green-winged Teal], but are now generally treated as conspecific (e.g., Palmer 1976, Cramp and Simmons 1977, Sibley and Monroe 1990, del Hoyo et al. 1992). No analysis, however, has been published concerning the nature of variation in the region where the groups are parapatric, and only a few intergrades have been documented (Palmer 1976). Johnsgard in Mayr and Cottrell (1979), considered *A. crecca* and South American *A. flavirostris* Vieillot, 1816, to constitute a superspecies.

Tribe AYTHYINI: Pochards and Allies

**Genus AYTHYA** Boie


**Notes.**—Livezey (1996b) recognized *Aristonetta* as a genus for the species *valisineria*, *americana*, and *ferina*.

*Aythya valisineria* (Wilson). Canvasback.

**Anas valisineria** Wilson, 1814, Amer. Ornithol. 8: 103, pl. 70, fig. 5. (United States.)

**Habitat.**—Fresh-water marshes and lakes with emergent vegetation; winters on deep, fresh-water lakes, rivers, and marshes as well as on bays and estuaries.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from central Alaska, northern Yukon, western and southern Mackenzie, central Saskatchewan, central and northeastern Manitoba, and western Ontario south to south-coastal Alaska (Anchorage area east to Bering River delta), and locally in inland areas to northeastern (casually central) California, northern Nevada, northern Utah (rarely), central New Mexico, central Kansas, northwestern Iowa, southwestern Ontario, Wisconsin, Michigan, and central New York. Occurs in summer in Alaska west to Seward Peninsula.

**Winters** along the Pacific coast from the central Aleutians (in small numbers west to Adak) and south-coastal Alaska south to Baja California, and from interior Washington, Idaho, western Montana, Colorado, Nebraska, Iowa, the Great Lakes and, on the Atlantic coast, from New England (sporadically north in the western states to southern Canada) south to southern Mexico (Veracruz and the Yucatan Peninsula), the Gulf coast, and Florida.

**Migrates** through southern Ontario and southwestern Quebec.

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands, western Aleutians, Pribilofs (St. Paul), Clipperton Island, Guatemala, Honduras, eastern Canada (north to New Brunswick and Nova Scotia), Bermuda, Cuba, Puerto Rico, the Marshall Islands, Iceland, and Germany; **sight reports from Nicaragua**, and the Bahama and Swan islands.

**Notes.**—See comments under *A. ferina*.

*Aythya americana* (Eyton). Redhead.

**Fuligula americana** Eyton, 1838, Monogr. Anatidae, p. 155. (North America.)

**Habitat.**—Extensive fresh-water marshes; in winter, mostly brackish and marine lagoons, estuaries, and bays, less frequently in fresh-water lakes and marshes.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* locally in interior south-central and southeastern Alaska, and from central and northeastern British Columbia, southwestern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, west-central and southern Manitoba, and northwestern and central Minnesota south to southern California, central (rarely southern) Arizona, central (rarely southern) New Mexico, northern Texas (Panhandle), central Kansas, and northern Iowa, sporadically in eastern North America from Wisconsin, Michigan, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia south to northern Illinois, northwestern Indiana, northern Ohio, western Pennsylvania (formerly), and central and southeastern New York, also in interior Mexico in Jalisco and Distrito Federal.

**Winters** from coastal and southern interior British Columbia, Washington, Idaho, western Montana, Colorado, Kansas, the middle Mississippi and Ohio river valleys, and the Great Lakes (occasionally north to North Dakota and the upper Great Lakes), and from New England on the Atlantic coast south throughout the southern United States and most of Mexico to Guatemala, Jamaica, Bermuda (rare), and the Bahamas.

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands, northern and western Alaska, southern Yukon, **Nicaragua**, Cuba, Greenland, and Sweden; a sight report for Guam.

**Notes.**—See comments under *A. ferina*.
Aythya retina (Linnaeus). Common Pochard.

*Anas ferina* Linnaeus, 1758, *Syst. Nat.* (ed. 10) 1: 126. (in Europæ maritimis = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Fresh-water marshes and lakes with emergent vegetation; winters in freshwater and brackish areas, rarely in bays and estuaries.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from Iceland, the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, central Russia, and southern Siberia south to Spain, central Europe, Tunisia (formerly), the Black and Caspian seas, Turkey, and Lake Baikal.

*Winters* from the British Isles, central Europe, southern Sweden, and southern Russia south to the Mediterranean region, northern Africa, Arabia, India, Burma, eastern China, and Japan, rarely to the eastern Atlantic islands, Taiwan, and the Philippines.

*Migrates* regularly through the western Aleutian Islands (east to Adak), casually in the Pribilof Islands (St. Paul, St. George) and on St. Lawrence Island.

Casual or accidental in the northwestern Hawaiian Islands (Midway), western (near Nome) and south-coastal Alaska (Homer), California (Silver Lakes), the Faeroe Islands, and Guam.

**Notes.**—Known in Old World literature as the Pochard. Relationships among *A. ferina*, *A. valisineria* and *A. americana* are close (Livezey 1996a); Johnsgard in Mayr and Cottrell (1979) considered *A. ferina* and *A. valisineria* to constitute a superspecies.

Aythya collaris (Donovan). Ring-necked Duck.


**Habitat.**—Fresh-water marshes, sloughs, bogs, and swamps, usually in forested areas; in winter, primarily on lakes, ponds, slow-moving rivers, and (less frequently) marshes and estuaries.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in east-central and southeastern Alaska, and from northeastern British Columbia, southern Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, northern Ontario, southern Quebec, Newfoundland, and Nova Scotia south to south-coastal British Columbia, northwestern Washington, eastern Oregon, northern California, central Nevada, eastern Arizona (rarely), western Colorado, northern Nebraska (formerly), northeastern South Dakota, northern Iowa, Wisconsin, northern Indiana, southern Ontario, western Pennsylvania (formerly), northern New York, Massachusetts (formerly), and Maine; also in Georgia (Augusta) and north-central Florida (Alachua County).

*Winters* in the Hawaiian Islands (rarely); and on the Pacific coast from southeastern Alaska, in the interior from Washington, Idaho, western Montana, Colorado, Oklahoma, the lower Mississippi and Ohio river valleys, the southern Great Lakes region, and New England south through the southern United States, Middle America, and the West Indies to Panama (east to eastern Panamá province) and Grenada.

Casual in northern, western, and southwestern Alaska, and in the Hawaiian Islands, Bermuda, Venezuela (including Margarita Island), Trinidad, Iceland, Europe, the Azores, and Japan; a sight report for Clipperton Island.

Aythya fuligula (Linnaeus). Tufted Duck.

*Anas Fuligula* Linnaeus, 1758, *Syst. Nat.* (ed. 10) 1: 128. (in Europæ maritimis = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Primarily marshy ponds and small lakes; in winter, mostly in marine and brackish areas (European range), less commonly in fresh-water (most American records).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, Bear Island (probably), and Scandinavia east to Ussuriland, Sakhalin, and the Commander Islands, and south to central Europe, the Mediterranean Sea (rarely), Syria, Transcaucasia, northern Mongolia, and Japan.

*Winters* from Iceland, the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, and Japan south to northern Africa, Arabia, India, the Malay Peninsula, eastern China, and the Philippines.

*Migrates* regularly through the western and central Aleutians, casually north to the Pribilofs, St. Lawrence Island, and Barrow, and east in southern Alaska to Unalaska, and Kodiak islands, and to Cordova.
Rare and irregular in the Hawaiian Islands; elsewhere along the Pacific coast of North America from southern British Columbia south to southern California, and inland to Montana (sight report), Saskatchewan (sight report), Wyoming, and Arizona; on the Atlantic coast from Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and Massachusetts to New Jersey and inland to the Great Lakes region, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, and central New York; and in Bermuda, Greenland, Spitsbergen, the eastern Atlantic islands, southern Africa, Seychelles, the Greater Sunda Islands, and Micronesia. Some records from eastern North America may pertain to escapees from captivity.

**Aythya marila** (Linnaeus). Greater Scaup.


**Habitat.**—Ponds and lakes primarily in taiga and tundra; in winter, mostly bays, estuaries, and lagoons, less commonly on fresh-water lakes.

**Distribution.**—Breed from western Alaska (Kotzebue Sound south locally to the Aleutians, Alaska Peninsula, and Kodiak Island) east across northern Yukon, northwestern, north-central, and southern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, around Hudson Bay, eastern James Bay, and northern Quebec (possibly also Labrador), casually or irregularly south to southeastern Alaska (Copper-Bering River deltas), central Manitoba, New Brunswick, Anticosti, and Magdalen islands, and Newfoundland (other southern reports open to question); and in Eurasia from Iceland, the Faeroe Islands (formerly), and Scandinavia east across Arctic Russia to eastern Siberia, Kamchatka, and the Commander Islands.

**Winters** in western North America from the Aleutians, southeastern Alaska, coastal and southern British Columbia, interior Washington, and western Montana south to northern Baja California, southeastern California, southwestern Arizona, and southern New Mexico, in central North America from the Great Lakes region and Ohio and lower Mississippi river valleys south to the Gulf coast (from southern Texas east to Florida), and on the Atlantic coast from Newfoundland south to central Florida and Bermuda (rare); and in Eurasia from the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, and the Baltic and North seas south to the Mediterranean, Black, and Caspian seas, the Persian Gulf, and northwestern India, and on the Pacific coast from Sakhalin and Japan south to Korea and eastern China, rarely to Taiwan and the Philippines.

**Migrates** regularly through throughout most of interior North America.

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands, the Bahamas (New Providence), Greenland, Jan Mayen and Bear islands, and south to the Azores and northern Africa; sight reports from Costa Rica and the Virgin Islands (St. Croix).

**Notes.**—Known in Old World literature as the Scaup.

**Aythya affinis** (Eyton). Lesser Scaup.

*Fuligula affinis* Eyton, 1838, Monogr. Anatidae, p. 157. (North America.)

**Habitat.**—Marshes, ponds, and small lakes; in winter, bays, estuaries, shallow water along coast, lakes, rivers, and ponds.

**Distribution.**—Breed from central Alaska, central Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, northern Manitoba, and northern Ontario south through interior British Columbia, northern Idaho, northern Wyoming, North Dakota, northeastern South Dakota, and northwestern and (formerly) central Minnesota, casually or irregularly east to southern Ontario and central Quebec, and south to Washington, central California, northern Utah, western and central Colorado, central Nebraska, Kansas, northwestern Iowa, central Illinois, and western New York, formerly to northern Kentucky and northern Ohio. Occurs in summer in Alaska west to Seward Peninsula.

**Winters** in the Hawaiian Islands and southern Alaska (rare at Kodiak and Cordova), and from coastal and southern British Columbia, Washington, Idaho, Montana, northeastern Colorado, Kansas, Iowa, the southern Great Lakes region, and New England south throughout the southern United States, Middle America, Bermuda (rare), and the West Indies to northern Colombia, northern Venezuela, Tobago, and Trinidad (uncommon to rare from Costa Rica and the Lesser Antilles southward).

Tribe Mergini: Seaducks and Mergansers

Genus Polysticta Eyton


Polysticta stelleri (Pallas). Steller’s Eider.


Habitat.—Arctic ponds and lakes; in winter, shallow marine habitats around bays, reefs, lagoons, and inlets.

Distribution.—Breeds in North America along the Arctic coast of Alaska from Point Barrow south to St. Lawrence Island and Hooper Bay; and in Eurasia along the Arctic coast of Siberia from the New Siberian Islands and Lena Delta (casually Scandinavia and Novaya Zemlya) east to the Chukotski Peninsula. Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) in northern Yukon and northwestern Mackenzie. Winters in North America in the Pribilof and Aleutian islands, and east along the southern coast of Alaska to Cook Inlet (rarely to Prince William Sound), casually south along the Pacific coast to northern California; and in Eurasia from Scandinavia and northern Siberia south to the Baltic Sea, southern Kamchatka, and the Commander and Kuril islands. Casual or accidental in Quebec (Godbout), Maine (Scarborough), Massachusetts (off Scituate), Baffin Island, Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, Spitsbergen, and northern continental Europe.

Genus Somateria Leach

Somateria Leach, 1819, in Ross, Voy. Discovery, app., p. xlviii. Type, by monotypy, Anas spectabilis Linnaeus.


Lampronetta J. F. Brandt, 1847, Fuligulam (Lampronettam) Fischeri Nov. Avium Rossicarum Spec., pp. 18, 19 and plate. Type, by monotypy, Fuligula (Lampronetta) fischeri Brandt.

Somateria fischeri (Brandt). Spectacled Eider.

Fuligula Fischeri J. F. Brandt, 1847, Fuligulam (Lampronettam) Fischeri Nov. Avium Rossicarum Spec., p. 18, pl. 1. (St. Michael, Alaska.)

Habitat.—Arctic ponds, lakes, deltas, and tidal inlets with grass or sedge margins; in winter, primarily openings in pack ice.

Distribution.—Breeds on the Arctic coast of Alaska from Point Barrow south to St. Lawrence Island and the mouth of the Kuskokwim River, and along the Arctic coast of Siberia from the Yana Delta east to the Chukotski Peninsula. Populations declining dramatically in recent decades. Winters in openings in the Bering Sea icepack; recorded irregularly in coastal Alaska. Accidental in Norway; the origin of an individual supposedly taken in 1893 at Bitterwater Lake, San Benito County, California, is questionable.

Somateria spectabilis (Linnaeus). King Eider.

Habitat.—Arctic ponds and pools; in winter, primarily offshore along rocky coasts and in large bays.

Distribution.—Breeds in North America along the Arctic coast and islands from northern Alaska east to Greenland, the west coast of Hudson Bay, islands in Hudson and James bays, and (probably) northern Quebec, and south to islands in the Bering Sea (St. Lawrence, St. Matthews); and in Eurasia along the Arctic coast from northern Russia (including Spitsbergen and Novaya Zemlya) east to the Chukotski Peninsula.

Winters in the Pacific region from Kamchatka and the Bering Sea south to the Kuril, Aleutian and Shumagin islands, rarely to the southern mainland coast of Alaska, casually as far south on the Pacific coast as southern California; in the Atlantic from Labrador and Greenland south to New England, New York (Long Island), New Jersey, and Maryland, and casually as far south as Florida; in the interior of North America on open waters in Hudson and James bays, rarely to the Great Lakes, and casually to Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, West Virginia, and central South Carolina; and in western Eurasia to Iceland and the Scandinavian and northern Russian coasts.

Casual in Alberta, Saskatchewan, Louisiana, the Faeroe Islands, British Isles, Jan Mayen, Bear Island, continental Europe, and Japan.

Somateria mollissima (Linnaeus). Common Eider.


Habitat.—Ponds and lagoons with outlets to the sea; in winter, primarily seacoasts, bays, and estuaries.

Distribution.—Breeds [mollissima group] on southern Ellesmere, Cornwallis, Devon, Somerset, and Baffin islands, along coasts of Hudson Bay, islands and east coast of James Bay, and along coasts from northern Quebec, Labrador, and Newfoundland south to eastern Quebec (mouth of St. Lawrence River), New Hampshire, Maine, and Nova Scotia, and in the western Palearctic from Greenland (both coasts), Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, Spitsbergen, and Franz Josef Land south to the northern British Isles, northern Europe, and southern Scandinavia, and in the northern Netherlands; and [v-nigrum group] in western North America from the Arctic coast of Alaska and Canada east to northeastern Mackenzie, on southern Banks and southern Victoria islands, and south (locally) in Alaska to the Aleutians, Alaska Peninsula, and south-coastal Alaska (east probably to Glacier Bay), and in the eastern Palearctic from Wrangel Island, the New Siberian Islands, and northeastern coast of Siberia south to Kamchatka and the Commander Islands.

Winters [mollissima group] in eastern North America in open water of Hudson and James bays, from Labrador south along the Atlantic coast to New York (Long Island), rarely to North Carolina (Outer Banks), and casually south as far as southern Florida and inland to the Great Lakes, and in the western Palearctic from the breeding range south to central Europe; and [v-nigrum group] in western North America from the Bering Sea ice pack south to the Aleutians and Cook Inlet, on the Pacific coast south (rarely) to southeastern Alaska, and in eastern Eurasia south to Kamchatka.

Introduced [mollissima group] in southeastern Massachusetts.

Casual [mollissima group] inland North America west to Nebraska, Wisconsin, and Illinois, and in the western Palearctic south to the Azores and southern Europe; and [v-nigrum group] in British Columbia and east to North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, and Kansas. Accidental [v-nigrum group] in Saskatchewan, Newfoundland, and western Greenland.

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as the Eider. Groups: S. mollissima [Common Eider] and S. v-nigrum Gray 1856 [Pacific Eider].

Genus Histrionicus Lesson

Histrionicus Lesson, 1828, Man. Ornithol. 2: 415. Type, by original designation, Anas histrionica Linnaeus.
**Histrionicus histrionicus** (Linnaeus). Harlequin Duck.


**Habitat.**—Mountain streams and rivers, usually in forested regions; in winter, primarily turbulent coastal waters, especially in rocky regions.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in western North America from western Alaska, northern Yukon, northern British Columbia, and southern Alberta south to the Alaska Peninsula, southeastern Alaska, coastal British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte and Vancouver islands), interior Washington, eastern Oregon, California (Sierra Nevada, at least formerly), central Idaho, western Wyoming, and (formerly) southwestern Colorado; in eastern North America from southern Baffin Island south to central western and eastern Quebec and eastern Labrador, possibly also Newfoundland; and in the Palearctic in Greenland and Iceland, and from the Lena River in Siberia east to Kamchatka, and south to northern Mongolia and the Kuril Islands.

*Winters* along the Pacific coast of North America from the Pribilof and Aleutian islands south to central (rarely southern) California; on the Atlantic coast from southern Labrador, Newfoundland, and Nova Scotia south to New York (Long Island), less commonly to the Great Lakes, casually farther inland to Nevada, Montana, northern New Mexico, Nebraska, Missouri, Tennessee, and West Virginia, on the Atlantic coast to Florida, and on the Gulf coast from western Florida to southeastern Texas; and in eastern Eurasia from Manchuria and Kamchatka south to Korea and southern Japan.

**Casual or accidental** in the Hawaiian Islands (Midway, Laysan), western Mackenzie, southern Canada (eastern Alberta east to Manitoba), Sonora (Puerto Peñasco), and widely through Europe.

**Notes.**—Known in Old World literature as the Harlequin.

**Genus CAMPTORHYNCHUS** Bonaparte


†*Camptorhynchus labradorius* (Gmelin). Labrador Duck.


**Habitat.**—Breeding habitat unknown; winter habitat included sandy bays and estuaries.

**Distribution.**—*Extinct*. Alleged to have bred in Labrador. Recorded along the Atlantic coast from Nova Scotia and New Brunswick south to New York (Long Island) and New Jersey (also one report from Chesapeake Bay); and inland in Quebec (Laprairie near Montreal) and New York (Elmira), where the last known individual was taken on 12 December 1878.

**Genus MELANITTA** Boie


Habitat.—Lakes, ponds, or sluggish streams; in winter, primarily in shallow marine littoral areas, bays, and estuaries or occasionally on large lakes.

Distribution.—Breeds from the Mackenzie River delta east across central Mackenzie and northern Manitoba to Hudson Bay in northern Ontario and west-central Quebec, and south to western (from Kotzebue Sound to the Alaska Peninsula) and central Alaska, southern Yukon, northeastern British Columbia, central Alberta, and northern Saskatchewan; also in eastern Quebec and southern Labrador. Summers widely in northern Alaska, and across northern Canada from southern Keewatin east to Newfoundland, and along the Pacific coast south to California.

Winters primarily along the Pacific coast from the eastern Aleutian Islands and southeastern Alaska south to central Baja California and Sonora (also inland on the Salton Sea), in Utah (casually), on the Great Lakes (rarely), on the Atlantic coast from the Bay of Fundy to North Carolina, less commonly south to Florida, and rarely (but regularly) to the Gulf coast (Texas east to Florida).

Migrates regularly through Utah, the Dakotas, Great Lakes region, and rarely through the Mississippi and Ohio valleys.

Casual in eastern Siberia, St. Lawrence Island, the Pribilof Islands, central and western Aleutian Islands, and elsewhere throughout the interior of North America south to Arizona, New Mexico, Coahuila, and Texas, and in Bermuda, Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, the British Isles, continental Europe, and the Azores; a sight report for Nayarit. Accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu) and Japan.

Melanitta fusca (Linnaeus). White-winged Scoter.

Anas fusca Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 123. (in oceano Europæo = Swedish coast.)

Habitat.—Lakes, ponds, and sluggish streams in tundra and prairie; in winter, mostly shallow marine littoral areas, bays, and estuaries, less commonly on large lakes.

Distribution.—Breeds [deglandi group] in North America from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northeastern and southern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, and northern Manitoba south to central Alaska, southern Yukon, interior British Columbia, southeastern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, northern North Dakota (formerly), southern Manitoba, northern Ontario, and western Quebec, occurring in summer to northeastern Mackenzie and from Hudson Bay east to Labrador and Newfoundland, and in Asia from central and eastern Siberia south to Lake Baikal, Amurland, Sakhalin, and Kamchatka; and [fusca group] in Eurasia from Spitsbergen (formerly) and Scandinavia east across northern Russia to central Siberia, and south to west-central Russia.

Winters [deglandi group] in North America primarily on the Pacific coast from the Aleutians and Alaska Peninsula south to central California, less commonly south to northern Baja California, on the Great Lakes, and on the Atlantic coast from the Gulf of St. Lawrence and Newfoundland south to New Jersey, less commonly south to South Carolina (rarely to Florida), and in Asia from Kamchatka south to Korea, eastern China, and Japan; and [fusca group] in Eurasia from the breeding grounds south to the Mediterranean, Black, and Caspian seas.

Migrates [deglandi group] regularly through Utah, North Dakota, the Great Lakes region, and Mississippi and Ohio valleys.

Casual [deglandi group] on Melville Island, through the interior of North America south to southeastern California, Arizona, Sonora, New Mexico, southern Texas, and the Gulf coast (east to Florida), and in Greenland; accidental in Bermuda; and [fusca group] in Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, Bear Island, Azores, northern Africa, and Afghanistan.

Notes.—Groups: M. fusca [Velvet Scoter] and M. deglandi (Bonaparte, 1850) [White-winged Scoter], the latter also including the eastern Asiatic form M. stejnegeri (Ridgway, 1887) [Asiatic Scoter] whose relationships appear to be with deglandi but whose status is uncertain.
Melanitta nigra (Linnaeus). Black Scoter.

Anas nigra Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 123. (in Lapponia, Anglia = Lapland and England.)

Habitat.—Lakes and pools on tundra and taiga; in winter, mostly shallow marine littoral areas and bays, less commonly on large lakes.

Distribution.—Breeds [americana group] in North America in Alaska (from Cape Lisburne and the Alaska Range south to the Alaska Peninsula and Kodiak Island) and scattered localities in central and eastern Canada (southern Keewatin, northern Quebec, and Newfoundland), with isolated breeding occurrences in Wisconsin (Door County) and North Carolina (Pamlico Sound), and from Siberia to Anadyrland, Sakhalin, Kamchatka, and the northern Kuril Islands; and [nigra group] in Eurasia from Iceland, the British Isles, Spitsbergen, and Scandinavia east across northern Russia. Summers widely from southern Yukon and southern Mackenzie east to Labrador and Newfoundland.

Migrates [americana group] regularly through the Dakotas, Great Lakes region, rarely through the Mississippi and Ohio valleys.

Winters [americana group] in North America primarily on the Pacific coast from the Pribilof and Aleutian islands south to southern California and (rarely) northern Baja California, on the Great Lakes (rarely), on the Atlantic coast from Newfoundland south to southern Florida, and rarely on the Gulf coast of Florida (rarely west to southern Texas), and in Korea, eastern China, and Japan; and [nigra group] in Eurasia from the breeding regions south to the Mediterranean, Black, and Caspian seas (casually to Greenland, northern Africa, and the eastern Atlantic islands).

Casual [americana group] elsewhere in the interior of North America south to Arizona, New Mexico, and Texas, and in Bermuda. Accidental [americana group] in the northwestern Hawaiian Islands (Midway).

Notes.—Also known as Common Scoter. Groups: M. americana (Swainson, 1832) [American Scoter] and M. nigra [Black Scoter].

Genus CLANGULA Leach

Clangula Leach, 1819, in Ross, Voy. Discovery, app., p. xlvii. Type, by monotypy, Anas glacialis Linnaeus = Anas hyemalis Linnaeus.

Clangula hyemalis (Linnaeus). Oldsquaw.


Habitat.—Shallow lakes in taiga and tundra; in winter, primarily on ocean near coast, also bays, pack ice, and less commonly on large inland lakes.

Distribution.—Breeds in North America from the Arctic coast of Alaska east across northern Canada and throughout the Arctic islands to Ellesmere and Baffin islands and Labrador, south to southern and central Alaska and northwestern British Columbia, and from eastern and south-central Mackenzie and most of Keewatin south around Hudson Bay, and the islands and northeastern coast of James Bay; and in the Palearctic from Greenland, Iceland, Spitsbergen, and Scandinavia east across Arctic Russia to the Chukotski Peninsula, Anadyrland, and the Commander Islands.

Winters from the Bering Sea south along the Pacific coast to Oregon, rarely to California and inland to Utah; along the Atlantic coast from Greenland and Labrador south to South Carolina; in the interior of North America on the Great Lakes, and rarely west to North Dakota and south through the Mississippi and Ohio river valleys to the Gulf region (from Arkansas and Texas east to Florida); in Europe from Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, Scandinavia, and western Russia south to central Europe and the Black Sea, casually to southern Europe, Madeira, and the Azores; and in Asia from Caucasia to Iran, Lake Baikal, Korea, eastern China, and Japan.

Casual elsewhere in the interior of North America from southern Canada south to southwestern California, southern Arizona, New Mexico, southern Texas, and southern Florida,
and in Bermuda. Accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Midway) and northwestern Sinaloa (near Guamuchil); sight reports for Baja California, Sonora, and Jalisco.

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as Long-tailed Duck.

Genus *Bucephala* Baird


*Bucephala albeola* (Linnaeus). Bufflehead.


**Habitat.**—Lakes and ponds, nesting in tree cavities in mixed coniferous-deciduous and deciduous woodland; in winter, bays, estuaries, lakes, and slow-moving rivers.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from central Alaska, southern Yukon, western and southern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northeastern Manitoba, and northern Ontario south locally to southern British Columbia (excluding Vancouver Island), northern Washington, western Montana, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northwestern Minnesota, central Ontario, and west-central Quebec; also locally (or formerly) south to the mountains of Oregon and northern California, and to northwestern Wyoming, central Colorado, north-central North Dakota, northwestern Iowa, and southeastern Wisconsin. Occurs in small numbers in summer on Bering Sea Islands and Seward Peninsula, Alaska.

Winters from the Aleutian Islands and the Alaska Peninsula on the Pacific coast, from Washington, Idaho, Montana, and the Great Lakes in the interior, and from New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland on the Atlantic, south in coastal states and the Ohio and Mississippi river valleys (locally elsewhere in the interior) to the southern United States, northern Baja California, the interior of Mexico (to Jalisco, México, Distrito Federal, and Tamaulipas), the Gulf coast, Florida, and Bermuda.

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands, Yucatan Peninsula, Greater Antilles (Cuba, Jamaica, and Puerto Rico), Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, continental Europe, Japan, and the Kuril and Commander islands; a sight report for the Bahama Islands (Eleuthera).

*Bucephala clangula* (Linnaeus). Common Goldeneye.

*Anas Clangula* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 125. (in Europa; sæpius maritima = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Forested ponds, lakes, rivers, and coastal bays, nesting in hollow trees and stubs near water, and in bird boxes; in winter, primarily bays, estuaries, and large lakes, less commonly on rivers.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in North America from western Alaska (Kotzebue Sound), northern Yukon, northern and southern Mackenzie, southwestern Keewatin, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northern Quebec, central Labrador, and Newfoundland south to central Alaska, southern British Columbia, northern Washington, central Montana, northwestern Wyoming, southern Saskatchewan (absent from grassland region of Alberta and Saskatchewan), northern North Dakota, northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, northern New York, northern Vermont, Maine, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia; and in Eurasia from Scandinavia east across Russia and Siberia to Kamchatka, and south to northern Europe, Lake Baikal, Manchuria, and Sakhalin.

Winters in North America from the Aleutians and southeastern Alaska south to Baja California and Sonora, in the western interior from Washington and Idaho south to Utah, on the Great Lakes, and on the Atlantic-Gulf coasts from Newfoundland and Nova Scotia south to central Florida and west to Texas, less frequently but regularly elsewhere in the
interior of the United States south to Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, the Gulf states, and Florida; and in Eurasia south to the Mediterranean Sea, Turkey, Iran, southeastern China, and Japan
Casual south to Sinaloa and Durango, and in the Hawaiian Islands (Maui, Molokai), Bermuda, Greenland, the Faeroe Islands, Azores, and northern Africa.

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as the Goldeneye.

_Bucephala islandica_ (Gmelin). Barrow’s Goldeneye.


Habitat.—Primarily forested lake, ponds, and rivers, nesting in tree cavities (occasionally in tundra on the ground); in winter, lakes, rivers, estuaries, and bays, especially where rocky.

Distribution.—Breeds from central and southwestern Alaska (base of the Alaska Peninsula), southern Yukon, western Mackenzie (probably), northern British Columbia, and west-central Alberta south to south-coastal and southeastern Alaska, southern interior British Columbia, and northern Washington, locally at higher elevations to eastern California (Sierra Nevada, at least formerly), eastern Oregon, western Montana, northwestern Wyoming, and northern (formerly southern) Colorado; in northern Labrador (probably); and in southwestern Greenland (formerly) and Iceland.

Winters primarily along the Pacific coast from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska (west to Kodiak Island) south to central (casually southern) California; in the interior of western North America locally from coastal and interior British Columbia, Idaho, and northern Montana south to southeastern California (Colorado River Valley), western Arizona, and northern New Mexico; and in the Atlantic region (primarily coastal) from the upper St. Lawrence drainage, Gulf of St. Lawrence, and Nova Scotia south to Rhode Island, rarely to New York (Long Island), and casually to South Carolina.

Casual in the Aleutian and Pribilof islands, to the eastern shore of Hudson Bay and Newfoundland, in the interior of North America from southern Canada south to Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Tennessee, and western North Carolina; also in the Faeroe Islands, British Isles, Spitsbergen, and continental Europe.

Genus _MERGELLUS_ Selby

_Mergellus_ Selby, 1840, _Cat. Generic Sub-Generic Types Aves_, p. 47. Type, by monotypy, _Mergus albellus_ Linnaeus.

Notes.—_Mergellus_ and _Lophodytes_ are sometimes merged into _Mergus_ (e.g., Vaurie 1965).

_Mergellus albellus_ (Linnaeus). Smew.

_Mergus Albellus_ Linnaeus, 1758, _Syst. Nat._ (ed. 10) 1: 129. (in Europa = Mediterranean, near Izmir, Turkey.)

Habitat.—Lakes, ponds, and rivers, nesting in the taiga in cavities in trees (rarely on the ground); in winter, lakes, bays, and rivers.

Distribution.—Breeds from Scandinavia east through northern Russia and Siberia to Kamchatka, south to southern Russia, Amurland, the Sea of Okhotsk, and northern Sakhalin.

Winters from Iceland, the British Isles, Scandinavia, Russia, and Kamchatka south to northwestern Africa, the Mediterranean Sea, Persian Gulf, eastern China, Korea, and Japan.

Migrates regularly through the Aleutian Islands (east to Adak, where casual at other seasons), casually to the Pribilof Islands (St. Paul, St. George) and east to Kodiak Island and the coast of British Columbia.

Casual or accidental in Washington (near Stevenson, McKenna), California (San Mateo County), southern Ontario, western New York, Rhode Island, Iceland, northern Africa, and Burma.

Genus _LOPHODYTES_ Reichenbach


Type, by original designation, _Mergus cucullatus_ Linnaeus.
Notes.—See comments under *Mergellus*.

*Lophodytes cucullatus* (Linnaeus). Hooded Merganser.


**Habitat.**—Forested streams, lakes, swamps, and ponds, nesting in tree cavities; in winter, primarily wooded lakes and ponds, less commonly in marshes, estuaries, and bays.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southeastern Alaska (north to the Taku and Chilkat rivers, casually to the Copper River delta), coastal and central interior British Columbia and northern Alberta (locally) south to southwestern Oregon, central Idaho, and western Montana (casually to northern California, north-central Colorado, and central New Mexico); and from central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, and southern Nova Scotia south (primarily from the mountains of New England, New York, and the Appalachians westward) through central and eastern North Dakota, eastern South Dakota, Iowa, central Kansas, eastern Oklahoma, and Arkansas to northeastern Texas, northern Louisiana (locally), central Mississippi, southern Alabama, northern Georgia, and (rarely) central Florida. Occurs in summer north to southern Mackenzie, northern Ontario, central Quebec, and central Labrador.

*Winters* along the Pacific coast in south-coastal Alaska (rarely, Prince William Sound), and from southern British Columbia south to southern Baja California, on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts from New England south to Florida and west to Texas and Tamaulipas, locally in the interior from southern Canada south to northern Mexico (rare), casually farther (recorded Coahuila, Distrito Federal, and Veracruz), Bermuda (rare), and in the northern Bahamas.

Casual in southwestern Alaska (Alaska Peninsula at Katmai, and Izembek), the Pribilof islands (St. Paul), Aleutian Islands (Attu, Alaid, Adak), Hawaiian Islands (Oahu, Hawaii), Newfoundland, Cuba, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Martinique, Iceland, the British Isles, and continental Europe; a sight report for Quintana Roo.

Genus *MERGUS* Linnaeus


Notes.—See comments under *Mergellus*.


*Mergus Merganser* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 129. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Mostly lakes and rivers, nesting in tree cavities, nest boxes or cliff crevices, generally near clear waters in forested regions and mountainous terrain; in winter, primarily lakes and rivers.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in North America from central and south-coastal Alaska (west to the lower Kuskokwim River and Kodiak Island), southern Yukon, southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, central Labrador, and Newfoundland south to the mountains of central California and in coastal region south to central California (Monterey County, casually to Santa Barbara County), central Nevada, central Arizona, southwestern Chihuahua, and southwestern and northern New Mexico, and east of the Rocky Mountains south to Montana, central Nebraska, southwestern South Dakota, northeastern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, central Michigan, southern Ontario, New York, eastern Pennsylvania (probably), northwestern New Jersey, central Massachusetts, southern Maine, and west-central Nova Scotia, locally and casually farther south (recorded breeding in Tennessee, Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina; and in Eurasia from Iceland, the British Isles, and Scandinavia east across Russia and Siberia to Anadyrland and Kamchatka, and south to northern Europe, central Russia, the northern Himalayas, northern Mongolia, Ussuriland, and Sakhalin. Recorded in summer (and probably breeding) north to central Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, and northern Quebec.
Winters in North America from the Aleutian Islands, central (rarely) and south-coastal Alaska, and British Columbia east across southern Canada to Newfoundland, and south to southern California, northern Baja California (rarely), northern Mexico (Sonora east, rarely, to Tamaulipas; casually, at least formerly, to Jalisco, Guanajuato, and Distrito Federal) and (rarely) to the northern Gulf coast states (and casually farther south from southern Texas east to northern Florida); and in Eurasia from Iceland, the British Isles, Scandinavia, Japan, and the Kuril Islands south to the northern Mediterranean region, Black Sea, Iran, northern India, and eastern China.

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Kauai, Oahu, Maui), Pribilof Islands, Bermuda, the Cayman Islands, Greenland, the Faeroe Islands, Spitsbergen, Bear Island, northwestern Africa, Taiwan, and the Ryukyu Islands; a report from Puerto Rico is erroneous.

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as the Goosander.

**Mergus serrator** Linnaeus. Red-breasted Merganser.

*Mergus Serrator* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 129. (in Europa = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Rivers and lakes; in winter, mainly estuaries, bays, and shallow coastal waters, less frequently on deep lakes.

Distribution.—Breeds in North America from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, Northwest Territories (Axel Heiberg Island), northern Mackenzie, central Keewatin, northern Baffin Island, Labrador, and Newfoundland south to the Aleutian Islands, southern and southeastern Alaska, northwestern British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte Islands), northern Alberta, southwestern and central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northeastern Minnesota, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, northern New York, southern Quebec, northern Vermont, Maine, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia, casually in northwestern Wyoming and northern Illinois, and south along the Atlantic coast to New York (Long Island) and New Jersey (Barnegat Bay); and in the Palearctic from Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, British Isles, Scandinavia, and northern Europe east across northern Russia and Siberia to Kamchatka and the Commander Islands. Nonbreeding birds summer regularly south to the Gulf coast (from Texas east to Florida).

Winters in North America primarily along coasts and locally on large inland bodies of water from southern Alaska (west to the Aleutian Islands), coastal British Columbia, southern Canada, and the Great Lakes south to southern Baja California, northern Sonora, northern Chihuahua, and southern New Mexico, southern Texas, northern Tamaulipas, the Gulf coast (east to southern Florida), and Cuba (locally); and in the Old World from Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, British Isles, Scandinavia, Kamchatka, and the Kuril Islands south to the Mediterranean, Black, and Caspian seas, southern Russia, eastern China, and Japan.

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu, Molokai, Hawaii), Pribilofs, Bermuda, the Bahamas, Puerto Rico (including Vieques and Mona islands), the Cayman Islands, Jan Mayen, Spitsbergen, the eastern Atlantic islands, and northern Africa; sight reports for southern Veracruz, Yucatán, and the Lesser Antilles (Antigua); a report from the Virgin Islands (St. Croix) is erroneous.

Tribe OXYURINI: Stiff-tailed Ducks

Genus **NOMONYX** Ridgway


Notes.—Recognition of the genus *Nomonyx* follows Livezey (1995b).

**Nomonyx dominicus** (Linnaeus). Masked Duck.

*Anas dominica* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 201. Based mainly on “La Sarcelle de S. Domingue” Brisson, Ornithologie 6: 472, pl. 41, fig. 2. (in America meridionali = Haiti ?, probably from elsewhere in West Indies, *fide* D. Wetherbee.)

Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes, usually with dense emergent vegetation, occasionally
mangrove swamps and rice fields (0–800 m; primarily Tropical Zone, ranging locally to Temperate Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* locally from Nayarit, the Gulf coast of Texas (at least formerly), the Greater Antilles south along both slopes of Middle America and through the Lesser Antilles, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to northern Argentina and Uruguay.

A nomadic and irregular wanderer casually to central Texas, southern Louisiana, Florida, the Bahamas, the Cayman Islands (Grand Cayman), and Tobago. Accidental in Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, Vermont, Massachusetts, Maryland, North Carolina, Georgia, and Tennessee.

**Genus OXYURA Bonaparte**


*Oxyura jamaicensis* (Gmelin). Ruddy Duck.


**Habitat.**—Fresh-water marshes and lakes with dense emergent vegetation and open water; in winter, primarily lakes, ponds, estuaries, and bays (Temperate Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America in east-central Alaska (casually), and from central and northeastern British Columbia, southwestern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, and central and southeastern Manitoba south to southern California, southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, western and southern Texas, with scattered, sporadic or former breeding from central Ontario, southern Quebec, and Nova Scotia south to northern Iowa, southern Illinois, northern Indiana, northern Ohio, western Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, South Carolina, also in southeastern Arkansas, southwestern Louisiana (formerly?), and central and northern Florida, Baja California, Jalisco, the Valley of México, Guatemala, El Salvador, and the Bahamas (New Providence, Eleuthera, possibly the Caicos Islands).

**Winters** from southern British Columbia, Idaho, western Montana (rarely), Colorado, Kansas, the Great Lakes, and on the Atlantic coast from Massachusetts south throughout the southern United States and most of Mexico to Honduras (also sight reports from Nicaragua and a doubtful record from Costa Rica), Bermuda (rare), and throughout the Bahamas.

*Resident* in the Greater Antilles and Lesser Antilles south to Grenada.

*Migrates* rarely east to the Maritime Provinces.

Introduced and established in England (where increasing).

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu, Hawaii), southeastern Alaska, southern Yukon, Newfoundland, Georgia, and the Cayman Islands.

**Notes.**—The Andean species, *O. ferruginea* (Eytan, 1838), is sometimes regarded as conspecific with *O. jamaicensis* (e.g., Blake 1977), but see Siegfried (1976) and Livezey (1995b).

**Order FALCONIFORMES: Diurnal Birds of Prey**

**Suborder ACCIPITRES: Kites, Eagles, Hawks, Secretarybirds, and Allies**

**Family ACCIPITRIDAE: Hawks, Kites, Eagles, and Allies**

**Subfamily PANDIONINAE: Ospreys**

**Genus PANDION Savigny**

**Pandion haliaetus** (Linnaeus). Osprey.

*Falco Haliaetus* Linnaeus, 1758, *Syst. Nat.* (ed. 10) 1: 91. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Estuaries, rivers, lakes, and extensive marshes (Tropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America from northwestern Alaska, northern Yukon, western and southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, central Labrador, and Newfoundland south locally (mostly in western North America, the upper Great Lakes, and coastally) to Baja California (both coasts), the Tres Marias Islands (off Nayarit), Sinaloa, central Arizona, southwestern and central New Mexico (at least formerly), southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida, and in the Bahamian, on small cays off Cuba, along the coasts and on islands off the eastern coast of the Yucatan Peninsula and Belize, in eastern Guatemala (Petén); and in the Old World from the British Isles, Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south, at least locally, through much of Eurasia and most of Africa and Australia to South Africa, the Himalayas, Tasmania, New Caledonia, and the Solomon Islands. Reintroductions in North America in areas where former breeding populations were reduced or eliminated through environmental contamination have been generally successful.

**Winters** in the Americas from central California (rarely Washington and Idaho), southern Arizona, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, Florida, and Bermuda (rarely north to southern New England) south through Middle America (including Cocos Island off Costa Rica, and in the Revillagigedos), the West Indies, and South America (also the Galapagos Islands) to southern Chile, northern Argentina, and Uruguay; and in the Old World from the Mediterranean, Black, and Caspian seas, India, and eastern China south throughout the remainder of the breeding range.

**Migrates** regularly through islands in the western Pacific from the Ryukyu and Bonin chains southward.

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands (Midway, and main islands from Kauai eastward), Aleutians and Pribilofs, St. Lawrence Island, and the Seward Peninsula, and north to northern Yukon and northern Quebec, on Guadalupe Island (off Baja California), Clipperton Island, and in Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, and the eastern Atlantic islands.

**Subfamily ACCIPITRINAE: Kites, Eagles, and Hawks**

**Genus LEPTODON** Sundevall


*Leptodon cayanensis* (Latham). Gray-headed Kite.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—* Resident locally from northern and southeastern Oaxaca, southern Tabasco (formerly), and southern Veracruz south through Middle America and South America (including Trinidad) west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to Paraguay, northern Argentina, and southern Brazil.

**Genus CHONDROHIERAX** Lesson


*Chondrohierax uncinatus* (Temminck). Hook-billed Kite.

*Falco uncinatus* (Iliger MS) Temminck, 1822, *Planches Color.*, livr. 18, pls. 103–104. (Rio de Janeiro and Bahia, Brazil = Bahia.)
**Habitat.**—[*uncinatus* group] Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–2800 m); [*wilsonii* group] Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–500 m); (Tropical to lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [*uncinatus* group] from southern Sinaloa, southern Texas (Falcon Dam to Santa Ana), and Tamaulipas south through Middle America and South America (including Grenada in the Lesser Antilles, and Trinidad), west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to central Bolivia, northern Argentina, and southern Brazil; and [*wilsonii* group] in eastern Cuba.

**Notes.**—Groups: *C. uncinatus* [Hook-billed Kite] and *C. wilsonii* (Cassin, 1847) [Cuban Kite].

**Genus ELANOIDES** Vieillot


*Elanoides forficatus* (Linnaeus). Swallow-tailed Kite.


**Habitat.**—Forested regions, often bottomland or riverine forest, also open pine woodland, Montane Evergreen Forest (Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* locally from South Carolina south to the upper Florida Keys, and west to Louisiana and (formerly) central Texas (recent possible breeding records from eastern Texas); and from Chiapas south through most of Middle America (except El Salvador) and South America (including Trinidad), west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to northern Argentina, Uruguay, and southern Brazil. Formerly bred north to Oklahoma, eastern Kansas, eastern Nebraska, northwestern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, and Ohio.

**Winters** primarily in South America from Colombia and Venezuela southward; recorded occasionally in winter in Middle America. Several sight reports from Florida in December and January.

**Migrates** regularly through coastal Texas, Mexico (from Nuevo León and Tamaulipas south to the Distrito Federal and Veracruz, and eastward through the Yucatan Peninsula), the western Greater Antilles (Cuba, Jamaica), and the Cayman Islands.

Casual in New Mexico, eastern Colorado, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northern Wisconsin, southern Ontario, New York, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Nova Scotia, Oaxaca, and Bermuda. Accidental on Tobago and in England. Sight reports from the Bahamas Islands (west of Grand Bahama and on Eleuthera), and southeastern Arizona.

**Genus GAMPSONYX** Vigors


**Notes.**—For inclusion of this genus in the Accipitridae, see Brodkorb (1960).

*Gampsonyx swainsonii* Vigors. Pearl Kite.

*Gampsonyx swainsonii* Vigors, 1825, Zool. J. 2: 69. (tableland of Bahia, about ten leagues west-southwest from the Bay of San Salvador, Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in western Nicaragua (Pacific slope from near Chinandega to Granada) and Panama (locally west to Bocas del Toro and Herrera); and in South America west of the Andes from western Colombia south to northwestern Peru, and east of the Andes
from northern Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, locally, to southern Bolivia, Paraguay, northern Argentina, and southern Brazil.

Genus *ELANUS* Savigny


*Elanus leucurus* (Vieillot). White-tailed Kite.


**Habitat.**—Savanna, open woodland, marshes, desert grassland, partially cleared fields, and cultivated fields, mostly in lowlands (Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* locally from southwestern Washington south (mostly west of the deserts) to Baja California, in southern Arizona, Sinaloa, Nayarit, and Chihuahua, in peninsular Florida, from northeastern Kansas, southern Oklahoma, southern Louisiana (sporadically), southwestern Mississippi, east-central and southern Texas, Tamaulipas, and southeastern Oaxaca south through Middle America (both slopes) to eastern Panama, thence eastward in northern South America to Surinam, from southern Bolivia and central and eastern Brazil south to central Argentina, and in central Chile. The range, especially in Middle America, has greatly expanded since 1960.

Casual or accidental north to Nevada, Idaho, Utah, New Mexico (regular?), western and northern Texas, Missouri, North Dakota, Wisconsin, central Illinois, Indiana, Tennessee, Massachusetts, Maryland, and Virginia (also sight reports north to British Columbia, Wyoming, Iowa, and New York), and to Yucatán, Isla Utila (in the Bay Islands, off Honduras), and Trinidad.

**Notes.**—*Elanus leucurus*, *E. caeruleus* (Desfontaines, 1789), and *E. axillaris* (Latham, 1801) constitute a superspecies (Amadon in Mayr and Cottrell 1979); they were formerly considered one species (e.g., A.O.U. 1983), but see Clark and Banks (1992).

Genus *ROSTRHAMUS* Lesson


**Habitat.**—Freshwater Marshes, Freshwater Lakes and Ponds (0–1000 m; Tropical, rarely Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in Florida (Lake Okeechobee region, and locally throughout the Everglades basin, the upper St. John’s River, and central Florida lakes), Cuba, and the Isle of Pines; locally from Guererro, Oaxaca, Veracruz, and the Yucatan peninsula south to Nicaragua; in northwestern Costa Rica (Pacific lowlands around Gulf of Nicoya and Guanacaste); locally in Panama (recorded Chiriqui, eastern Panamá province and San Blas); and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes throughout to northern Argentina, Uruguay, and southern Brazil.

Casual or accidental in southern Texas (Jim Wells County) and Trinidad; and north casually in Florida (primarily dispersal due to drought) to Wakulla, Alachua, Jefferson, Putnam, and Duval counties.

**Notes.**—Also known as Everglade Kite.
Rostrhamus hamatus (Temminck). Slender-billed Kite.

Falco hamatus (Illiger MS) Temminck, 1821, Planches Color., livr. 11, pl. 61 and text. (Brazil.)

Habitat.—River-edge Forest, Gallery Forest, Freshwater Marshes (0–800 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in eastern Panama (Tuira Valley, along the Río Paya, Darién); and locally in South America east of the Andes from northern Colombia, northern Venezuela, and Surinam south to northern Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

Genus Harpagus Vigors


Harpagus bidentatus (Latham). Double-toothed Kite.

Falco bidentatus Latham, 1790, Index Ornithol. 1: 38. Based on the “Notched Falcon” Latham, Gen. Synop. Birds (suppl.) 1: 34. (in Cayana = Cayenne.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Pacific slope of Middle America in Guerrero and southeastern Oaxaca, and in the Gulf-Caribbean lowlands from northern Oaxaca, southern Veracruz, and Quintana Roo south to Honduras, on both slopes of Nicaragua, Costa Rica (rare in dry northwest), and Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and east-central Brazil.

Genus Ictinia Vieillot


Ictinia mississippiensis (Wilson). Mississippi Kite.

Falco mississippiensis [sic] Wilson, 1811, Amer. Ornithol. 3: 80, pl. 25, fig. 1. (a few miles below Natchez [Mississippi].)

Habitat.—Riverine forest, open woodland, and prairies near riparian woodland; regularly in wooded suburbs in some portions of range.

Distribution.—Breeds from southern Arizona, central New Mexico, southeastern Colorado, north-central Kansas, and in the Gulf-Caribbean lowlands from southern Missouri, southern Illinois, southern Indiana, western Kentucky, western Tennessee, northwestern Mississippi, the coastal plain of the Gulf states, South Carolina, and (probably) North Carolina south to southern New Mexico, Texas, the Gulf coast, and north-central Florida, the range expanding along its borders in recent years; formerly bred north to central Colorado and Iowa.

Winters apparently for the most part in central South America, where recorded from Paraguay and northern Argentina; scattered sight reports suggest casual or occasional wintering north as far as southern Texas and Florida, but the vast majority lack documentation.

Migrates regularly from Nuevo León, Tamaulipas, and Chiapas (casually west to Baja California) south through Middle America, Colombia, and Bolivia.


Notes.—Ictinia mississippiensis and I. plumbea constitute a superspecies (Stresemann and Amadon in Mayr and Cottrell 1979; Amadon and Bull 1988).
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*Ictinia plumbea* (Gmelin). Plumbeous Kite.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest (0–1700 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southern Tamaulipas, southeastern San Luis Potosí, Veracruz, and northern and south-central Oaxaca south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Pearl Islands, where perhaps only a migrant), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northern Argentina and southeastern Brazil.

*Winters* primarily in the South American portion of the breeding range, casually south to Buenos Aires. Winter reports from Middle America have not been substantiated.

An old specimen labeled “Indian Territory” was probably not taken in Oklahoma (Parker 1981).

**Notes.**—See comments under *I. mississippiensis*.

Genus *HALIAEETUS* Savigny


*Haliaeetus leucocephalus* (Linnaeus). Bald Eagle.


**Habitat.**—Primarily near seacoasts, rivers, swamps, and large lakes.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from central Alaska (southern Brooks Range), northern Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, Labrador, and Newfoundland south locally to the Commander Islands (formerly), southern Alaska (west to Buldir in the Aleutian Islands [once on Attu]), and east along the southern coast, Baja California (Magdalena Bay, formerly elsewhere), Sonora (Rio Yaqui), central Arizona, southwestern and central New Mexico, central Texas, and the Gulf coast from southeastern Texas east to southern Florida (including the Florida Keys); absent as a breeding bird through much of the Great Basin (bred formerly) and most of the prairie and plains regions; very local in interior North America.

*Winters* generally throughout the breeding range but most frequently from southern Alaska and southern Canada southward.

*Migrates* widely but sporadically over most of the North American continent.

Casual along the Arctic coast of northeastern Siberia; a sight reports for Puerto Rico and Bermuda. Accidental in Ireland.

**Notes.**—*Haliaeetus leucocephalus* and *H. albicilla* appear to constitute a superspecies (Stresemann and Amadon in Mayr and Cottrell 1979; Amadon and Bull 1988).

*Haliaeetus albicilla* (Linnaeus). White-tailed Eagle.

*Falco Albicilla* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 89. (in Europa, America = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Rocky coasts, rivers, and large lakes, in regions of tundra, forests, deserts or mountains.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from western Greenland, Iceland, Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to northern Europe (formerly to northeastern Africa), Syria, Iran, Turkestan, Kamchatka, and the Aleutian Islands (Attu); a report of breeding on Baffin Island (Cumberland Sound) has not been confirmed.

*Winters* in the breeding range and south, at least casually, to the Mediterranean and Red seas, India, Taiwan, Japan, and the Seven Islands of Izu.

Casual elsewhere in the Aleutian Islands (Shemya), off Massachusetts (near Nantucket
Lightship), and in eastern Greenland; an earlier report from the eastern Aleutian Islands (Unalaksa) is erroneous.

Notes.—Also known as White-tailed Sea-Eagle or Gray Sea-Eagle. See comments under H. leucocephalus.

*Haliaeetus pelagicus* (Pallas). Steller’s Sea-Eagle.

*Aquila pelagica* Pallas, 1811, Zoogr. Rosso-Asiat. 1: 343 and plate. (in Insulis inter Camtshatcam et Continentem Americes, praesertim in infami naufragio et monte Beringii insula = Tauisk, on Sea of Okhotsk.)

Habitat.—Sea coasts and the lower portions of coastal rivers.

Distribution.—Breeds from northeastern Siberia (west to Yakutsk) and Kamchatka south to Sakhalin, possibly also in Korea.

Winters from the breeding range south to Korea, Japan, and the Seven Islands of Izu.

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Kure, Midway, French Frigate Shoals), Alaska (Attu, Unimak, Simeonof, and Kodiak islands, and Taku River near Juneau), the Commander Islands, and eastern China. A record for the Pribilofs is erroneous.

Genus *BUSARELLUS* Lesson

*Busarellus* “Lafresnaye” Lesson, 1843, Echo Monde Savant (2)7: col. 468. Type, by original designation, *Circus busarellus* Vieillot = *Falco nigricollis* Latham.

Notes.—For placement of this genus, see Olson (1982).

*Busarellus nigricollis* (Latham). Black-collared Hawk.


Habitat.—River-edge Forest, Gallery Forest, Freshwater Marshes (0–800 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident from Sinaloa (but now rare in western Mexico), northern Oaxaca, and Veracruz south along both slopes of Middle America, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northern Argentina and southern Brazil.

Genus *CIRCUS* Lacépède

*Circus* Lacépède, 1799, Tabl. Mamm. Ois., p. 4. Type, by subsequent designation (Lesson, 1828), *Falco aeruginosus* Linnaeus.

*Circus cyaneus* (Linnaeus). Northern Harrier.


Habitat.—Primarily grassy marshes and wet prairie with tall grass (breeding); marshes, meadows, grasslands, and cultivated fields (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds [hudsonius group] in North America from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, west-central Quebec, and Newfoundland south to northern Baja California, southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, central and eastern Texas, northwestern Arkansas, southern Illinois, central Kentucky, West Virginia, southeastern Virginia, and (formerly) Florida; and [cyaneus group] in Eurasia from the British Isles, Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to the northern Mediterranean region, southern Russia, Turkestan, Amurland, Ussuriland, Sakhalin, and the Kuril Islands.

Winters [hudsonius group] in the Americas from Alaska (casually), southern British Columbia, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan (rarely), Montana, South Dakota, southern
Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, southern Michigan, southern Ontario, New York, and Massachusetts (casually farther north) south through the United States, Middle America and the Antilles (rare in the Cayman Islands and Lesser Antilles) to Panama and Barbados, casually to northern Colombia and northern Venezuela; and [cyaneus group] in Eurasia from the British Isles, southern Scandinavia and southern Japan south to northwestern Africa, Asia Minor, India, Burma, eastern China, Formosa, and the Ryukyu Islands.

Migrates casually [group unknown] through the Aleutian and Commander islands.

Casual or accidental [hudsonins group] in the Hawaiian Islands, Labrador, northern Quebec, the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island; sight reports), Bermuda, and the Bahamas; and [cyaneus group] in Iceland and the Faeroe Islands.

Notes.—Groups: C. cyaneus [Hen Harrier] and C. hudsonius (Linnaeus, 1766) [American Harrier or Marsh Hawk]. Circus cyaneus and the South American C. cinereus Vieillot, 1816, constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

Genus ACCIPITER Brisson

Accipiter Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 28; 6: 310. Type, by tautonymy, Accipiter Brisson = Falco nisus Linnaeus.

Accipiter soloensis (Horsfield). Gray Frog-Hawk.


Habitat.—Wooded country with adjacent swamps or rice fields.

Distribution.—Breeds in eastern and southern China, Taiwan, and Korea.

Winters principally in northern Sulawesi and the Philippines, also widely from the Andaman Islands, the Malay Peninsula, Sunda Islands, Moluccas, and Waigiu off New Guinea to the Marianas (where rare). Accidental on Kure Atoll, Hawaii; one found alive 27 Sept. 1991 (specimen, Bishop Museum #178451).

Notes.—Also known as Chinese Goshawk or Blue Frog-Hawk.

Accipiter superciliosus (Linnaeus). Tiny Hawk.

Falco superciliosus Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 128. (in Surinamo = Surinam.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from eastern Nicaragua (vicinity of Waspam and San Juan del Sur [Greytown]) south through Costa Rica, Panama, and South America west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia, northern and eastern Brazil, eastern Paraguay, and extreme northeastern Argentina.

Notes.—Stresemann and Amadon in Mayr and Cottrell (1979) considered A. superciliosus and A. collaris Sclater, 1860 of South America to constitute a superspecies.

Accipiter striatus Vieillot. Sharp-shinned Hawk.


Habitat.—Forest and open woodland, usually mixed coniferous-deciduous; in winter, often also suburbs [striatus group]; Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest [chionogaster group] (500–3000 m); (Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds [striatus group] from western and central Alaska, northern Yukon, western and southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, southern Labrador, and Newfoundland south (locally) to central (casually south-central) California, central Arizona, southern New Mexico, north-central (formerly southern) Texas, the northern parts of the Gulf states, and South Carolina, and south through the highlands of Mexico to central Oaxaca; also in the Greater Antilles (Cuba, Hispaniola, and Puerto Rico).

Winters [striatus group] from southern Alaska, the southernmost portions of the Canadian
provinces (casually), and Nova Scotia south through the United States and Middle America
to central Panama, Bermuda, casually to the Bahamas, Jamaica, the Virgin Islands (St. John),
and (probably) Mona Island off Puerto Rico; also in the breeding range in the Greater
Antilles.

Resident [chionogaster group] in the highlands of eastern Oaxaca (Sierra Madre de Chia-
pas), Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, and north-central Nicaragua; and [ery-
thetaemius group] in South America in the mountains of Venezuela, the Andes from Co-
lombia to southern Bolivia, and from central Brazil and Paraguay south to northern Argentina
and Uruguay.

Casual or accidental [striatus group] in northern Alaska and on the Revillagigedo Islands
(Socorro Island; sight report).

Notes.—Groups: A. striatus [Sharp-shinned Hawk], A. chionogaster (Kaup, 1852) [White-
breasted Hawk], and A. erythronemius (Kaup, 1850) [Rufous-thighed Hawk].

Accipiter cooperii (Bonaparte). Cooper’s Hawk.

Falco Cooperii Bonaparte, 1828, Amer. Ornithol. 2: 1, pl. 10, fig. 1. (near Bordentown,
New Jersey.)

Habitat.—Primarily mature forest, either broadleaf or coniferous, mostly the former, and
riparian forest, usually with open country or edge nearby, occasionally also in suburbs; in
winter, also in more open country (0–3000 m).

Distribution.—Breeds from central British Columbia, central Alberta, central Saskatchewan,
central Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, and Maine (rarely New Brunswick
and Nova Scotia) south to Baja California, Sinaloa, Chihuahua, Nuevo León, southern Texas,
Louisiana, central Mississippi, central Alabama, and central Florida.

Winters from southern British Columbia, Washington, Idaho, western Montana, Colorado,
Nebraska, southeastern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, southern Michigan, southern Onto-
ario, New York, and New England south through the southern United States and Mexico
to Guatemala and Honduras, casually to Costa Rica and Colombia (Cundinamarca).

Sight reports for southeastern Alaska and on the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island).

Notes.—Accipiter cooperii, A. gundlachi, and A. bicolor appear to constitute a superspe-
cies (Stresemann and Amadon in Mayr and Cottrell 1979).

Accipiter gundlachi Lawrence. Gundlach’s Hawk.

Cuba.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Pine Forest
(0–900 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Cuba.

Notes.—See comments under A. cooperii.

Accipiter bicolor (Vieillot). Bicolored Hawk.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest
(0–2000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones, in southern South America to Temperate Zone).

Distribution.—Resident [bicolor group] from northern Oaxaca, southern Tamaulipas, Ve-
racruz, the Yucatan Peninsula, and Guatemala south through Middle America and South America
to northeastern Bolivia, Amazonian and southeastern Brazil, and eastern Paraguay;
[guttifer group] in Bolivia (except northeastern), western Brazil, western Paraguay, and
northern Argentina; and [chilensis group] in Chile and extreme western Argentina north to
about lat. 34°S.

Notes.—Groups: A. bicolor [Bicolored Hawk], A. guttifer Hellmayr, 1917 [Spotted Hawk]
and A. chilensis R. A. Philippi and Landbeck, 1864 [Chilean Hawk]. See comments under
A. cooperii.
Accipiter gentilis (Linnaeus). Northern Goshawk.

Falco gentilis Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 89. (in Alpibus = Dalecarlian Alps, Sweden.)

Habitat.—Deciduous, coniferous, and mixed forest, forest edge and open woodland, foraging also in cultivated regions, primarily in mountains in the southern portions of range.

Distribution.—Breeds [atricapillus group] in North America from western and central Alaska, northern Yukon, western and southern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin (probably), northeastern Manitoba, northern Ontario, central and northeastern Quebec, Labrador, and Newfoundland south to southern Alaska (west to the base of the Alaska Peninsula), southern California (to San Jacinto Mountains and [formerly?] Cuyumaca Mountains), southern Nevada, southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, the eastern foothills of the Rockies (including the Black Hills of western South Dakota), central Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, central Michigan, Pennsylvania, northern New Jersey, and northwestern Connecticut, in the Appalachian mountains south to West Virginia and western Maryland, and south in the Mexican highlands to Jalisco and (probably) Guerrero; and [gentlis group] in Eurasia from the British Isles (rarely), Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to the Mediterranean region, Asia Minor, Iran, the Himalayas, eastern China, and Japan.

Winters throughout the breeding range, and [atricapillus group] in North America south irregularly south of breeding range, casually to southern California, northern Mexico, western and east-central Texas, the northern portions of the Gulf states, west-central Florida, and Bermuda and [gentlis group] in Eurasia casually to northern Africa, India, and Burma. A specimen (Univ. Mich. Mus. Zool. #62390) from Red Bay, Labrador, has been tentatively identified by E. Mayr as A. g. gentilis (Van Tyne 1943).

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as the Goshawk. Groups: A. atricapillus (Wilson, 1812) [American Goshawk] and A. gentilis [Eurasian Goshawk]. Stresemann and Amadon in Mayr and Cottrell (1979) considered A. gentilis and Old World A. meyerianus (Sharpe, 1878) to constitute a superspecies.

Genus GERANOSPIZA Kaup


Notes.—Ischnosceles Strickland is not invalidated by Ischnoscelis Burmeister (Hellmayr and Conover 1949) and was used by Wetmore (1965). However, it is considered and treated as a nomen oblitum as provided for by Article 23 (b) of I.C.Z.N. (1964) by most authors (Monroe 1968, Blake 1977, Stresemann and Amadon in Mayr and Cottrell 1979, Amadon 1982).

Geranospiza caerulescens (Vieillot). Crane Hawk.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, River-edge Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [nigra group] from Mexico (Sonora on the Pacific slope and Tamaulipas on the Gulf-Caribbean) south through Middle America and South America west of the Andes to northwestern Peru; [caerulescens group] in South America east of the Andes south to eastern Peru and Amazonian Brazil; and [gracilis group] in south-central South America from eastern Bolivia and south-central and eastern Brazil south to northern Argentina.


Notes.—The three groups have been regarded as distinct species, G. nigra (Du Bus de
Gisignies, 1847) [Blackish Crane-Hawk], G. caerulescens [Gray Crane-Hawk], and G. gracilis (Temminck, 1821) [Banded Crane-Hawk], but color varies clinally from north to south (Amadon 1982).

Genus **LEUCOPTERNIS** Kaup


**Leucopternis plumbea** Salvin. Plumbeous Hawk.

*Leucopternis plumbea* Salvin, 1872, *Ibis*, p. 240, pl. 8. (Ecuador.)

**Habitat**.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–800 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution**.—Resident from Panama (from Veraguas eastward on the Caribbean slope, and on both slopes in Darién) south in the Pacific lowlands of South America to extreme northwestern Peru.

**Notes**.—*Leucopternis plumbea* and the South American *L. schistacea* (Sundevall, 1851) constitute a superspecies (Stresemann and Amadon in Mayr and Cottrell 1979; Amadon and Bull 1988).

**Leucopternis princeps** Sclater. Barred Hawk.


**Habitat**.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (300–2500 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution**.—*Resident* from Costa Rica (Caribbean slope of cordilleras Central and Talamanca) and Panama south through western Colombia to northern Ecuador.

**Leucopternis semiplumbea** Lawrence. Semiplumbeous Hawk.


**Habitat**.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution**.—*Resident* locally in northeastern Honduras (Gracias a Dios), Nicaragua, Costa Rica (Caribbean slope), Panama, northern Colombia, and northwestern Ecuador.

**Leucopternis albicollis** (Latham). White Hawk.


**Habitat**.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution**.—*Resident* from northern Oaxaca, southern Veracruz, Tabasco, and Chiapas south (mostly on the Caribbean drainage) through Guatemala, Belize, and western El Salvador to Honduras, and both slopes of Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and Panama to South America, from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south locally, east of the Andes, to northern Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

**Notes**.—Stresemann and Amadon in Mayr and Cottrell (1979) considered *L. albicollis* and the South American *L. polionota* (Kaup, 1847) to constitute a superspecies.

Genus **ASTURINA** Vieillot


**Notes**.—Often treated in the genus *Buteo* (e.g., Johnson and Peeters 1963, A.O.U. 1983), but see Amadon (1982).
Asturina nitida (Latham). Gray Hawk.


Habitat.—Gallery Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, River-edge Forest (0–1300 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [plagiata group] from southern Arizona, Sonora, Tamaulipas, and western and southern Texas south through Middle America (including the Bay Islands, off Honduras) to northwestern Costa Rica (Gulf of Nicoya region); and [nitida group] in Costa Rica (except northwest), Panama, and South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to northern Argentina, Paraguay, and southern Brazil. Northernmost breeding populations in Arizona and western Texas [plagiata group] are migratory southward in nonbreeding season.

Casual [plagiata group] in southern New Mexico; a sight report for northeastern Kansas.

Notes.—Groups: A. plagiata (Schlegel, 1862) [Gray Hawk] and A. nitida [Gray-lined Hawk].

Genus Buteogallus Lesson

Buteogallus Lesson, 1830, Traité Ornithol., livr. 2, p. 83. Type, by monotypy, Buteogallus cathartoides Lesson = Falco aequinoctialis Gmelin.


Hypomorphnus Cabanis, 1844, Arch. Naturgesch. 10: 263. Type, by original designation, Falco urubitinga Gmelin.


Buteogallus anthracinus (Deppe). Common Black-Hawk.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, usually near water (0–1800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [anthracinus group] from central (rarely northwestern) Arizona, southwestern Utah (rarely), southern (rarely central) New Mexico, and western and (formerly) southern Texas south through Middle America (including Cozumel and Cancun islands off Quintana Roo, and Utiila and Guanaja islands off Caribbean Honduras) to northern Colombia, and east through coastal Venezuela and Trinidad to Guyana and French Guiana, and in the Lesser Antilles on St. Vincent; and [gundlachii group] in Cuba (including small coastal cays) and the Isle of Pines. Northernmost breeding populations in the southwestern United States and northwestern Mexico usually migrate southward in nonbreeding season.

Casual or accidental [anthracinus group] in southern Nevada (breeding attempted), north-central Texas (Lubbock), southern and western Texas away from breeding areas, and the Lesser Antilles (St. Lucia, the Grenadines, and Grenada); sight reports for southern California and northern Baja California; reports from Minnesota and southern Florida (Miami area) are probably based on escaped individuals, and may pertain in part to B. urubitinga.

Notes.—Also known as Black Hawk. Groups: B. anthracinus [Common Black-Hawk] and B. gundlachii (Cabanis, 1855) [Cuban Black-Hawk]; some authors (e.g., Blake 1977) have considered B. subtilis to be conspecific with B. anthracinus, although B. subtilis and the South American B. aequinoctialis (Gmelin, 1788) have been considered by others (e.g., Stresemann and Amadon in Mayr and Cottrell 1979) to constitute a superspecies.

Buteogallus subtilis (Thayer and Bangs). Mangrove Black-Hawk.

Habitat.—Mangrove Forest (Tropical Zone).
Distribution.—Resident along the Pacific coast from Chiapas to Panama (including the Pearl Islands), Colombia (including coastal islands), Ecuador, and extreme northwestern Peru (Tumbes).
Notes.—See comments under B. anthracinus.

Buteogallus urubitinga (Gmelin). Great Black-Hawk.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Gallery Forest, River-edge Forest (0–1600 m; Tropical and occasionally lower Subtropical zones).
Distribution.—Resident from northern Mexico (southern Sonora on the Pacific slope and southern Tamaulipas on the Gulf-Caribbean) south through Middle America and South America (including Tobago and Trinidad) west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to northern Argentina and Uruguay.

Buteogallus meridionalis (Latham). Savanna Hawk.


Habitat.—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Second-growth Scrub (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).
Distribution.—Resident from western Panama (from Chiriquí eastward, rare or absent from Darién) south in South America (including Trinidad) west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to central Argentina.
Notes.—Often placed in the monotypic genus Heterospizias, but see Amadon (1982).

Genus PARABUTEO Ridgway


Parabuteo unicinctus (Temminck). Harris’s Hawk.

Falco unicinctus Temminck, 1824, Planches Color., livr. 53, p. 313. (Brésil . . . dans les environs du Rio-Grande, près Boa-Vista = Boa Vista, western Minas Gerais, Brazil.)

Habitat.—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, recently in some suburbs of desert cities (0–1900 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).
Distribution.—Resident in southern Kansas (Meade County and vicinity, casually or formerly), and from northern Baja California, southeastern California (formerly; recent re-introduction attempts along Colorado River), southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, and south-central Texas south through Middle America (rare and local from Chiapas to Nicaragua and in Panama, unrecorded in Belize and Honduras) and South America (including Margarita Island off Venezuela) to central Chile and central Argentina.
Casual in south-central California (increasingly regular, but origin controversial), northern and eastern Texas, southwestern Louisiana, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, and Colorado; a sight report for southern Nevada. Stragglers reported from Iowa (Hillsboro), Ohio (Harrisburg), and several localities in Florida are probably escapes from captivity.
Notes.—Also known as Bay-winged Hawk.

Genus HARPYHALIAETUS Lafresnaye


**Harpyhaliaetus solitarius** (Tschudi). Solitary Eagle.

*Circaetus solitarius* Tschudi, 1844, Arch. Naturgesch. 10: 264. (Republica Peruana = Río Chanchamayo, Junín, Peru.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Evergreen Forest (600–2200 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in Mexico (recorded southeastern Sonora, Coahuila, Jalisco, and Oaxaca), Guatemala (San Gerónimo), Honduras (Valle de Talanga), Costa Rica (Cordillera Central, Cordillera Talamanca, and Golfo Dulce), Panama (Veraguas, eastern Panamá province, and Darién) and South America, mainly in foothills of Andes, from Colombia and northern Venezuela south to northernmost Argentina. Although often listed for Nicaragua, there is no specific record.

**Notes.**—*Harpyhaliaetus solitarius* and the South American *H. coronatus* (Vieillot, 1817) "may form a superspecies, though probably not" (Amadon 1982).

Genus **BUTEOT** Lacépède


**Notes.**—Species of this genus are known in Old World literature under the group name Buzzard.

*Buteo magnirostris* (Gmelin). Roadside Hawk.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, River-edge Forest, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–2500 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from Jalisco, Hidalgo, southern Nuevo León, and southern Tamaulipas south through Middle America (including Cozumel Island off Quintana Roo; Roatán, Barbareta, and Guanaja in the Bay Islands, off Caribbean Honduras; and Coiba, Taboguilla, Iguana, and the Pearl islands off Panama), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Argentina.

Casual in southern Texas (lower Rio Grande Valley).

**Notes.**—A close relationship between *B. magnirostris*, *B. lineatus*, *B. ridgwayi*, and *B. platypterus* is suggested by plumage and morphology (Johnson and Peeters 1963).

*Buteo lineatus* (Gmelin). Red-shouldered Hawk.


**Habitat.**—Moist and riverine forest, and in eastern North America, wooded swamps, and occasionally pine woodland and mangroves; in winter, also in more open country (Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southwestern Oregon (probably), northern California south, west of the Sierran divide, to Baja California; and from eastern Nebraska, Iowa, central Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec,
and (rarely) southern New Brunswick south to northern Tamaulipas (at least formerly), Texas, the Gulf coast, and Florida (to Florida Keys).

*Winters,* at least sporadically, through the breeding range, but in eastern North America primarily from eastern Kansas, central Missouri, the Ohio Valley, northwestern Pennsylvania, southern New York, and southern New England south to central Mexico.

Casual to Washington, southern Idaho (sight report), Montana, southern Saskatchewan (sight reports), and southern Manitoba, and in eastern California, western Nevada, Utah, southern Arizona, and Sinaloa. A report from Jamaica is highly questionable.

*Notes.*—Sibley and Monroe (1990) considered *B. lineatus* and *B. ridgwayi* to constitute a superspecies. See comments under *B. magnirostris*.

**Buteo ridgwayi** (Cory). Ridgway’s Hawk.

*Rupornis ridgwayi* Cory, 1883, Q. J. Boston Zool. Soc. 2: 46. (Santo Domingo = Samana, Dominican Republic.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–2000 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Hispaniola and surrounding small islands (Beata, Gonâve, île-à-Vache, Alto Velo, Grand Cayemite, and Petite Cayemite).

**Notes.**—See comments under *B. magnirostris* and *B. lineatus*.

**Buteo platypterus** (Vieillot). Broad-winged Hawk.

*Falco pennsylvanicus* Wilson, 1812, Amer. Ornithol. 6: 92, pl. 54, fig. 1. ([l’Amérique septentroniale = near the Schuylkill River, Pennsylvania.) [Not *Falco pennsylvanicus* Wilson, 1812, ibid., p. 13 = *Falco velox* Wilson.]


**Habitat.**—Deciduous and mixed coniferous-deciduous forest, often near edges; in migration, also in open country; in winter, forest edge, woodland.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in east-central British Columbia, central Alberta, and central Saskatchewan, and from central Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia south to central (rarely) and eastern Texas, the Gulf coast, and northern Florida, and west to north-central Colorado (once) and western South Dakota (Black Hills).

*Winters* regularly in southern Florida (casually farther north), and mainly from Colima and Chiapas (casually from Sinaloa and southern Texas) south through Middle America and South America to central Bolivia and southern Brazil. Casual in southern portions of the breeding range.

*Migrates* regularly through central and eastern United States (west as far as central Montana, Wyoming, Utah, central New Mexico, and in coastal California), eastern and southern Mexico, and western Cuba, casually elsewhere in the western states west to Washington, Oregon, and Arizona.

*Resident* in the Antilles on Cuba and Puerto Rico, and from Antigua and Dominica south to Grenada and Tobago.

Casual north to south-coastal and interior British Columbia, northern Alberta, northern Saskatchewan, northern Ontario, and central Quebec, and to Baja California, Hispaniola (questionably), and Barbados.

**Notes.**—See comments under *B. magnirostris*.

**Buteo brachyurus** Vieillot. Short-tailed Hawk.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, almost always near open country (0–1200 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* locally in peninsular Florida (from St. Marks and San Mateo
south to southern Dade County, in winter mostly south of Lake Okeechobee), and from central Sonora and Tamaulipas south through Middle America (including Cozumel Island off Quintana Roo, but absent from El Salvador) and South America west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to northern Argentina, Paraguay, and southern Brazil.

Causal in southern and south-central Texas; sight reports from southern Arizona and Hispaniola (Dominican Republic) are unverified.

Notes.—Suggestions that Andean B. albigula Philippi, 1899, and B. brachyurus are conspecific (Rand 1960, Blake 1977) require further study.

**Buteo swainsoni** Bonaparte. Swainson’s Hawk.


*Buteo Swainsoni* Bonaparte, 1838, Geogr. Comp. List, p. 3. New name for *Buteo vulgaris* Audubon, preoccupied.

**Habitat.**—Savanna, grassland, and cultivated lands with scattered trees.

**Distribution.**—Breeds locally in east-central Alaska (formerly?), Yukon, and Mackenzie, and from British Columbia, central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, western and southern Minnesota, and western Illinois south to southern California (rarely), Baja California (formerly), Sonora, Durango, Chihuahua, central and southern Texas, northwestern Arkansas (casually), and west-central Missouri.

Winters primarily on the pampas of southern South America (south to Uruguay and Argentina), irregularly north to El Salvador and southern Florida; small population winters in the Central Valley of California; casually elsewhere (documented records for Baja California, southern California, southern Texas, and southern Louisiana). Many unverified winter sight reports farther north in North America.

Migrates regularly through most of Middle America, and rarely east through the Gulf states to Florida; occasionally a common fall migrant through the Florida Keys; recorded annually at Cape May, New Jersey.

Casual in eastern North America from Indiana, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, New York, and Massachusetts south to Pennsylvania and Virginia; sight reports from Nova Scotia, Maryland, and North Carolina; accidental in Norway; a report from Jamaica is highly questionable.

**Buteo albicaudatus** Vieillot. White-tailed Hawk.


**Habitat.**—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Second-growth Scrub, lowland pine savanna (0–2200 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Arizona (formerly, one breeding record in 1897), Sonora, Durango, Zacatecas, and southern and southeastern Texas south locally through Middle America (including Isla Taboga off Panama, but absent from El Salvador), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including the Netherlands Antilles and Margarita Island), Trinidad, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Argentina (absent from most of Amazonia).

Casual in central Texas and southwestern Louisiana; sight report for St. Vincent (in the Lesser Antilles).

**Buteo albonotatus** Kaup. Zone-tailed Hawk.

*Buteo albonotatus* “G. R. Gray” Kaup, 1847, Isis von Oken, col. 329. (No locality given = Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Gallery Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, often foraging over adjacent open country (0–2200 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).
Distribution.—Resident (although partly migratory in northern part of breeding range) from southern California, northern Baja California, central Arizona, northern New Mexico, and western and central Texas south locally through Middle America (including the Pearl Islands off Panama), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes (excluding most of Amazonia) to eastern Bolivia, Paraguay, and southeastern Brazil; also recorded in western Peru (Lima area).

Accidental in Nova Scotia and Louisiana (St. Bernard Parish); a sight report for southern Nevada.

**Buteo solitarius** Peale. Hawaiian Hawk.


**Habitat.**—Open forest and forest edge from sea level to highlands.

**Distribution.**—Resident in small numbers on Hawaii, in the Hawaiian Islands.

Accidental on Oahu (Pearl Harbor); sight reports for Kauai and Maui.

**Notes.**—Also known as Io.

**Buteo jamaicensis** (Gmelin). Red-tailed Hawk.


**Habitat.**—A wide variety of open woodland and open country with scattered trees, especially cultivated lands (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from western and central Alaska, central Yukon, western Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south to southeastern Alaska, Baja California, Sonora, Chihuahua, Nuevo León, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and Florida, and in the highlands of Middle America to Costa Rica and western Panama (east to Veraguas); in the Tres Marias and Socorro islands, off western Mexico; and in the northern Bahamas (Grand Bahama, Abaco, Andros), Greater Antilles, and northern Lesser Antilles (from Saba south to Nevis).

Winters from southern Canada south throughout the remainder of the breeding range, occurring also in the lowlands of Middle America.

Casual in Bermuda; an old record from England is not acceptable (B.O.U. 1974).

**Notes.**—The dark and variable populations breeding in western, central, and south-coastal Alaska, and in western Canada were formerly regarded as a distinct species, *B. harlani* (Audubon, 1831) [Harlan’s Hawk], but are now treated as a race of *B. jamaicensis* (see Mindell 1983).

**Buteo regalis** (Gray). Ferruginous Hawk.

*Archibuteo regalis* G. R. Gray, 1844, Genera Birds 1: pl. vi. (No locality given = Real del Monte, Hidalgo.)

**Habitat.**—Open country, primarily dry prairie, plains, sagebrush, and badlands, often in vicinity of prairie-dog (*Cynomys*) colonies; in winter, also plowed fields and other cultivated lands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from south-central British Columbia, eastern Washington, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, and southwestern Manitoba south to eastern Oregon, Nevada, northern and southeastern Arizona (formerly), central and eastern (formerly also southwestern) New Mexico, northern and north-central Texas, western Oklahoma, and western Kansas. Recorded in summer (and probably breeding) in northeastern California.

Winters primarily from the central and southern parts of the breeding range (casually north to Alberta and Saskatchewan) south to Baja California, Chihuahua, Durango, Guanajuato, Hidalgo, and Tamaulipas.

Migrates east to western Minnesota.

Casual east to Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Virginia, Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and Florida; a sight report for Ontario.
**Buteo lagopus** (Pontoppidan). Rough-legged Hawk.

*Falco Lagopus* Pontoppidan, 1763, Dan. Atlas 1: 616. (No locality given = Denmark.)

**Habitat.**—Open coniferous forest, tundra, and generally barren country, usually near cliffs for nest sites; in winter, grasslands and open cultivated areas, occasionally marshes and coastal dunes.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in North America from western and northern Alaska (also Kodiak Island, and west to Umnak in the eastern Aleutians), northern Yukon, the Arctic islands (north to Banks, Prince Patrick, Victoria, Bylot, and southwestern Baffin islands) and northern Labrador south to northern and southeastern Mackenzie, northern Manitoba, extreme northern Ontario, southeastern Quebec, and Newfoundland; and in Eurasia in the Arctic from Scandinavia east to northern Siberia, Kamchatka, and the Sea of Okhotsk.

Winters in North America from south-coastal Alaska (casually), southern Canada (southern British Columbia east to southern Quebec and Newfoundland) south to southern California, southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, panhandle Texas, Arkansas, Tennessee, and Virginia, casually to eastern and southern Texas and the Gulf coast (sight reports from northeastern Sonora, northern Chihuahua, and Florida); and in Eurasia from the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, and central Russia south to southern Europe, southern Russia, Manchuria, Ussuriland, and Japan.

Casual or accidental in the central and western Aleutians, St. Lawrence Island, Hawaiian Islands (Laysan), Bermuda, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, southern Europe, and northern Africa; sight reports for northern Baja California and South Carolina.

**Notes.**—Also known as Rough-legged Buzzard.

Genus **MORPHNUS** Dumont


*Morphnus guianensis* (Daudin). Crested Eagle.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in northern Guatemala (Petén), Belize, northern Honduras (San Pedro Sula, La Ceiba), Costa Rica (Cuabre and Cañas Gordas region), and Panama (both slopes, but doubtfully on Isla Coiba), and in South America, west of the Andes in Colombia, and east of the Andes from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south to central Bolivia, eastern Paraguay, northeastern Argentina (possibly), and southeastern Brazil. No definite records for Nicaragua.

Genus **HARPIA** Vieillot


*Harpia harpyja* (Linnaeus). Harpy Eagle.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–900 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally from southern Mexico (southern Veracruz, Tabasco, and Chiapas) south through Middle America (excluding El Salvador, primarily occurring on the Caribbean slope north of Costa Rica), and in South America, west of the Andes in northern Colombia, and east of the Andes from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south to northern Argentina and southeastern Brazil.

Casual in Oaxaca.
Genus *Aquila* Brisson


*Aquila chrysaetos* (Linnaeus). Golden Eagle.

*Falco Chrysaetos* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 1) 1: 88. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Generally open country, in prairies, tundra, open coniferous forest, desert, and barren areas, especially in hilly or mountainous regions.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America from northern and western Alaska east across Yukon, western and southern Mackenzie, northwestern Manitoba, northern Ontario, and northern Quebec to Labrador, and south to southern Alaska (west to Unalaska in the eastern Aleutians), northern Baja California, the highlands of northern Mexico (south to Durango, Guanajuato, and Nuevo León; possibly also in Oaxaca), western and central Texas (at least formerly), western Oklahoma, and western Kansas, and in eastern North America to central Tennessee, Pennsylvania, New York (formerly), and Maine; and in Eurasia from the British Isles, Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to northern Africa, Arabia, Iran, the Himalayas, central China, Korea, and Japan.

*Winters* in North America from south-central Alaska (casually, the Alaska Range) and the southern portions of the Canadian provinces south throughout the breeding range elsewhere in North America, rarely or casually in the southeastern United States to the Gulf coast from Texas east to central Florida (sight reports to Florida Keys), and casually to Sonora, Sinaloa, and Hidalgo; and in Eurasia generally in the breeding range, casually south to eastern China.

**Notes.**—Stresemann and Amadon in Mayr and Cottrell (1979) considered *A. chrysaetos* and the Australasian *A. audax* (Latham, 1801) to constitute a superspecies.

Genus *Spizastur* Gray


*Spizastur melanoleucus* (Vieillot). Black-and-white Hawk-Eagle.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–2000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from western and southern Mexico (Nayarit, Oaxaca, southern Veracruz, Tabasco, Chiapas, and the Yucatan Peninsula) south through Middle America (except El Salvador), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northern Argentina and southeastern Brazil; a sight report for southern Tamaulipas.

Genus *Spizaetus* Vieillot


*Spizaetus tyrannus* (Wied). Black Hawk-Eagle.

*Falco tyrannus* Wied, 1820, Reise Bras. 1: 360. (Ilha do Chave, below Quartel dos Arcos, Rio Belmonte, Bahia, Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–2000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).
**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southern San Luis Potosí, Veracruz, and Guerrero south locally through Middle America (*not recorded* Nicaragua), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to northern Argentina and southeastern Brazil.

*Spizaetus ornatus* (Daudin). Ornate Hawk-Eagle.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from Colima, Hidalgo, and Tamaulipas south through Middle America (including Isla Coiba off Panama), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to northern Argentina and southeastern Brazil.

Suborder **FALCONES**: Caracaras and Falcons

Family **FALCONIDAE**: Caracaras and Falcons

**Notes.**—The arrangement in three subfamilies rather than the four used previously (A.O.U. 1983) follows Griffiths (1994).

Subfamily **MICRASTURINAE**: Forest-Falcons

Genus **MICRASTUR** Gray


*Micrastur ruficollis* (Vieillot). Barred Forest-Falcon.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–2600 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from Guerrero, southeastern San Luis Potosí, Hidalgo, and Veracruz south through Middle America (except Yucatán and El Salvador), and in South America west of the Andes from Colombia south to northwestern Peru, and east of the Andes in northern Venezuela, and from eastern Peru and central and eastern Brazil (south of the Amazon) south to northern Argentina and southern Brazil.

**Notes.**—The South American *M. gilvicollis* (Vieillot, 1817) was formerly (e.g., Blake 1977) considered conspecific with *M. ruficollis*, but see Schwartz (1972).

*Micrastur mirandollei* (Schlegel). Slaty-backed Forest-Falcon.

*Astur mirandollei* Schlegel, 1862, *Mus. Hist. Nat. Pays-Bas*, livr. 1, Astures, p. 27. (Surinam.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–800 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident*, primarily in the Caribbean lowlands, in Costa Rica and Panama; and in South America from central Colombia, southern Venezuela and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northern Bolivia and Amazonian and eastern Brazil.
Micrastur sernitorquatus (Vieillot). Collared Forest-Falcon.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southern Sinaloa, southeastern San Luis Potosi, and southern Tamaulipas south through Middle America, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to northern Argentina and southern Brazil. Accidental in extreme southern Texas (Bentsen-Rio Grande Valley State Park, Hidalgo County; photograph published in Amer. Birds 48: 225, 1994, and in DeBenedictis 1996).

Subfamily CARACARINAE: Caracaras

Notes.—Formerly listed as Tribe Polyborini; see note under Caracara.

Genus DAPTRIUS Vieillot

Daptrius Vieillot, 1816, Analyse, p. 22. Type, by monotypy, Daptrius ater Vieillot.

Daptrius americanus (Boddaert). Red-throated Caracara.

Falco americanus Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 25. Based on “Le Petit Aigle d’Amerique” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 417. (Cayenne.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident, at least formerly, from southern Mexico (Veracruz, Chiapas) south through Middle America (not reported Belize or El Salvador), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and southern Brazil.

Notes.—Brown and Amadon (1968) and Griffiths (1994) suggested that this species should be placed in the monotypic genus Ibycter Vieillot.

Genus CARACARA Merrem


Notes.—Formerly listed as Polyborus. The type-species of Polyborus Vieillot, 1816, is not identifiable; therefore, the name Caracara must be used (Banks and Dove 1992). See comments under Milvago.

Caracara plancus (Miller). Crested Caracara.


Habitat.—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Second-growth Scrub, lowland pine savanna (0–3000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones, also Temperate Zone in South America).

Distribution.—Resident [cheriway group] in central and southern Florida (north to Brevard County, formerly to Enterprise and St. Augustine), Cuba, and the Isle of Pines, and from northern Baja California, southern Arizona, Sonora, Sinaloa, Zacatecas, Nuevo León, central and southern Texas, and southwestern Louisiana (Gum Cove area) south locally through Middle America (including the Tres Marias Islands off Nayarit, but not reported Belize), and throughout most of South America (including islands off Venezuela from Aruba east to Trinidad) south to northern and central Peru and northern Brazil; [lutosus group]
formerly on Guadalupe Island, off Baja California (now extinct); and [plancus group] from southern Peru and central Brazil south to Tierra del Fuego and the Falkland Islands.

Casual [cheriway group] north to central New Mexico, southwestern Mississippi, and to islands off Panama (Taboga and Pearl) and Jamaica. Individuals reported from west to Washington, Oregon, and California, and north to Wyoming, Ontario, Pennsylvania, New York, and New Jersey are of questionable origin.

**Notes.**—Groups: C. cheriway (Jacquin, 1784) [Crested Caracara], C. lutosus (Ridgway, 1876) [Guadalupe Caracara], and C. plancus [Southern Caracara]. The Guadalupe Island forms is recognized by many authors as a distinct species. The cheriway group is also considered by some authors to represent a separate species, but intergradation between it and the plancus group has been reported near the mouth of the Amazon. (Hellmayr and Conover 1949).

**Genus MILVAGO** Spix


**Notes.**—Vuilleumier (1970) recommended that this genus and _Caracara_ be merged.

**_Milvago chimachima_** (Vieillot). Yellow-headed Caracara.


**Habitat.**—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Pastures/Agricultural Lands, Second-growth Scrub (0–1800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in southwestern Costa Rica (north to San José province) and Panama (including the Pearl Islands), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, mostly east of the Andes, to northern Argentina and southern Brazil.

Subfamily FALCONINAE: True Falcons and Laughing Falcons

Tribe HERPETOTHERINI: Laughing Falcons

**Genus HERPETOTHERES** Vieillot


**Herpetotheres cachinnans** (Linnaeus). Laughing Falcon.

_Falco cachinnans_ (Rolander MS) Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 90. (in America meridionali = Surinam.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, River-edge Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from extreme southern Sonora and Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of Andes to northern Argentina and southern Brazil.

Tribe FALCONINI: True Falcons

**Genus FALCO** Linnaeus


Hierofalco Cuvier, 1816, Règne Anim. 1: 312. Type, by monotypy, Falco subbuteo Gmelin = Falco rusticolus Linnaeus.

Cerchneis Boie, 1826, Isis von Oken, col. 970. Type, by monotypy, Falco rupicolus Daudin = Falco tinnunculus Linnaeus.

Hypotriorchis Boie, 1826, Isis von Oken, col. 970. Type, by original designation, Falco subbuteo Linnaeus.


Planofalco Oberholser, 1974, Bird Life Texas, p. 976. Type, by original designation, Falco mexicanus Schlegel.

Falco tinnunculus Linnaeus. Eurasian Kestrel.

Falco Tinnunculus Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 90. (in Europæ turribus, etc. = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Open country and partly open situations.

Distribution.—Breeds from the British Isles and northern Eurasia south to southern Africa, India, eastern China, and Japan.

Winters from the breeding range south to the East Indies and Philippines.

Casual in Alaska (Attu and Shemya, in the Aleutians, and at sea in the central and southern Bering Sea). Accidental in British Columbia (Alkali Lake), New Brunswick (Fort Beausejour), Nova Scotia (Minudie), Massachusetts (Nantasket Beach), New Jersey (Cape May Point), the Lesser Antilles (Martinique), Greenland, Iceland, and the Faeroe Islands; sight reports for Bermuda and French Guiana.

Notes.—Also known as European Kestrel and, in Old World literature, as the Kestrel. See comments under F. sparverius.

Falco sparverius Linnaeus. American Kestrel.


Habitat.—Open and partly open country with scattered trees, cultivated lands, and occasionally suburban areas; breeding habitat requires nest sites such as holes in trees, cliffs, or buildings (Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds from western and central Alaska, southern Yukon, western (and probably northwestern) Mackenzie, northern Alberta, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and southern Newfoundland south to southern Baja California (including Guadalupe Island), Sinaloa, the highlands of Middle America (to central Honduras), the Gulf coast and (at least formerly) southern Florida; in the Bahamas (north to Eleuthera) and the Antilles (rare south of Guadeloupe); the lowland pine savanna of eastern Honduras and northeastern Nicaragua; and through most of South America (including the Netherlands Antilles and Trinidad, but absent from heavily forested regions such as the Amazon basin) south to Tierra del Fuego (including the Juan Fernández Islands off Chile).

Winters from south-coastal Alaska (casually), southern British Columbia, the northern United States, southern Manitoba (casually), southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, and (rarely) Nova Scotia south throughout the breeding range, including the northern Bahamas and Cayman Islands, and Bermuda and virtually all of Middle America, the northern populations migrating as far south as Panama.

Casual or accidental in northern and southwestern Alaska, District of Franklin (Jenny Lind Island), on the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island), Barbados, the Falkland Islands, British Isles, Denmark, the Azores, and Malta.

Notes.—Formerly known in American literature as Sparrow Hawk. Various Old World
taxa, including *F. tinnunculus*, have been considered to form a superspecies with *F. sparverius* (Mayr and Short 1970; Stresemann and Amadon in Mayr and Cottrell 1979), but relationships are uncertain.

**Falco columbarius** Linnaeus. Merlin.


**Habitat.**—Open country from open coniferous woodland to prairie, occasionally in adjacent suburbs; in winter, open woodland, grasslands, open cultivated fields, marshes, estuaries, and seacoasts.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in North America from northwestern Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and central Mackenzie, southeastern Keewatin, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northern Quebec, Labrador, and Newfoundland south to southern Alaska, southwestern British Columbia, central Washington, eastern Oregon, Idaho, northern Utah (formerly), Colorado (at least formerly), western South Dakota, western North Dakota, northern Minnesota, Iowa (formerly), northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, northern Ohio (formerly), southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Maine; and in Eurasia from Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, British Isles, and Scandinavia east across Russia and Siberia to the Sea of Okhotsk, and south to Lake Baikal, Mongolia, and Sakhalin.

Winters from south-coastal Alaska and southern (primarily coastal) British Columbia east across southern Canada (mostly in cities) through Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, and New Brunswick to Nova Scotia and Newfoundland, and from Montana, Colorado, western and southern Texas, the Gulf states, and Maryland (casually elsewhere north to the Canadian border) south through Middle America, Bermuda, and the West Indies to northwestern Peru, northern Colombia, northern Venezuela, and Trinidad; and in Eurasia from Iceland, the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, southern Russia, and southern Japan south to the Mediterranean region, northern Africa, Asia Minor, northern India, eastern China, and Korea.

Casual in Greenland and Spitsbergen; a sight report for the northwestern Hawaiian Islands (Midway).

**Notes.**—Formerly known as Pigeon Hawk.

**Falco subbuteo** Linnaeus. Eurasian Hobby.

*Falco Subbuteo* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat (ed. 10) 1: 89. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Woodland and partly open country.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in the Palearctic and southeastern Asia, and Winters south to tropical Africa and southern Asia.

Casual in Alaska in the Aleutian Islands (Attu, Agattu) and Pribilof Islands (St. George) (Gibson and Kessel 1992); an earlier report from Cordova, Alaska and a sight report from British Columbia are unsatisfactory.

**Falco femoralis** Temminck. Aplomado Falcon.

*Falco femoralis* Temminck, 1822, Planches Color., livr. 21, pl. 121 and text. (Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, lowland pine savanna (0–4400 m; Tropical Zone, in South America to Temperate Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident from Sinaloa (at least formerly), northeastern Chihuahua, southeastern San Luis Potosí, and Veracruz (formerly north to southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, and west-central and southern Texas, the last documented breeding in the United States in 1952 in New Mexico, where an apparently wild bird was also photographed in 1991 and 1992) south locally to Chiapas, the Yucatan Peninsula (at least formerly) and Belize; in the pine savanna of eastern Honduras and northeastern Nicaragua; and from western Panama south locally throughout South America (absent from much of Amazonia) to Tierra del Fuego and the Falkland Islands. Reintroduction of breeding birds is being attempted in southern Texas.
Casual in Guatemala (San Agustín), western Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and, in recent years, in the former breeding range in the southwestern United States. Reintroduced in southern Texas (T.O.S. 1995).

*Falco rufigularis* Daudin. Bat Falcon.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1600 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southern Sonora, eastern Nuevo León, and Tamaulipas south along both slopes through Middle America (including Coiba, Taboga, and the Pearl islands off Panama), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to northern Argentina and southern Brazil.

**Notes.**—For use of *F. rufigularis* instead of *F. albigularis* Daudin, 1800, see Eisenmann (1966).

*Falco deiroleucus* Temminck. Orange-breasted Falcon.

*Falco deiroleucus* Temminck, 1825, Planches Color., livr. 59, pl. 348. (Dans l’île Saint François, partie méridionale du Brésil = São Francisco Island, Santa Catarina, Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–2000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* (rare and local) in southern Mexico (recorded Veracruz, Campeche), Guatemala (primarily Petén and Pacific slope), Belize, Honduras (El Hatillo), Nicaragua (Matagalpa and the northeastern lowlands), Costa Rica, and Panama (Chiriquí, Coclé, and Darién), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south locally, mostly east of the Andes, to northern Argentina and southern Brazil.

**Notes.**—Stresemann and Amadon in Mayr and Cottrell (1979) suggested that *F. deiroleucus* and *F. peregrinus* constitute a superspecies.


*Falco rusticolus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 88. (in Svecia = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Primarily open country in the Arctic, including tundra, from mountains to rocky seacoasts, and occasionally open coniferous forest; breeding habitat requires cliffs (occasionally trees) for nest sites.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, and Banks, Prince Patrick, and Ellesmere islands south to central Alaska (including the Aleutians west to Umnak), northwestern British Columbia, southern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, Southampton Island, central Quebec, and northern Labrador; and in the Palaearctic from Greenland, Iceland, and northern Scandinavia east across northern Russia and northern Siberia to the Chukotski Peninsula, and south to Anadyrland, Kamchatka, and Bering Island.

**Winters** in North America from the breeding range south irregularly to the Pribilof and Aleutian islands, southern Alaska, southern Canada, and the extreme northern United States; and in Eurasia from the breeding range south to the British Isles, western (casually central) Europe, southern Russia, Lake Baikal, Manchuria, Sakhalin, the Kuril Islands, and Japan.

Casual in winter south as far as central California, Oregon, northern Utah, northeastern Colorado, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, northern Ohio, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Virginia, and Bermuda; sight reports for Indiana and Tennessee.

**Notes.**—Known in Old World literature as Gyr Falcon. Stresemann and Amadon in Mayr and Cottrell (1979) suggested that *F. rusticolus*, *F. mexicanus*, and Old World *F. jugger* Gray, 1834, *F. biarmicus* Temminck, 1825, and *F. cherrug* Gray, 1834, constitute a superspecies.
**Falco peregrinus** Tunstall. Peregrine Falcon.


**Habitat.**—A variety of open situations, usually near water, from tundra, marshes, and seacoasts to high mountains, more open forested regions, deserts, and urban areas; suitable breeding habitat requires cliffs for nest sites, but ledges on large buildings provide a substitute in urban areas.

**Distribution.**—_Breeds_ in North America from northern Alaska, northern Mackenzie, Banks, Victoria, southern Melville, Somerset, and northern Baffin islands, and Labrador south to southern Baja California, the coast of Sonora, southern Arizona, New Mexico, and western and central (formerly) Texas, in the Sierra Madre Occidental and Sierra Madre Oriental of northern Mexico, and, at least formerly, Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, northeastern Louisiana, Tennessee, northern Alabama, and northwestern Georgia; in South America in Ecuador, Peru, central and southern Argentina, and central and southern Chile; and in much of the Old World from Greenland, the British Isles, Scandinavia, northern Russia, northern Siberia and the Chukotski Peninsula south, at least locally, through Eurasia and Africa to South Africa, India, Sri Lanka, the East Indies, Australia (including Tasmania), Vanuatu, and the Fiji and Loyalty islands. Absent as a breeding bird through much of continental North America, especially in the eastern part south of the Canadian Arctic, since the 1950's; recently reestablished as a breeding bird through introductions in many parts of southern Canada and the United States.

_Migrates_ along coasts and less commonly interior where not known to breed or to winter; migrants recorded regularly on Bermuda and at sea.

*Winters* in the Americas from southern Alaska (the Aleutians and Prince William Sound), the Queen Charlotte islands, coastal British Columbia, the central and southern United States (rarely farther north) and New Brunswick south through Middle America, the West Indies, and South America to Tierra del Fuego; and in the Old World generally through the breeding range, with northernmost populations usually migrating to tropical regions.

_Casual_ in the Hawaiian Islands, the Revillagigedo Islands, Clipperton Island, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, and Canary Islands. Accidental on South Georgia.

**Notes.**—Also known in Old World literature as Peregrine. Populations from the North African desert region, Arabia, and the Middle East are sometimes (Vaurie 1965, Sibley and Monroe 1990) regarded as a distinct species, _F. pelegrinoides_ Temminck, 1829 [Barbary Falcon]. The South American _F. kreyenborgi_ Kleinschmidt, 1929, appears to be a color morph of _F. peregrinus_ (Ellis and Grant 1983).

**Falco mexicanus** Schlegel. Prairie Falcon.


**Habitat.**—Dry grasslands and prairies, locally alpine tundra; suitable breeding habitat usually requires cliffs for nest sites; in winter, also cultivated fields and lake shores.

**Distribution.**—_Breeds_ from south-central British Columbia, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, and western North Dakota south to Baja California, southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, Chihuahua, central Durango, northern San Luis Potosí, western and northern Texas, and (formerly) northwestern Missouri.

*Winters* from the breeding range in southern Canada south to Baja California, Sonora, Durango, Zacatecas, Aguascalientes, Nuevo León, and Tamaulipas.

_Casual_ north and east to northeastern British Columbia, Manitoba (regular in southwest?), Ontario (sight report), Minnesota, Wisconsin (sight report), Michigan, Illinois, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, and Mississippi, and south to Hidalgo. Accidentals reported in Alabama, Georgia, Florida, and South Carolina are of unknown origin.

**Notes.**—See comments under _F. rusticolus._
Order GALLIFORMES: Gallinaceous Birds

Superfamily CRACOIDEA: Megapodes, Curassows, and Allies

Family CRACIDAE: Curassows and Guans

Genus ORTALIS Merrem


Ortalis vetula (Wagler). Plain Chachalaca.

Penelope vetula Wagler, 1830, Isis von Oken, col. 1112. (Mexico = near city of Veracruz, Veracruz; Miller and Griscom, Auk 38: 455, 1921.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, wooded residential areas (0–1850 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from southern Texas (lower Rio Grande Valley) and Nuevo León south through the lowlands of eastern Mexico (including the Yucatan Peninsula and Isla Cancun), Belize, and eastern Guatemala to northern Honduras (including Isla Utila in the Bay Islands), and in the interior valleys of Chiapas, central Honduras, and north-central Nicaragua; also northwestern Costa Rica (Guanacaste).

Introduced and established on islands off the coast of Georgia (Sapelo, Blackbeard, and Little St. Simons).

Notes.—The isolated population in northwestern Costa Rica was assigned to O. leucoaster by A.O.U. (1983, 1985) and Sibley and Monroe (1990).

Ortalis cinereiceps Gray. Gray-headed Chachalaca.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1100 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in eastern Honduras (Olancho, Mosquitia), eastern and central Nicaragua, Costa Rica (except the dry northwest), Panama (including Isla del Rey in the Pearl Islands), and northwestern Colombia.

Notes.—The South American O. garrula (Humboldt, 1805) and O. cinereiceps constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990); they are considered by some (e.g., Blake 1977) as conspecific. The composite species may be called Chestnut-winged Chachalaca.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1600 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident [ruficrissa group] in northeastern Colombia and extreme northwestern Venezuela; and [ruficauda group] in northern Venezuela (south to the Arauca and Orinoco rivers), and on Margarita Island and Tobago.

Introduced [ruficauda group] in the Lesser Antilles in the Grenadines (on Union and Bequia), where apparently established by the late 17th Century, but there have been no recent reports from Bequia. Early writings also alluded to its presence on St. Vincent in the late 17th Century.

Notes.—Also known as Rufous-tailed Chachalaca. Groups: O. ruficrissa Sclater and Salvin, 1870 [Rufous-vented Chachalaca] and O. ruficauda [Rufous-tipped Chachalaca].

Ortalis wagleri Gray. Rufous-bellied Chachalaca.

Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest (0–2000 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in western Mexico from southern Sonora, Sinaloa, and western Durango south to northern Jalisco.

Notes.—Also known as Wagler’s Chachalaca. Treatment of O. wagleri as a species distinct from O. poliocephala follows Banks (1990a).

Ortalis poliocephala  (Wagler). West Mexican Chachalaca.

Penelope poliocephala  Wagler, 1830, Isis von Oken, col. 1112. (Mexico.)

Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1800 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident from southern and northeastern Jalisco and Michoacán south to Morelos, western Puebla, Oaxaca, and extreme western Chiapas (vicinity of Tonalá).

Notes.—See notes under O. wagleri.

Ortalis leucogastra  (Gould). White-bellied Chachalaca.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest (0–1050 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in the Pacific lowlands from western Chiapas (vicinity of Tonalá) south to northwestern Nicaragua.

Notes.—Although formerly considered a race of O. vetula, this form may be allied to the South American O. motmot (Linnaeus, 1766) superspecies (Delacour and Amadon 1973). See notes under O. vetula.

Genus *PENELOPE* Merrem


Penelope purpurascens  Wagler. Crested Guan.

Penelope purpurascens  Wagler, 1830, Isis von Oken, col. 1110. (Mexico = probably Veracruz.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–2000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from Sinaloa and southern Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America to Colombia, western Ecuador, and northern Venezuela.

Genus *CHAMAEPETES* Wagler

Chamaepetes Wagler, 1832, Isis von Oken, col. 1227. Type, by monotypy, Ortalida goudotii Lesson.

Chamaepetes unicolor  Salvin. Black Guan.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (1000–3000 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica (north to Cordillera de Guanacaste) and western Panama (east to Cocle).
Genus *PENELOPINA* Reichenbach


*Penelopina nigra* (Fraser). Highland Guan.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (900–3150 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of extreme eastern Oaxaca (Sierra Madre de Chiapas), Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, and north-central Nicaragua.

**Notes.**—Also known as Black Chachalaca.

Genus *OREOPHASIS* Gray

*Oreophasis* G. R. Gray, 1844, Genera Birds 3: [485], col. pl. 121 and pl. 121. Type, by monotypy, *Oreophasis derbianus* Gray.

*Oreophasis derbianus* Gray. Horned Guan.

*Oreophasis derbianus* G. R. Gray, 1844, Genera Birds 3: [485], col. pl. 121 and pl. 121. (Guatemala.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (1800–3100 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in the mountains of Chiapas and Guatemala.

Genus *CRAX* Linnaeus


*Crax rubra* Linnaeus. Great Curassow.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southeastern San Luis Potosí, southern Tamaulipas, Veracruz, and Oaxaca south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula and Cozumel Island) to western Colombia and western Ecuador.

**Notes.**—*Crax rubra* is part of a large complex including several South American species that probably constitutes a superspecies (Delacour and Amadon 1973).

Superfamily PHASIANOIDEA: Partridges, Grouse, Turkeys, and Quail

Family *PHASIANIDAE*: Partridges, Grouse, Turkeys, and Old World Quail

Subfamily *PHASIANINAE*: Partridges and Pheasants

Genus *ALECTORIS* Kaup


*Alectoris chukar* (Gray). Chukar.

*Perdix Chukar* J. E. Gray, 1830, in Hardwicke, Illus. Indian Zool. 1(2): pl. 54. (India = Srinagar, Kumaon, India.)
Habitat.—Rocky hillsides, dry mountain slopes with grassy vegetation, open and flat desert with sparse grasses, and barren plateaus.

Distribution.—Resident in Eurasia from southeastern Europe and Asia Minor east to southern Manchuria, northern China, Turkestan, and the western Himalayas. Introduced widely in North America and established, at least locally, from south-central British Columbia, northern Idaho, and central and eastern Montana south to southern California, southern Nevada, northern Arizona, and western Colorado; also in the Hawaiian Islands (main islands from Kauai eastward, but no longer on Oahu).

Notes.—*Alectoris chukar* was long regarded as a subspecies of *A. graeca* (Meisner, 1804) of Europe, but see Watson (1962a, 1962b). *Tetrao kakelik* Falk, 1786 has been used for this species in Russian literature but is indeterminate (Hartert 1917).

Genus *FRANCOLINUS* Stephens


*Francolinus pondicerianus* (Gmelin). Gray Francolin.


Habitat.—Dry habitats, often near thickets and large lawns; in native range, dry country with scrub or grass, cultivated fields, and desert scrub.

Distribution.—Resident from eastern Iran east to India and Sri Lanka. Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (in 1958, presently on Oahu, Molokai, Lanai, Maui, and Hawaii) and in southern Arabia and the Andaman, Seychelles, Amirante, and Mascarene islands.

*Francolinus francolinus* (Linnaeus). Black Francolin.


Habitat.—Dry grasslands and pastures; in native range, grasslands (primarily tall grass), scrubby and brushy areas, marshes and, locally, clearings in open forest.

Distribution.—Resident from Cyprus, Asia Minor, and the Near East east to southern Russia (Transcaucasia), northern Iran, India, and Assam. Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (in 1959, now on Kauai, Molokai, Maui, and Hawaii). Introductions into southwestern Louisiana (Calcasieu and Cameron parishes) and southern Florida (Palm Beach County) have failed.

*Francolinus erckelii* (Rüppell). Erckel’s Francolin.

*Perdix Erckelii* Rüppell, 1835, Neue Wirbelth., Vogel, p. 12, pl. 6. (Taranta Mts., northeastern Ethiopia.)

Habitat.—Grasslands and open forest; in native range, scrub, brush, and open areas with scattered trees, primarily in hilly or mountainous country.

Distribution.—Resident in eastern Sudan (Red Sea Province), northern Ethiopia, and Eritrea. Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (in 1957, now on all main islands from Kauai eastward, except Maui).

Notes.—Crowe et al. (1992) placed this species in the genus *Pternistis* Wagler, 1832.

Genus *TETRAOGALLUS* J. E. Gray


Habitat.—Steep rocky slopes with sparse vegetation, alpine meadows.
Distribution.—Resident in south-central Eurasia in Afghanistan, Turkestan, northern India, and western China.
Introduced and established (1963 and subsequent years) in northeastern Nevada in the Ruby and East Humboldt mountains (Stiver 1984).

Genus PERDIX Brisson


Perdix perdix (Linnaeus). Gray Partridge.

Tetrao Perdix Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 160. (in Europa agris = southern Sweden.)

Habitat.—Primarily cultivated fields and grasslands with hedgerows; in Old World, more widespread in open country.
Distribution.—Resident in Eurasia from the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, and northern Russia south to southern Europe, Turkey, northern Iran, Turkestan, and Mongolia.
Widely introduced in North America and established locally from southern British Columbia, central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south to northeastern California (formerly, never definitely established), northern Nevada, northern Utah, northern Wyoming, northeastern Nebraska, Iowa, northern Missouri, extreme northern Illinois, central Indiana (formerly), west-central Ohio (formerly), northern New York, and northern Vermont. Many populations have declined or disappeared in recent decades.
Notes.—Also known as Hungarian Partridge or Common Partridge and, in Old World literature, as the Partridge.

Genus COTURNIX Bonnaterre


Coturnix japonica Temminck & Schlegel. Japanese Quail.

Coturnix vulgaris japonica Temminck and Schlegel, 1849, in Siebold, Fauna Jpn., Aves, p. 103, pl. 61. (Japan.)

Habitat.—Grasslands, marshes, cultivated fields and pastures.
Distribution.—Breeds from northern Mongolia and Transbaicalia east through Amurland to Ussuriland, Sakhalin, and the Kuril Islands, and south to Manchuria, Korea, and Japan. Winters from Transbaicalia (rarely) and central Japan south to the northern Indochina region, southern China, and the Ryukyu Islands.
Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (in 1921, now on main islands from Kauai eastward, except Oahu).
Notes.—Coturnix coturnix (Linnaeus, 1758) and C. japonica constitute a superspecies (Vaurie 1965).

Genus GALLUS Brisson

Gallus Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 26, 166. Type, by tautonymy, Gallus Brisson = Phasianus gallus Linnaeus.
**FAMILY PHASIANIDAE**

**Gallus gallus** (Linnaeus). Red Junglefowl.

*Phasianus Gallus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 158. (in India Orientali: Poulikandor etc. = Island of Pulo Condor, off the mouth of the Mekong River.)

**Habitat.**—Forest undergrowth, second growth, scrub, and cultivated lands.

**Distribution.**—Resident from the Himalayas, southern China, and Hainan south to central India, Southeast Asia, Sumatra, and Java.

Introduced in the Hawaiian Islands (by early Polynesians, probably about 500 A.D.), now on Kauai, formerly on other main islands, with recent reintroductions not known to have become established except at Waimea Falls Park, on Oahu; on islands in the Bahamas (Little San Salvador), off Puerto Rico (Mona, and possibly Culebra, and in the Grenadines (Kick'em-Jenny); and in the Philippines, and on many islands of the East Indies and Polynesia.

Genus *LOPHURA* Fleming


**Lophura leucomeleanos** (Latham). Kalij Pheasant.

*Phasianus leucomeleanos* Latham, 1790, Index Ornithol. 2: 633. (India = Nepal.)

**Habitat.**—Dense scrub, forest undergrowth, thickets, and wooded ravines, in Hawaii in ohia-tree fern and koa forest, and on plantations.

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Himalayas from western Nepal east to northern Assam and Bhutan.

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (on Hawaii in 1962, now in the North Kona district and on the slopes of Mauna Loa and Mauna Kea).

Genus *PHASIANUS* Linnaeus


**Phasianus colchicus** Linnaeus. Ring-necked Pheasant.

*Phasianus colchicus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 158. (in Africa, Asia = Rion, formerly Phasis, Republic of Georgia)

**Habitat.**—Croplands and windbreaks, meadows, and marsh edges; in Old World, also scrubby wastes, open woodland and edges, grassy steppe, desert oases, riverside thickets, and open mountain forest.

**Distribution.**—Resident [colchicus group] from central Russia, Transcaucasia, Turkestan, Mongolia, and Ussuriland south to northern Iran, northern Burma, China, and Korea; and [versicolor group] in Japan (Honshu and Shikoku) and the Seven Islands of Izu.

Introduced and established [colchicus group] in the Hawaiian Islands (about 1865, now on all main islands from Kauai eastward), widely in North America from southern British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southwestern Manitoba, central Minnesota, central Wisconsin, central Michigan, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south, at least locally, to southern interior California, northern Baja California, Utah, southern New Mexico, northern and southeastern Texas, northwestern Oklahoma, Kansas, northern Missouri, central Illinois, central Indiana, southern Ohio, Pennsylvania, northern Maryland, New Jersey, central Virginia, and North Carolina (Outer Banks), and in the Bahama Islands (Eleuthera, probably), Japan, New Zealand, and Europe; and [versicolor group] in the Hawaiian Islands (locally on Hawaii, with smaller numbers on Kauai, Lanai, and possibly Maui).

**Notes.**—Known in Old World literature as the Pheasant. Groups: *P. colchicus* [Ring-necked or Common Pheasant] and *P. versicolor* Vicillot, 1825 [Green or Japanese Pheasant].
Within the *colchicus* group, the Asiatic complex may be a species, *P. torquatus* Gmelin, 1789 [Ring-necked Pheasant], distinct from the more western *P. colchicus* [Common or English Pheasant]; most North American populations are from *torquatus* stock, although birds from European *colchicus* are mixed with *torquatus* in many areas.

**Genus PAVO Linnaeus**

*Pavo Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 156. Type, by tautonymy, *Pavo cristatus* Linnaeus (*Pavo*, prebinomial specific name, in synonymy).*


*Pavo cristatus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 156. (in India orientali, Zeylona = India.)

**Habitat.**—Open forest, forest edge, second growth, scrub, open areas with scattered trees, and cultivated lands.

**Distribution.**—Resident throughout India and on Sri Lanka.

Introduced in the Hawaiian Islands (initially in 1860, now established on Oahu, Maui, and Hawaii) and the Bahamas (Exuma); local, semi-domesticated populations also have persisted for years in various parts of the North American continent.

**Subfamily TETRAONINAE: Grouse**

**Genus BONASA Stephens**


*Bonasa umbellus* (Linnaeus). Ruffed Grouse.


**Habitat.**—Forest, mainly mixed deciduous-coniferous and deciduous, in both wet and relatively dry situations, from boreal forest and northern hardwood-ecotone to eastern deciduous forest and oak-savanna woodland.

**Distribution.**—Resident from central Alaska, northern Yukon, southwestern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, southern Quebec, southern Labrador, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south to northwestern California, northeastern Oregon, central and eastern Idaho, central Utah, northwestern Colorado, western and northern Wyoming, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba (absent from prairie regions of three preceding provinces), northern North Dakota, central and southeastern Minnesota, Iowa, northern Illinois (at least formerly), central Indiana, Ohio, in the Appalachians to northern Georgia, western South Carolina, and western North Carolina, and to northeastern Virginia; also locally south to western South Dakota (Black Hills), northeastern Kansas, northern Arkansas, central Missouri, western Tennessee, and northeastern Alabama.

Introduced and established on Anticosti Island and in Newfoundland.

**Genus CENTROCERCUS Swainson**

*Centrocercus [subgenus] Swainson, 1832, in Swainson and Richardson, Fauna Bor.-Amer. 2 (1831): 358, 496. Type, by original designation, *Tetrao urophasianus* Bonaparte.*
Centrocercus urophasianus (Bonaparte). Sage Grouse.

*Tetrao urophasianus* Bonaparte, 1827, Zool. J. 3: 213. (Northwestern countries beyond the Mississippi, especially on the Missouri = North Dakota.)

**Habitat.**—Foothills, plains, rocky plateaus, and mountain slopes where sagebrush is present.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* locally (formerly widespread) from central Washington, Montana, southeastern Alberta, southwestern Saskatchewan, southwestern North Dakota, western South Dakota, and extreme northwestern Nebraska south to eastern California, south-central Nevada, southern Utah, and western Colorado, formerly north to southern British Columbia, south to northern New Mexico and southeast to extreme western Oklahoma.


**Genus FALCIPENNIS** Elliot


**Notes.**—*Canachites* has been considered generically distinct (Peters 1934, A.O.U. 1957, Ellsworth et al. 1995) or merged with *Dendragapus* (Short 1967, A.O.U. 1983); the latter treatment would make *Dendragapus* paraphyletic (Ellsworth et al. 1996). Yamashina (1939) recommended its merger with *Falcipennis*, as have Dickerman and Gustafson (1996).

*Falcipennis canadensis* (Linnaeus). Spruce Grouse.


**Habitat.**—Coniferous forest, primarily spruce and pine, especially with dense understory of grasses and shrubs or regenerating burns.


Introduced and established [canadensis group] in Newfoundland.

**Notes.**—Groups: *F. canadensis* [Spruce Grouse] and *F. franklinii* (Douglas, 1829) [Franklin’s Grouse]. Formerly placed in *Dendragapus* or *Canachites*.

**Genus LAGOPUS** Brisson


*Lagopus lagopus* (Linnaeus). Willow Ptarmigan.

*Tetrao Lagopus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 159. (in Europæ alpinis = Swedish Lapland.)

**Habitat.**—Open tundra, especially in areas heavily vegetated with grasses, mosses, herbs, and shrubs, less frequently in openings in boreal coniferous forest.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* [lagopus group] in North America across the Arctic from northern Alaska east through Banks, southern Melville, and Bathurst islands to western Baffin Island, and south to the central and eastern Aleutian Islands, southern Alaska, northwestern and
east-central British Columbia, extreme west-central Alberta, central Mackenzie, southern
Keewatin, northeastern Manitoba, extreme northern Ontario, the Twin Islands (in James
Bay), central Quebec, Labrador, and Newfoundland; and in Eurasia from Greenland and
Scandinavia east across Russia and Siberia, and south (except the British Isles) to Mongolia,
Ussuriland, and Sakhalin.

*Resident* [scoticus group] in the British Isles, Orkney Islands, and Hebrides.

*Winters* [lagopus group] mostly in the breeding range, in North America wandering ir-
regularly (or casually) south to Montana (formerly), North Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin,
central Ontario, and Maine; and in Eurasia south to northern Europe.

Introduced [lagopus group] and established (in 1968, from the Newfoundland population)
on Scatarie Island in Nova Scotia.

Accidental [lagopus group] in Nova Scotia before introduction.

**Notes.**—In the Old World known as Willow Grouse. Groups: *L. lagopus* [Willow Ptarm-
igan] and *L. scoticus* (Latham, 1789) [Red Grouse].


Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Open tundra, barren and rocky slopes in Arctic and alpine areas; in winter,
some movement to thickets and forest edge.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America from northern Alaska east through the Canadian
Arctic islands to Ellesmere and Baffin islands, and south to the Aleutians, southern Alaska
(including Kodiak Island), western and northern British Columbia, central Mackenzie, central
Keewatin, Southampton Island, northern Quebec, northern Labrador, and Newfoundland;
and in the Palearctic from Greenland, Iceland, Scotland, and Scandinavia east across northern
Russia and northern Siberia to Kamchatka, and at high elevations in the Pyrenees and Alps
of southern Europe, the mountain ranges of central Asia, and in the Kuril Islands and Japan
(Honshu).

*Winters* regularly in North America from the breeding range south to southern Mackenzie,
northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northwestern Ontario, and central Quebec, ca-
sually to coastal British Columbia (the Queen Charlotte Islands); and in the Palearctic
primarily resident in the breeding range.

**Accidental** in northern Minnesota.

**Notes.**—Known in Old World literature as the Ptarmigan.

*Lagopus leucurus* (Richardson). White-tailed Ptarmigan.

*Tetrao (Lagopus) leucurus* “Swains.” Richardson, 1831, in Wilson and Bonaparte,
Amer. Ornithol. (Jameson ed.) 4: 330. (Rocky Mountains, lat. 54° N.)

**Habitat.**—Alpine tundra, especially in rocky areas with sparse vegetation; in winter, moves
slightly lower, to areas where vegetation protrudes above snow.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from south-central Alaska (Alaska Range), northern Yukon, and
southwestern Mackenzie south to southern Alaska (west to the Kenai Peninsula and Lake
Clark), southern British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), and the Cascade Mountains
of Washington, and along the Rocky Mountains (locally, mostly on alpine summits) from
southeastern British Columbia and southwestern Alberta south through central southern
Wyoming and Colorado to northern New Mexico.

Introduced and established in northeastern Utah (Uinta Mountains) and California (central
Sierra Nevada); introduced also in northeastern Oregon (Wallowa Mountains) with unknown
success.

**Genus DENDRAGAPUS** Elliot

sequent designation (Baird, Brewer, and Ridgway, 1874), *Tetrao obscurus* Say.
**Dendragapus obscurus** (Say). Blue Grouse.


_Habitat._—Coniferous and coniferous-deciduous forest, often adjacent to open country; in winter, more restricted to dense coniferous forest [obscurus group]; open coniferous forest [fuliginosus group].

_Distribution._—Resident [obscurus group] from southeastern Alaska (except coastal areas), southern Yukon, and extreme southwestern Mackenzie south through the mountains of interior British Columbia (except coastal, southwestern, and south-central areas), southwestern Alberta, eastern Washington, and the Rocky Mountains to eastern Nevada, northern and eastern Arizona (south to White Mountains), southwestern and north-central New Mexico, western and central Colorado and (formerly) western South Dakota; and [fuliginosus group] from coastal southeastern Alaska (north to Yakutat) and coastal British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte and Vancouver islands) south in coastal ranges and the Cascades to northwestern California, the Sierra Nevada, and (at least formerly) to southern California (Ventura County) and extreme western Nevada.

_Notes._—Groups: *D. obscurus* [Dusky Grouse] and *D. fuliginosus* (Ridgway, 1874) [Sooty Grouse].

**Genus TYMPANUCHUS** Gloger


_Notes._—For comments on relationships within this genus, see Ellsworth et al. (1994).

**Tymanuchus phasianellus** (Linnaeus). Sharp-tailed Grouse.


_Habitat._—Grasslands, especially with scattered woodlands, arid sagebrush, brushy hills, oak savanna, edges of riparian woodland, muskeg, and bogs; in winter, more restricted to areas with shrub or tree cover.

_Distribution._—Resident, at least locally, from central Alaska, central Yukon, northwestern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, and west-central Quebec south to southeastern Washington, southern Idaho, northern Utah, southwestern, central and northeastern Colorado, western and north-central Kansas, central Nebraska, eastern South Dakota, eastern North Dakota, northern Minnesota, central Wisconsin, central Michigan, and southern Ontario; formerly occurred south to southern Oregon, northeastern California, northeastern Nevada, northeastern New Mexico, southern Iowa and northern Illinois, probably also northern Texas.

_Notes._—See comments under *T. cupido*.

**Tymanuchus cupido** (Linnaeus). Greater Prairie-Chicken.


_Habitat._—Tall-grass prairie, occasionally feeding in adjacent cultivated lands; formerly in eastern (fire-produced) grassland and blueberry barrens.

_Distribution._—Resident locally and in much reduced numbers from eastern North Dakota, northwestern and central Minnesota, and northern Wisconsin south to southeastern Wyoming, northeastern Colorado, Kansas (except southwestern), northeastern Oklahoma, central Missouri, and southern Illinois; also in southeastern Texas. Formerly occurred (now extirpated
or nearly so) from east-central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, and southern Ontario south, east of the Rocky Mountains, to eastern Texas, southwestern Louisiana, east-central Arkansas, central Indiana, western Kentucky, and western Ohio; and in the east from Massachusetts south to Maryland, after 1835 confined to the island of Martha’s Vineyard, Massachusetts (where last reported in 1932).

Notes.—The extinct eastern population was called Heath Hen. This species and *T. pallidicinctus* constitute a superspecies and are considered to be conspecific by some authors (e.g., Johnsgard 1983); with this concept, Prairie Chicken or Pinnated Grouse may be used. *Tympanuchus cupido* and *T. phasianellus* hybridize sporadically, but occasionally they interbreed extensively on a local level (Johnsgard and Wood 1968).

*Tympanuchus pallidicinctus* (Ridgway). Lesser Prairie-Chicken.

*Cupidonia cupido* var. *pallidicinctus* Ridgeway [sic], 1873, For. Stream 1: 289. (Prairie of Texas [near lat. 32° N.].)

Habitat.—Dry short-grass prairie, often interspersed with shrubs and short trees, regularly feeding in adjacent cultivated lands.

Distribution.—Resident locally and in reduced numbers from southeastern Colorado, south-central Kansas, and western Oklahoma to extreme southeastern New Mexico and northern Texas (Panhandle), formerly north to southwestern Nebraska.

Notes.—See comments under *T. cupido*.

Subfamily MELEAGRIDINAE: Turkeys

Notes.—Sometimes regarded as a family, the Meleagrididae (e.g., A.O.U. 1957).

Genus *MELEAGRIS* Linnaeus


Notes.—Osteological studies by Steadman (1980) have shown that the genus *Agriocharis* should not be separated from *Meleagris*.

*Meleagris gallopavo* Linnaeus. Wild Turkey.


Habitat.—Forest and open woodland, deciduous (particularly oak) or mixed deciduous-coniferous, especially with adjacent clearings or pastures (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident locally and generally in reduced numbers (formerly widespread) from northern Arizona, New Mexico, Kansas, eastern Nebraska, southeastern South Dakota, northern Iowa, southern and eastern Wisconsin, southern Ontario (formerly), extreme southeastern Quebec, northern New York, southern Vermont, southern New Hampshire, and southwestern Maine south to Guerrero (at least formerly), Veracruz, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and Florida.

Reintroduced widely through its former breeding range north of Mexico, and established locally north to southern British Columbia, Washington, Idaho, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, southeastern Minnesota, northern Michigan, and southern Ontario, and in the Hawaiian Islands (initially in 1788, now on Niihau, Lanai, Maui, and Hawaii) and New Zealand.

*Meleagris ocellata* Cuvier. Ocellated Turkey.

*Meleagris ocellata* Cuvier, 1820, Mém. Mus. Hist. Nat. 6: 1, 4, pl. 1. (Gulf of Honduras = Belize.)
Family Odontophoridae

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest (Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in southeastern Mexico (Tabasco and the Yucatan Peninsula), northern Guatemala (Petén), and northern Belize.

Notes.—Formerly placed in the genus Agriocharis.

Subfamily Numidinae: Guineafowl

Genus Numida Linnaeus


Numida meleagris (Linnaeus). Helmeted Guineafowl.

Phasianus Meleagris Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat., ed. 10, 1, p. 158 (in Africa = Nubia, upper Nile.)

Habitat.—Open woodland, cultivated lands, and grasslands.

Distribution.—Resident [galeata group] in western Africa east to western Zaire; [meleagris group] in Arabia and northeastern Africa south to northeastern Zaire; and [mitrata group] in south-central and southern Africa.

Widely domesticated throughout the world, and escaped individuals are frequently reported. Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (in 1874 on Hawaii and possibly other main islands, perhaps not well established), in the West Indies (on Cuba, Isle of Pines, Hispaniola, Puerto Rico, and Barbuda), and on Ascension, Trinidad, and the Cape Verde Islands.

Notes.—The three groups are sometimes regarded as separate species, N. galeata Pallas, 1767 [West African Guineafowl], N. meleagris [Helmeted Guineafowl], and N. mitrata Pallas, 1767 [Tufted Guineafowl], although they all intergrade where their ranges meet (see Crowe 1978).

Family Odontophoridae: New World Quail

Notes.—Formerly considered a subfamily of Phasianidae, the Odontophoridae are given family status because of evidence from skeletal (Holman 1961) and DNA-DNA hybridization studies (Sibley and Ahlquist 1990).

Genus Dendrortyx Gould


Dendrortyx barbatus (Lichtenstein MS) Gould, 1846, Monogr. Odontoph. 2: pl. [2] and text. (Jalapa, Veracruz.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine Forest (950–1550 m; Subtropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in eastern San Luis Potosi, eastern Hidalgo, eastern Puebla, and central Veracruz.

Dendrortyx macroura (Jardine and Selby). Long-tailed Wood-Partridge.

Ortyx macroura Jardine and Selby, 1828, Illus. Ornithol. 1: text to pl. 38 (in “Ortyx synopsis specierum”), and pl. 49 and text. (Mexico = mountains about valley of México.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (1800–3700 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of Jalisco, Michoacán, México, Distrito Federal, Morelos, Guerrero, Puebla, Veracruz, and Oaxaca.
**Dendrortyx leucophrys** (Gould). Buffy-crowned Wood-Partridge.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (1000–2900 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in the mountains of Chiapas (Sierra Madre de Chiapas), Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, north-central Nicaragua, and Costa Rica (central highlands, including Dota Mountains).

**Genus OREORTYX** Baird


**Notes.**—This genus may not be as closely related to *Callipepla* as its traditional placement suggests (Gutiérrez et al. 1983).

**Oreortyx pictus** (Douglas). Mountain Quail.


**Habitat.**—Brushy mountainsides, chaparral, pine-oak woodland, dense second-growth, and in more arid areas, sagebrush, and pinyon-juniper woodland.

**Distribution.**—Resident from southwestern British Columbia (on Vancouver Island, where introduced), western and southern Washington, and central Idaho south through the mountains of California and northern and western Nevada to northern Baja California (Sierra Juárez, Sierra San Pedro Mártir).

**Genus CALLIPEPLA** Wagler


**Callipepla squamata** (Vigors). Scaled Quail.

*Ortyx squamatus* Vigors, 1830, Zool. J. 5: 275. (Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Northern Temperate Grassland, Second-growth Scrub (0–2550 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from northeastern and southeastern Arizona, northern New Mexico, east-central Colorado, and southwestern Kansas south through western Oklahoma and the western half of Texas, and the interior of Mexico to northeastern Jalisco, Guanajuato, Querétaro, Hidalgo, and western Tamaulipas.

Introduced and established in central Washington (Yakima and Grant counties), eastern Nevada and Nebraska, with no or uncertain success.

**Callipepla douglasii** (Vigors). Elegant Quail.


**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1550 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident from northern Sonora and southwestern Chihuahua south through Sinaloa, northwestern Durango, and Nayarit to northwestern Jalisco.

A small population present near Nogales, Arizona, from 1964 to the early 1970’s apparently originated from escaped individuals.
Notes.—This and the next two species sometimes are separated from Callipepla in the genus Lophortyx (e.g., A.O.U. 1957). Also known as Douglas Quail.

**Callipepla californica** (Shaw). California Quail.

*Tetrao californicus* Shaw, 1798, in Shaw and Nodder, Naturalists’ Misc. 9: text to pl. 345. (California = Monterey.)

Habitat.—Brushy, grassy, and weedy areas in both humid and arid regions, including chaparral, forest edge, riparian woodland edge, oak woodland, cultivated lands, semi-desert scrub, sagebrush, wooded suburbs, and, less frequently, pinyon-juniper woodland.

Distribution.—Resident from southern Oregon south through California (including Santa Catalina Island, where possibly introduced) to southern Baja California and extreme western Nevada (Fish Lake Valley).

Introduced north to southwestern British Columbia, east to western Idaho, and Utah, and in the Hawaiian Islands, New Zealand, Australia, Chile, Argentina, and Corsica, also widely elsewhere in the western United States.

Notes.—See comments under *C. douglasi* and *C. gambelii*.

**Callipepla gambelii** (Gambel). Gambel’s Quail.


Habitat.—Deserts, primarily with brush or low trees, desert riparian woodland, also in adjacent cultivated land and suburbs (Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southeastern California, southern Nevada, southern Utah, western Colorado, and northern New Mexico south to northeastern Baja California, Sonora (including Isla Tiburón in the Gulf of California), coastal Sinaloa, extreme northern Chihuahua, and the Rio Grande Valley of western Texas.

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (in 1928, now on Lanai, Kahoolawe, and possibly Hawaii), on San Clemente Island (off California), and in west-central Idaho.

Notes.—Callipepla gambelii and *C. californica* constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970). See comments under *C. squamata* and *C. douglasi*.

Genus **Philortyx** Gould


**Philortyx fasciatus** (Gould). Banded Quail.


Habitat.—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–2500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones.)

Distribution.—Resident in southwestern Jalisco, Colima, Michoacán, Guerrero, México, Morelos, and Puebla.

Notes.—Also known as Barred Quail.

Genus **Colinus** Goldfuss


**Colinus virginianus** (Linnaeus). Northern Bobwhite.

Habitat.—Brushy fields, grasslands (primarily long grass), cultivated lands, and open woodland, in both humid and semi-arid situations (Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southeastern Wyoming, central South Dakota, southern Minnesota, central Wisconsin, central Michigan, extreme southern Ontario, southern New York, and Massachusetts (formerly farther north) south through the central and eastern United States (west to southeastern Wyoming, eastern Colorado, eastern New Mexico, and west-central Texas) to southern Florida, the Gulf coast, and eastern and southern Mexico, west to eastern Coahuila, western San Luis Potosí, southeastern Nayarit, eastern Jalisco, Guanajuato, México, Puebla, and northern Oaxaca, east to Tabasco, eastern Chiapas, and extreme northwestern Guatemala (Nenton-Comitán valley), and in the Pacific lowlands in Oaxaca and Chiapas; also in southeastern Arizona (formerly, extirpated late 1890’s, reintroductions attempts not certainly successful) and eastern Sonora.

Introduced and established in western North America (Washington and Oregon), the Greater Antilles (Cuba, Hispaniola, Puerto Rico, and formerly on St. Croix), the Bahamas (Andros, Abaco, and New Providence), and New Zealand.

Notes.—Known in earlier literature as the Bobwhite and Common Bobwhite. Colinus virginianus and C. nigrogularis constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

**Colinus nigrogularis** (Gould). Black-throated Bobwhite.


Habitat.—Arid Lowland Scrub, Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Second-growth Scrub, lowland pine savanna (Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in the northern and central Yucatan Peninsula (northern Campeche, Yucatán, and northern and central Quintana Roo), northern Guatemala (Petén), and Belize; and in the Mosquitia of eastern Honduras and northeastern Nicaragua.

Notes.—See comments under *C. virginianus*.

**Colinus cristatus** (Linnaeus). Crested Bobwhite.

*Tetrao cristatus* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 277. Based mainly on “La Caille huppée du Mexique” Brisson, Ornithologie 1: 260, pl. 25, fig. 2. (in Mexico, Guiania, error = Curaçao.)

Habitat.—Arid Lowland Scrub, Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Second-growth Scrub (0-1500 m; Tropical Zone, in South America to Temperate Zone).

Distribution.—Resident [leucopogon group] on the Pacific slope from western Guatemala (including the upper Motagua Valley on the Caribbean drainage) south through El Salvador, Honduras (including the Sula, Comayagua, and Quimistán valleys on the Caribbean slope) and Nicaragua to central Costa Rica; and [cristatus group] on the Pacific slope of southwestern Costa Rica (Golfo Dulce region) and western Panama (east to western Panamá province), and from western Colombia east through most of Venezuela (also Aruba, Curaçao, and Margarita Island) to the Guianas and eastern Brazil.

Introduced and established in the Virgin Islands (St. Thomas, now extirpated) and the Grenadines (Mustique).

Notes.—Some authors (e.g., Blake 1977) recognize the two groups as separate species, *C. leucopogon* (Lesson, 1842) [Spot-bellied Bobwhite] and *C. cristatus* [Crested Bobwhite].

Genus **ODONTOPHORUS** Vieillot


**Odontophorus gujanensis** (Gmelin). Marbled Wood-Quail.

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–900 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in southern and southwestern Costa Rica (Pacific slope from Gulf of Nicoya eastward) and Panama (Pacific slope in Chiriquí, where probably now extirpated; Caribbean lowlands from Coclé eastward; and Pacific slope from eastern Panamá province eastward), and in South America from northern Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, mostly east of the Andes, to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

**Odontophorus melanotis** Salvin. Black-eared Wood-Quail.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1600 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in northern and eastern Honduras (Caribbean slope west to the Sula Valley), Nicaragua (Caribbean slope), Costa Rica (mostly Caribbean slope), and Panama (both slopes).

**Notes.**—The earlier merger (Peters 1934, A.O.U. 1983) of *O. melanotis* with the South American *O. erythrops* Gould, 1859 was not based on published taxonomic evidence; differences between these two forms are as least as great as those between other species pairs in the genus (Ridgely and Gwynne 1989).

**Odontophorus dialeucos** Wetmore. Tacarcuna Wood-Quail.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (1050–1450 m; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in eastern Panama (on Cerro Malí and Cerro Tacarcuna, at the southern end of the Serranía del Darién, in Darién).

**Odontophorus leucolaemus** Salvin. Black-breasted Wood-Quail.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (700–1850 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the central highlands of Costa Rica (west to Cordillera de Guanacaste) and western Panama (east to Coclé, mostly on the Caribbean drainage).

**Notes.**—Also known as White-throated Wood-Quail.

**Odontophorus guttatus** (Gould). Spotted Wood-Quail.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–2900 m; Tropical, Subtropical, and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in southern Mexico (Veracruz, northern and southeastern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, Campeche, and Quintana Roo), northern Guatemala (Petén and the Caribbean lowlands), and Belize, and in the highlands of central Guatemala, Honduras, north-central Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and extreme western Panama (western Chiriquí).

**Genus DACTYLORTYX** Ogilvie-Grant

*Dactylortyx thoracicus* (Gambel). Singing Quail.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–2600 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in southwestern Tamaulipas, southeastern San Luis Potosí, northeastern Puebla, and central Veracruz; in western Jalisco and probably central Colima; in the Yucatan Peninsula; and from southeastern Oaxaca (Sierra Madre de Chiapas) south through the mountains of Chiapas, Guatemala, and El Salvador to central Honduras.

Genus *CYRTONYX* Gould


*Cytonyx montezumae* (Vigors). Montezuma Quail.

*Ortyx Montezumae* Vigors, 1830, Zool. J. 5: 275. (Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Arid Montane Scrub, Northern Temperate Grassland (1100–3100 m; Subtropical, and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [montezumae group] from central Arizona (north to White Mountains), southern New Mexico, western (formerly central) Texas, northern Coahuila, central Nuevo León, and central Tamaulipas south in the mountains of Mexico to northern Michoacán, Distrito Federal, Puebla, and west-central Veracruz; and [sallaei group] on the Pacific slope of Mexico from central Michoacán south to central Oaxaca (La Cieneguilla).

**Notes.**—Also known as Harlequin Quail (A.O.U. 1957) or Mearns’s Quail. *Cyrtonyx montezumae*, and *C. ocellatus* constitute a superspecies. (Mayr, and Short 1970) Groups: *C. montezumae* [Montezuma Quail] and *C. sallaei* Verreaux, 1859 [Salle’s Quail].

*Cytonyx ocellatus* (Gould). Ocellated Quail.


**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Arid Montane Scrub, Pine Forest (750–3050 m; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of southeastern Oaxaca (Sierra Madre de Chiapas), Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador (at least formerly), Honduras, and north-central Nicaragua.

**Notes.**—See comments under *C. montezumae*.

Genus *RHYNCHORTYX* Ogilvie-Grant

*Rhynchortyx* Ogilvie-Grant, 1893, Cat. Birds Brit. Mus. 22: xv, 100, 443. Type, by monotypy, *Odontophorus spodiostethus* Salvin [= male], and *Odontophorus cinctus* Salvin [= female].

*Rhynchortyx cinctus* (Salvin). Tawny-faced Quail.

*Odontophorus cinctus* Salvin, 1876, Ibis, p. 379. (Veragua = Panama.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally on the Caribbean slope of northern and eastern Honduras (west to the Sula Valley), Nicaragua, and Costa Rica, on both slopes of Panama (rare west of the Canal area), and in western Colombia, and western Ecuador.
Order **GRUIFORMES**: Rails, Cranes, and Allies

Family **RALLIDAE**: Rails, Gallinules, and Coots

**Notes**.—The sequence and placement of genera in this family is essentially that of Olson (1973).

**Genus COTURNICOPS** Gray

* Coturnicops G. R. Gray, 1855, Cat. Genera Subgenera Birds, p. 120. Type, by monotypy, *Rallus noveboracensis* Gmelin = *Fulica noveboracensis* Gmelin.

* Coturnicops noveboracensis* (Gmelin). Yellow Rail.


**Habitat**.—Shallow marshes, and wet meadows; in winter, drier fresh-water and brackish marshes, as well as dense, deep grass, and rice fields.


*Winters* from coastal North Carolina south to southern Florida, west through the central, and southern Gulf states to central, and southeastern Texas and (casually) Arkansas, and (locally and casually) from Oregon south to southern California.

*Resident* in central Mexico (Lerma marshes in México).

*Migrates* through western North America (rare and irregular; recorded northeastern British Columbia, Washington, Arizona, and New Mexico), and irregularly through most of the United States east of the Rocky Mountains.

Causal in Labrador, the Bahamas (Grand Bahama), and Bermuda.

**Notes**.—Relationships with the Asiatic *C. exquisitus* (Swinhoe, 1873) are uncertain, but that form and *C. noveboracensis* may constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

**Genus MICROPYGIA** Bonaparte


* Micropygia schomburgki* (Schomburgk). Ocellated Crake.

* Crex Schomburgki* (Cabanis MS) Schomburgk, 1848, Reisen Brit.-Guiana 2: 245. (Our Village, on the upper Kukenaam River, Terr. Yuruari, Venezuela.)

**Habitat**.—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland (0–1250 m)

**Distribution**.—*Resident* locally in southeastern Colombia, southern Venezuela, and the Guianas, and in extreme southwestern Peru, eastern Bolivia, and central and southwestern Brazil (absent from forested Amazonia).

One record from Costa Rica (Buenos Aires, Puntarenas province, 9 March 1967; Dickerman 1968).

**Genus LATERALLUS** Gray

* Laterallus G. R. Gray, 1855, Cat. Genera Subgenera Birds, p. 120. Type, by monotypy, *Rallus melanophaius* Vieillot.
Laterallus ruber (Sclater and Salvin). Ruddy Crake.


Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in lowlands from Colima and Oaxaca on the Pacific slope and Tamaulipas on the Gulf-Caribbean slope south through Middle America (including Cozumel Island off Quintana Roo) to Honduras and northern Nicaragua; a sight report for northwestern Costa Rica (Guanaacaste).

Laterallus albigularis (Lawrence). White-throated Crake.

Corethrura albigularis Lawrence, 1861, Ann. Lyc. Nat. Hist. N. Y. 7: 302. (Atlantic side of the Isthmus of Panama, along the line of the Panama Railroad.)

Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes (0–1600 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Caribbean slope of Central America from southeastern Honduras (Río Segovia [= Coco]), eastern Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama (Isla Coiba, San Blas, and the Canal area), and South America (scattered reports from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, the Guianas, northern Brazil, Ecuador, eastern Peru, eastern Bolivia, and southern Paraguay).

Notes.—Laterallus albigularis was formerly treated as conspecific with the South American L. melanophaius (Vieillot, 1819), but they are now regarded as separate species (Wetmore 1965).

Laterallus exilis (Temminck). Gray-breasted Crake.

Rallus exilis Temminck, 1831, Planches Color., livr. 87, pl. 523. (No locality given = Cayenne.)

Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes, Pastures/Agricultural Lands (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident locally in Belize (Middlesex), eastern Guatemala, southeastern Honduras (Río Segovia [= Coco]), eastern Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama (Isla Coiba, San Blas, and the Canal area), and South America (scattered reports from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, the Guianas, northern Brazil, Ecuador, eastern Peru, eastern Bolivia, and southern Paraguay).

Laterallus jamaicensis (Gmelin). Black Rail.


Habitat.—Shallow margins of salt marshes, less frequently in wet savanna, and freshwater marshes.

Distribution.—Breeds locally in California (recorded from the San Francisco Bay area, and the Imperial Valley, San Luis Obispo County, formerly also San Diego County), and in the lower Colorado River valley in southeastern California and southwestern Arizona; locally in Kansas (Stafford, Finney, Franklin, Barton, and Riley counties), northern and central Illinois, and southwestern Ohio; along the Atlantic coast from New York south to southern Florida; on the Gulf coast in eastern Texas (Brazoria Refuge, possibly also Galveston) and western Florida (from St. Marks to Clearwater); in Belize and Panama (easternPanám province); and in western Peru, Chile, and western Argentina. Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) in Missouri, northwestern Indiana, extreme northern Baja California, Veracruz (Tecolutla), Cuba, Jamaica, Hispaniola, and (at least formerly) Puerto Rico.

Winters along the coast of California from the breeding range north to Tomales Bay, and in the Imperial and lower Colorado River valleys; along the Gulf coast from southeastern Texas east to Florida; along the Atlantic coast north to North Carolina (casually Maryland); and in the breeding range in Belize and South America.

Casual or accidental in the Farallon Islands, Arizona, Colorado, Minnesota, Arkansas,
Missouri, the Great Lakes region, Connecticut, the Bahamas (Eleuthera), Guatemala (Dueñas), and Bermuda; sight reports from Wisconsin, Honduras, and Costa Rica

Genus CREX Bechstein


_Crex crex_ (Linnaeus). Corn Crake.

_Rallus Crex_ Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 153. (in Europæ agris, carectis = Sweden.)

_Habitat._—Grasslands, meadows, and cultivated grain fields, mostly in lowland and mountain valleys, occasionally in marshy locations.

_Distribution._—Breeds from the Faeroe Islands, British Isles, Scandinavia, northern Russia, and central Siberia south to the northern Mediterranean region, Turkey, Iran, and Lake Baikal.

_Winters_ from the Mediterranean region (rarely), south throughout most of Africa, Madagascar, and Arabia.

Casual on Baffin Island, along the Atlantic coast of North America (recorded, but few recent records, from Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, St. Pierre et Miquelon, Maine, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, eastern Pennsylvania, and Maryland), Bermuda, Greenland, Iceland, the eastern Atlantic islands, India, Australia, and New Zealand.

Genus RALLUS Linnaeus

_Rallus_ Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 153. Type, by subsequent designation (Fleming, 1821), _Rallus aquaticus_ Linnaeus.

_Rallus longirostris_ Boddart. Clapper Rail.

_Rallus longirostris_ Boddart, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 52. Based on “Râle à long bec, de Cayenne” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 849. (Cayenne.)

_Habitat._—Salt and brackish marshes, and mangrove swamps, locally (mostly in the Imperial and lower Colorado River valleys) in fresh-water marshes (Tropical and Subtropical zones).

_Distribution._—Resident [obsoletus group] locally along the Pacific coast from central California (Marin County) south to southern Baja California (including San José and Espíritu Santo islands in the southern Gulf of California), in the interior of southeastern California and southwestern and south-central Arizona (where absent in winter), and along the Pacific coast from Sonora to Nayarit; and [longirostris group] along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts from Connecticut south to southern Florida and west to southern Texas (Brownsville), in the West Indies (south to Antigua and in Guadeloupe), Quintana Roo (Holbox, and islands of the Chinchorro Bank, possibly also Cayo Culebra), Yucatán (Río Lagartos), Belize (Yacacos Lagoon), and western Panama (Bocas del Toro), and along both coasts of South America (including Margarita Island and Trinidad) south to northwestern Peru and southeastern Brazil. Northernmost populations tend to be partially migratory.

Wanders [obsoletus group] casually on the Pacific coast to the Farallon Islands, north to northern California (Humboldt Bay), and inland away from the breeding grounds; and [longirostris group] on the Atlantic coast north to New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland, and inland to central Nebraska (near Stapleton), central New York, Vermont, West Virginia, central Virginia, and Tennessee; also Bermuda.

_Notes._—_Rallus longirostris_ and _R. elegans_ hybridize to a limited extent where fresh and salt marshes meet in eastern and southern United States (Meanley 1969, Bledsoe 1988a). They are considered a superspecies by Mayr and Short (1970) and are merged into a single species by Ripley (1977). See comments under _R. elegans_.
**Rallus elegans** Audubon. King Rail.


**Habitat.**—Fresh-water and, locally, brackish marshes, rice fields; [*tenuirostris* group] Freshwater Marshes (1550–2800 m).

**Distribution.**—Breeds [*elegans* group] locally from southern and east-central South Dakota, northern Iowa, southern Wisconsin, southern Michigan, extreme southern Ontario, central New York, Connecticut, and (rarely) Massachusetts south through eastern Wyoming, eastern Nebraska, northwestern and central Kansas, central Oklahoma, and most of the eastern United States to western and southern Texas, southern Louisiana, central Mississippi, southern Alabama, and southern Florida; in the Greater Antilles (Cuba and the Isle of Pines); [*tenuirostris* group] in the interior of Mexico from Nayarit, Jalisco, Guanajuato, and San Luis Potosí south to Guerrero, Morelos, Puebla, and Veracruz.

*Winters* primarily from southern Georgia, Florida, the southern portions of the Gulf states, and southern Texas south to Guerrero, Puebla and Veracruz, and in Cuba, and the Isle of Pines; occurs less frequently in winter in the central portions of the breeding range, and casually to the northern limits.

Casual or accidental in eastern Colorado, North Dakota, southern Manitoba, Minnesota, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, Maine, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland.

**Notes.**—The breeding population in the interior of Mexico has been treated as a race of *R. longirostris* (Friedmann et al. 1950) or as a species, *R. tenuirostris* Ridgway, 1874 [Mexican Rail] (Davis 1972). See comments under *R. longirostris*.

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**Rallus limicola** Vieillot. Virginia Rail.


**Habitat.**—Fresh-water and (locally) brackish marshes, mostly in cattails, reeds, and deep grasses; in winter, also salt marshes, rice fields, and locally wet fields with tall grass (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds locally in North America from southern British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), northwestern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island (probably), Nova Scotia, and southwestern Newfoundland south to northwestern Baja California, southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, west-central Texas, Oklahoma (rarely), Kansas, Missouri, southern Illinois, northern Indiana, southern Ohio, western Virginia, northern Georgia, and coastal North Carolina, also in northern Alabama and northern Florida (once); in Puebla, Tlaxcala, México, central Veracruz, Chiapas, and (probably) Guatemala.

*Winters* in North America from southern British Columbia south to northern Baja California, and from Utah, Colorado (local), central Texas, the Gulf states, and southern New England south locally through most of Mexico to central Guatemala, casually in interior North America north to Alberta, Montana, South Dakota, southern Minnesota, southern Ontario, and New York.

Resident in western South America in southwestern Colombia and Peru.

Casual or accidental in Alaska (Prince of Wales Island), Bermuda, Cuba, and Greenland; sight reports for the Bahamas Islands (Grand Bahama and Eleuthera) and Puerto Rico.

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**Genus ARAMIDES** Pucheran


**Notes.**—Ripley (1977) merged this genus with the Old World *Eulabeornis* Gould, 1844.
Aramides axillaris Lawrence. Rufous-necked Wood-Rail.

ranquilla, New Granada [= Colombia].)

**Habitat.**—Mangrove Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous For-
est (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally on the Pacific slope of central Mexico (recorded Sinaloa,
Nayarit and Guerrero), in the Yucatán peninsula, Belize, El Salvador, Honduras (Guanaja and
Roatán in the Bay Islands and Pacific coast of Bay of Fonseca), western Nicaragua (Volcán San Cristóbal and Volcán Mombacho), northwestern Costa Rica (Guanacaste) and Panama (on the Caribbean coast in northwestern Bocas del Toro and the Canal area and on the Pacific in southern Coclé) and along the coasts of northern South America (including Trinidad and Isla Los Roques, off northern Venezuela) south to northwestern Peru and east to Surinam.

Aramides cajanea (Müller). Gray-necked Wood-Rail.

Fulica Cajanea P. L. S. Müller, 1776, Natursyst., Suppl., p. 119. Based on “Poule d’eau,
de Cayenne” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 352. (Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—River-edge Forest, Gallery Forest, Freshwater Marshes (0–1200 m; Tropical and
lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Tamaulipas and Pacific lowlands of southern Oa-
xaca south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatán Peninsula, Cozumel
Island, and the Pearl Islands off Panama), and in South America from northern Colombia,
Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Argentina.

Genus AMAUROLIMNAS Sharpe

designation, A. concolor (Gosse) = Rallus concolor Gosse.

**Notes.**—Ripley (1977) merged this genus with the Old World Eulabeornis Gould, 1844.

Amaurolimnas concolor (Gosse). Uniform Crake.

Rallus concolor Gosse, 1847, Birds Jamaica, p. 369. (Basin Spring and the neigh-
bourhood of the Black River, in St. Elizabeth’s, Jamaica.)

**Habitat.**—Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, River-edge Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally from southern Mexico (recorded Veracruz, Oaxaca, Ta-
basco and Chiapas) south through Middle America (mostly Caribbean slope, not recorded El Salvador), and in South America very locally in western Ecuador, Guyana, and from
eastern Colombia and Amazonian Brazil south to northern Bolivia and southeastern Brazil; also formerly in Jamaica (last reported in 1911).

Genus PORZANA Vieillot

Porzana Vieillot, 1816, Analyse, p. 61. Type, by tautonymy, “Marouette” Buffon =
Rallus porzana Linnaeus.

Pennula Dole, 1878, in Thrum, Hawaiian Almanac and Annual (1879), p. 54. Type,
by monotypy, Pennula millei [sic] Dole = Rallus sandwichensis Gmelin.

Porzanula Frohawk, 1892, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6)9: 247. Type, by monotypy, Por-
zanula palmeri Frohawk.

†Porzana palmeri (Frohawk). Laysan Rail.

25°46’ N., long. 171°49’ W.)
Habitat.—Grass tussocks and scattered vegetation in sandy areas, foraging often in more open areas.
Distribution.—EXTINCT. Formerly resident on Laysan Island, in the Hawaiian Islands, where it disappeared between 1923 and 1936.
Introduced and established in the Midway group on Eastern Island (between 1887 and 1891, extirpated around 1944) and on Sand Island (in 1910, last reported 1943); attempted introductions elsewhere in the western Hawaiian Islands were unsuccessful.

Porzana porzana (Linnaeus). Spotted Crake.

_Rallus Porzana_ Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 262. (in Europa ad ripas = France.)

Habitat.—Swamps, wet meadows, and marshes.
Distribution.—Breeds throughout Europe east to northern Russia and Lake Baikal, and winters south to central Africa and the Bay of Bengal, rarely to the eastern Atlantic islands and southern Africa.
Accidental in the Lesser Antilles (Marigot, St. Martin, 8 October 1956; Voous 1957) and Greenland.

Porzana carolina (Linnaeus). Sora.


Habitat.—Primarily fresh-water marshes with dense cattails, less frequently in flooded fields; in winter, also in salt-water and brackish marshes, rice fields.
Distribution.—Breeds from southeastern Alaska, northwestern British Columbia, southern Yukon, west-central and southwestern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, west-central and southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and southwestern Newfoundland south locally to northwestern Baja California (at least formerly), central Nevada, central Arizona, southern New Mexico, eastern Colorado, central Oklahoma, southwestern Tennessee, central Illinois, central Indiana, southern Ohio, West Virginia and Maryland.
Winters regularly from southern Oregon, central Arizona, northern New Mexico, southern Texas, the Gulf coast and southern Maryland south through Middle America (including Cozumel Island and Chinchorro Reef), Bermuda, the West Indies, and northern South America (including the Netherlands Antilles, Tobago and Trinidad) west of the Andes to central Peru and (rarely) east of the Andes to eastern Colombia, eastern Ecuador, Venezuela and Guyana; occasionally recorded in winter north to extreme southern Canada and the northern United States.
Casual in east-central Alaska, the Queen Charlotte Islands, southern Labrador, Greenland, the British Isles, Sweden, France, and Spain.

†Porzana sandwichensis (Gmelin). Hawaiian Rail.


Habitat.—Open country below the forest belt, presumably in grassy areas.
Distribution.—EXTINCT. Formerly resident on Hawaii in the Hawaiian Islands; last specimen taken in 1864, last reported in 1884.

Porzana flaviventer (Boddart). Yellow-breasted Crake.

_Rallus flaviventer_ Boddart, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 52. Based on “Petit Râle, de Cayenne” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 847. (Cayenne.)

Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes (0–600 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).
Distribution.—Resident locally in the Greater Antilles (Cuba, Jamaica, Hispaniola, and
Puerto Rico), and from Guerrero, Veracruz, and Chiapas south through Guatemala (La Avellana), Belize, El Salvador (Lake Olomega), Nicaragua (Río San Juan) and northwestern Costa Rica (Guanacaste) to Panama (east to eastern Panamá province and on Isla Coiba) and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northern Argentina, Paraguay and eastern Brazil (absent from most of Amazonia).

Genus **NEOCREX** Sclater and Salvin


**Notes.**—Merged into the genus *Porzana* by Ripley (1977).

**Neocrex colombianus** Bangs. Colombian Crake.


**Habitat.**—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Freshwater Marshes (0–2100 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope of Panama (Achioté Road just beyond Canal area border in western Colón and the Tucumán marsh in eastern Panamá province), western Colombia and western Ecuador.

**Notes.**—Considered by Hellmayr and Conover (1942) to be conspecific with *N. erythrops*, with which it constitutes a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Neocrex erythrops** (Sclater). Paint-billed Crake.


**Habitat.**—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Pastures/Agricultural Lands, Freshwater Marshes (0–2600 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Caribbean slope of western Panama (Bocas del Toro; Behrstock 1983); and in South America from eastern Colombia, Venezuela and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northwestern Argentina, Paraguay and eastern Brazil, also western Peru and the Galapagos Islands.

Accidental in Texas (near College Station, Brazos County, 17 February 1972; Arnold 1978) and Virginia (western Henrico County, 15 December 1978; Blem 1980).

**Notes.**—See comments under *N. colombianus*.

Genus **CYANOLIMNAS** Barbour and Peters


**Cyanolimnas cerverai** Barbour and Peters. Zapata Rail.


**Habitat.**—Freshwater Marshes.

**Distribution.**—Resident only in the Zapata Swamp in the vicinity of Santo Tomás and north of Chichinos Bay, in western Cuba.

Genus **PARDIRALLUS** Bonaparte


**Pardirallus maculatus** (Boddaert). Spotted Rail.

*Rallus maculatus* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 48. Based on “Le Râle tacheté, de Cayenne” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 775. (Cayenne.)
Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes (0–800 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident locally in Cuba (Havana, Matanzas and Las Villas provinces), the Isle of Pines (probably) and Hispaniola (Dominican Republic, since 1978); in Mexico, where recorded from Nayarit (San Blas and near Laguna Agua Brava), Puebla (Laguna San Felipe), Veracruz (Tecolutla and near Tlacotalpan), Guerrero (near Acapulco), Oaxaca (near Putla de Guererro), Quintana Roo (Lake Cobá) and Chiapas (Tuxtla Gutiérrez and San Cristóbal); in Belize (Ycacos Lagoon), El Salvador (Laguna El Jocotal, Islas Trasajera), Costa Rica (Guanacaste, Turrialba and near Cartago), Panama (San Blas and eastern Panamá provinces, sight reports only); and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad and the Guianas south locally, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes locally to northern Argentina and southern Brazil.

Casual in Jamaica (Black River marshes) where suggested breeding in last century is without basis (Levy 1994).

Accidental in Pennsylvania (Shippingport, Beaver County), Texas (Brownwood, Brown County) and the Juan Fernández Islands (off Chile).

Genus PORPHYRULA Blyth


Notes.—Some authors (e.g., Urban et al. 1986) merge Porphyrula into the Old World genus Porphyrio Brisson, 1760.

Porphyrula martinica (Linnaeus). Purple Gallinule.

Fulica martinica Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 259. (in Martinica inundatis = Martinique, West Indies.)

Habitat.—Primarily fresh-water marshes with emergent and floating vegetation (Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds locally in the interior of the eastern United States in southern Illinois (casually), western Tennessee and central Ohio (once), and, primarily in lowlands, on the Pacific coast from Nayarit and on the Atlantic-Gulf-Caribbean coast from (at least casually) Maryland and Delaware south through Middle America, eastern and southern Texas, the Gulf states, Florida, the Bahamas, Greater Antilles, the Cayman Islands (Grand Cayman,) and southern Lesser Antilles (Guadeloupe southward) to South America, where found virtually throughout south at least to northern Chile and northern Argentina.

Winters from Nayarit, southern Texas and Florida south throughout the remainder of the breeding range.

Casual or accidental north to central California, southern Nevada, southern Utah, southeastern Wyoming, Minnesota, Wisconsin, northern Michigan, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Labrador and Newfoundland, and to the Bahama and northern Lesser Antilles (north to Barbuda), Bermuda, the Galapagos and Falkland islands, South Georgia, Tristan da Cunha, Ascension, St. Helena, Iceland, Britain, Norway, Switzerland, the Azores, and South Africa.

Notes.—Also known as American Purple-Gallinule. Porphyryla martinica and the African P. alleni Thomson, 1842, appear to constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Porphyrula flavirostris (Gmelin). Azure Gallinule.

Fulica flavirostris Gmelin, 1789, Syst. Nat. 1(2): 699. (Cayenne.)

Habitat.—Fresh-water marshes (0–500 m).

Distribution.—Resident locally in South America east of the Andes from eastern Colombia, eastern Ecuador, and northeastern Peru to central Amazonian Brazil.

Breeds in the Guianas and eastern Amazonian Brazil, and possibly elsewhere in south America east of the Andes. Breeding distribution and seasonal movements poorly known (Remsen and Parker 1990).

Winters in southeastern Peru, southwestern Brazil, eastern Bolivia, eastern Paraguay, and probably northern Argentina (and may breed locally within this area).
Accidental in high Andes of Colombia and Venezuela, the tepui region of Venezuela, southeastern Brazil, Trinidad, and New York (Fort Salonga, Suffolk County, 14 December 1986; Spencer and Kolodnicki 1988, Remsen and Parker 1990).

**Genus GALLINULA** Brisson


*Gallinula chloropus* (Linnaeus). Common Moorhen.

*Fulica Chloropus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 152. (in Europa = England.)

**Habitat.**—Fresh-water marshes, lakes, and ponds with tall, dense emergent vegetation (Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in the Western Hemisphere locally from northern California, northern Utah, northern New Mexico, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, southeastern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, central Michigan, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia south, most frequently in lowlands, throughout Middle America, Clipperton Island, Bermuda, the West Indies, and most of South America (also the Galapagos Islands, Netherlands Antilles, Tobago and Trinidad) to northern Chile and northern Argentina; and in the Old World from the British Isles, Shetlands, southern Scandinavia, central Russia, southern Siberia, Sakhalin, and Japan south throughout most of Eurasia and Africa to the eastern Atlantic islands, southern Africa, the borders of the northern Indian Ocean (including Sri Lanka), the East Indies (to Sumbawa and Sulawesi), Philippines, Taiwan, and the Ryukyu, Bonin, and Volcano islands.

*Winters* in eastern North America primarily from South Carolina and the Gulf coast southward, elsewhere in the Americas throughout the breeding range, occasionally north to Utah, southern Ontario, and New England; and in the Old World from the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, southern Russia, and eastern China south throughout the remainder of the breeding range, casually to the Seven Islands of Izu.

*Resident* in the Hawaiian Islands (now on Kauai, Oahu, and Molokai, formerly on all main islands from Kauai eastward, except Lanai).


**Notes.**—Also known as Common Gallinule, in New World literature as Florida Gallinule, and in Old World literature as the Moorhen.

**Genus FULICA** Linnaeus


*Fulica atra* Linnaeus. Eurasian Coot.

*Fulica atra* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 152. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Similar to that of *F. americana*.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from Iceland, the British Isles, and northern Eurasia south to northern Africa, India, and eastern China, also in New Guinea and Australia, and *winters* throughout the breeding range and south to the East Indies and Philippines.

Casual or accidental in Alaska (St. Paul, in the Pribilof Islands), Labrador (Tangnaivik Island in Anaktalak Bay, and Separation Point in Sandwich Bay), Newfoundland (Exploits Harbour), Quebec (Kegaska), Greenland, the Faeroes, and Northern Marianas Islands.

**Notes.**—Also known as European Coot and, in Old World literature, as the Coot.
Fulica alai Peale. Hawaiian Coot.

*Fulica alai* Peale, 1848, U. S. Explor. Exped., 8, p. 224. (Hawaiian Islands.)

**Habitat.**—Fresh-water lakes and ponds.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the Hawaiian Islands on all main islands from Niihau eastward, except Lanai.

**Notes.**—Treatment as a species follows Pratt (1987).

Fulica americana Gmelin. American Coot.


**Habitat.**—Breeds on shallow fresh-water lakes, ponds, and marshes with emergent vegetation; in winter, also deep lakes, slow-moving rivers, brackish bays, and estuaries, also ponds and lakes in urban areas, often foraging on adjacent lawns.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America from east-central Alaska (casually), southern Yukon, southern Mackenzie, northwestern and central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, western and southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, southern New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south locally to southern Baja California, through Middle America (including Clipperton Island, at least formerly) to Nicaragua and northwestern Costa Rica (Guanacaste), and to the Gulf coast, southern Florida, Bermuda, the Bahamas, and Greater Antilles (locally east to St. John in the Virgin Islands).

*Winters* widely from southeastern Alaska, British Columbia, Idaho, central and eastern Colorado, northern New Mexico, Kansas, the Mississippi and Ohio valleys, Great Lakes, and southern New England south throughout Middle America, the southeastern United States, Bermuda, and West Indies (south to Grenada) to eastern Panama and (apparently) northern Colombia.

*Resident* in the Andes of central Colombia and northern Ecuador (at least formerly).

Casual west to the eastern Aleutians, and north to western Alaska (Seward Peninsula), Franklin District, northern Ontario, central Quebec, Labrador, Newfoundland, and western Greenland; also to islands of the western Caribbean Sea (Corn and Providencia), Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, and Ireland.

**Notes.**—The South American *F. ardesiaca* Tschudi, 1843, has been treated as a race of *F. americana* (e.g., Blake 1977), but see Fjeldså (1982b, 1983).

Fulica caribaea Ridgway. Caribbean Coot.


**Habitat.**—Freshwater Lakes and Ponds, Freshwater Marshes, Saltwater/Brackish Marshes (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in most of the Greater Antilles (rare in Cuba, absent from the Isle of Pines and smaller islands), the Caicos Islands, most of the larger Lesser Antilles (south to Grenada and Barbados), on Trinidad (questionably on Tobago), on Curaçao, and in northwestern Venezuela.

Casual in the Cayman Islands (Cayman Brac).

**Notes.**—Reports from southern Florida, primarily in nonbreeding season, and locally at scattered locations throughout the United States, apparently pertain to variants of *F. americana* (Roberson and Baptista 1988, Robertson and Woolfendon 1992). The relationships of *F. americana* and *F. caribaea* are not fully understood; the latter may eventually prove to be a morph of *F. americana*. Individuals with intermediate characteristics have been reported from southern Florida, Cuba, Hispaniola, and St. Croix. Mixed pairs of *F. americana* and *F. caribaea* with young have been observed on St. John, Virgin Islands (1984, Amer. Birds 38: 252).
Family HELIORNITHIDAE: Sungrebes

Genus HELIORNIS Bonnaterre


*Heliornis fulica* (Boddaert). Sungrebe.

*Colymbus fulica* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 54. Based on “Le Grebi-foulque, de Cayenne” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 893. (Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Freshwater Lakes and Ponds, Streams (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from San Luis Potosí, southern Tamaulipas, central Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Campeche, northern Chiapas, and Quintana Roo south in the Gulf-Caribbean lowlands of Central America to Costa Rica (locally also on the Pacific slope around the Gulf of Nicoya), on the Pacific slope of Chiapas and Guatemala, in Panama (both slopes), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to central Bolivia, Paraguay, and southeastern Brazil.

Accidental in Trinidad.

**Notes.**—Also known as American Finfoot.

Family EURYPYGIDAE: Sunbitterns

Genus EURYPYGA Illiger


*Eurypyga helias* (Pallas). Sunbittern.

*Ardea Helias* Pallas, 1781, Neue Nord. Beytr. 2: 48, pl. 3. (Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—River-edge Forest, Streams (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* locally on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica and Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru, and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil. Reports from southern Mexico (Tabasco, Chiapas) are unverified.

Family ARAMIDAE: Limpkins

Genus ARAMUS Vieillot

*Ararnus* Vieillot, 1816, Analyse, p. 58. Type, by monotypy, “Courliri” Buffon = *Scopola* guarauna Linnaeus.

*Aramus guarauna* (Linnaeus). Limpkin.


**Habitat.**—Freshwater Marshes, swamps (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in southeastern Georgia (rare; north to the Altamaha River), Florida (absent from the Panhandle west of Walton County), the Bahamas (Eleuthera), Greater Antilles (Cuba, the Isle of Pines, Jamaica, Hispaniola, and, at least formerly, Puerto Rico), and from Veracruz and western Colima and southeastern Oaxaca south along both slopes of Middle America and through South America (including Trinidad), west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to southern Bolivia, northern Argentina, and Uruguay.
Casual or accidental north to Nova Scotia, Tennessee (sight report), Maryland, North Carolina, and southeastern Mississippi, in the Florida Keys, and on Dry Tortugas; a specimen from southern Texas is of questionable origin (T.O.S. 1995).

Family **GRUIDAE**: Cranes

Subfamily **GRUINAE**: Typical Cranes

**Genus GRUS** Brisson


Notes.—The use of *Grus* Brisson, 1760, rather than *Grus* Pallas, 1766, follows Direction 55 of International Commission of Zoological Nomenclature.

*Grus canadensis* (Linnaeus). Sandhill Crane.


Habitat.—Low-lying tundra, marshes, swampy edges of lakes and ponds, river banks, and wet pine savanna, often foraging in adjacent grasslands and fields; in winter, migratory populations found primarily in agricultural fields and wet prairie.

Distribution.—Breeds from western and central Alaska, northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, Banks Island, northern Keewatin (Boothia Peninsula), southern Devon Island, and Baffin Island south locally to St. Lawrence Island, southern Alaska (the Alaska Peninsula and Cook Inlet), northeastern California, northern Nevada, northwestern Utah, western Colorado, South Dakota (formerly), Nebraska (formerly), central Iowa, northern Illinois, southern Michigan, northeastern Indiana, northern Ohio, southern Ontario, and western Quebec; also locally in northeastern Siberia south to the Chukotski Peninsula.

Winters from south-coastal British Columbia (casually), southern Washington, Oregon, California, southern Arizona, central and northeastern New Mexico, western and southern Texas, Arkansas, the Gulf states, and southern Georgia south to northern Baja California, Sinaloa, Jalisco, Mexico (formerly), Veracruz, and southern Florida, casually north to the Great Lakes.

Resident from southern Mississippi, southern Alabama, and southern Georgia (Okefenokee Swamp) south through Florida to Cuba and the Isle of Pines, formerly also in southeastern Texas.

Casual in the Pribilof and Aleutian islands, and in eastern North America north to New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia. Accidental in Hawaiian Islands (Oahu), Quintana Roo (Chinchorro Reef), Bermuda, the Faeroe Islands, British Isles, and Japan (Hokkaido).

*Grus grus* (Linnaeus). Common Crane.


Habitat.—Marshes and open areas near water.

Distribution.—Breeds from northern Eurasia south to central Europe, Mongolia, and Manchuria, and winters from the Mediterranean region east to India, and in Southeast Asia. Accidental in Alaska (Fairbanks), Alberta (Cavendish, Lethbridge, and Athabasca) and Nebraska (Phelps and Kearney counties and a sight report for Lincoln County); a sight report for New Mexico (Bitter Lake).

Notes.—Also known as European Crane and, in Old World literature, as the Crane.
**Grus americana** (Linnaeus). Whooping Crane.


**Habitat.**—Open, marshy coniferous woods with shallow lakes and ponds; formerly also fresh-water marshes and wet prairies; in winter, primarily fresh-water and brackish marshes.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in south-central Mackenzie (vicinity of Wood Buffalo National Park) and adjacent northern Alberta; formerly bred from southern Mackenzie, northeastern Alberta, northern Saskatchewan, and northern Manitoba south to North Dakota, Minnesota, and Iowa, and in southeastern Texas and southwestern Louisiana.

*Winters* primarily near the coast of southeastern Texas (mostly in the vicinity of the Aransas National Wildlife Refuge); formerly wintered from southern Texas and the Gulf coast (east, at least casually, to Georgia and Florida), south to Jalisco, Guanajuato, and northern Tamaulipas.

*Migrates* primarily through the Great Plains from southern Canada and the Dakotas south to Texas; formerly ranged west to Wyoming and Colorado, and east to Ontario, Pennsylvania, and South Carolina.

Unsuccessfully introduced in Idaho (Grays Lake) through placement of eggs in nests of *G. canadensis*; these birds wintered in New Mexico.

Casual in migration recently west to central and southeastern British Columbia and eastern Colorado, and east to Minnesota (Marshall and Polk counties), Illinois (Pike County), Missouri (Mingo, Squaw Creek), and Arkansas.

**Order CHARADRIIFORMES.** Shorebirds, Gulls, Auks, and Allies

**Notes.**—Hypotheses for the phylogenetic relationships among the families of this order differ (e.g., Strauch 1978, Mickevich and Parenti 1980, Sibley and Ahlquist 1990, Christian et al. 1992, Ward 1992, Björklund 1994, Chu 1994, 1995); we retain a traditional arrangement until a consensus is reached concerning these relationships. See notes under Alcidae.

**Suborder CHARADRIII: Plovers and Allies**

**Family BURHINIDAE: Thick-knees**

**Genus BURHINUS** Illiger


*Charadrius bistriatus* Wagler, 1829, Isis von Oken, col. 648. (San Matteo, Mexico = San Mateo del Mar, Oaxaca; Binford, 1989, Ornithol. Monogr. 43, p. 337.)

**Habitat.**—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Arid Lowland Scrub, Pastures/Agricultural Lands (0–800 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in Middle America from Veracruz, Tabasco, Oaxaca, and Chiapas south through the Pacific lowlands of Central America to northwestern Costa Rica (Guanacaste); in the Greater Antilles (Hispaniola); and in South America from northern Colombia east through Venezuela (also Margarita Island) to Guyana and extreme northwestern Brazil. Now rare and local.

Accidental in Texas (King Ranch, Kleberg County, 5 December 1961; MacInnes and Chamberlain 1963), Barbados, and Curaçao (perhaps human-assisted vagrants); a record from Arizona is widely regarded as an escape.
Family **CHARADRIIDAE**: Lapwings and Plovers

Subfamily **VANELLINAE**: Lapwings

**Notes.**—See Ward (1992) for relationships of this subfamily.

**Genus **VANELLUS** Brisson**


**Vanellus vanellus** (Linnaeus). Northern Lapwing.


**Habitat.**—Open fields, pastures, wet meadows, bogs, and grassy banks of ponds and lakes; in migration and winter also cultivated fields, seacoasts, and mudflats.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from the Faeroe Islands (rarely), British Isles, northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, Transbaicalia, and Ussuriland south to Morocco, the northern Mediterranean region, Black Sea, Iran, Turkestan, and northern Mongolia.

*Winters* from the British Isles, central Europe, southern Russia, Asia Minor, Iraq, Iran, India, Burma, China, and Japan south to Madeira, the Canary Islands, northern Africa, Southeast Asia, Taiwan, and the Ryukyu Islands.

Casual to northeastern North America from Baffin Island, Labrador, and Newfoundland south through southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and New England to New York. Accidental in Ohio, North Carolina, South Carolina, Bermuda, the Bahamas (Hog Island), Puerto Rico, and Barbados.

**Notes.**—Known in Old World literature as the Lapwing.

**Vanellus chilensis** (Molina). Southern Lapwing.


**Habitat.**—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Pastures/Agricultural Lands, Fresh-water Marshes (0–2600 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [cayennensis group] in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to southern Bolivia, northern Argentina, and Uruguay; and [chilensis group] in Chile and central and southern Argentina.

Rare and local visitant [cayennensis group] to eastern Panama (Chiriquí, eastern Panamá province, eastern San Blas, and eastern Darién); a sight report for Trinidad.

Reports of individuals of this species from southern Florida (north to Orange County) from 1959 to 1962 are apparently based on escaped birds (Robertson and Woolfenden 1992).

**Notes.**—Also known as Spur-winged Lapwing. Groups: *V. cayennensis* (Gmelin 1789) [Cayenne Lapwing] and *V. chilensis* [Southern Lapwing].

Subfamily **CHARADRIINAE**: Plovers

**Genus **PLUVIALIS** Brisson**


Pluvialis squatarola (Linnaeus). Black-bellied Plover.

Tringa Squatarola Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 149. (in Europa = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Dry tundra ridges (breeding); mudflats, beaches, bare shores of ponds and lakes, and occasionally plowed fields (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds in North America from northern Alaska (Barrow eastward), northwestern Mackenzie, and Banks, southern Melville, Bathurst, Devon, Bylot, and western and southern Baffin islands south to the western Alaska (Hooper Bay, Nelson Island), Yukon River, north-central Mackenzie (Cockburn Point), southern Victoria Island, northern Keewatin (Adelaide and Melville peninsulas), and Southampton and Coats islands; and in Eurasia from north-central Russia east across northern Siberia (including Kolguyev Island, southern Novaya Zemlya, the New Siberian Islands, and Wrangel Island) to the Gulf of Anadyr. Nonbreeding individuals frequently summer in the wintering range.

Winters in the Americas primarily in coastal areas from southwestern British Columbia and southern New England (rarely farther north) south along both coasts of the United States (and inland in southeastern California at the Salton Sea and in southwestern Louisiana), and Middle America, through the West Indies, and along both coasts of South America (also the Galapagos and other offshore islands) to central Chile and northern Argentina, also casually throughout the Hawaiian Islands; and in the Old World from the British Isles, southern Europe, northern India, Southeast Asia, southeastern China, southern Japan, and the Mariana (rarely) and Solomon islands south to southern Africa, islands of the Indian Ocean, the Malay Peninsula, Australia, and New Zealand.

Migrates primarily along coasts in the Northern Hemisphere from western and southern Alaska (casually the Aleutians), Labrador (casually), and Newfoundland southward, and locally through interior North America, especially the Great Salt Lake, the Mississippi and Ohio valleys, and the Great Lakes region.

Casual in the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island; sight reports), Clipperton Island, and in northern Ellesmere Island, Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, Azores, and Madeira.

Notes.—In Old World literature known as Gray Plover.

Pluvialis apricaria (Linnaeus). European Golden-Plover.

Charadrius apricarius Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 150. (in Oelandia, Canada = Lapland.)

Habitat.—Similar to that of P. dominica.

Distribution.—Breeds from northern Eurasia south to the British Isles, northern Europe, the Baltic states, and Taimyr Peninsula.

Winters south to northern Africa, the Caspian Sea, and eastern India, in migration regularly in Greenland.

Casual in Labrador and Newfoundland; a sight report for Alaska (Point Barrow).

Notes.—Also known as Eurasian Golden-Plover or Greater Golden-Plover and, in Old World literature, as Gray Plover.

Pluvialis dominica (Müller). American Golden-Plover.

Charadrius Dominicus P.L.S. Müller, 1776, Natursyst., Suppl., p. 116. (St. Domingo = Hispaniola.)

Habitat.—Grassy tundra; where syntopic with P. fulva, usually in areas of higher elevation, with sparser and shorter vegetation, and more rocks (breeding); short-grass prairie, pastures, plowed fields, and less often mudflats, beaches, and bare shores of lakes (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds in North America from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, and Banks, southern Melville (probably), Bathurst, Devon, and northern Baffin islands south to central Alaska (interior mountain ranges), southern Yukon, north-central British Columbia (Spatsizi Plateau), central Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northeastern Manitoba, northern Ontario (Cape Henrietta Maria), and Southampton and southern Baffin islands.
Winters in South America from Bolivia, Uruguay, and southern Brazil south to northern Chile and northern Argentina.
Migrates in spring through Middle America and the interior of North America (from the Rockies to the Mississippi and Ohio valleys), rarely but regularly to the Pacific and Atlantic coasts, and in fall mostly from Newfoundland and Nova Scotia to New England, thence southward over the Atlantic, less commonly through the West Indies and the interior of North America.
Casual or accidental in Bermuda, Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, continental Europe, and Australia.
Notes.—Also known as Lesser Golden-Plover. See comments under P. fulva.

Pluvialis fulva (Gmelin). Pacific Golden-Plover.

Charadrius fulvus Gmelin, 1789, Syst. Nat. 1(2): 687. Based on the "Fulvous Plover"

Habitat.—Grassy tundra, usually in areas at lower elevation, in denser and taller vegetative cover than P. dominica (breeding); pastures, plowed fields, and less often mudflats, beaches, and bare shores of lakes (nonbreeding).
Distribution.—Breeds along the Bering coast of Alaska (Wales south to Kuskokwim River, including St. Lawrence, Nunivak, and Nelson islands), and in Eurasia from the Arctic coast of Siberia (Yamal Peninsula eastward) south to the Stanovoi and Koryak mountains and the Gulf of Anadyr. Nonbreeding individuals occasionally summer in the Hawaiian and Mariana islands.
Winters in the Hawaiian Islands, and in the Old World from northeastern Africa, the Red Sea, India, southern China, Taiwan, and islands of Polynesia south to the Malay Peninsula, Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand, the Tonga and Tuamotu islands, and, rarely, in south-coastal British Columbia, coastal and lowland interior California, and Guadalupe and the Revillagigedo islands.
Migrates through the Aleutian Islands, along the Pacific coast of North America in central and southern California, and in Eurasia primarily in eastern Asia and over oceanic islands of the Pacific.
Casual or accidental in northern Baja California, Clipperton Island, inland in western North America (to Alberta), and in Maine, Barbados, Chile, Greenland, Europe, the Cape Verde Islands, Mediterranean region, Africa, and Arabia.
Notes.—Also known as Asiatic Golden-Plover. Recent studies (Connors et al. 1993) confirm earlier suggestions (Connors 1983) that P. fulva is a species distinct from P. dominica.

Genus CHARADRIUS Linnaeus
Charadrius Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 150. Type, by tautonymy, Charadrius hiaticula Linnaeus (Charadrius s. Hiaticula, prebinomial specific name, in synonymy).
Eudrornias C. L. Brehm, 1830, Isis von Oken, col. 987. Type, by monotypy, Charadrius morinellus Linnaeus.
Pagolla Mathews, 1913, Birds Aust. 3: 83. New name for Ochthodromus Reichenbach, preoccupied.

Charadrius mongolus Pallas. Mongolian Plover.


Habitat.—Mudflats, beaches, and shores of lakes and ponds, breeding on barren flats and steppe, along sandy and stony banks of rivers, lakes, and ponds.

Distribution.—Breeds in central and northeastern Eurasia from the Pamir Mountains east to the Chukotski Peninsula, Kamchatka, and the Commander Islands, and south to western China and Tibet; has bred in North America in northern and western Alaska (Brooks Range, Choris Peninsula, Goodnews Bay, Seward Peninsula).

Winters in the Old World from the Red Sea, Iran, India, Southeast Asia, southeastern China, the Philippines, and the Mariana and Caroline islands south to southern Africa, the Seychelles, Sri Lanka, Andaman Islands, Indonesia, New Guinea, and Australia.

Migrates regularly through the Aleutians (east to Adak), islands in the Bering Sea (St. Lawrence and the Pribilofs), and coastal western Alaska, casually to northern Alaska (Barrow) and south-coastal Alaska (Cook Inlet, Valdez).

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands, Oregon, California, Ontario, New Jersey, and Louisiana; sight reports for British Columbia (Vancouver) and Alberta.

Charadrius collaris Vieillot. Collared Plover.


Habitat.—Riverine Sand Beaches, Coastal Sand Beaches (0–800 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident primarily in coastal areas from Sinaloa and Veracruz south through Middle America (except the Yucatan Peninsula and El Salvador), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including the Netherlands Antilles and Margarita Island), Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Peru and east of the Andes to central Argentina, occasionally in central Chile.

Ranges in the non-breeding season north to the southern Lesser Antilles (Mustique in the Grenadines and Grenada, sight reports in St. Martin, St. Kitts, and Barbados), and in interior Mexico to Tlaxcala and Morelos.


Charadrius alexandrinus Linnaeus. Snowy Plover.

Charadrius alexandrinus Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 150. (ad Ægypti ex Nilo canalem = Egypt.)

Habitat.—Sandy beaches, dry mud or salt flats, and sandy shores of rivers, lakes, and ponds (Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds [nivosus group] in western and central North America along the Pacific coast from southern Washington south to southern California (including San Clemente Island), southern Baja California, and locally from interior southern Oregon, northeastern California, western Nevada, Utah, southwestern Wyoming, western Montana, southern Saskatchewan, central and southeastern Colorado, central Kansas, and north-central Oklahoma south to southeastern California, southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, and north-central Texas, on the Pacific coast of Oaxaca; in the Gulf states from Florida (south locally to Marco Island) west (absent as a breeding bird from Louisiana) to Texas and northeastern Tamaulipas; and in the southern Bahamas (north to Andros, Exuma, and San Salvador), Greater Antilles (east to the Virgin Islands), and Lesser Antilles (St. Martin, St. Kitts), and on islands off the north coast of Venezuela (Curaçao east to Margarita Island); and [alexandrinus group]
in Eurasia from southern Sweden, central Russia, central Siberia, and Japan south to the Cape Verde Islands, northern Africa, the Red Sea, northwestern India, Sri Lanka, Java, southeastern China, and the southern Ryukyu Islands.

Winters [nivosus group] on islands and in coastal areas of North America from Washington, the Gulf coast, and Bahamas south to southern Mexico (casually north to southeastern New Mexico and south to Guatemala, Honduras, Costa Rica, and Panama), and the Greater Antilles, rarely in the interior valleys of California; in the breeding range in South America; and [aleandrinus group] in the Old World from the Mediterranean region and breeding range in Asia south to tropical Africa, Arabia, Sri Lanka, Southeast Asia, Indonesia, the Philippines, Taiwan, and the Bonin Islands.

Resident [occidentalis group] along the Pacific coast of South America from western Ecuador to Chile.

Casual [nivosus group] in central western Alaska (Seward Peninsula, photograph, probably this group), in the interior of North America north to central British Columbia (in coastal regions to the Queen Charlotte Islands), and from southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, and southern Ontario through much of the interior of eastern North America, especially near Great Lakes, and on the coast of South Carolina and on the Atlantic coast of Florida (Merritt Island, Florida Keys;) and [aleandrinus group] from Sakhalin to the Palau Islands.

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as Kentish Plover. Groups: C. nivosus (Cassin, 1858) [Snowy Plover], C. occidentalis (Cabanis, 1872) [Peruvian Plover], and C. aleandrinus [Kentish Plover]. Charadrius alexandrinus, the Australian C. ruficapillus Temminck, 1822, and the African C. marginatus Vieillot, 1818, constitute a superspecies (Vaurie 1965, Mayr and Short 1970).

Charadrius wilsonia Ord. Wilson’s Plover.

Charadrius wilsonia Ord, 1814, in Wilson, Amer. Ornithol. 9: 77, pl. 73, fig. 5. (shore of Cape Island [= Cape May], New Jersey.)

Habitat.—Sandy beaches islets, tidal mudflats, occasionally slightly inland on extensive mudflats.

Distribution.—Breeds from central Baja California and northern Sonora south along the Pacific coast of Middle and South America to northwestern Peru (including the Pearl Islands off Panama); and from southern New Jersey (rare north of Virginia) south along the Atlantic-Gulf-Caribbean coasts of North America and Middle America (not recorded breeding south of Belize), the southeastern United States and West Indies (present south to Dominica, and on Grenada and the Grenadines) to northern South America east to northeastern Brazil (including islands off the coast of Venezuela).

Winters from Baja California and Sonora south along the Pacific coast to central Peru; and from the Gulf coast of western Louisiana and Texas, and Florida south in the Caribbean-Gulf-Atlantic region throughout the breeding range to northern South America.

Casual north to central California (Monterey, Ventura, and San Diego counties; one breeding record for the Salton Sea in southeastern California), Oklahoma (Tulsa), Arkansas, Minnesota (Duluth), and the Lake Erie region (southern Ontario, Ohio, and Pennsylvania); along the Atlantic coast to Nova Scotia; and in Bermuda, Veracruz, Barbados, and Venezuela.

Notes.—Also known as Thick-billed Plover.

Charadrius hiaticula Linnaeus. Common Ringed Plover.

Charadrius hiaticula Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 150. (in Europa & America ad ripas = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Sandy areas with scattered low vegetation, cultivated fields, short-grass areas near water, dry stream beds, and sandy, pebbly and grassy tundra (breeding); in migration and winter also mudflats, beaches, and shores of lakes, ponds, and rivers.

Distribution.—Breeds in North America in western Alaska (St. Lawrence and St. Matthew islands), and on Ellesmere, Bylot, and eastern Baffin islands; and in the Palearctic in Greenland, Iceland, and the Faeroe Islands, and from Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to northwestern France (Bretagne), central Poland, the Chukotski Peninsula, Anadyrland, and the Sea of Okhotsk.
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Winters from the British Isles, western Europe, the Mediterranean region, the Persian Gulf, western India, and Sakhalin south to the eastern Atlantic islands, southern Africa, the Maldives Islands, northern China, Japan, the Volcano Islands, and (casually) to Australia.

Casual in the Pribilof (St. Paul) and the Aleutian islands (Amchitka, Attu, Adak, Shemya), and the mainland of western Alaska (Wales and Nome region). Accidental in Nova Scotia (Seal Island), Virginia (Craney Island), and the Lesser Antilles (Barbados); sight reports for Quebec, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island.

Notes.—Also known as Ringed Plover. Charadrius hiaticula and C. semipalmatus may constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970); C. semipalmatus was treated as a subspecies of C. hiaticula by Bock (1959).

Charadrius semipalmatus Bonaparte. Semipalmated Plover.

Tringa hiaticula (not Charadrius hiaticula Linnaeus) Ord, 1824, in Wilson, Amer. Ornithol. (Ord reprint) 7: 65. (coast of New Jersey.)


Habitat.—Sandy areas, grassy or mossy tundra, and gravelly plains (breeding); tidal mudflats, muddy beaches, tide pools in salt marshes, wet dirt fields, and bare shores of lakes and ponds (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, Banks, Victoria, and southern Somerset islands, northern Keewatin (Melville Peninsula), central Baffin Island, and the northern Labrador coast south to the Pribilof and Aleutian islands (west to Adak), southern Alaska (west to the Alaska Peninsula), northwestern and central British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte Islands; also locally near Vancouver), southeastern Yukon, southern Mackenzie, northeastern Alberta, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario (coast of Hudson and James bays), central Quebec, and, coastally, the Gulf of St. Lawrence, southern New Brunswick, southern Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland, casually to western Washington and interior Oregon. Nonbreeding birds often summer in the wintering areas south to northwestern South America.

Winters primarily in coastal areas from south-coastal British Columbia (rarely), Washington, central Sonora, the Gulf coast, and South Carolina (casually north to New York) south through the West Indies, and along both coasts of Middle America and South America (including the Galapagos Islands, Tobago, and Trinidad) to central Chile and Argentina (Patagonia), casually in the Hawaiian Islands.

Migrates along both coasts of North America and commonly through the interior, locally in the intermountain region from Idaho and Montana to Arizona, and casually to the western Aleutians.

Casual in the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island), Clipperton Island, Bermuda, Greenland, the Azores, Britain, eastern Siberia, and Johnston and Baker islands in the Pacific.

Notes.—See comments under C. hiaticula.

Charadrius melodus Ord. Piping Plover.

Charadrius melodus Ord, 1824, in Wilson, Amer. Ornithol. (Ord reprint) 7: 71. (Great Egg Harbor, New Jersey.)

Habitat.—Sandy or alkaline shores of salty, shallow lakes, sandbars in rivers (inland), and sandy beaches from dunes to the high tide line (coastal); in winter, primarily sandy beaches and tidal mudflats; in migration, also bare shores of lakes and ponds.

Distribution.—Breeds locally in the interior of North America from south-central Alberta, northern Saskatchewan (once), south-central Manitoba, and central northern Minnesota (Lake of the Woods) south to north-central and northeastern Montana, North Dakota, eastern Colorado, southeastern South Dakota (Union County), central and eastern Nebraska and northern Iowa (also isolated breeding in northwestern Oklahoma); in the Great Lakes region (locally, formerly more widespread) from extreme southwestern Ontario and northern Michigan south to the southern shore of lakes Michigan, Erie, and Ontario; and in coastal areas from northern
New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, southern Nova Scotia, southeastern Quebec (including the Magdalen Islands), and Newfoundland (including St. Pierre and Miquelon islands) south along the Atlantic coast to Virginia North Carolina, and South Carolina. **Winters** primarily on the Atlantic-Gulf coast from North Carolina south to Florida and west to eastern Texas, and, less commonly, throughout the Bahamas and Greater Antilles (east to the Virgin Islands) and south to the Yucatan Peninsula. **Migrates** through the interior of North America east of the Rockies (especially in the Mississippi Valley) as well as along the Atlantic coast. Casual in east-central Washington, southern California, northwestern Sonora, Nayarit, Veracruz, central and northeastern New Mexico, the interior of Texas, Bermuda, St. Kitts (sight report), and Barbados. Accidental in southwestern Ecuador; sight reports for Oregon and southern New Mexico.

**Charadrius dubius** Scopoli. Little Ringed Plover.

*Charadrius (dubius)* Scopoli, 1786, Del Flor. Faun. Insubr., 2: 93. (Luzon, Philippines.)

**Habitat.**—Inland fresh-water areas.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from northern Eurasia south to the eastern Atlantic islands, northern Africa, Sri Lanka, Southeast Asia, Indonesia, New Guinea, and the Bismarck Archipelago.

**Winters** from southern Europe, the Caspian and Black seas, India, eastern China, and Japan south to tropical Africa and Australia. Casual in the western Aleutian Islands (Attu, Shemya, Buldir).

**Charadrius vociferus** Linnaeus. Killdeer.

*Charadrius vociferus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 150. (in America septentrionali = South Carolina.)

**Habitat.**—Fields, meadows, pastures, bare shores of lakes, ponds, and rivers, expansive lawns, occasionally nesting on adjacent gravel roads, railroad beds, and even gravel parking-lots (breeding); in winter, also in plowed and wet dirt fields, mudflats, and occasionally coastal beaches.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in North America from east-central and southeastern Alaska, southern Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, south-central Quebec (including the Magdalen Islands), New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, western Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south to southern Baja California, central Mexico (recorded breeding to Guerrero and Guanajuato), Tamaulipas, the Gulf coast, and Florida Keys; in the southern Bahamas (Inagua, Caicos, and Turks islands, probably also New Providence) and the Greater Antilles (east to the Virgin Islands); and in western South America along the coast from western Ecuador to extreme northwestern Chile. **Winters** from southeastern Alaska (rarely), southern British Columbia, Oregon, Idaho, the central United States from Montana east to the Ohio Valley (casually from southern Canada east of British Columbia) and New England south throughout the remainder of North America, Middle America, Bermuda, the West Indies, and northern South America (also most islands throughout these regions) to Colombia, Venezuela, and western Ecuador; also in the breeding range in Peru and Chile. Casual in the Hawaiian (Kauai, Oahu, Maui) and Pribilof islands; north to western and northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, and central Labrador; and to Clipperton Island, Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, British Isles, continental Europe, the Azores, and Madeira.

**Charadrius montanus** Townsend. Mountain Plover.


**Habitat.**—Dry open short-grass prairie and grassland up to 2500 m, usually with areas of bare soil (breeding); short-grass plains and fields, plowed fields, and sandy deserts (non-breeding).
**Charadrius morinellus** Linnaeus. Eurasian Dotterel.

*Charadrius Morinellus* Linnaeus, 1758, *Syst. Nat.* (ed. 10) 1: 150. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Stony steppes, plains, newly plowed fields and marginal grassland (breeding); open stony or sandy areas, less frequently marshes, mudflats, and seacoasts (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* locally in North America in northern and western Alaska (from Barrow to the Seward Peninsula and St. Lawrence Island); and in Eurasia in the mountains of the British Isles, Scandinavia, and central Europe, and scattered across northern Russia and Siberia from the Ural Mountains to the Verkhoyansk Mountains and the Kolyma River, and in northern Mongolia.

*Winters* in southern Europe, North Africa, Arabia, Iraq, and Iran, casually in the Canary Islands, Madeira, Sakhalin, the Kuril Islands, and Japan.

*Migrates* through coastal western Alaska, casually east along the Beaufort coast of northern Alaska, and in the fall through the western Aleutians.

**Notes.**—In Old World literature known as the Dotterel. Formerly placed in the genus *Eudromias*; for placement in genus *Charadrius*, see Nielson (1975) and Strauch (1978).

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**Family HAEMATOPIDAE: Oystercatchers**

**Genus HAEMATOPUS** Linnaeus


*Haematopus ostralegus* Linnaeus. Eurasian Oystercatcher.


**Habitat.**—Sea coasts, sandy plains, river valleys, lake shores (breeding); coasts, rocky shores, mudflats, fields, and beaches (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in Eurasia from Iceland, Faeroes, British Isles, and coasts of Europe to northern Russia and south to Iberian Peninsula; along coasts of Mediterranean, Adriatic, Aegean, and northern Black seas; central Russia, Turkey, and Iran; locally Kamchatka, western Siberia, China, and Korea.


Haematopus palliatus Temminck. American Oystercatcher.

Haematopus palliatus Temminck, 1820, Man. Ornithol. (ed. 2) 2: 532. (à l’Amérique méridionale = Venezuela.)

Habitat.—Rocky and sandy seacoasts and islands, tidal mudflats.

Distribution.—Breeds locally along the Atlantic coast from Massachusetts (Monomoy) south to Florida, and along the Gulf coast south to the Yucatan Peninsula (including Cozumel Island); in the Bahamas, Greater Antilles (but breeding not yet confirmed in Cuba), and Lesser Antilles (St. Barthélemy, from Guadeloupe to St. Lucia, and the Grenadines); along the Pacific coast from central Baja California (San Benito Islands, possibly also Los Coronados Islands in northern Baja California) and the Gulf of California south to Guerrero (also the Revillagigedo, Tres Marias, and Tres Marietas islands), along the coast of Costa Rica, and along the Pacific coast from the Bay of Panama (Pearl Islands and Los Santos) south to central Chile (Isla de Chiloé); and along the Caribbean-Atlantic coast of South America (including most islands off Venezuela, possibly also Tobago and Trinidad) south to south-central Argentina.

Winters on the Atlantic-Gulf coast from Maryland (casually from New England) south to southeastern Mexico, casually to Belize and Honduras; on the Pacific coast of North America from central Baja California south to Honduras, also in Costa Rica; and generally in the breeding range in the West Indies and along both South American coasts, casually on the Caribbean coast north to the Canal area.

Casual in California, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, Maine, Nova Scotia, and western Argentina. Accidental in interior southern California (Salton Sea); a sight report for Idaho.

Notes.—Haematopus palliatus and H. bachmani, formerly considered conspecific [American Oystercatcher], form a hybrid zone about 200 miles in width in central Baja California (Jehl 1985). Some authors (e.g., Friedmann et al. 1950, Mayr and Short 1970) considered these two forms conspecific with H. ostralegus; the complex constitutes a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Haematopus bachmani Audubon. Black Oystercatcher.

Haematopus Bachmani Audubon, 1838, Birds Amer. (folio) 4: pl. 427, fig. 1 (1839, Ornithol. Biogr. 5: 245). (Mouth of the Columbia River = near Puget Sound; see Burns, 1934, Auk 51: 403–404.)

Habitat.—Primarily rocky seacoasts and especially islands, also occasionally on adjacent sandy beaches and mudflats.

Distribution.—Resident from the western Aleutians (Kiska eastward) south along the Pacific coast of North America (including most islands offshore) to central Baja California (Punta Abreojos and Isla de Natividad); also has bred on Round Island, in the southern Bering Sea.

Accidental in the Pribilof Islands; a sight report for Idaho.

Notes.—Known also as the American Black Oystercatcher. See comments under H. palliatus.

Family RECURVIROSTRIDAE: Stilts and Avocets

Genus HIMANTOPUS Brisson

Himantopus Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 46; 5: 33. Type, by tautonymy, Himantopus Brisson = Charadrius himantopus Linnaeus.

Himantopus himantopus (Linnaeus). Black-winged Stilt.

Charadrius Himantopus Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 151. (in Europa australiore = southern Europe.)

Habitat.—Marshes and flooded fields.

Distribution.—Breeds in Eurasia and Africa; northernmmost populations are migratory southward.

**Notes.**—See comments under *H. mexicanus*.

**Himantopus mexicanus** (Müller). Black-necked Stilt.

*Charadrius Mexicanus* P. L. S. Müller, 1776, Natursyst., Suppl., p. 117. Based on the "L'Échasse du Mexique" Brisson, Ornithologie 5: 36. (in Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Shallow grassy marshes and adjacent mudflats, shallow ponds, and flooded fields; breeding habitat has bare ground for nest sites (Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds [mexicanus group] locally on the Atlantic coast from southern New Jersey (formerly), southeastern Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia south to southern Florida, in Bermuda, and the West Indies (the Bahamas south to Antigua, St. Kitts, and Montserrat), and from central (casually northern) coastal California, western Oregon, Washington, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan (rarely), eastern Montana, western and central Nebraska, central Kansas, north-central Oklahoma, southeastern Missouri, Arkansas, southwestern Kentucky, western Tennessee, central and coastal Texas, southern Louisiana, southern Mississippi, and southern Alabama south through Middle America and South America (including the Galapagos Islands, islands off Venezuela, and Tobago and Trinidad) to coastal and Andean Peru, eastern Ecuador, and Amazonian Brazil. Recorded in summer and probably breeding [mexicanus group] in North Dakota and western South Dakota.

Winters [mexicanus group] from northern California, Sonora, the Gulf coast, and central Florida south locally through Middle America, the West Indies, and South America to the limits of the breeding range.

Resident [knudseni group] in the Hawaiian Islands (main islands from Niihau eastward, except Lanai and Kahoolawe, recorded also from Midway and Nihoa); and [melanurus group] in southern South America from eastern Peru, Bolivia, and southeastern Brazil south to southern Chile and southern Argentina.

Casual [mexicanus group] north to southwestern British Columbia, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, Minnesota, Wisconsin, central Michigan, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland, and on Bermuda.

**Notes.**—Groups: *H. mexicanus* [Black-necked Stilt], *H. knudseni* Stejneger, 1887 [Hawaiian Stilt], and *H. melanurus* Vieillot, 1817 [White-backed Stilt]. *Himantopus mexicanus* is sometimes considered conspecific with the Old World *H. himantopus* (e.g., Vaurie 1965, Blake 1977); all forms in the genus may constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

**Genus RECURVIROSTRA** Linnaeus


**Habitat.**—Lowland marshes, mudflats, ponds, alkaline lakes, and estuaries, nesting colonially (usually) on open flats or areas with scattered tufts of grass along lakes (especially alkaline) and marshes.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southern British Columbia, central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, western Ontario (Lake of the Woods), and western Minnesota south to northern Baja California, Arizona, southern Colorado, southern New Mexico, and Valley of México (Distrito Federal), and east to central Nebraska, central Kansas, and coastal Texas; also breeding records for Wisconsin (Dodge County), Virginia (Craney), and North Carolina (Pea Island, 1968). Formerly bred north to southern Mackenzie. Nonbreeding individuals frequently summer in the wintering range.
Winters from south-coastal British Columbia (rarely), but mostly in coastal lowlands from northern California, western Louisiana, and coastal Mississippi and Alabama south to southern Mexico, casually to Guatemala (Pacific lowlands), Belize, Honduras, Costa Rica, and Panama, also locally in Delaware and southern Florida.

Migrates primarily throughout the western half of the United States, rarely in interior and eastern North America east to northern Michigan, southern Ontario, and New England, and south to the Gulf coast and Florida.

Casual or accidental in Alaska (Valdez), Northwest Territories, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, Bermuda, the Bahamas (Andros, San Salvador), Cuba, Jamaica, Puerto Rico, St. Croix, the Cayman Islands, Barbados, western Ecuador, and Greenland.

Suborder SCOLOPACI: Sandpipers, Jacanas, and Allies

Family JACANIDAE: Jacanas

Genus JACANA Brisson

Jacana Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 48; 5: 121. Type, by tautonymy, Jacana Brisson = Parra jacana Linnaeus.


Jacana spinosa (Linnaeus). Northern Jacana.


Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes; requires extensive areas of floating vegetation in breeding habitat (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from Sinaloa, southern Texas (formerly north to Brazoria County), and Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America (including Cozumel Island) to western Panama (east to Veraguas), and on the Mexican Plateau in Jalisco, Michoacán, and Guanajuato; also in the Greater Antilles (Cuba, Isle of Pines, Jamaica, and Hispaniola).

Casual in southern Arizona, western and central Texas (north to Brewster, Kerr, Gonzales, and Travis counties), and Puerto Rico; reports from Florida are unsubstantiated.

Notes.—Limited hybridization with J. jacana occurs in western Panama (Wetmore 1965).

Jacana jacana (Linnaeus). Wattled Jacana.


Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes; requires extensive areas of floating vegetation in breeding habitat (0–900 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident from western Panama (from eastern Chiriqui and Veraguas eastward) south through South America (including Trinidad) west of the Andes to northwestern Peru, and east of the Andes to central Argentina.

Casual north to southwestern Costa Rica.

Notes.—See comments under J. spinosa.

Family SCOLOPACIDAE: Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and Allies

Subfamily SCOLOPACINAE: Sandpipers and Allies

Tribe TRINGINI: Tringine Sandpipers

Genus TRINGA Linnaeus

Tringa Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 148. Type, by tautonymy, Tringa ochropus Linnaeus (Tringa, prebinomial specific name, in synonymy).


Notes.—Some authors (e.g., Vaurie 1965) have merged all the genera through Xenus in Tringa.

Tringa nebularia (Gunnerus). Common Greenshank.

Scolopax nebularia Gunnerus, 1767, in Leem, Beskr. Finm. Lapper, p. 251. (District of Trondhjem, Norway.)

Habitat.—Marshes, bogs, and wet meadows in the taiga or high moorlands (breeding); marshes, ponds, lakes, and mudflats (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds from Scotland and Scandinavia east across Russia and Siberia to Anadyrland, Kamchatka, and the Sea of Okhotsk, and south to Lake Baikal.

Winters from the Mediterranean region, Iraq, the Persian Gulf, eastern China, and Taiwan south to southern Africa, India, Sri Lanka, the Maldives Islands, East Indies, New Guinea, and Australia, straggling to the eastern Atlantic islands and New Zealand.

Migrates regularly in spring through the western Aleutians (Near Islands), casually as far east as the Pribilofs (St. Paul) and as far north as St. Lawrence Island.

Accidental in Quebec (Métabetchouan-St. Gédéon), Newfoundland (Conception Bay, Harbour Grace), and Nova Scotia (Cherry Hill); a sight report for New York. Audubon's record from Sandy Key, near Cape Sable, Florida, is questionable.

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as the Greenshank.

Tringa melanoleuca (Gmelin). Greater Yellowlegs.


Habitat.—Bogs, muskeg, ponds, lakes, open woodlands, and burns (breeding); marshes, ponds, flooded fields, rice fields, stream margins, lagoons, and coastal mudflats (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds from southern Alaska (the lower Kuskokwim River, and from the Alaska Peninsula eastward), southwestern Mackenzie, and central British Columbia east across the northern and central portions of the Canadian provinces to central and southern Labrador, Newfoundland, northeastern Nova Scotia (Cape Breton Island), and southern Quebec (Anticosti Island). Nonbreeding individuals sometimes summer on the wintering grounds, especially along the coasts of the United States and in the West Indies.

Winters from south-coastal British Columbia, Washington, Idaho, Utah, central New Mexico, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern New England south through Middle America, the West Indies, and South America to Tierra del Fuego.

Migrates regularly through the North American continent south of the breeding range.

Casual north to northern Alaska (Barrow), southern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, Southampton and Baffin islands, and northern Quebec, and in the Hawaiian, Pribilof (St. Paul, St. George), Aleutian (Adak, Shemya, Attu), and Galapagos islands, and in Bermuda. Accidental in Clipperton Island, Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, the Azores, Japan, and the Marshall Islands.

Tringa flavipes (Gmelin). Lesser Yellowlegs.


Habitat.—Muskeg, bogs, open boreal forest and burns, near lakes and ponds (breeding); marshes, ponds, wet meadows, flooded fields and mudflats (nonbreeding).
**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from western (rarely) and central Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and east-central Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, and extreme west-central Quebec south to northern British Columbia, south-central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, and central Manitoba, formerly sporadically south to southern Wisconsin. Nonbreeding birds occasionally are reported in summer south from the breeding range as far as Argentina.

*Winters* from south coastal British Columbia (rarely), southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and coastal South Carolina (rarely from Long Island, New York) south through Middle America, the West Indies, and South America (also the Galapagos Islands) to Tierra del Fuego.

*Migrates* regularly through North America south of the breeding range and east to southern Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia, more locally through western North America.

Casual in the Hawaiian, Pribilof, and Aleutian islands, Labrador, Newfoundland, Bermuda, the Azores, and New Zealand. Accidental in Clipperton Island, Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, continental Europe, the Azores, Zambia, South Africa, and the Marshall and Falkland islands.

**Tringa stagnatilis** (Bechstein). Marsh Sandpiper.

*Tringa stagnatilis* Bechstein, 1803, Ornithol. Taschenb. Dtsch. 2: 292, pl. 29. (Germany.)

*Habitat.*—Marshes and wet meadows (breeding); shores, mudflats, and estuaries (non-breeding).

*Distribution.*—*Breeds* from eastern Europe east to western Siberia.

*Winters* from the Mediterranean region, Persian Gulf, and Southeast Asia south to southern Africa, India, the East Indies, and Australia.

Accidental in the Aleutian Islands (Buldir, 2 September 1974; Byrd et al. 1978) and Marshall Islands (Kwajalein).

**Tringa totanus** (Linnaeus). Common Redshank.

*Scolopax Totanus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat., ed. 10, 1, p. 145. (in Europa = Sweden.)

*Habitat.*—Marshes and wet meadows (breeding); shores, mudflats, and estuaries (non-breeding).

*Distribution.*—*Breeds* from Iceland, Faeroe Islands, British Isles, and northern Scandinavia east across central Russia, central and southern Siberia to Amurland, Ussuriland, and Anadyrland, south to southern Europe, northern Africa (Tunisia), Turkey, southern Russia, Turkestan, northern India, Tibet, western and northern China, and Mongolia.

*Winters* from southern Europe across southern Asia to the Philippines and south to southern Africa and the East Indies.


*Notes.*—Known in the Old World literature as the Redshank.

**Tringa erythropus** (Pallas). Spotted Redshank.

*Scolopax erythropus* Pallas, 1764, in Vroeg, Cat. Rais. Ois., Adumbr., p. 6. (Holland.)

*Habitat.*—Marshy sites in bushy tundra and edge of the taiga (breeding); marshes, ponds, wet meadows, and mudflats (non-breeding).

*Distribution.*—*Breeds* from Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to central Russia, central Siberia, Anadyrland, and Kamchatka.

*Winters* from the Mediterranean region, Persian Gulf, India, and eastern China south to equatorial Africa, Sri Lanka, and Southeast Asia.

*Migrates* in fall regularly through the western and central Aleutians (Attu, Alaid, Shemya, Buldir, Adak), casually as far east as the Pribilofs (St. Paul).

Casual or accidental in British Columbia, Oregon, California, Kansas, southern Ontario,
Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, North Carolina, and Barbados; sight reports for Nevada, Saskatchewan, Ohio, and New Jersey.

**Tringa glareola** Linnaeus. Wood Sandpiper.

*Tringa Glareola* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 149. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Edges of ponds in the taiga (breeding); lakes, ponds, streams, wet meadows, bogs, and shallow pools, frequently in wooded regions (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America in the western and central Aleutian Islands (Amchitka and Attu, probably also Adak and elsewhere); and in Eurasia from Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to southern Europe, Turkestan, northern Mongolia, Kamchatka, the Kuril, and Commander islands, and the Chukotski Peninsula.

*Winters* from the Mediterranean region, Iran, India, northern Thailand, and southern China south to southern Africa, Sri Lanka, the Malay Peninsula, East Indies, and Australia.

*Migrates* in spring regularly through the western and central Aleutian islands, reaching as far north as St. Lawrence Island and as far east as the Pribilofs and the mainland of western Alaska (Seward Peninsula).

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Kure, Midway), northern (Barrow) and mainland southwestern Alaska (Ugashik Bay), Yukon (Herschel Island, Pauline Cove), British Columbia (Queen Charlotte Islands), New York, Bermuda, Barbados, the Faeroe and eastern Atlantic islands, and on western Pacific islands.

**Tringa ochropus** Linnaeus. Green Sandpiper.

*Tringa Ocrophus* [sic] Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 149. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Woodlands, swamps, and marshes (breeding); marshes, flooded fields, wet meadows, and mudflats (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in northern Eurasia.

*Winters* in Africa, southern Asia, and Australia.

Casual in Alaska in the western Aleutians (Attu, Nizki, Shemya) and on St. Lawrence Island (Gibson and Kessel 1992); early records for Hudson Bay and Nova Scotia are unsatisfactory (Godfrey 1986).

**Notes.**—The original spelling of "Ocrophus" has been suppressed and the name "ochropus" validated by the I.C.Z.N. (1952).

**Tringa solitaria** Wilson. Solitary Sandpiper.

*Tringa solitaria* Wilson, 1813, Amer. Ornithol. 7: 53, pl. 58, fig. 3. (Pocano Mt., Pa., Kentucky, and New York = Pocono Mountains, Pennsylvania.)

**Habitat.**—Bogs and ponds in coniferous forest, taiga, and muskeg, nesting in trees in deserted passerine nests (breeding); freshwater ponds, stream edges, temporary pools, flooded ditches, and fields, rarely on mudflats and open marshes (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* through central Alaska, and from northern Yukon, western and southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern and central Ontario, central Quebec, and central and southern Labrador south to mainland southeastern Alaska, northeastern and central British Columbia, south-central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, and northern Minnesota; also probably in west-central Oregon (Lane County).

*Winters* from northern Mexico (casually north to the southern United States) and the Bahamas south through Middle America, the West Indies, and South America south to central Argentina.

*Migrates* through the southern portions of the breeding range and south over most of the North American continent (rare on the Pacific coast).

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Hawaii), western and northern Alaska (the Pribilof Islands, Hooper Bay, Griffin Point, Barrow), Clipperton Island, Bermuda, Chile (sight report), South Georgia, Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, Sweden, France, Spain, and South Africa.
Genus **CATOPTROPHUS** Bonaparte


**Notes.**—See comments under *Tringa*.

*Catoptrophorus semipalmatus* (Gmelin). Willet.

*Scolopax semipalmata* Gmelin, 1789, Syst. Nat. 1(2): 659. (in Noveboraco = New York.)

**Habitat.**—Marshy lake and pond margins and wet meadows in western North America; salt marshes and beaches in eastern North America (breeding); marshes, tidal mudflats, beaches, and shallow lake margins (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in western North America locally from eastern Oregon, southern Idaho, central Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, and southern Manitoba south to northeastern and east-central California, western Nevada, central Utah, northern Colorado, western and northern Nebraska, and eastern South Dakota, formerly in western Minnesota and northwestern Iowa; in eastern North America locally along the Atlantic-Gulf coast from southern New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south to southern Florida and west to southern Texas and Tamaulipas; in the West Indies, on the Bahamas, Antilles (Cuba, Beata Island off Hispaniola, Anegada and St. Croix in the Virgin Islands, Antigua, and Guadeloupe, possibly also Barbuda, St. Martin, Anguilla, and St. Kitts), and in the Cayman Islands; and on Los Roques, off northern Venezuela. Nonbreeding individuals occur sporadically in summer as far south as northern South America.

**Winters** from northern California (casually from southwestern British Columbia and western Washington; also regularly inland in southeastern California at the Salton Sea), the Gulf coast, and Virginia south along both coasts of Middle America (including offshore islands), the West Indies, and both coasts of South America to the Galapagos Islands, central Chile, Uruguay, and southern Brazil.

**Migrates** primarily through coastal areas but also irregularly through most of the interior western and central United States, regularly east to the Great Lakes, casually elsewhere in the eastern United States.

Casual north to northeastern British Columbia, southern Hudson Bay, southern Quebec, and Newfoundland. Accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu, Maui), Bermuda, Finland, France, and the Azores; a sight report for Alaska (Minto Lakes).

Genus **HETEROSCELUS** Baird


**Notes.**—See comments under *Tringa*.

*Heteroscelus incanus* (Gmelin). Wandering Tattler.


**Habitat.**—Mountains and hilly regions, primarily along streams and lakes in areas that are rocky, mossy, or covered with scrubby vegetation, and in damp meadows, occasionally in forest clearings away from water (breeding); rocky seacoasts and islands, jetties, and sandy beaches of oceanic islands (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in North America in mountains of western, central, and southcoastal Alaska, northern, central, and southern Yukon, and northwestern British Columbia; and in Eurasia in northeastern Siberia, Anadyrland, and the Chukotsk Peninsula. Nonbreeding individuals regularly occur in summer on the wintering grounds.

**Winters** along the Pacific coast of the Americas from northern California (rarely Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia) south regularly to the Revillagigedo Islands and Oaxaca,
and locally to El Salvador, Honduras (Bay of Fonseca), Nicaragua, Costa Rica (Cocos Island),
Panama (Isla Coiba, Bay of Panama, and rarely to the Caribbean coast of the Canal area),
Clipperton Island, Colombia (Malpelo Island), the Galapagos Islands, Ecuador, and Peru;
and in the Pacific from the Hawaiian Islands, Marianas, and Philippines south to the Fiji,
Samoa, Society, and Tuamotu islands.

*Mi*grates regularly through the Aleutian Islands and along the Pacific coast of Central
America.

Casual inland in North America (recorded northwestern Mackenzie, northeastern British
Columbia, Alberta, eastern Washington, eastern Oregon, central and southeastern California,
northeastern Baja California, Utah, and southern Arizona), and in the Pacific from the Bonin,
Volcano, and Ryukyu islands, Japan, and Taiwan south to New Guinea, Australia, and New
Zealand. Accidental in Texas (Galveston), Manitoba (Churchill), southern Ontario (Windmill
Point, Fort Erie), and Massachusetts (Monomoy).

**Notes.**—*Heteroscelus incanus* and *H. brevipes* may constitute a superspecies, although
their breeding ranges overlap marginally in eastern Siberia (Mayr and Short 1970).

*Heteroscelus brevipes* (Vieillot). Gray-tailed Tattler.

= Timor.)

**Habitat.**—Shores of streams, lakes, and ponds in mossy or scrubby hills (breeding); rocky
coasts and sandy beaches (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds apparently in eastern Siberian mountains from Lake Baikal to the
Verkhoyansk Mountains and Anadyrland, and on the southern Taimyr Peninsula, possibly
also in Kamchatka and the Kuril Islands; nest and eggs unknown.

Winters from the Malay Peninsula, Philippines, and the Caroline, Mariana, and Marshall
islands south to Christmas Island (in the Indian Ocean), Java, New Guinea, Australia, and
Norfolk Island.

*Migrates* regularly through the Aleutian (east to Unalaska) and Pribilof islands, St. Law-
rence Island, and along the coasts of Japan and China, casually along the coast to northern
Alaska (Barrow) and south-coastal Alaska (Middleton Island).

Accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Midway, Kure, Oahu), Washington (Leadbetter Point),
and interior California (Lancaster), and in the British Isles; a sight report for Oregon.

**Notes.**—Also known as Polynesian Tattler. See comments under *H. incanus.*

Genus *ACTITIS* Illiger

*Actitis* Illiger, 1811, Prodromus, p. 262. Type, by subsequent designation (Stejneger,
1885), *Tringa hypoleucos* Linnaeus.

**Notes.**—See comments under *Tringa.*

*Actitis hypoleucos* (Linnaeus). Common Sandpiper.

*Tringa Hypoleucos* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 149. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Streams, rivers, lakes, and ponds (breeding); streams, ponds, lakes, and sea-
coasts, generally with sandy or rocky margins, less frequently in marshes (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from the British Isles, Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern
Siberia south to the Mediterranean region, northern Iran, Afghanistan, the Himalayas, Mon-
golia, Manchuria, Ussuriland, Kamchatka, the Kuril Islands, and Japan; also in East Africa
(Uganda).

Winters from southern Europe, the Mediterranean region, Iraq, eastern China, and southern
Japan south to southern Africa, Madagascar, Sri Lanka, islands in the eastern Indian Ocean,
Australia, New Guinea, and islands of the western Pacific.

*Migrates* regularly through the western Aleutians (Near Islands), casually as far east as
the Pribilof Islands (St. George, St. Paul) and central Aleutians (Adak), and as far north as
St. Lawrence Island (also a sight report for Nome).

**Notes.**—*Actitis hypoleucos* and *A. macularia* constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short
1970).
**Actitis macularia** (Linnaeus). Spotted Sandpiper.


**Habitat.**—Sandy or muddy shores of streams, rivers, lakes, ponds, and coastal saltwater (breeding); also on rocky coasts and jetties (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from central Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and central Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northeastern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northern Quebec, Labrador, and Newfoundland south to southern Alaska (west to the base of the Alaska Peninsula), southern California, central Arizona, southern New Mexico, central Texas, the northern portions of the Gulf states (except Louisiana and Florida), North Carolina, Virginia, and Maryland. Occasional nonbreeding individuals remain in summer on the wintering grounds.

*Winters* from southwestern British Columbia, western Washington, western Montana (casually), southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, southern Texas, the southern portions of the Gulf states, and coastal South Carolina south through Middle America, the West Indies, and South America (also the Galapagos Islands, and all islands off the Caribbean coast) to northern Chile, northern Argentina, and Uruguay.

*Migrates* regularly along both coasts and through interior North America, and on Bermuda.

**Casual or accidental** in the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island), on Clipperton Island, in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu, Hawaii), Tristan da Cunha, Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles (reported breeding in Scotland; Hayman et al. 1986), continental Europe, the eastern Atlantic islands, Johnston Island, and the Marshall Islands.

**Notes.**—See comments under *A. hypoleucos*.

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**Genus XENUS** Kaup


**Notes.**—See comments under *Tringa*.

**Xenus cinereus** (Güldenstädt). Terek Sandpiper.

*Scolopax cinerea* Gülstenstädt, 1775, Novi Comm. Acad. Sci. Petropol. 19 (1774): 473, pl. 19. (ad mare caspium, circa ostium fluvii Terek = shores of the Caspian Sea at the mouth of the Terek River.)

**Habitat.**—River meadows, marshes, grassy banks of streams, ponds, and lakes, especially in wooded regions; winters also on mudflats and shallow estuaries and bays.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from Finland, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to central Russia, Lake Baikal, and Anadyrland.

*Winters* from the Persian Gulf, southern Red Sea, Southeast Asia, and Hainan south to South Africa (along the coast of eastern Africa), Madagascar, India, Sri Lanka, the Andaman Islands, East Indies, New Guinea, and Australia.

*Migrates* regularly through the western Aleutians (Attu, Agattu, Shemya, Buldir), casually reaching St. Lawrence Island and the mainland of western (Seward Peninsula) and southern Alaska (Anchorage). Casual or accidental in British Columbia (Sooke), California (Carmel River), western Europe, North Africa, and New Zealand; sight reports for northeastern Manitoba and Massachusetts.

**Notes.**—The name *Scolopax cinerea* Gülstenstädt, 1775 is not preoccupied by *Tringa cinerea* Brünich, 1764 [= *Calidris canutus*], even if *Xenus* is merged in *Tringa* (Monroe 1989).

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**Tribe NUMENIINI: Curlews**

**Genus BARTRAMIA** Lesson

*Bartramia* Lesson, 1831, Traité Ornithol. 7: 553. Type, by monotypy, *Bartramia laticauda* Lesson = *Tringa longicauda* Bechstein.
Bartramia longicauda (Bechstein). Upland Sandpiper.

(Nordamerika = North America.)

Habitat.—Grasslands, especially prairies, dry meadows, pastures, airport margins, and (in Alaska, Yukon) open woodlands at timberline (breeding); also along shores and mudflats (nonbreeding).


Winters in eastern South America from Surinam and northern Brazil south to central Argentina and Uruguay.

Migrates mostly through interior North America (rarely along Pacific coast from southern Alaska to Washington, and rarely in Nova Scotia and the South Atlantic coastal region) south through Middle America (rarely northwestern Mexico), the West Indies, and most of South America (including Tobago and Trinidad) east of the Andes.

Casual or accidental in California, Arizona, eastern Quebec, Bermuda, Chile, the Falkland Islands, Tristan da Cunha, Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, continental Europe, the Azores, and Australia.

Notes.—Also known in Old World literature as Bartram’s Sandpiper; formerly known as Upland Plover.

Genus NUMENIUS Brisson

Numenius Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 48; 5: 311. Type, by tautonymy, Numenius Brisson = Scolopax arquata Linnaeus.

Phaeopus Cuvier, 1816, Règne Anim. 1: 485. Type, by tautonymy, Scolopax phaeopus Linnaeus.


Numenius minutus Gould. Little Curlew.


Habitat.—Grassy clearings and meadows in stunted subalpine forest.

Distribution.—Breeds in central Siberia.

Winters from Indonesia and the Philippines south to Australia and New Zealand.

Accidental in California (Santa Maria Valley, Santa Barbara County, 16 September-14 October 1984, photograph; Lehman and Dunn 1985, also one seen there 4–20 August 1993) and Alaska (Gabell, St. Lawrence Island, 7–8 June 1989, specimen; Gibson and Kessel 1992); additional sight reports for California.

Notes.—Also known as Little Whimbrel. See comments under N. borealis.

Numenius borealis (Forster). Eskimo Curlew.

Scolopax borealis J. R. Forster, 1772, Philos. Trans. R. Soc. London 62: 431. (Fort Albany [on James Bay], Hudson Bay.)

Habitat.—Barren tundra (breeding); grasslands, pastures, plowed fields, and, less frequently, marshes and mudflats (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Probably extinct. Bred formerly in northwestern Mackenzie, possibly west to western Alaska (Norton Sound).

Wintered formerly in southern South America from south-central Brazil south through

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FAMILY SCOLOPACIDAE
Paraguay and Uruguay to southern Argentina, and in Chile (Isla Chiloé); last sight report in winter from Argentina (near General Lavalle, Province of Buenos Aires, 17 January 1939).

Recorded in migration in spring from Chihuahua (Lake Palomas) and regularly north from Texas and Louisiana through the Mississippi and Missouri river drainages and west of the Great Lakes and Hudson Bay to the breeding grounds; recorded in fall west of Hudson Bay and regularly from southern Labrador and the Gulf of St. Lawrence to the New England coast, casually to the Great Lakes (Illinois, Michigan, and southern Ontario), along the Atlantic coast (to South Carolina), and in Bermuda and the West Indies (recorded on Puerto Rico, Guadeloupe, Carriacou in the Grenadines, Grenada, and Barbados).

Since the mid-1950's recorded (primarily sight reports) in spring from Texas (Galveston to Rockport, 1959–1963, with photographs from Galveston in March–April 1962), Manitoba (Lake Manitoba, May 1980) and Saskatchewan (Regina, 1982), and in fall from the west coast of James Bay (1976), Massachusetts (Plymouth Beach, 1970), New Jersey (Cape May, 1959), South Carolina (Charleston area, 1956), and Florida (Port Canaveral, 1960); last recorded specimen from Barbados (4 September 1963).

Casual or accidental formerly in the Pribilofs, Colorado, Montana, Baffin Island, Tobago, Trinidad, the Falkland Islands, Greenland, Iceland, and the British Isles.

Notes.—Numenius borealis and N. minutus may constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

**Numenius phaeopus** (Linnaeus). Whimbrel.

*Scolopax Phceopus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 146. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Tundra (breeding); beaches, rocky coasts, tidal mudflats, marshes, estuaries, flooded fields, and pastures (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breed [hudsonicus group] in North America from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, and northwestern Mackenzie south to western and central Alaska (Norton Sound, Alaska Range, Susitna River highlands) and southwestern Yukon, and along the western side of Hudson Bay from southern Keewatin south to northwestern James Bay (Lake River, Ontario); and [phaeopus group] in Eurasia from Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to the Orkney and Shetland islands, southern Scandinavia, central Russia, central Siberia, Anadyrland, and the Sea of Okhotsk. Recorded in summer and possibly breeding [hudsonicus group] on Banks and Southampton islands; nonbreeding birds also may summer in the wintering range, especially along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts of the United States, in the West Indies, and along the coasts of California and western South America.

Winters [hudsonicus group] in the Americas in coastal areas from southern British Columbia (rarely), Washington, the Gulf coast, and South Carolina (rarely farther south) north through Middle America, the Revillagigedo Islands, the West Indies (except Cuba), and South America (also the Galapagos Islands) to southern Chile and southern Brazil (casually to extreme northern Argentina); and [phaeopus group] in the Old World from the Mediterranean region (occasionally the British Isles), Arabia, India, Southeast Asia, and eastern China south to southern Africa, Madagascar, islands in the Indian Ocean, Australia, New Zealand, and the Fiji and Phoenix islands.

Migrates [hudsonicus group] primarily along the coast from southern Alaska (from Bristol Bay eastward, most commonly in spring), around Hudson and James bays, and (in fall) from Labrador and Newfoundland southward, regularly along the Great Lakes, locally (or casually) elsewhere in interior North America from southern Canada south to Arizona, New Mexico, and the Gulf states, and in Cuba; and [phaeopus group] through the western Aleutians (Near Islands), rarely to the Pribilof and St. Lawrence islands, and eastern Atlantic islands.

Casual [hudsonicus group] in the Hawaiian Islands, Clipperton Island, Bolivia, Europe, the Azores, and New Zealand; and [phaeopus group] in the Hawaiian Islands, mainland Alaska (Point Barrow), along the Atlantic coast of North America from southern Labrador, Newfoundland, and Nova Scotia south to New Jersey, and on Barbados; sight reports from Washington, Oregon, California, Ohio, Ontario, Quebec, Virginia, North Carolina, southern Florida, and the Virgin Islands.

Notes.—Groups: N. hudsonicus Latham, 1790 [Hudsonian Curlew] and N. phaeopus
[Whimbrel]. The two groups are genetically strongly differentiated (Zink et al. 1995) and may constitute two different species.

*Numenius tahitiensis* (Gmelin). Bristle-thighed Curlew.


**Habitat.**—Montane tundra with scattered shrubs (breeding); coastal tundra, grassy fields, tidal mudflats, and beaches (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in western Alaska (near the mouth of the Yukon River and on the Seward Peninsula); nonbreeding birds occur in summer on coastal tundra from Kotzebue Sound south to Hooper Bay, and occasionally in the Hawaiian Islands.

*Winters* on Pacific islands from the Hawaiian (most commonly from Midway east to French Frigate Shoals) and Marshall islands south to the Fiji, Tonga, Samoa, Marquesas, and Tuamotu islands.

*Migrates* regularly in spring through south-coastal Alaska (Cook Inlet to Prince William Sound and Middleton Island).

Casual in western Alaska (the Pribilof and Aleutian islands) and British Columbia (Vancouver Island), and west to the Mariana and Caroline islands. Accidental in Japan.

*Numenius madagascariensis* (Linnaeus). Far Eastern Curlew.


**Habitat.**—Moorlands and wet meadows (breeding); mudflats, beaches, and occasionally marshes (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from eastern Siberia and Kamchatka south to Transbaicalia, northern Mongolia, northern Manchuria, and Ussuriland.

*Winters* from Taiwan and the Philippines south to the East Indies, New Guinea, Australia, and (rarely) New Zealand.

*Migrates* regularly in spring through the Aleutian Islands (Attu, Adak, Shemya, Buldir, Amchitka, Nizki), casually reaching the Pribilof Islands (St. Paul, St. George).

Accidental in British Columbia (Boundary Bay, Delta).

*Numenius tenuirostris* Vieillot. Slender-billed Curlew.


**Habitat.**—Boggy areas in steppe country (breeding); mudflats, beaches, marshes, and wet fields (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in southwestern Siberia.

*Winters* along beaches and mudflats west to the Mediterranean region, straggling to the British Isles and northwestern Africa; nearing extinction.

Accidental in Ontario (Crescent Beach, fall, “about 1925”; Beardslee and Mitchell 1965).

*Numenius arquata* (Linnaeus). Eurasian Curlew.

*Scolopax Arquata* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 145. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Grasslands and marshes (breeding); beaches, on mudflats and in wet meadows (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from northern Eurasia south to southern Europe and the Gobi Desert region.

*Winters* from the southern parts of the breeding range south to southern Africa, Madagascar, the Indian Ocean, Southeast Asia, and the East Indies.

Accidental in Newfoundland (Ferryland), New York (Long Island), Massachusetts (Monomoy, Martha’s Vineyard, Tuckernuck Island), and Greenland; sight reports for Nova Scotia, Florida, and the Bahama Islands (Eleuthera).
Notes.—Also known as Common Curlew and, in Old World literature, as the Curlew. *Numenius arquata* and *N. americanus* may constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

**Numenius americanus** Bechstein. Long-billed Curlew.


**Habitat.**—Prairies and grassy meadows, sagebrush, generally near water or wet areas (breeding); tidal mudflats, marshes, wet fields, and wet grasslands (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds (at least locally) from south-central British Columbia, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, and southern Manitoba (formerly) south to east-central California, central Nevada, central Utah, central New Mexico, and northern Texas, and east to southwestern North Dakota, northwestern South Dakota, north-central Nebraska, and southwestern Kansas, formerly also to North Dakota, northwestern Iowa, Wisconsin, and Illinois. Small numbers of nonbreeding individuals occasionally summer in the winter range.

Winters from southwestern British Columbia (rarely), Washington, southern Arizona (rarely), extreme northern Mexico, southern Texas, southern Louisiana, southern Alabama, and coastal South Carolina south to southern Mexico (Oaxaca, Veracruz, and the Yucatan Peninsula) and southern Florida, irregularly through northern Central America to Honduras and Costa Rica.

Casual in southern Mackenzie, Minnesota, Missouri, Arkansas, the Atlantic coast (north to New Brunswick, at least formerly), Belize, and the Greater Antilles (Cuba, Jamaica); sight reports for southeastern Alaska, eastern James Bay (Brae Island), southern Ontario, Ohio, Tennessee, the Virgin Islands. Accidental in Panama (Canal area) and northeastern Venezuela.

Notes.—See comments under *N. arquata*.

Tribe LIMOSINI: Godwits

Genus *LIMOSA* Brisson


**Limosa limosa** (Linnaeus). Black-tailed Godwit.

*Scolopax Limosa* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 147. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Marshy grasslands, wet meadows, steppe, and moorlands (breeding); marshes, flooded fields, beaches, and mudflats (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, southern Scandinavia, the Baltic countries, central Russia, central Siberia, and Kamchatka south to southern Europe, southern Russia, Lake Baikal, Mongolia, and the Sea of Okhotsk.

Winters in the British Isles, Mediterranean region, India, Burma, China, and the Philippines south to east-central Africa, Sri Lanka (rarely), Malaysia, the East Indies, Australia, and Tasmania.

Migrates regularly in spring through the western Aleutian Islands (casually east to Adak), casually as far east as the Pribilof (St. Paul), St. Lawrence, and Little Diomede islands, the mainland of western (Golovin), southwestern (Naknek), and south-coastal Alaska (Kodiak Island).

Casual or accidental in Newfoundland, on Miquelon Island, and in Massachusetts (Dartmouth), Pennsylvania (Philadelphia), New Jersey (Brigantine), North Carolina (Bodie Island), Florida (Merritt Island), Louisiana (Vermilion Parish); sight reports for Ontario, Quebec, Delaware, the Lesser Antilles (St. Kitts, Barbados), and South Africa.
**Limosa haemastica** (Linnaeus). Hudsonian Godwit.


**Habitat.**—Grassy tundra near water (breeding); marshes, flooded fields, rice fields, and tidal mudflats (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds locally in south-coastal Alaska (Cook Inlet area) and probably also in western Alaska (Kotzebue Sound and Norton Bay); in Mackenzie (Fort Anderson, Great Slave Lake, and mouth of Mackenzie River area) and northwestern British Columbia (Chilkat Pass); and around Hudson Bay (in northeastern Manitoba and northern Ontario). Recorded in summer in central and northern Alaska, in north-central Mackenzie (Baturst Inlet), in the interior of Southampton Island, and on Akimiski Island in James Bay.

**Winters** in South America on the coasts of Peru and Chile (from Isla Chiloé south to the Straits of Magellan), and from Paraguay, southern Brazil, and Uruguay south to Tierra del Fuego and the Falkland Islands, casually also in New Zealand.

**Migrates** in spring primarily through the interior of North America from Texas and Louisiana north to northeastern British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, and the west side of Hudson Bay, along the Pacific coast of Oaxaca, Chiapas, Guatemala, and Costa Rica, and in Tamaulipas and Veracruz; in fall mostly southeastward from James Bay to the Maritime Provinces and New England, thence by sea southward, regularly recorded on Barbados and casually on Guadeloupe.

Casual in coastal and interior western North America from British Columbia, Idaho, and Montana south to southern California, Arizona, and New Mexico, in the interior of the eastern United States, in Newfoundland, along the Atlantic coast (south to Florida and west to Mississippi, primarily in fall), in southeastern Mexico (Distrito Federal), the Bahamas (Eleuthera), Greater Antilles (recorded definitely from Cuba, Hispaniola, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands), coastal Venezuela (including Curaçao), Trinidad, and Bolivia. Accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu), Britain, Denmark, South Africa, and Marshall Islands (Kwajalein); sight reports for Yucatan Peninsula and Panama.

**Limosa lapponica** (Linnaeus). Bar-tailed Godwit.

*Scolopax Lapponica* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 147. (in Lapponia = Lapland.)

**Habitat.**—Coastal tundra and sedge–dwarf shrub tundra of foothills (breeding); tidal mudflats, less frequently marshes and flooded fields (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in North America in Alaska from Wales and the Yukon River Delta east (rarely) to Point Barrow and the Sagavanirktok River Delta; and in Eurasia from northern Scandinavia east across northern Russia and northern Siberia to the Chukotski Peninsula and northern Anadyrland.

**Winters** from the British Isles, North Sea, Mediterranean region, Black Sea, Iraq, and the Persian Gulf south to central Africa, islands of the northern Indian Ocean and Sri Lanka, casually to the Azores, Canary Islands, southern Africa, Madagascar, the Seychelles, and Maldives Islands; and from southeastern China, Taiwan, and the Philippines south to the East Indies, western Polynesia, Australia, New Zealand, and the Chatham Islands.

**Migrates** through the Aleutian and Pribilof islands, along the Bering Sea coast of the Alaska Peninsula, and in the Pacific from the coast of Japan south through the islands of Polynesia to the Gilbert, Samoa, and Tonga islands, rarely along the Pacific coast from south-coastal Alaska (west to Kodiak) and British Columbia south to northern Baja California.

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands, in the Atlantic coastal region (Newfoundland, Quebec, Maine, Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, Virginia, North Carolina, and Florida), and in Iceland and the Faeroe and Cape Verde islands. Accidental in the Virgin Islands (St. Croix) and Venezuela. Sight reports for Saskatchewan and Nova Scotia.

**Limosa fedoa** (Linnaeus). Marbled Godwit.

Habitat.—Grasslands, prairie sloughs, marshes, and ponds, locally tundra (breeding); primarily tidal mudflats and marshes (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds in Alaska on the Alaska Peninsula (Ugashik Bay in the vicinity of the King Salmon and Dog Salmon rivers, probably in the Cinder River area, and possibly as far south and west as Port Heiden) and from east-central Alberta, south-central Saskatchewan, and southern Manitoba, western Ontario (Rainy River, also an isolated breeding population in northern Ontario on the southwestern coast of James Bay and Akimiski Island) south to central and eastern Montana, northeastern Colorado (once), North Dakota, northeastern South Dakota, and northwestern Minnesota, formerly to central Iowa, east-central Minnesota, and southern Wisconsin. Nonbreeding birds occur in summer in the winter range.

Winters from south-coastal British Columbia (rarely), coastal Washington, western Nevada, the Gulf coast and coastal South Carolina south to Florida, and along both coasts of Middle America (irregular or local south of Mexico) to Colombia and Venezuela, rarely south to northern Chile.

Migrates primarily through interior western North America and along the California coast, regularly north on the Pacific coast to British Columbia and southeastern and south-coastal Alaska, and, primarily in fall, casually through interior eastern North America and along the Atlantic coast from southern Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south to the Greater Antilles (east to Anegada in the Virgin Islands) and Grand Cayman in the Cayman Islands.

Accidental in the Hawaiian (Laysan, Hawaii) and Galapagos islands; reports from the Lesser Antilles, Tobago, and Trinidad are questionable.

Tribe ARENARIINI: Turnstones

Notes.—Formerly (A.O.U. 1957) considered a subfamily, the Arenariinae, which included the genus Aphriza, now regarded as related to Calidris (Jehl 1968a).

Genus ARENARIA Brisson

Arenaria Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 48; 5: 132. Type, by tautonymy, Arenaria Brisson = Tringa interpres Linnaeus.

Arenaria interpres (Linnaeus). Ruddy Turnstone.

Tringa Interpres Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 148. (in Europa & America septentronali = Gotland, Sweden.)

Habitat.—Tundra, usually near water; in winter, rocky coasts, jetties, beaches, rarely tidal mudflats; in migration, also bare lake-shores and occasionally wet dirt fields.

Distribution.—Breeds in North America from northern Alaska and the Canadian Arctic islands (Banks east to Ellesmere, Devon, southwestern Baffin, and Mansel islands) south to western Alaska (St. Lawrence Island and the Yukon River delta); and in the Palearctic from northern Greenland, Iceland, northern Scandinavia, Spitsbergen, Novaya Zemlya, and the New Siberian Islands south to central Greenland, the west coast of Norway, islands in the Baltic Sea, and the northern Siberian coast (east to the Bering Sea). Nonbreeding birds may be found in summer through the winter range.

Winters in the Pacific from the Hawaiian Islands southward; in North America in coastal areas from British Columbia, the Gulf coast, and southern New England (casually north to Nova Scotia) south along both coasts of Middle America (including Clipperton and the Revillagigedo Islands, off Mexico), through the West Indies, and along both coasts of South America (including the Galapagos Islands, Netherlands Antilles, Tobago, and Trinidad) to Tierra del Fuego; and in the Old World from the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, the Mediterranean region, Canary Islands, and southeastern China south to southern Africa, India, Indonesia, Australia, and New Zealand.

Migrates in North America regularly through the Aleutian and Pribilof islands, from Hudson Bay east to Labrador and Newfoundland (mostly in fall), and along the Atlantic coast from the Maritime Provinces southward, and in the Old World primarily along coastal areas between breeding and wintering ranges; in small numbers through the prairie areas of
the Canadian provinces, the lower Great Lakes, and the Mississippi and Ohio valleys; rarely along the Pacific coast from southeastern Alaska south to northern and interior southeastern California (to Salton Sea); and casually elsewhere through the interior of central and western North America, and to Bermuda. Accidental in Jan Mayen and Franz Josef Land. 

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as the Turnstone.

*Arenaria melanocephala* (Vigors). Black Turnstone.


**Habitat.**—Coastal salt-grass tundra (breeding); rocky seacoasts and offshore islets, jetties, less frequently in seaweed on beaches and tidal mudflats (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds locally along the coast of western and southern Alaska, from southeastern Kotzebue Sound south to the Yukon-Kuskokwim delta and the north side of the Alaska Peninsula. Nonbreeding birds may be found in summer through the wintering range.

Winters from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska (west to Kodiak) south along the Pacific coast to southern Baja California and central Sonora. Casual in the central Aleutians (Amchitka), Pribilofs (St. Paul), and inland in central Alaska, Yukon (Watson Lake, Kluane Lake), British Columbia (Atlin, Nulki Lake), Montana (Glacier National Park), Oregon (Washington County), and California. Accidental in Wisconsin (Winnebago County); a sight report for Nayarit.

**Tribe CALIDRIDINI: Calidridine Sandpipers**

**Genus APHRIZA Audubon**


Notes.—*Aphriza* was formerly (A.O.U. 1957) included in the subfamily Arenariinae, but it is closely related to *Calidris* (Jehl 1968a).

*Aphriza virgata* (Gmelin). Surfbird.


**Habitat.**—Rocky tundra above treeline in interior mountains (breeding); primarily rocky seacoasts and islands, jetties (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds widely in the mountain systems of western, central, and south-coastal Alaska (including Kodiak Island) and Yukon (except southeastern part). Occasional nonbreeding individuals summer as far south as Panama, and others have been recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) in western Alaska (from Kotzebue Sound south to Hooper and Goodnews bays).

Winters along the Pacific coast from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska (west to Kodiak) south along the Pacific coast of North America, Middle America (not recorded Honduras) and South America to Tierra del Fuego. Casual in central Alberta (Beaverhill Lake), interior California, the Gulf coast of Texas (Galveston, Port Aransas, Padre Island), and Florida (Escambia and Lee counties); a sight report for western Pennsylvania and in the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island).

**Genus CALIDRIS Merrem**


**Pelidna** Cuvier, 1816, Règne Anim. 1: 490. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), *Tringa cinclus* Linnaeus = *Tringa alpina* Linnaeus.


**Actodromas** Kaup, 1829, Nattirl. Syst., p. 55. Type *Tringa minuta* Leisler = *Calidris minuta* Leisler.


Notes.—See comments under *Eurynorhynchus*.

**Calidris tenuirostris** (Horsfield). Great Knot.


**Habitat.**—Barren or stony mountain tundra (breeding); rocky seacoasts, sandy beaches, and tidal mudflats (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in the mountains of northeastern Siberia from the lower Kolyma to Anadyrland, probably also from the Verkhoyansk Mountains east to the Sea of Okhotsk. *Winters* from the Persian Gulf, India, and Malaysia east and south to the Philippines, East Indies, New Guinea, and Australia. *Migrates* regularly along the coast of eastern Asia from Kamchatka south to Taiwan and the Ryukyu Islands, rarely in the interior of Siberia, and casually in spring through southwestern and western Alaska in the Aleutians (Shemya, Adak), Pribilofs (St. Paul), and on St. Lawrence Island and the Seward Peninsula. Accidental in Oregon (Bandon), England, Morocco, and Arabia.

**Calidris canutus** (Linnaeus). Red Knot.

*Tringa Canutus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 149. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Barren or stony tundra, but usually near water (breeding); primarily seacoasts on tidal mudflats and beaches; migrants inland usually found on extensive mudflats or bare lake-shores (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America in northwestern and northern Alaska (Seward Peninsula and Delong Mountains, rarely at Point Barrow and Cooper Island) and the Canadian Arctic islands east to Ellesmere and south to Victoria and Southampton, probably also on the Adelaide Peninsula and Mansel Island; and in the Palearctic from northern Greenland and Spitsbergen east to the New Siberian and Wrangel islands. Nonbreeding individuals occasionally summer in the wintering range, especially on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts of the United States. *Winters* in the Americas in coastal regions from southern British Columbia (rarely), Washington, the Gulf coast, and Massachusetts south to Tierra del Fuego, generally less commonly north of southern South America; and in the Old World from the British Isles, southern Europe, the Black Sea, India, Southeast Asia, and the Philippines south to central Africa, Australia, and New Zealand, casually to the Azores, South Africa, and Sri Lanka. *Migrates* in North America primarily along the Atlantic coast from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia south to Florida (rarely in fall in southern Labrador and Newfoundland), through the Great Lakes region, along the Pacific coast from southern Alaska and British Columbia southward (including interior southeastern California at the Salton Sea), irregally along the coasts of Middle America (not recorded Nicaragua) and South America (including Trinidad), locally (or casually) elsewhere through the interior of North America and through the West Indies (recorded Greater Antilles in Cuba [sight reports], the Cayman Islands, the Virgin Islands, the northern Lesser Antilles, Martinique, and Barbados); and in the Old
World generally in coastal areas through regions between the breeding and wintering ranges, casually through the eastern Atlantic islands. Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Kauai, Oahu), on islands in the Bering Sea, and in Bermuda, the Galapagos Islands, and Bolivia.

Calidris alba (Pallas). Sanderling.

*Trynga alba* Pallas, 1764, in Vroeg. Cat. Raisonn60is., Adumbr., p. 7. (de Noordsche Zeekusten = coast of the North Sea.)

**Habitat.**—Dry sedge, barren, or stony tundra, but generally near water (breeding); primarily sandy beaches, less frequently on mudflats, bare shores of lakes or rivers, jetties, and rocky seacoasts (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America in northern Alaska (Barrow), and from Banks, Prince Patrick, Loughheed, and northern Ellesmere islands south to northern Mackenzie, western Victoria Island, northern Keewatin (Melville Peninsula), the northwest coast of Hudson Bay (Cape Fullerton), and Southampton and northern Baffin islands; and in the Palearctic in northern Greenland, Spitsbergen, the Taimyr Peninsula, Severnaya Zemlya, mouth of the Lena River, and the New Siberian Islands. Nonbreeding birds occur in summer in the winter range.

*Winters* in the Hawaiian Islands; in the Americas in the Aleutians (locally), and from southern Alaska (west to the Aleutians), the Gulf coast, and Massachusetts (casually north to Nova Scotia) south along the coasts of North America and Middle America, through the West Indies, and along the coasts of South America to Tierra del Fuego (also in interior southeastern California at the Salton Sea); in the Old World from the British Isles, Outer Hebrides, Mediterranean region, Caspian Sea, Gulf of Oman, northern India, Burma, and China south to South Africa, Madagascar, southern India, the Maldives Islands, Sri Lanka, the East Indies and Australia; and on Pacific islands from the Mariana and Marshall islands south to the Phoenix, Union, and Galapagos islands.

*Migrates* in North America along the Pacific coast from the Aleutians and southern Alaska, the Atlantic coast from Newfoundland, and through the interior in the prairie areas of the Canadian provinces and from the Great Lakes southward, locally elsewhere in the interior and north to Labrador.

Casual on Clipperton Island, Jan Mayen, Franz Josef Land, and New Zealand.

Calidris pusilla (Linnaeus). Semipalmated Sandpiper.

*Tringa pusilla* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 252. Based on "La petite Alouette-de-mer de S. Domingue" Brisson, Ornithologie 5: 222, pl. 25, fig. 2. (in Domingo = Hispaniola.)

**Habitat.**—Open low-lying tundra, generally near water (breeding); mudflats, beaches, shores of shallow lakes and ponds, freshwater marshes, and occasionally wet meadows (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from the Arctic coast of western and northern Alaska (south to Norton Bay), northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, Canadian Arctic islands (Banks, Victoria, King William, central Baffin, and probably also Melville and Somerset islands), and northern Labrador south to western Alaska (mouth of the Yukon River), east-central Mackenzie, southeastern Keewatin, northeastern Manitoba, Southampton Island, northern Ontario (Cape Henrietta Maria), northern Quebec, and coastal Labrador; also in eastern Siberia. Nonbreeding individuals often summer in coastal North America south to the Gulf coast and Panama. *Winters* from southern Florida and the Bahamas south through the West Indies (also the northern Yucatan Peninsula and possibly elsewhere along the Gulf-Caribbean coast of Middle America) and along the Caribbean-Atlantic coast of South America (including Tobago and Trinidad) to Paraguay and southern Brazil, casually to southern Argentina; and along the Pacific coast of Middle America and South America from Chiapas south to northern Chile. *Migrates* primarily along the Atlantic-Gulf coast of North America from Newfoundland southward, through the interior of North America east of the Rockies, and rarely but regularly through the Pribilofs, along the Pacific coast from British Columbia south to northern Baja California, and through the interior of western North America.
Casual in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu), Aleutian Islands, Bermuda, the Galapagos Islands, Greenland, the British Isles, continental Europe, and the Azores.

**Calidris mauri** (Cabanis). Western Sandpiper.

*Ereunetes Mauri* Cabanis, 1857, *J. Ornithol.* 4 (1856): 419. (Cuba.)

**Habitat.**—Coastal, hilly sedge–dwarf tundra, generally near water (breeding); mudflats, beaches, shores of shallow lakes and ponds, and flooded fields, in winter primarily on tidal mudflats (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* on islands in the Bering Sea (St. Lawrence, Nunivak) and along the coasts of western and northern Alaska (from Bristol Bay and the Kashunuk River to the Seward Peninsula and, less frequently, Point Barrow and Camden Bay), and in northeastern Siberia. Nonbreeding birds summer south at least to Panama.

*Winters* from the coast of Washington (rarely from southern Alaska) and North Carolina (rarely New Jersey) south along both coasts of North America and Middle America, and through the West Indies to South America (including the Netherlands Antilles and Trinidad), on the Pacific coast to northern Peru and the Atlantic coast east to Surinam, casually in western and southern Arizona and southern New Mexico.

*Migrates* most commonly through the Pacific region from Alaska to South America, less commonly through the interior from central British Columbia, central Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southern (casually northeastern) Manitoba, and southern Ontario southward, regularly in small numbers (especially in fall) through the Pribilofs, along the Atlantic coast from New England (rarely Quebec, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia) southward, and casually to the Aleutians.

Casual in the Hawaiian, Clipperton, and Galapagos islands. Accidental in the British Isles, western Europe, the Azores, Canary Islands, Madeira, Tasmania, and Japan. Sight report for the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island).

**Calidris ruficollis** (Pallas). Red-necked Stint.


**Habitat.**—Marshy or mossy tundra and nearby rivers (breeding); tidal mudflats, beaches, and marshes (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America in northern and western Alaska (Point Barrow and Seward Peninsula); and in Eurasia in northeastern Siberia (Chukotski Peninsula to Anadyrland and Koryakland). Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) elsewhere in Alaska (Kotzebue Sound, St. Lawrence Island).

*Winters* from southern China south to the Andaman and Nicobar islands, East Indies, New Guinea, the Bismarck and Solomon islands, Australia, Tasmania, and New Zealand.

*Migrates* regularly through the western and central Aleutians, islands in the Bering Sea, and the mainland coast of northwestern and western Alaska (east rarely as far as the Colville River Delta), and casually from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska south along the Pacific coast of British Columbia (Fraser River delta), Oregon, and California.

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands, Ohio (Ashtabula), New York, Maine (Biddeford Pool), Massachusetts (Monomoy, Scituate), Connecticut (Guilford), and Delaware (Little Creek, Point Mahon). Sight reports for the Hawaiian Islands (Kure), Alberta, Nevada, Saskatchewan, Ontario, Missouri, Virginia, Peru, and South Africa.

**Notes.**—Also known as Rufous-necked Stint or Rufous-necked Sandpiper.

**Calidris minuta** (Leisler). Little Stint.


**Habitat.**—Mossy or wet tundra (breeding); marshes, flooded fields, and mudflats (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from northern Scandinavia east to the Chukotski Peninsula.
Winters in Africa and the Indian region. Migrates rarely (or casually) through northern Alaska (Barrow), the western Aleutians (Attu, Shemya, Buldir), the Pribilofs (St. Paul, St. George), and St. Matthews and St. Lawrence islands.

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Kure, Oahu), British Columbia (Richmond Delta), Oregon, California, Ontario, New York, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Massachusetts, North Carolina, and Bermuda. Sight reports for Tennessee, New Jersey, and Delaware.

**Calidris temminckii** (Leisler). Temminck’s Stint.

*Tringa Temminckii* Leisler, 1812, Nachtr. Bechstein’s Naturgesch. Dtsch., pt. 1, p. 64. (region of Hanau am Main, Germany.)

**Habitat.**—Mossy or wet tundra, and grassy meadows in the taiga (breeding); mudflats, shallow marshes, shores of lakes and ponds, flooded fields and, rarely, tidal flats (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from northern Scandinavia east across northern Russia to northern Siberia, and south to the Chukotski Peninsula and Anadyrland. Nonbreeding individuals summer south to Lake Baikal.

Winters from the Mediterranean region, Arabia, Iraq, Iran, India, southeastern China, and Taiwan south to central Africa, Sri Lanka, the Maldives Islands, Southeast Asia, and Borneo, casually in Japan and the Philippines.

Migrates casually through the Aleutians (Attu, Shemya, Buldir, Adak) and islands in the Bering Sea (St. Matthew, St. Lawrence, Pribilofs).

Accidental in British Columbia (Reifel Island, Delta) and South Africa. A sight report for northern Alaska (Wales).

**Calidris subminuta** (Middendorff). Long-toed Stint.

*Tringa subminuta* Middendorff, 1853, Reise Sib. 2(2): 222. (Höhen des Westabhanges vom Stanowoi Gebirge und des Nähe des Ausflusses des Uda = Stanovoi Mountains, Siberia.)

**Habitat.**—Mossy or wet tundra (breeding); sandy beaches, mudflats and shores of lakes and ponds (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in the Commander Islands, in Anadyrland and (probably) Kamchatka, and on Sakhalin and the northern Kuril Islands.

Winters from eastern India, southeastern China, Taiwan, and the Philippines south to Sri Lanka, the East Indies, and northern Australia.

Migrates regularly through the western Aleutians (from the Near Islands east rarely as far as Adak), casually to the Pribilofs (Otter, St. Paul, St. George), St. Lawrence Island, and western mainland Alaska (Wales).

Accidental in the northwestern Hawaiian Islands, Oregon (South Jetty, Columbia River), California (Salinas), England, and South Africa; reports from British Columbia and Connecticut require confirmation.

**Calidris minutilla** (Vieillot). Least Sandpiper.


**Habitat.**—Mossy or wet grassy tundra, occasionally in drier areas with scattered scrubby bushes bogs (breeding); marshes, flooded and wet fields, and shores of pools and shallow lakes, occasionally beaches and mudflats (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from western Alaska (Kobuk River), northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, Southampton Island, northern Quebec, and northern Labrador south to the Pribilofs (St. Paul), eastern Aleutians (Unalaska), Alaska Peninsula, southeastern Alaska, northwestern British Columbia (including northwestern Queen Charlotte Islands; Atlin), northern Saskatchewan, northeastern Manitoba, northern Ontario, New Brunswick (Machias Seal Island, probably), eastern Quebec (Anticosti and Magdalen is-
islands), Nova Scotia (Sable Island), and Newfoundland, with an isolated breeding in Massachusetts (Monomoy). Nonbreeding birds summer in the wintering range, primarily in North America south to California and the Gulf coast.

Winters in the Hawaiian Islands, and from south-coastal British Columbia (rarely), Washington, southern Nevada, Utah, central New Mexico, central Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, the Gulf states, and North Carolina (casually north to Long Island) south through Middle America, the West Indies, and South America (also all islands off the north coast) to the Galapagos Islands, northern Chile, central Bolivia, and central Brazil. Migrates regularly along coastal areas and through interior North America, west to the Pribilof and eastern Aleutian islands, and east to western Greenland.

Casual north to southern Victoria, Melville, and southern Baffin islands, and in Clipperton Island, Bermuda, Iceland, the British Isles, Europe, and the Azores.

Calidris fuscicollis (Vieillot). White-rumped Sandpiper.


Habitat.—Mossy or grassy, usually low-lying, tundra near water (breeding); grassy marshes, mudflats, flooded fields, and shores of ponds and lakes (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds from northern Alaska, northern Yukon (possibly), northwestern Mackenzie, and Banks, Melville, Bathurst, and northern Bylot islands south to the mainland coasts of Mackenzie and Keewatin, northwestern Hudson Bay (Chesterfield Inlet), and Southampton and southern Baffin islands.

Winters extensively in South America, primarily east of the Andes, south to Cape Horn and Tierra del Fuego, casually west of the Andes to Chile.

Migrates in spring primarily through Central America, eastern Mexico (recorded Tamaulipas, Veracruz, Yucatán, and Cozumel Island) and the interior of North America from the Great Plains east to the Mississippi and Ohio valleys, less commonly on the Atlantic seaboard north to the Maritime Provinces; and in fall mostly from Hudson Bay through the interior and along the Atlantic coast from Labrador and Newfoundland south through the West Indies and northern South America (also most islands off Venezuela).

Casual on Prince Patrick Island, and in western North America from south-coastal Alaska (Copper River delta), British Columbia, and Montana south to southern California and Arizona. Casual or accidental in the Galapagos Islands, Iceland, the British Isles, continental Europe, Franz Josef Land, the Azores, South Georgia, southern Africa, and Australia; a sight report for the Pacific coast of Oaxaca.

Calidris bairdii (Coues). Baird’s Sandpiper.


Habitat.—Dry coastal and alpine tundra (breeding); grassy marshes, and dry grassy areas near lakes and ponds, dried mudflats, rarely dry pastures and prairies away from water (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds from western and northern Alaska (Wales and Point Barrow eastward), northern Yukon, and Banks, Melville, Ellef Ringnes, and Ellesmere islands south to central Alaska (Askinuk Mountains and Susitna River highlands), extreme northwestern British Columbia (Haines Highway), northern Mackenzie, northern Keewatin, southern Melville Peninsula, and Southampton and south-central Baffin islands; also in northwestern Greenland, on Wrangel Island, and on the Chukotski Peninsula in northeastern Siberia.

Winters in South America locally in the Andes from Ecuador to Chile and Argentina, and in lowlands from Paraguay and Uruguay south through Chile and Argentina to Tierra del Fuego.

Migrates primarily through the central interior of Canada and the central plains of the United States and, in spring only, through Venezuela, Colombia, and Middle America; less frequently (primarily juveniles) and, mostly in fall, through the Pacific region (from Alaska south to Baja California, Arizona, and central Mexico, rarely elsewhere in Middle America) and along the Atlantic coast from New England south to Florida.
Casual in the Hawaiian Islands (Laysan, Oahu), Tres Marias Islands (off Nayarit), eastern Canada (Maritime Provinces), the Outer Hebrides, Faeroe Islands, British Isles, continental Europe, the Azores, and the Kuril and Galapagos islands; sight reports for the Bahamas, the Virgin Islands, and Barbados. Accidental on South Georgia and in southern Africa and Tasmania.

**Calidris melanotos** (Vieillot). Pectoral Sandpiper.

_Habitat._—Wet, grassy coastal tundra (breeding); wet meadows, marshes, flooded fields, grassy shores of ponds and pools, and occasionally mudflats (nonbreeding).

_Distribution._—Bred from western and northern Alaska (Wales and Point Barrow eastward), northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, and Banks, Victoria, Bathurst, Devon, northern Baffin, and Southampton islands south to western Alaska (Goodnews Bay), central Mackenzie, southeastern Keewatin, and (rarely) extreme northeastern Ontario (Cape Henrietta Maria); and along the Arctic coast of central and eastern Siberia from the Taimyr Peninsula eastward.

_Weights_ in southern South America from Peru, Bolivia, and southern Brazil south to central Chile and southern Argentina, casually north to Mexico, the Gulf coast, and Florida.

_Migrates_ chiefly through interior North America, Middle America, and northern South America, and in fall (uncommon in spring) through eastern North America (north to Labrador and Newfoundland) and the West Indies, including most islands off the north coast of South America; also regularly (mostly in fall) through the Hawaiian Islands, Pribilof and Aleutian islands (rarely), to the Pacific coast from British Columbia southward, and along the coast of eastern Asia from the Kuril Islands and Sakhalin south to Japan.

Casual north to Prince Patrick Island, and in western Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, continental Europe, the Azores, Africa, Australia, New Zealand, and Polynesia. Accidental on Clipperton, the Galapagos Islands, and South Georgia.

**Calidris acuminata** (Horsfield). Sharp-tailed Sandpiper.

_Habitat._—Grassy tundra (breeding); wet grassy areas, marshes, flooded fields, shores of lakes and ponds, and occasionally mudflats (nonbreeding).

_Distribution._—Bred in northern Siberia from the Indigirka to the Kolyma, probably also on the Chukotski Peninsula. Recorded rarely in summer (and possibly breeding) in western Alaska (Barrow, Kivalina).

_Weights_ from New Guinea, New Caledonia, and the Tonga Islands south to Australia, Tasmania and (rarely) New Zealand.

_Migrates_ regularly through the Hawaiian Islands, western Alaska (north to Cape Seppings and Kotzebue Sound), islands in the Bering Sea, the Aleutians, and east to Kodiak Island, and from eastern Siberia, Sakhalin, and Japan south through eastern China, the Philippines, East Indies (occasionally), and Ryukyu Islands; and rarely (primarily in fall) from southwestern and southeastern Alaska south along the Pacific coast to California, and through Pacific islands from Johnston and the Marshall Islands south to the Gilbert and Phoenix islands.

Casual elsewhere in North America, mostly in fall (recorded from northeastern British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, North Dakota, Ontario, New York, and New England south to Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, the Gulf coast, and Florida); a sight report for Quebec. Accidental on Tristan da Cunha, in the British Isles, Scandinavia, France, and northern India; an erroneous record from Vera Paz, Guatemala.

**Calidris maritima** (Brünnich). Purple Sandpiper.

_Habitat._—Tundra, especially rocky ridges and barren coastal beaches (breeding); rocky
seacoasts and jetties; inland migrants (rare) usually along rocky shores of large inland bodies of water (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America from Melville, Bathurst, Devon, Blyt, and Baffin islands south to Southampton and Belcher islands, and James Bay (North Twin Island); and in the Palearctic from western and southeastern Greenland, Iceland, Spitsbergen, Bear Island, Franz Josef Land, Novaya Zemlya, and the New Siberian Islands south to the Faeroe Islands, northern Scandinavia, and northern Siberia (Taimyr Peninsula). Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) west to Banks and Prince Patrick islands.

*Winters* in North America from southern New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south along the Atlantic coast to Virginia, rarely south to Florida, and casually inland to the Great Lakes (west to Wisconsin, Illinois, and Indiana) and along the Gulf coast to southern Texas; and in the Palearctic south to northwestern Europe, rarely to the Mediterranean region.

*Migrates* to Prince of Wales Island, Franklin District, and in coastal areas from Labrador southward, also regularly in the fall to the eastern Great Lakes region.

Casual or accidental in northern Alaska (Point Barrow), Manitoba, Minnesota, Oklahoma and the Azores; sight reports for Saskatchewan and interior Texas.

**Notes.**—*Calidris maritima* and *C. ptilocnemis* constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

*Calidris ptilocnemis* (Coues). Rock Sandpiper.

*Tringa ptilocnemis* Coues, 1873, in Elliott, Rep. Seal Islands *in Affairs in Alaska* (not paged). (St. George Island, Pribilof Islands.)

**Habitat.**—Dry grassy or mossy tundra in coastal or montane areas (breeding); rocky seacoasts and jetties (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in northeastern Siberia (Chukotski Peninsula and the Commander Islands), on islands in the Bering Sea (St. Lawrence, St. Matthew, Nunivak, and the Pribilofs), in the Aleutian and Shumagin (Sanak) islands.

*Winters* from southern Alaska (west to the Aleutians and Alaska Peninsula) south along the Pacific coast to central (casually southern) California; and in Eurasia from the Commander Islands south to the northern Kuril Islands.

Casual in interior northwestern British Columbia; a sight report for Saskatchewan. Unsubstantiated reports from northwestern Baja California.

**Notes.**—See comments under *C. maritima.*

*Calidris alpina* (Linnaeus). Dunlin.

*Tringa alpina* Linnaeus, 1758, *Syst. Nat.* (ed. 10) 1: 149. (in Lapponia = Lapland.)

**Habitat.**—Wet, marshy coastal tundra (breeding); mudflats, marshes, flooded fields, sandy beaches, and shores of lakes and ponds, occasionally rocky coasts, in winter primarily on tidal mudflats (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America from northern Alaska, northern Mackenzie (Baillie Island), northeastern Keewatin, southern Somerset Island, and Baffin Island south to western and south-coastal Alaska (rarely east to Cook Inlet and Copper River delta), Southampton Island, northeastern Manitoba (Churchill), and the south coast of Hudson Bay (locally to Cape Henrietta Maria); and in the northern Palearctic from Spitsbergen, northern Norway, and Novaya Zemlya south to the British Isles, Baltic region, and Arctic coast of northern Russia. Nonbreeding individuals are sometimes recorded in summer in the winter range.

*Winters* in the Hawaiian Islands (in small numbers); in North America along the Pacific coast of North America from southeastern Alaska south to Baja California and Nayarit, rarely east inland to western and southern Arizona and southern New Mexico, and south to Panama; on the Atlantic-Gulf-Caribbean coast from Massachusetts (rarely north to Nova Scotia) south to Florida, west to Texas, and south to the Yucatan Peninsula; and in the Old World from the British Isles, Mediterranean and Red seas, Gulf of Aden, India, southeastern China, and Japan south to the Cape Verde Islands, northern Africa, Arabia, the Indian coast, and Taiwan.
**Migrates** primarily along the Bering Sea coast of Alaska, the Pacific coast from the Aleutians and southern Alaska southward, the Atlantic coast from eastern Quebec and Nova Scotia southward, and in smaller numbers through the interior of North America from southern Canada south to Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, and the Gulf coast, most frequently through the Mississippi Valley and Great Lakes region.

Casual in Newfoundland; sight reports for Belize, the West Indies (south to Barbados), French Guiana, Peru, and Argentina.

*Calidris ferruginea* (Pontoppidan). Curlew Sandpiper.

*Tringa Ferruginea* Pontoppidan, 1763, Dan. Atlas 1: 624. (Iceland and Christiansøe [Denmark].)

**Habitat.**—Tundra; in Alaska, primarily wet coastal tundra (breeding); mudflats, marshes, and beaches (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** in North America rarely in northern Alaska (Barrow); and in Eurasia in northern Siberia from the Yenisei Delta east through the Taimyr Peninsula and New Siberian Islands to Cape Baranov.

**Winters** from the British Isles (rarely), Mediterranean region, Iraq, India, Burma, southern Thailand, and the Philippines (rarely) south to southern Africa, Madagascar, Mauritius, Sri Lanka, the Malay Peninsula, southern Australia, Tasmania, and New Zealand.

Casual during migration in western Alaska and the Aleutian Islands, along the Pacific coast of North America from south-coastal Alaska south to southern California, in eastern North America from Quebec, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia south to Florida and west along the Gulf coast to Texas, and in the Lesser Antilles (Grenada, Carriacou, and Barbados, sight reports from Antigua and the Virgin Islands); also scattered reports in interior North America from Washington, Alberta, Montana, Manitoba, and southern Ontario south to southeastern California, northern Utah (sight report), Kansas, Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio. Accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu), Costa Rica, Ecuador, Peru, Argentina, and the Marshall Islands (Kwajalein).

*Calidris himantopus* (Bonaparte). Stilt Sandpiper.


**Habitat.**—Sedge tundra near water, often near wooded borders of the taiga (breeding); mudflats, flooded fields, shallow ponds and pools, and marshes (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** from northern Alaska (west to Prudhoe Bay, probably rarely Colville River), northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie (Cockburn Point, Perry River), and southern Victoria Island southeast to southeastern Keewatin, northeastern Manitoba, and northern Ontario (Cape Henrietta Maria), probably also south locally in Canada to borders of the taiga.

**Winters** from Nayarit and Tamaulipas (irregularly also interior Mexico) and the West Indies south through Middle America and North America to northern Chile, south-central Brazil, and northern Argentina, casually north to central California (especially the Salton Sea), the Gulf coast, and Florida.

**Migrates** mostly through interior North America, in the fall also regularly along the Atlantic coast from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia southward (including the West Indies), and rarely in both migration periods along the Pacific coast from southeastern Alaska southward, casually through western Alaska, the Pribilof Islands, south-coastal Alaska, and British Columbia.

Casual on Bathurst Island, and in Bermuda, and the Galapagos Islands. Accidental in Iceland, the British Isles, continental Europe, and northern Australia.

**Notes.**—Formerly classified in the monotypic genus *Micropalarna*, but morphological (Jehl 1968b) and genetic (Dittmann and Zink 1991) data support its membership in the genus *Calidris*. 
Genus **EURYNORHYNCHUS** Nilsson


**Notes.**—In spite of its unusual bill morphology, great similarities exist between this monotypic genus and the genus *Calidris*, particularly in the anatomy (Burton 1971) and plumage of the downy young (Jehl 1968b). Some authors (Portenko 1972, Voous 1973) have suggested that *Eurynorhynchus* may be merged eventually into *Calidris*. Strauch (1978) found that the morphology of *Eurynorhynchus* is intermediate between *Calidris* and *Microptilus*, subsequently merged into *Calidris*. Tomkovich (1991) found behavioral differences between it and *Calidris*, but did not comment on taxonomy. Further studies are needed.

**Eurynorhynchus pygmeus** (Linnaeus). Spoonbill Sandpiper.

*Platalea pygmea* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 140. Based on *Platalea corpore supra fusco, subtus albo* Linnaeus, Mus. Adolphi Friderici 2: . . . (in Surinami, error = eastern Asia.)

**Habitat.**—Stone or shell banks (breeding); mudflats and beaches (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in northeastern Siberia.

Winters in Southeast Asia.

Casual in northwestern Alaska (Arctic coast at Wainwright), the Aleutians (Attu, Buldir), and southwestern British Columbia (Iona Island, Richmond); sight reports for the Pribilof Islands (St. Paul) and Alberta.

Genus **LIMICOLA** Koch


*Scolopax Falcinellus* Pontoppidan, 1763, Dan. Atlas 1: 263. (No locality given = Denmark.)

**Habitat.**—Wet subarctic bogs and grassy sloughs (breeding); muddy ponds, marshes, wet meadows, sewage plants, tidal mudflats (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in northeastern Siberia.

Winters from India and southeastern China south to the East Indies, Australia, and New Zealand.

Casual in the Aleutians (Shemya, Buldir, Adak); sight reports for Nova Scotia and South Africa.

Genus **TRYNGITES** Cabanis


*Tryngites subruficollis* (Vieillot). Buff-breasted Sandpiper.


**Habitat.**—Dry areas in moist grassy tundra (breeding); dry grasslands (usually short grass), pastures, plowed fields, and, rarely, beaches (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from northern Alaska (Barrow and Atkasuk eastward), northern Yukon, northwestern Mackenzie, and Banks, Melville, Bathurst, and Devon islands south to southern Victoria, Jenny Lind (in Queen Maud Gulf), and King William islands.

Winters in South America (occasionally in the northern part) in Paraguay, Uruguay, and northern Argentina.

Migrates primarily through the interior of North America (between the Rocky Mountains
and the Mississippi Valley), eastern Mexico, Central America (not recorded Belize) and northern South America east to Trinidad, Guyana, and Surinam, rarely (mostly in fall) through eastern North America from northern Ontario, southern and eastern Quebec, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south to southern Florida, and through the West Indies, casually in western North America from western Alaska, the Pribilof and Aleutian islands, southern Alaska, northeastern British Columbia, and Montana south to California and New Mexico.

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Kure, Midway, Kauai, Oahu), Labrador, Iceland, the British Isles, continental Europe, the Azores, Egypt, eastern Siberia, the Kuril Islands, Japan, and Australia; a sight report for southern Africa.

Genus **PHILOMACHUS** Merrem


*Machetes* Cuvier, 1817, Règne Anim. 1:490. Type, by original designation, *Tringa pugnax* Linnaeus.

**Philomachus pugnax** (Linnaeus). Ruff.

*Tringa Pugnax* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 148. (in Europa minus boreali = southern Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Grassy tundra, along shores of lakes and ponds, in wet meadows and marshes, and rarely in hayfields (breeding); mudflats, marshes, and flooded fields (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in Eurasia from northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to the British Isles (at least formerly), western and northern Europe, southern Russia, southern Siberia, and Anadyrland; also has nested in North America in northwestern Alaska (Point Lay). Occasional nonbreeding individuals are recorded in summer in the wintering range.

**Winters** from the British Isles, southern Europe, Iraq, Arabia, the Persian Gulf, southeastern China, and Taiwan south to southern Africa, India, Sri Lanka, the East Indies, Philippines, and Australia.

Migrates regularly through the Hawaiian Islands, western and southwestern Alaska (including St. Lawrence, Pribilof, and Aleutian islands), along the east coast of North America (from Massachusetts to Florida), and to Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and Lesser Antilles (mostly in fall, recorded Antigua, Guadeloupe, Barbados, St. Lucia, and Grenada).

Casual in western North America (primarily along the Pacific coast) from south-coastal Alaska and northeastern British Columbia south to southern California, northern Baja California, and Arizona; throughout most of North America east of the Rockies from southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, southern Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south to Texas, the Gulf coast, the Bahamas and Greater Antilles; and in Guatemala (Santa Rosa), Trinidad, Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, Johnston Island, the Marshall Islands, and New Zealand; sight reports for Costa Rica, Panama, Venezuela, and Peru.

Tribe LIMNODROMINI: Dowitchers

Genus **LIMNODROMUS** Wied


**Limnodromus griseus** (Gmelin). Short-billed Dowitcher.


**Habitat.**—Grassy or mossy tundra and muskegs and wet meadows (breeding); mudflats, estuaries, and (less frequently) shallow marshes, pools, ponds, flooded fields, and sandy beaches, in winter primarily tidal mudflats (nonbreeding).
**Distribution.**—Breeds in coastal regions of southern Alaska (Bristol Bay east to the Stikine River mouth); in central Canada from southern Yukon, southern Mackenzie, and central Quebec (interior of the Ungava Peninsula) south to northwestern British Columbia, central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, northeastern Manitoba, the north coast of Ontario, and James Bay (and islands), south-central Quebec, and central Labrador. Nonbreeding individuals often summer in the wintering range.

Winters from central Washington, the Gulf coast, and coastal South Carolina south through the West Indies and along both coasts of Middle America and South America to central Peru and east-central Brazil.

Migrates regularly along the Pacific coast of North America from southeastern Alaska southward, through the interior of North America in the prairie regions of the Canadian provinces and from the Great Lakes region south through the Mississippi Valley, and along the Atlantic coast from southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland southward, occurring rarely elsewhere in the interior of western North America.

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands, Pribilof Islands, Bermuda, Greenland, the British Isles, continental Europe, the Azores.

**Notes.**—Limnodromus griseus and L. scolopaceus were formerly considered to be a single species until Pitelka (1950) showed that they are separate species; they may constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970), but they are strongly differentiated genetically (Avise and Zink 1988).

**Limnodromus scolopaceus** (Say). Long-billed Dowitcher.

*Limosa scolopacea* Say, 1823, in Long, Exped. Rocky Mount. 1: 170. (near Boyer Creek = Council Bluffs, Iowa.)

**Habitat.**—Grassy tundra and muskegs and wet meadows (breeding); marshes, shores of ponds and lakes, mudflats, and flooded fields, primarily in fresh-water situations (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in North America in coastal western and northern Alaska (Hooper Bay, north coast), northern Yukon, and northwestern Mackenzie; and in Eurasia in northeastern Siberia on the Chukotski Peninsula and in Anadyrland.

Winters from south coastal British Columbia, Utah (rarely), southern New Mexico, central Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida (casually north to Maryland and Delaware) south through Mexico (except the Yucatan Peninsula) to Guatemala, rarely to Costa Rica, and casually to Panama (Bocas del Toro, and probably Canal area).

Migrates most commonly through western North America west of the Rocky Mountains, regularly (and primarily in fall) east of the Rockies from southern Canada (Alberta east to Quebec and, rarely, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia) south to Florida, casually through the Aleutians and to the Antilles (recorded Cuba, Jamaica, the Virgin Islands, and St. Kitts), and Cayman Islands, also in the Hawaiian Islands.

A record of an individual of this species in breeding plumage taken in October in Argentina (Buenos Aires) is doubtful; sight reports from South America may pertain to *L. griseus*.

Casual on Clipperton Island, and in the British Isles and continental Europe.

**Notes.**—See comments under *L. griseus*.

**Tribe GALLINAGINI: Snipe**

**Notes.**—The tribe name has been formed incorrectly in the past as Gallinagoini (A.O.U. 1983) and Gallinaginini (Auk 101: 340, 1984). The appropriate root upon which the family-group name is based is "Gallinag."

**Genus LYMNOCRYPTES** Kaup


**Lymnocryptes minimus** (Brünnich). Jack Snipe.

*Scolopax Minima* Brünnich, 1764, Ornithol. Bor., p. 49. (E Christiansøe [Island, Denmark].)
Habitat.—Tundra (breeding); marshes and flooded fields (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds from northern Eurasia south to central Russia and central Siberia. Winters from the British Isles, southern Europe, India, and southeastern China south to central Africa, Sri Lanka, and Taiwan.

Casual in Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, Madeira, the Azores, Kuril Islands, and Japan. Accidental in Alaska (St. Paul in the Pribilof Islands, Spring 1919), California (Gridley, Butte County, 20 November 1938; Colusa, 2 December 1990), Labrador (Makkovik Bay, 24 December 1927), and Barbados (12 November 1960).

Genus GALLINAGO Brisson

Gallinago Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 5: 298. Type, by tautonymy, Gallinago Brisson = Scolopax gallinago Linnaeus.


Notes.—For use of Gallinago instead of Capella, see Mayr (1963).

Gallinago gallinago (Linnaeus). Common Snipe.

Scolopax Gallinago Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 147. (in Europa = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Wet, grassy areas from tundra to temperate lowlands and hilly regions; in winter and migration, also wet meadows, flooded fields, bogs, marshes, and marshy banks of rivers and lakes (Temperate Zone; in migration and winter also to Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Breeds [delicata group] in North America from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and central Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northeastern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northern Quebec, and central Labrador south to southern Alaska (west to Unalaska in the Aleutians), southern California, east-central Arizona, northern New Mexico, southern Colorado, western Nebraska, northern Iowa, northeastern Illinois, northern Indiana, northern Ohio, northern West Virginia, northwestern Pennsylvania, northern New Jersey, New England, and the Maritime Provinces; and [gallinago group] in Eurasia from Iceland, the Faeroe, Orkney, and Shetland islands, the British Isles, Scandinavia, northern Russia, northern Siberia, and Bering Island south to southern Europe, southern Russia, the Himalayas, and Kuril Islands, and (probably) in the western Aleutians (Near Islands).

Winters [delicata group] in the Americas from southern (rarely) and southeastern Alaska, southern British Columbia, eastern Washington, Idaho, the central United States (from Montana, southern Minnesota, and the lower Mississippi and Ohio valleys), Pennsylvania and southern New England (casually from southern Canada) south through Middle America and the West Indies to Colombia, Venezuela, Surinam, and Ecuador; and [gallinago group] in the Old World from the British Isles, southern Europe, Madeira (casually), southern Russia, and Japan south to south-central Africa, Sri Lanka, the Andaman Islands, Java, and the Philippines, and (rarely) in the Hawaiian Islands.

Casual or accidental [delicata group] in the Hawaiian Islands, Bermuda, Greenland, and Scotland; and [gallinago group] in the Pribilof Islands, St. Lawrence Island, Labrador (Jack Lane’s Bay), Bermuda, and Greenland.

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as the Snipe. Groups: G. gallinago [Common Snipe] and G. delicata (Ord, 1825) [Wilson’s Snipe]; the close approach of the breeding ranges in the Aleutian Islands, and differences in display sounds (Thönen 1969) and external morphology (Oberholser 1921, Wetmore 1926, Tuck 1972), suggest that the two groups may be distinct species, but there appears to be no conclusive genetic evidence to support this treatment (Zink et al. 1995). The South American G. paraguaii (Vieillot, 1816) and G. andina Taczanowski, 1875, are considered conspecific with G. gallinago by some authors (e.g., Blake 1977); they and the African G. nigripennis Bonaparte, 1839, constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

Gallinago stenura (Bonaparte). Pin-tailed Snipe.

Habitat.—Wet meadows and marshes.

Distribution.—Breeds from northeastern Russia and northern Siberia south to central Russia, northern Manchuria, and the Sea of Okhotsk.

Winters from India, Southeast Asia, southeastern China, and Taiwan south to the East Indies, casually to northeastern Africa and islands in the Indian Ocean.


Tribe SCOLOPACINI: Woodcocks

Genus SCOLOPAX Linnaeus

Scolopax Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 145. Type, by tautonymy, Scolopax rusticola Linnaeus (Scolopax, prebinomial specific name, in synonymy).

Subgenus SCOLOPAX Linnaeus

Scolopax rusticola Linnaeus. Eurasian Woodcock.

Habitat.—Moist woodland, both deciduous and coniferous, generally with ground cover of brackens and bushes, also in bogs, heath, and moorlands.

Distribution.—Breeds locally from the British Isles, Scandinavia, and the area of the Arctic Circle in Russia and Siberia south to the eastern Atlantic islands, northern Mediterranean region, southern Russia, northern India, the Himalayas, Turkestan, Transcaucasia, Japan, the Seven Islands of Izu, Kurl Islands, and Sakhalin.

Winters from the British Isles, southern Europe, Iraq, Iran, India, southeastern China, and Japan south to the Cape Verde Islands, northern Africa, southern India, the Malay Peninsula, Philippines (rarely), and Ryukyu Islands.

Casual in eastern North America (recorded from Newfoundland, southwestern Quebec, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Alabama, mostly in the 19th Century), and in Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, and Spitsbergen.

Notes.—Also known as European Woodcock and, in Old World literature, as the Woodcock.

Subgenus PHILOHELA Gray


Habitat.—Moist woodland, primarily deciduous or mixed, thickets along streams or in boggy areas, usually with nearby wet grassy meadows and fields.

Distribution.—Breeds from southern Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, northern New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and southwestern Newfoundland south to eastern Oklahoma, east-central Texas, the Gulf states, and southern Florida, and west to central and eastern Colorado, eastern North Dakota, eastern South Dakota, eastern Nebraska, and eastern Kansas.

Winters in the southeastern United States from Oklahoma, southern Missouri, Tennessee, the northern portions of the Gulf states, and southern New England south to east-central Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida, rarely wintering farther north in the breeding range.

Casual in Montana, Wyoming, New Mexico, southern Texas, Manitoba, northeastern Ont-
tario, eastern Quebec, and Bermuda, also sight reports for Saskatchewan, Wyoming, southeastern Arizona, and eastern Mexico (Tamaulipas, Quintana Roo).

Subfamily PHALAROPODINAE: Phalaropes

Genus PHALAROPUS Brisson

Phalaropus Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 50; 6: 12. Type, by tautonymy, Phalaropus Brisson = Tringa fulicaria Linnaeus.

Loebipes Cuvier, 1816, Règne Anim., 1, p. 495. Type, by original designation, Tringa hyperborea Linnaeus = Tringa lobata Linnaeus.


Phalaropus tricolor (Vieillot). Wilson’s Phalarope.


Habitat.—Shallow fresh-water marshes and wet meadows (breeding); also on lake shores, mudflats, and salt marshes, and (rarely) along seacoasts, staging in migration on salt lakes (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds from coastal British Columbia (Vancouver Island), southern Yukon, northern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, western and southern Ontario, extreme southern Quebec, northeastern New York, and New Brunswick south locally in the interior to east-central California, central Nevada, central Utah, east-central Arizona, northern New Mexico, central Kansas, western Nebraska, eastern South Dakota, northern Iowa, northern Illinois, northern Indiana (formerly), and northern Ohio, with isolated breeding in northeastern Manitoba, southwestern James Bay, and Massachusetts (Plum Island). Recorded in summer (nonbreeding) in central and south-coastal Alaska (probably has bred), central Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, and Nova Scotia.

Winters primarily in western and southern South America from Peru, Bolivia, Paraguay, and Uruguay south through Chile and Argentina, casually as far north as central California, Utah, central New Mexico, southern Texas, southwestern Louisiana, and Florida.

Migrates regularly through western North America (east to the Great Plains and Louisiana), Middle America (not recorded Nicaragua), Colombia, and Ecuador, and uncommonly through central and eastern North America from southern Quebec (including Anticosti Island) and New Brunswick south to Florida and the Gulf coast; recorded regularly in fall on Barbados.

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands, western and northern Alaska, Clipperton Island, elsewhere in the West Indies (recorded Great Inagua in the Bahamas, Grand Cayman, Jamaica, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guadeloupe, and Martinique), the Galapagos and Falkland islands, South Georgia, Venezuela, Iceland, British Isles, continental Europe, the Azores, Africa, islands of the central Pacific (Johnston and Easter), Australia, New Zealand, and Antarctica; a sight report for Surinam.

Phalaropus lobatus (Linnaeus). Red-necked Phalarope.


Habitat.—Grass-sedge borders of ponds and lakes in tundra (breeding); in winter, primarily pelagic, most commonly at upwellings; occurring in migration on ponds, lakes, open marshes, estuaries, and bays.

Distribution.—Breeds in North America from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, southern Victoria Island, central Keewatin, and Southampton and southern Baffin islands south to the Pribilof and Aleutian islands, southern Alaska, northwestern British Columbia, southern Yukon, southern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, islands in southern James Bay, northern Quebec, and...
locally along the Labrador coast; and in the Palearctic from Greenland, Iceland, the northern British Isles, Faeroe and Shetland islands, and Spitsbergen east across Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia to the Bering Sea, Kamchatka, and the Commander Islands. Nonbreeding individuals occur in summer along the coast of Newfoundland and on Miquelon Island. Winters primarily at sea, in the Pacific from the Ryukyu Islands, central equatorial islands and central Mexico (north to Colima) south to the Lesser Sunda Islands, New Guinea, Australia (rarely), New Zealand, and southern South America, casually north to central California; in the South Atlantic off southern South America and Africa, casually north to the Azores; and in the Indian Ocean from East Africa east to Malaya.

Migrates regularly through the North Pacific and North Atlantic oceans along North American and Eurasian coasts, also regularly through interior California, northern Utah (mainly Great Salt Lake), and western Europe; less commonly but regularly through interior western North America from British Columbia and the prairie regions of Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba south to Arizona, New Mexico, and western Texas; rarely or irregularly through interior central and eastern North America and Middle America south to Distrito Federal, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and Florida; and casually through Middle America (not recorded Belize), Cuba, and Bermuda; sight reports from Jamaica, Puerto Rico, and the Bahamas (New Providence).

Accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Laysan, Kauai, Oahu).

Notes.—Dittmann and Zink (1991) confirmed that this species and P. fulicaria are more closely related to each other than either is to P. tricolor.

**Phalaropus fulicaria** (Linnaeus). Red Phalarope.


Habitat.—Wet coastal tundra (breeding); in winter, primarily pelagic, most commonly at upwellings; occurring in migration on bays and estuaries, less frequently on ponds, lakes, and marshes.

Distribution.—Breeds in North America from western Alaska (Yukon delta and St. Lawrence Island) east across northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, and Banks, Melville, Ellesmere, Bylot, Dundas, and northern Baffin islands, and south to eastern Keewatin, Southampton, and Mansel islands, and northern Labrador (probably); and in the Palearctic from Greenland and Iceland east through Arctic islands (Spitsbergen, Bear, Novaya Zemlya, and New Siberian) to northern Siberia. Nonbreeding individuals summer off the coasts of California and Newfoundland.

Winters at sea off the Hawaiian Islands, off the Pacific coast of South America from Colombia and Ecuador south to Chile (also regularly off California, Mexico, and in the Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic Ocean from Florida southward); in the South Atlantic off Patagonia and the Falkland Islands, and off western Africa; and in the western Pacific from Japan south, at least casually to New Zealand.

Migrates regularly through the Aleutians and along both coasts of North America (recorded south to Baja California, Guerrero, Oaxaca, Texas, the Gulf coast, and Florida), rarely or casually through the interior from Mexico north; also through the North Atlantic, western Mediterranean Sea, western Europe, and the Pacific Ocean off Japan.

Casual in Guatemala and Cuba; sight reports from Barbados. Accidental in India, the Philippines, and Antarctica.

Notes.—See under *P. lobatus*.

Family GLAREOLIDAE: Coursers and Pratincoles

Subfamily GLAREOLINAE: Pratincoles

Genus **GLAREOLA** Brìsson

*Glareola* Brìsson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 48; 5: 141. Type, by tautonymy, *Glareola Brìsson* = *Hirundo pratincola* Linnaeus.
Glareola maldivarum Forster. Oriental Pratincole.

*Glareola (Pratincola) Maldivarum* J. R. Forster, 1795, Faunula Indica, ed. 2, p. 11. (open sea, in the latitude of the Maldivia [= Maldive] Isles.)

**Habitat.**—Grassy steppe.

**Distribution.**—Breed in eastern Asia from Mongolia and southern Siberia south to Pakistan, India, Sri Lanka, the Andaman Islands and eastern China, and winters from southern Asia and the Philippines south to northern Australia, in migration casually east to Japan and the Kuril Islands.


**Family LARIDAE: Skuas, Gulls, Terns, and Skimmers**

**Subfamily STERCORARIINAE: Skuas and Jaegers**

**Notes.**—We follow Sibley and Monroe (1990) for sequence of genera and species.

**Genus CATHARACTA** Brünnich

*Catharacta* Brünnich, 1764, Ornithol. Bor., p. 32. Type, by subsequent designation (Reichenbach, 1852), *Catharacta skua* Brünnich.


**Catharacta skua** Brünnich. Great Skua.

*Catharacta skua* Brünnich, 1764, Ornithol. Bor., p. 33. (E. Feroa Islandia = Iceland.)

**Habitat.**—Coastal islands with low vegetation, usually near seabird colonies; in Old World, also moors or pastures near the sea, occasionally sandy flats in estuaries (breeding); pelagic, mainly over continental shelf (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds [skua group] in Iceland, and the Faeroe, Shetland and Orkney islands; [antarctica group] in the Falkland Islands and along the coast of southern Argentina; and [lonnbergi group] widely on southern oceanic islands such as the South Shetlands, Deception, South Orkneys, South Georgia, Bouvet, Prince Edwards, Crozets, Kerguelen, Heard, Macquarie, Auckland, Campbell and Antipodes. Nonbreeding birds [skua group] have been recorded in summer from Franklin District (Barrow Straits, Lancaster Sound, Baffin Bay), southern Labrador, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Massachusetts (Georges Bank), Greenland, Jan Mayen, Spitsbergen and the northern European coast.

Winters at sea [skua group] in the eastern North Atlantic, from lat. 60° N. south to the Tropic of Cancer, regularly on the Newfoundland Banks and off the coast from Nova Scotia to New Jersey, and rarely to the Canary Islands and Mediterranean region; [antarctica group] primarily in the South Atlantic and along eastern South America from Brazil to the Straits of Magellan; and [lonnbergi group] in southern oceans, most regularly off Australia.

Accidental [skua group] in Belize (Ambergris Cay), Guyana, Novaya Zemlya and continental Europe; and [lonnbergi group] off Îles des Saintes (near Guadeloupe, Lesser Antilles, recovery of bird banded in South Shetlands, although there is some doubt about the identity of this individual; Devillers 1978). Reports of *C. s. antarctica* and *C. s. lonnbergi* off the west coast of North America all pertain to *C. maccormicki* (see Devillers 1978), and those from Barbados and off Haiti and Puerto Rico may pertain to species other than *C. skua*.

**Notes.**—Also known as Brown Skua. Groups: *C. antarctica* (Lesson, 1831) [Falkland Skua], *C. lonnbergi* Mathews, 1912 [Southern Skua], and *C. skua* [Northern Skua]. *Catharacta (skua) antarctica* and *C. chilensis* (Bonaparte, 1856) exhibit limited hybridization in areas where both breed on the coast of Argentina (Devillers 1978) and have been considered conspecific by earlier authors. Although many authors previously treated *C. maccormicki* as a race of *C. skua*, *C. (s.) lonnbergi* and *C. maccormicki* breed sympatrically with limited hybridization on some sub-Antarctic islands (Parmelee 1988).
**Catharacta maccormicki** (Saunders). South Polar Skua.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; breeds on barren promontories and islands, usually near seabird colonies.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on the South Shetland Islands, and along the coast of Antarctica. Ranges at sea regularly to the North Pacific, occurring in the northern spring, summer and fall from the Gulf of Alaska south to Mexico (occasional reports of skuas off Panama probably pertain to this species), in Hawaiian waters (at least casually), and off Japan; and to the North Atlantic (north to New England, Newfoundland and Greenland). It is likely that most skuas in the central North Atlantic in the northern summer pertain to this species (Devillers 1977a).

Accidental in North Dakota (Lake Oahe); a sight report for northern Alaska.

**Notes.**—See comments under *C. skua*.

**Genus STERCORARIUS** Brisson

*Stercorarius* Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 56; 6: 149. Type, by taautonymy, *Stercorarius Brisson = Larus parasiticus* Pallas.


*Lestris pomarinus* Temminck, 1815, Man. Ornithol. (ed. 1, 1814): 514. (les régions du cercle arctique; de passage accidentel sur les côtes de Hollande et de France = Arctic regions of Europe.)

**Habitat.**—Coastal marshy or mossy tundra (breeding); primarily pelagic, casually on large inland bodies of water (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in North America in western and northern Alaska (south to Hooper Bay) east across the Canadian Arctic islands (north to Melville, Bathurst, Devon, Bylot and Baffin islands), and south to northern Mackenzie, Southampton Island and northwestern Quebec; and in the Palearctic in western Greenland, Spitsbergen, Bear Island, Novaya Zemlya, and in northern Russia and northern Siberia from the Taimyr Peninsula to Anadyrland. Nonbreeding birds occur in summer off Alaska and British Columbia (Bering Sea and Aleutians south to Queen Charlotte Islands) and California, in central Canada (south to northern Alberta and Hudson Bay), and in the Atlantic from Labrador and Newfoundland south to New England; also off Scandinavia.

Winters primarily at sea in the Pacific near the Hawaiian Islands (primarily off Oahu), from northern California south to Peru and the Galapagos Islands, and off eastern Australia; and in the Gulf-Caribbean-Atlantic region north to the Gulf coast and Florida (possibly to North Carolina), and off the coasts of northeastern South America (Colombia to Guyana) and Africa.

Migrates regularly off both coasts of North America and along the Gulf coast (west to Texas and south to the Yucatan Peninsula); not recorded off the Caribbean coast of Middle America between southern Mexico and Costa Rica.

Casual in the interior of North America (from southern Canada south to southeastern California, Arizona, New Mexico, Coahuila and the Gulf states, frequently recorded in the Great Lakes region, especially on Lake Ontario), and in central Europe, Japan, New Zealand and Antarctica.

**Notes.**—Also known as Pomarine Skua or Pomatorhine Skua in the Old World. Cohen et al. (1997) presented evidence that *S. pomarinus* might be more closely related to the skuas (*Catharacta*) than to the other two species of *Stercorarius*.

*Stercorarius parasiticus* (Linnaeus). Parasitic Jaeger.

**FAMILY LARIDAE**

**Habitat.**—Barren and dwarf-shrub coastal tundra and coastal marshes (breeding); mostly pelagic, primarily over continental shelf, regularly near shore; migrants inland (rare) on large bodies of water (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America from western and northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern Mackenzie, and Banks, southern Melville, Cornwallis, southern Ellesmere and Baffin islands south to the Aleutians, Alaska Peninsula, Kodiak Island, central Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northeastern Manitoba, Southampton Island, extreme northern Ontario, northern Quebec and northern Labrador; and in the Palearctic from Greenland, Jan Mayen, Spitsbergen, Bear Island and Franz Josef Land south to Iceland, the northern British Isles, northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, Novaya Zemlya, northern Siberia, the Commander Islands, Kamchatka and the Sea of Okhotsk. Nonbreeding birds occur in summer off the Pacific coast of North America south to California, off the Atlantic coast to Newfoundland, and in the interior to southern Canada; also along the northern coasts of Europe.

*Winters* mostly in offshore areas in the Pacific from central California to southern Chile, and west to eastern Australia and New Zealand; in the Atlantic from Maine and the British Isles south to Brazil, eastern Argentina, the west coast of Africa, and the Mediterranean region, occurring west in the Gulf-Caribbean area to Texas; and in the Indian Ocean in the Persian Gulf and Arabian Sea.

*Migrates* regularly along the Pacific coast of North America, and Atlantic coast from North Carolina to Florida, the Bahamas, Cuba and the Virgin Islands, less abundantly through the interior of North America (most frequently recorded in the Great Lakes region) south to southern California (Salton Sea), Arizona, Coahuila, Texas, the Gulf Coast, the Lesser Antilles and Grenadines, and casually along both coasts of Middle America.

A sight report off the Hawaiian Islands.

**Notes.**—Known in Old World literature as Arctic Skua.

**Stercorarius longicaudus** Vieillot. Long-tailed Jaeger.


**Habitat.**—Open or alpine tundra, flats with sparse vegetation, less common in coastal tundra (breeding); pelagic, casually along seacoasts and on inland waters (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America in western Alaska (including St. Matthew, St. Lawrence and Nunivak islands), and from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, northern Keewatin and throughout the Canadian Arctic islands south to central Alaska (Brooks Range, Alaska Range, Susitna River highlands), southwestern Yukon, southern Keewatin, Southampton Island and northern Quebec; and in the Palearctic from Greenland, Iceland, Jan Mayen, Spitsbergen, Bear Island and Novaya Zemlya south to northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, northern Siberia, Anadyrland, Kamchatka and the Sea of Okhotsk. Nonbreeding birds occur rarely in summer south to the Aleutian Islands, south-coastal Alaska, southern Mackenzie and southern Hudson Bay.

*Winters* mostly at sea in the Pacific off southern South America, and in the South Atlantic south to Argentina (more commonly in the southern areas).

*Migrates* primarily well offshore, along the Pacific coast from the western Aleutians and southeastern Alaska to Middle America (recorded south to Costa Rica) and the Atlantic coast from Newfoundland to Florida, also rarely in the Hawaiian Islands and through the interior of North America (mostly in the Great Lakes region and from central British Columbia and the prairie regions of the Canadian provinces, the Great Plains states and Mississippi Valley south, casually through the western states), along the Gulf coast (Texas to Florida) and through the West Indies (recorded Cuba, Martinique and Barbados, and off Cayman Brac and Haiti); also off the coasts of Europe and Africa, casually in the Mediterranean region.

Accidental in New Zealand and South Georgia.

**Notes.**—In Old World literature known as Long-tailed Skua.
Subfamily LARINAE: Gulls

Genus *LARUS* Linnaeus


Notes.—See comments under *Xema*.

*Larus atricilla* Linnaeus. Laughing Gull.


Habitat.—Beaches, estuaries, bays, inshore coastal waters; nests on sandy islands with scattered patches of tall grass and brush (breeding); also to cultivated fields, rarely on large inland bodies of water (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds on the Pacific coast of western Mexico from the head of the Gulf of California (formerly at the Salton Sea, southern California) and northwestern Sonora south to Colima; and in the Atlantic-Gulf-Caribbean region from southern New Brunswick and southern Nova Scotia (at least formerly) south locally along the coast to Florida and west to southern Texas, through the West Indies to islands off the north coast of Venezuela (Las Aves east to Tobago and Trinidad) and to French Guiana, and on islands off Campeche (Cayo Arcas) and Yucatán (Alacrán reef). Nonbreeding birds occur in summer regularly in southeastern California (Salton Sea), on the Great Lakes (especially Erie and Michigan), along the Gulf-Caribbean coast of Middle America, and along the west coast of Mexico.

Winters along the Pacific coast from Mexico (including the Revillagigedo islands) south to northern Peru (casually north to central California, and to the Galapagos Islands); and from the Gulf coast and North Carolina (casually north to southeastern New York) south throughout the Gulf-Caribbean region to the coast of South America (Colombia east to the Amazon delta).

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands; on the Pacific coast north to Washington; in the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island; sight reports); Clipperton Island; in interior North America from southeastern Oregon, north-central California, southern Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico, western Montana, eastern Colorado, North Dakota, James Bay, and West Virginia southward; to the interior lakes of Middle America; and north to Newfoundland and Greenland. Accidental in Chile, the Marshall Islands, Samoa, Iceland, the British Isles, and continental Europe; sight reports for southeastern Alaska (Ketchikan), Saskatchewan and Manitoba.


*Larus Pipixcan* Wagler, 1831, Isis von Oken, col. 515. (Advena est, neque educat stagnis Mexicanis Prolem = Mexico.)

Habitat.—Extensive fresh-water marshes in prairie, foraging also in nearby fields (breeding); beaches, bays, estuaries, lakes, rivers, marshes, ponds, and agricultural fields (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds from northwestern British Columbia (Kotcho Lake), central and eastern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba and northwestern Minnesota south locally to east-central Oregon, northeastern California (once), southern Idaho, northwestern Utah, northwestern Wyoming and northeastern South Dakota, formerly northwestern Iowa (once). Nonbreeding birds occur in summer north to northeastern British Columbia and
northeastern Manitoba, and south to southern California, northern New Mexico, southeastern Wyoming, Kansas, central Iowa, and the Great Lakes (especially Lake Michigan).

Winters primarily along the Pacific coast of South America south to southern Chile (also the Galapagos Islands), less commonly from Mexico southward, and (rarely) on high Andean lakes in Peru and Bolivia; also casually north to central coastal California and peninsular Florida.

Migrates regularly through western North America from southern British Columbia and the Rocky Mountains south (east to western Arkansas and coastal Louisiana) to southern California, through Mexico (casually to the Yucatan Peninsula), and along the Atlantic coast from southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland, rarely to the Great Lakes region and the Mississippi and Ohio valleys, south to Florida and west on the Gulf coast to Louisiana.

Casual in southern Alaska (from Ugasik Bay east to Ketchikan, and on St. Paul Island in the Pribilofs), the Hawaiian Islands, and Europe. Accidental in the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island), northern Baffin Island, Bermuda, the Antilles (Puerto Rico and St. Barthélemy), Amazonian Peru, Tristan da Cunha, and Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, the British Isles, continental Europe, the Azores, South Africa, and the Marshall and Truk islands; sight reports for northeastern Manitoba, Clipperton Island, and French Guiana.

*Larus minutus* Pallas. Little Gull.


Habitat.—Grassy marshes and lakes (breeding); beaches, bays, estuaries, rivers, lakes, ponds, marshes, and flooded fields (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds locally in North America in Manitoba (Churchill, 1981), southern Minnesota (Jackson County, 1986), northern Wisconsin (Manitowoc and Brown counties), northern Michigan (Delta County, to 1980), Ontario and southern Quebec (Montreal area, 1982); and in Eurasia from southern Scandinavia and northwestern Russia south to northern Europe, south-central Russia, central Siberia and Lake Baikal.

Winters in North America on the Great Lakes (especially Erie and Ontario), and along the Atlantic coast from Newfoundland to Virginia; and in the Old World from Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, British Isles, southern Scandinavia and the Baltic coast south to the Mediterranean, Black and Caspian seas, probably also in eastern China.

Migrates primarily through central Europe and western Asia.

Casual along the Atlantic coast south to Florida and in Bermuda; on the Arctic coast of Yukon; in the interior from southern Yukon, northeastern British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, Minnesota and the Great Lakes states south to New Mexico, central Texas, Kansas, Arkansas and the Gulf states (from Texas east to western Florida); and along the Pacific coast from southern British Columbia south to southern California; and in Colombia, Sierra Leone and Kenya. Sight reports for south-coastal Alaska, Idaho, Veracruz, and Puerto Rico.


Habitat.—Lakes, rivers, bogs, moors, grasslands, and coastal marshes; in winter, also seacoasts, estuaries, and bays.

Distribution.—Breeds from western Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, central Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to the Mediterranean Sea, central Russia, central Siberia, northwestern Mongolia and Kamchatka; also in Newfoundland, Quebec (Magdalen Islands), Maine (Petit Manan), and Massachusetts (Monomoy, 1984). Nonbreeding birds occur north to Jan Mayen Island and northern Scandinavia, occasionally south in the wintering regions.

Winters (and summers occasionally) in North America along the Atlantic coast from Labrador, Newfoundland, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia south to New York (Long Island),
casually to Mississippi and Florida, and on lakes Erie and Ontario; and in the Old World from the southern part of the breeding range south to the eastern Atlantic islands, central Africa, the Persian Gulf, northern India, Malay Peninsula, eastern China, Taiwan and the Philippines.

*Migration* regularly through the western and central Aleutians, regularly as far east as the Pribilofs and as far north as St. Lawrence Island, and casually as far as the Alaskan mainland coast of the Bering Sea (Port Moller, Safety Sound, Nome) and the Chukchi Sea (Kukpawruk River mouth).

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Midway, Oahu), in central Alaska (Yarger Lake), along the Pacific coast of North America from south-coastal Alaska to southern California, and in northeastern Colorado, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Tennessee, Kentucky, Maryland, Virginia, Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, Texas, Veracruz, the Antilles (Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and many of the Lesser Antilles) and Guam; sight reports from Wyoming, Manitoba (Churchill), Nebraska, Iowa, Alabama, Cuba, Trinidad, Surinam, and French Guiana.

**Notes.**—Also known as Common Black-headed Gull. The South American *L. maculipennis* Lichtenstein, 1823 [Brown-hooded Gull] was considered conspecific with *L. ridibundus* by Hellmayr and Conover (1948).

*Larus philadelphia* (Ord). Bonaparte's Gull.


**Habitat.**—Open coniferous woodland near ponds and lakes (breeding); seacoasts, bays, estuaries, mudflats, marshes, rivers, lakes, ponds, and flooded fields (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from western and central Alaska, central southern Yukon, northwestern and central Mackenzie and northern Manitoba south to the base of the Alaska Peninsula, south-coastal and (rarely) southeastern Alaska, central British Columbia, southwestern (rarely) and central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, central Ontario, Wisconsin, and south-central Quebec. Nonbreeding birds occur in summer south in coastal areas to California and New England, and in southeastern California (Salton Sea) and the interior to the Great Lakes (where formerly bred).

*Winters* from south-coastal British Columbia (casually from south-coastal Alaska) south along the Pacific coast to southern Baja California, Sonora and Sinaloa; in the interior from interior California (rarely), southern Arizona, central New Mexico, Kansas and the Great Lakes (primarily Erie and Ontario) south to Chihuahua (rarely to Jalisco and Guanajuato) and through the Ohio and lower Mississippi valleys to the Gulf coast from southern Texas east to Florida; on the Atlantic coast from Massachusetts south to Florida, and in Bermuda, the Bahamas and Greater Antilles (Cuba, Hispaniola, Puerto Rico).

*Migration* most commonly through North America from the Rockies east to the Appalachians, but locally or sporadically elsewhere throughout the continent from southern Canada and Newfoundland southward.

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands, Lesser Antilles (Martinique, Barbados), Greenland, the British Isles, continental Europe, the Azores, and Japan; sight reports from the Yucatan Peninsula and Costa Rica.


**Habitat.**—Coastal Waters, Coastal Sand Beaches; nests on flat rocky islets or isolated coasts.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* on islets off the Pacific coast of Baja California (Isla Benito del Centro in the San Benito Islands, and Isla San Roque), in the Gulf of California (George, Raza, Salsipuedes, Ildefonso and Monserrate islands), locally on islets off Mexico south to Isla Isabela (off Nayarit), and elsewhere along the coast of Sinaloa; isolated breeding reports in coastal California (San Luis Obispo County, 1980, Alcatraz Island 1979–1981). Nonbreeding individuals often spend the breeding season in the postbreeding range.
Ranges after the breeding season north coastally to southern British Columbia and south to the Pacific coast of Guatemala (at least casually).

Casual or accidental in southeastern Alaska (Ketchikan), the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island), eastern Oregon, interior California, western Nevada (Pyramid Lake), Utah, southern Arizona, Wyoming, southern New Mexico, Oklahoma (Tulsa), Texas (Reagan and Nueces counties), Michigan (Lake St. Clair), and Ohio (Lorain); sight report for Costa Rica.

Larus modestus Tschudi. Gray Gull.

Larus modestus Tschudi, 1843, Arch. Naturgesch. 9: 389. (in Oceani pacifici littoribus = Lurín, south of Lima, Peru.)

Habitat. — Interior Deserts (breeding); Coastal Waters (nonbreeding).

Distribution. — Breeds in Chile and ranges in nonbreeding season along the Pacific coast of South America from Ecuador to central Chile.

Accidental off Costa Rica (Cocos Island, 22 May 1925; Slud 1967) and off Colombia (Gorgona Island); sight reports for Panama (Pacific entrance to Canal, and south of Isla Otoque in the Bay of Panama). A bird photographed in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, 19 December 1987 (1988, Amer. Birds 42: 277) may not be a natural vagrant.

Larus belcheri Vigors. Band-tailed Gull.

Larus belcheri Vigors, 1829, Zool. J. 4 (1828): 358. (No locality given = Peru.)

Habitat. — Coastal Waters; in winter also in bays and estuaries.

Distribution. — Breeds along the Pacific coast of South America in Peru and northwestern Chile.

Casual in Panama (Pacific coast of Canal area, several sight reports, one adult photographed (Ridgely and Gwynne 1989).

Also Florida (near Pensacola, September 1968, weakened individual caught, photographed and kept in captivity for more than a decade; Marco Island, 6 June 1970, adult photographed; Cape Romano, 11 November 1974–29 January 1975, photographed; and near Marco, January–11 February 1976, adult photographed).

Notes. — We follow Devillets (1977b) in recognizing L. belcheri and L. atlanticus Olrog, 1958 [Olrog’s Gull] of the Atlantic coast of South America as separate species. Photographs of birds in nonbreeding plumage (Pensacola and Cape Romano individuals) have been identified as the Pacific L. belcheri, suggesting the possibility that Florida birds are escaped captives or man-assisted vagrants; other reports and photographs of birds in breeding plumage cannot be identified to group. Also known as Belcher’s Gull.

Larus crassirostris Vieillot. Black-tailed Gull.


Habitat. — Small, rocky, coastal islands (breeding); coastal waters (nonbreeding).

Distribution. — Breeds from southern Sakhalin, Ussuriland and the Kuril Islands south through Japan to eastern China and Korea, and winters along coasts from Japan and Korea south to eastern China, Taiwan and the Ryukyu Islands.

Casual or accidental in Alaska (St. Lawrence Island, off Buldir in the western Aleutians, Homer and Ketchikan), coastal British Columbia (Queen Charlotte Islands), southern California (San Diego Bay, 16–18 November 1954, specimen; Monroe 1955), Belize (Dangriga, March 1988), and Maryland (Sandy Point, photograph; 1984, Amer. Birds 38: 1006–1007); sight reports for Attu and Amchitka in the Aleutians, and for southern Manitoba, Rhode Island, and Virginia.


Larus canus Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 136. (in Europa = Sweden.)

Habitat. — Rocky or sandy coasts or inland along large lakes, rivers, marshes and other wetlands (breeding); rocky seacoasts, estuaries, beaches, and bays (nonbreeding).
**Distribution.**—Breeds [brachyrhynchus group] in North America from western and central Alaska (Brooks Range and Kotzebue Sound), central Yukon, and northwestern and southern Mackenzie south to the Alaska Peninsula, south-coastal and southeastern Alaska, coastal and northern British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte and Vancouver islands) and northern Alberta, also in northeastern Manitoba (Churchill); [canus group] in Eurasia from the Faeroe Islands, British Isles, Scandinavia and northern Russia east to central Siberia (Lena River), and south to central Europe, the Black and Caspian seas, Lake Baikal, northern Mongolia and southwestern Siberia; and [kamtschatschensis group] in Siberia west to the Lena River and south to Anadyrland, the Sea of Okhotsk, Kamchatka, the Kuril Islands and Sakhalin. Nonbreeding birds [brachyrhynchus group] occur in summer north to the northern coast of Alaska and northern Keewatin, and south to California, central Alberta and central Saskatchewan.

**Winters** [brachyrhynchus group] in North America from southern Alaska (west to the central Aleutians) south along the Pacific coast to northern Baja California, casually (or rarely) inland to southern British Columbia, eastern Washington, eastern Oregon, interior California, Nevada, Utah and Arizona, and rarely to the Atlantic coast from New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland south to Massachusetts (sight reports farther south); [canus group] in the Old World from the breeding range south to the Mediterranean region, northern Africa, Iraq, the Persian Gulf and Afghanistan; and [kamtschatschensis group] in Southeast Asia, coastal China, Taiwan, Japan, and islands south of Japan.

**Migrates** [brachyrhynchus group] regularly through interior British Columbia and northern Yukon.

Casual or accidental [brachyrhynchus group] in the western Hawaiian Islands (Kure), and in continental North America from Idaho, Montana, North Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, New York and southern New England south to southern New Mexico, Texas, Illinois, Ohio and Delaware (sight reports to Iowa, Indiana, Pennsylvania, and Florida); [canus group] in Nova Scotia (winter 1988–1989, photograph; 1989, Amer. Birds 43: 279), Greenland, Iceland, Spitsbergen, Bear Island, and the eastern Atlantic and Commander islands; and [kamtschatschensis group] in the western Aleutians (Attu, Shemya) and the Pribilofs (St. Paul). Other reports of the canus group from eastern North America are unsubstantiated; all specimens from this region are brachyrhynchus.

**Notes.**—Also known as Common Gull or Short-billed Gull. Groups: *L. brachyrhynchus* Richardson, 1831 [Short-billed Gull], *L. canus* [Mew Gull], and *L. kamtschatschensis* Bonaparte, 1857 [Kamchatka Gull].

**Larus delawarensis** Ord. Ring-billed Gull.


**Habitat.**—Lakes, marshes, rivers, nesting on rocky, grassy and sandy islets, isolated shores, or occasionally in marshes (breeding); seacoasts, bays, estuaries, rivers, lakes, ponds, irrigated and plowed fields, and parks and garbage dumps in urban areas (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from central interior British Columbia, western and central Washington, northeastern Alberta, northwestern and central Saskatchewan, north-central Manitoba, northern Ontario, southern Quebec, Prince Edward Island, southern Labrador and northeastern Newfoundland south to northeastern California (Honey Lake), northwestern Nevada, northwestern Utah, south-central Colorado (formerly), Wyoming, northeastern South Dakota (Waubay Lake), east-central Minnesota, eastern Wisconsin, northern Illinois southern Michigan, southern Ontario, northern Ohio (Lucas County), central New York (Lake Oneida), central New Hampshire and New Brunswick. Nonbreeding individuals occur in summer north to south-coastal Alaska, southern Yukon, southern Mackenzie, and southeastern Keewatin, and south through the wintering range.

**Winters** in the Hawaiian Islands, and from southern British Columbia, the northern United States, southern Ontario, southern Quebec and the Gulf of St. Lawrence south along the Pacific coast to southern Mexico (including the Revillagigedo Islands), in the interior to central Mexico, on the Gulf coast south to the Yucatan Peninsula (and east to Florida) and...
on the Atlantic coast to Florida, Bermuda, the Bahamas, the Greater Antilles (east to the
Virgin Islands), and the Cayman Islands.

Casual or accidental in interior Alaska, Guatemala, El Salvador, Costa Rica (Chomes),
Panama, the Lesser Antilles (south to Barbados), Colombia, Ecuador, the Galapagos Islands,
Amazonian Brazil, and to Japan, Iceland, Greenland, the British Isles, continental Europe,
Spitsbergen, the Canary Islands and Morocco; a sight report from Caribbean Honduras.

**Larus californicus** Lawrence. California Gull.

California.)

**Habitat.**—Lakes and marshes, foraging also in nearby agricultural fields; nests on open
sandy or gravelly areas on islands or along shores of lakes and ponds (breeding); rocky
seacoasts, beaches, bays, estuaries, mudflats, marshes, irrigated fields, lakes, ponds, agricu-
ultural lands, and in urban areas in garbage dumps (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southern interior British Columbia, Idaho and southwestern
Montana south to south-central Washington, south-central and southeastern Oregon, northern
California, western Nevada, northern Utah and central and eastern Colorado, and from
southern Mackenzie south through Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba to central Montana,
east-central North Dakota and northeastern South Dakota. Occurs in summer and fall (non-
breeding) in southeastern Alaska (from the Stikine River south), rarely as far north and west
as south-coastal Alaska (Anchorage), throughout California, and south to northern New
Mexico.

*Winters* from southwestern and south-central British Columbia, eastern Idaho, Montana
and eastern Colorado south throughout the western United States, most commonly along
the Pacific coast, to southern Baja California, the Pacific coast of Mexico (to Colima and
in the Revillagigedo Islands), and locally the interior of Mexico (to México).

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands and Revillagigedos (Socorro Island), in
eastern North America from northeastern Manitoba, Minnesota, the Great Lakes, Quebec,
New York and New Brunswick south to the Gulf coast of Texas, southwestern Louisiana
and western Florida, and in Guerrero. Reports from Guatemala are erroneous.

**Notes.**—The species listed from *L. californicus* through *L. fuscus* are closely interrelated;
this complex poses one of the most complicated problems in ornithological systematics
today.

**Larus argentatus** Pontoppidan. Herring Gull.

*Larus Argentatus* Pontoppidan, 1763, Dan. Atlas 1: 622. (No locality given = Christi-
tiansøe, Denmark.)

**Habitat.**—Wide variety of habitats near water, nesting on rocky or sandy coasts, on tundra,
on islands in larger lakes and rivers, and on cliffs (breeding); seacoasts, beaches, bays,
estuaries, lakes, rivers, ocean over continental shelf, and garbage dumps in urban areas
(nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northern
Mackenzie, central Keewatin, Southampton and western Baffin islands, northern Quebec
and northern Labrador south to south-coastal and southeastern Alaska, south-central British
Columbia, central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southeastern Wyoming, southern Manitoba,
northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northeastern Illinois, northeastern Indiana, northern
Ohio, southern Ontario, northern New York, and along the Atlantic coast to northeastern
South Carolina, also isolated breeding in southern Alabama (Gaillard Island), southern Loui-
siana (Chandeleur Islands) and southern Texas (Cameron County); and in the Paleartic
from Greenland (occasionally), Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, British Isles, Scandinavia and
northern Europe across northern Russia and northern Siberia to Kamchatka, the Chukotski
Peninsula, Anadyrland and the Sea of Okhotsk, and south locally to Italy. Nonbreeding birds
summer south through much of the wintering range, especially in coastal areas.

*Winters* in the Hawaiian Islands (rarely); from the Aleutian Islands, southern Alaska, the
Great Lakes region and Newfoundland south (mostly at sea and along coasts, large rivers
and lakes, uncommonly through the western and central interior) through North America, Middle America (including the Revillagigedo Islands, but rare south of Mexico), Bermuda, and the West Indies to Panama and Barbados; and in the Old World mostly in the breeding range south to central Europe, the Mediterranean region, Black and Caspian seas, Gulf of Aden, Persian Gulf, India, central China, Taiwan, and the Ryukyu and Bonin islands.

Sight reports for the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island) and northern South America.

Notes.—For comments on relationships or hybridization, see notes under L. californicus, L. cachinnans, L. thayeri, L. fuscus, L. glaucescens, L. hyperboreus, and L. marinus.

Larus cachinnans Pallas. Yellow-legged Gull.

_Larus cachinnans_ Pallas, 1811, Zoogr. Rosso-Asiat. 2: 318. (Caspian Sea.)

Habitat.—Seacoasts, lakes, and rivers.

Distribution—Breeds from the eastern Atlantic islands, southern Europe and northern Africa east to central Asia, and winters south to northeastern Africa and the Persian Gulf.

Casual in Maryland (Sandy Point) and District of Columbia (photographs; Wilds and Czaplak 1994). Accidental in Quebec (Fatima, Madeleine Islands, 16 August 1973; specimen #60750 in Canadian Museum of Nature) and Newfoundland (St. John’s, photograph; 1995, Nat. Audubon. Soc. Field Notes 49: 122).

Notes.—_L. cachinnans_ is a species distinct from _L. argentatus_ (Marion et al. 1985, Yésou 1991). The specimen from Quebec was reported as a probable hybrid between _L. argentaras_ and _L. fuscus_ (Gosselin et al. 1986) but has been re-identified as _L. cachinnans_ (Wilds and Czaplak 1994).

Larus thayeri Brooks. Thayer’s Gull.


Habitat.—Arctic coasts and tundra, nesting on cliffs facing sounds (breeding); seacoasts, estuaries, and bays, less commonly on large inland lakes and rivers and garbage dumps (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds from Banks, southern Melville, Cornwallis, Axel Heiberg and central Ellesmere islands south to southern Victoria Island, northern Keewatin, northern Southampton and northern Baffin islands, and on northwestern Greenland. Nonbreeding birds sometimes summer in the wintering range.

Winters primarily on the Pacific coast from southern British Columbia south to central Baja California, less commonly in south-coastal and southeastern Alaska, the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and sparingly on the southern Great Lakes, rarely in the interior south to southern California, southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, and the Gulf coast from Texas east to Florida, and casually on the Atlantic coast south to Florida.

Casual in Newfoundland.

Notes.—_L. thayeri_ was formerly (A.O.U. 1957) regarded as a race of _L. argentatus_, but it is now generally regarded as a distinct species. However, it is treated as a subspecies of _L. glaucoides_ by Godfrey (1986). Recent studies suggest that _L. thayeri_ and _L. glaucoides kumlieni_ interbreed on Baffin and Southampton islands (Gaston and Decker 1985, Snell 1989). Relationships of these populations require further study. See comments under _L. californicus_ and _L. glaucoides_.

Larus glaucoides Meyer. Iceland Gull.


Habitat.—Arctic coasts, nesting on steep cliffs and ledges facing sounds and fjords (breeding); primarily coastal waters, less commonly on ocean over continental shelf, rarely on large inland bodies of water (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds [kumlieni group] on southern Baffin Island (Foxe Peninsula and
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Home Bay southward) and in northwestern Quebec (Erik Cove, Digges Island); and [glaucoides group] in the Palearctic in Greenland and Jan Mayen.

Winters [kumlieni group] in North America from Newfoundland and the Gulf of St. Lawrence south on the Atlantic coast to Virginia and Bermuda, and inland to the Great Lakes (especially lakes Erie and Ontario, rarely farther west); and [glaucoides group] in the Palearctic from Iceland, the Faeroe Islands and Scandinavia south, at least rarely, to the British Isles, northern Europe and the Baltic region.

Casual [kumlieni group] in interior North America (recorded from Montana, Nebraska, Iowa and Indiana) and Bermuda; sight reports west to Alaska, and south, east of the Great Plains, to the Gulf states. Accidental [kumlieni group] in British Columbia, Texas, Georgia and Florida.

Notes.—Reports of individuals of the glaucoides group in North America in winter remain to be verified. The kumlieni group might be regarded as a distinct species, L. kumlieni Brewster, 1883 [Kumlien’s Gull]. See comments under L. thayeri.

Larus fuscus Linnaeus. Lesser Black-backed Gull.

Larus fuscus Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 136. (in Europa = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Tundra, along sandy or rocky coasts, and on islands in lakes and larger rivers (breeding); coastal regions, bays, estuaries, inland on lakes and rivers, and garbage dumps in urban areas (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds from Greenland (occasionally), Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, northern Scandinavia, northern Russia and northern Siberia (east to the Taimyr Peninsula) south to the British Isles and France. Nonbreeding birds sometimes summer in the wintering range.

Winters from the British Isles, southern Scandinavia and the Baltic Sea south to central Africa, the Red Sea, Persian Gulf and India; also in small numbers (but increasing) in North America from the Great Lakes region, Labrador, southeastern Quebec, Newfoundland and Nova Scotia and Bermuda south to the Gulf coast (west to Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas and northern Tamaulipas) and Florida.

Casual in Alaska, northwestern Mackenzie, Victoria Island, British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, California, eastern Colorado, Minnesota, Puerto Rico, and St. Croix (Virgin Islands). Accidental in Panama; sight reports for Utah, North Dakota, Nebraska, Trinidad, and French Guiana. A report from Australia is erroneous.

Notes.—L. argentatus and L. fuscus are widely sympatric with only local hybridization (Brown 1967).

Larus schistisagus Stejneger. Slaty-backed Gull.

Larus schistisagus Stejneger, 1884, Auk 1: 231. (Bering Island and Petropaulski, Kamtschatka = Bering Island, Commander Islands.)

Habitat.—Rocky seacoasts, on cliffs and rocky islands, nesting occasionally on flat sandy shores with bushes (breeding); coastal waters (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds from the Gulf of Anadyr and the western Bering Sea coast south through Kamchatka and the Kuril Islands to Sakhalin and Japan. Nested in 1996 on Bering Sea coast of Alaska (1996, N.A.S. Field Notes 50:984). Reported breeding at Harrowby Bay, northwestern Mackenzie, has been seriously questioned (Höhn 1958).

Winters from the Bering Sea and Kamchatka south to Japan, the Seven Islands of Izu, Volcano and Ryukyu islands, and the coast of eastern China. Occurs throughout the year (nonbreeding) on coasts of western and southwestern Alaska (from the Bering Strait south to the Pribilof and Aleutian islands), rarely (in summer) as far north as Barrow and east as Prudhoe Bay.

Casual in south-coastal (Kodiak, Homer, Anchorage) and southeastern Alaska (Juneau, Ketchikan). Accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Kure, Sand Island), British Columbia (Vancouver Island), southern Saskatchewan, Washington, Oregon, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, southern Texas, Quebec, and the Niagara River in Ontario and New York; sight reports for Yukon, Iowa, and Ohio.

Notes.—See comments under L. glaucescens.
Larus livens Dwight. Yellow-footed Gull.


Habitat.—Coastal Waters, Coastal Sand Beaches; nests on islands; during post-breeding dispersal, also inland along shores of Salton Sea, California.

Distribution.—Breeders in the Gulf of California from George Island and Consag Rock south to Espiritu Santo and San Pedro Nolasco islands.

Migrates to southern interior California (Salton Sea).

Winters in the Gulf of California and along the coast of Sonora, rarely in southern interior California (Salton Sea), and casually north to coastal southern California (San Diego County) and southern Nevada.

Casual south to Oaxaca (sight report).

Notes.—This species was formerly (A.O.U. 1957) considered conspecific with L. occidentalis, but differences in morphology, habitat, behavior, and vocalizations (Hand 1981, Weber 1981) indicate that it should be treated as a species.

Larus occidentalis Audubon. Western Gull.

Larus occidentalis Audubon, 1839, Ornithol. Biogr. 5: 320. (Cape Disappointment [Washington].)

Habitat.—Coastal waters, nesting on rocky islands and coastal cliffs (breeding); beaches, rocky coasts, bays, estuaries, ocean over continental shelf, and garbage dumps in urban areas (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds along the Pacific coast from southwestern British Columbia south to west-central Baja California (Isla Asunción) and Guadalupe Island.

Winters from south-coastal British Columbia south to southern Baja California, casually to interior Oregon and southern California, and to the coast of Sonora.

Accidental in Alaska, southern Yukon, Idaho, Nevada, Arizona, northern New Mexico, western and coastal Texas, and Guerrero; sight reports for the Hawaiian Islands and Oaxaca.

Notes.—See comments under L. glaucescens and L. livens.


Larus glaucescens J. F. Naumann, 1840, Naturgesch. Vögel Dtsch. 10: 351. (Nord-Amerika = North America.)

Habitat.—Rocky seacoasts and other coastal waters, nesting on flats and grassy slopes of islands, cliffs (breeding); beaches, rocky coasts, bays, estuaries, ocean over continental shelf, and garbage dumps in urban areas (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds in North America from the southern Bering Sea (including the Pribilof and Aleutian islands), and southern and southeastern Alaska south along the Pacific coast to western Washington and northwestern Oregon; and in the Commander Islands. Nonbreeding birds often summer in the wintering range.

Winters in North America from the southern Bering Sea and southern Alaska south along the Pacific coast to southern Baja California and the Gulf of California, rarely in the interior in Utah; and in Asia from Bering Island to Kamchatka, the Kuril Islands and Japan.

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands, and in interior western North America from Yukon, Alberta, Saskatchewan and southern Manitoba south to southwestern Arizona, southwestern New Mexico, central and northeastern Colorado, North Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Nebraska and Oklahoma, and the Revillagigedo Islands.

Notes.—Frequent hybridization between L. glaucescens and L. occidentalis occurs in mixed colonies from northern Washington to southern Oregon, but mating is assortative (Hoffman et al. 1978) and gene flow is constrained (Bell 1996). Hybridization also occurs between L. glaucescens and L. argentatus, at least on a limited basis, in south-coastal and southeastern Alaska (Williamson and Peyton 1963, Patten and Weisbrod 1974), and between

**Larus hyperboreus** Gunnerus. Glaucous Gull.


**Habitat.**—Sea cliffs, rocky coasts, or borders of tundra lakes (breeding); estuaries, bays, beaches, less commonly on ocean over continental shelf, along large inland bodies of water, and garbage dumps (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in North America on Arctic coasts and islands from western and northern Alaska (south to Hooper Bay, and St. Lawrence, St. Matthew, Hall and, at least formerly, the Pribilof islands), northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, and Banks, Prince Patrick, Ellef Ringnes and northern Ellesmere islands south to northern Keeewatin, northern Quebec, northern Labrador (south to Hopedale), and to Southampton, Coats, Belcher and southern Baffin islands; and in the Palearctic from northern Greenland, Iceland, Jan Mayen, Spitsbergen, Bear Island and Franz Josef Land east across northern Russia and northern Siberia (including Novaya Zemlya and the New Siberian Islands) to Anadyrland. Nonbreeding individuals occasionally summer in the wintering range.

**Winters** in North America from the southern Chukchi Sea (rarely) and Bering Sea south through the Pacific region to northern Baja California, and on the Atlantic-Gulf coasts from Labrador south to Florida and (rarely) west to Texas, and inland to the Great Lakes; and in the Palearctic from the breeding range south to the British Isles, northern Europe, and central Siberia, casually to the Mediterranean, Black, and Caspian seas.

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands; in coastal Sonora; in the interior of North America from southern Canada (where more regular in occurrence) south to California, Nevada, Utah, southern Arizona, and New Mexico; and in Bermuda and the eastern Atlantic islands.

**Notes.**—Reports of extensive hybridization between *L. hyperboreus* and *L. argentatus* in Iceland (Ingolfsson 1987) have been questioned (see Ingolfsson 1993, Snell 1993). *Larus hyperboreus* hybridizes to an uncertain degree with *L. glaucescens* in the eastern Bering Sea region (Strang 1977).

**Larus marinus** Linnaeus. Great Black-backed Gull.

*Larus marinus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 136. (in Europa = Gotland, Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Rocky coasts and islands, occasionally on inland lakes (breeding); estuaries, beaches, bays, rocky coasts, garbage dumps in urban areas, less commonly on large inland bodies of water and on ocean over continental shelf (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in North America along the Atlantic coast from northern Quebec, northern Labrador and Newfoundland south to the St. Lawrence River, Anticosti Island, and (along the coast) to North Carolina, also in southern Ontario (Lake Huron and northern Lake Ontario), New York (Lake Oneida, casually) and northern Vermont (Lake Champlain); and in the Palearctic from Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, Shetlands, Spitsbergen, Bear Island, northern Scandinavia and northern Russia south to the British Isles, northern Europe and central Russia. Nonbreeding individuals occasionally summer north to southern Baffin Island, west to Hudson Bay, and south through the wintering range.

**Winters** in North America along the Atlantic coast from Newfoundland south to Florida, in Bermuda, inland on the Great Lakes, and rarely on the Gulf coast of Florida (casually west to southern Texas); also in Eurasia from Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, British Isles, Scandinavia, and northern Europe south to the Mediterranean, Black and Caspian seas, casually to the eastern Atlantic islands.

Casual west to British Columbia, Alberta (sight report), Saskatchewan (sight reports) Manitoba, Montana, north-central and eastern Colorado and Nebraska, and south to the Bahamas (Abaco, San Salvador) and Antilles (Cuba, Hispaniola, Mona Island, Puerto Rico, St. Barthélemy and Barbados); a sight report for Belize.
Genus **XEMA** Leach


**Notes.**—The genus *Xema* is merged in *Larus* by some authors (e.g., Vaurie 1965, Cramp and Simmons 1983).

*Xema sabini* (Sabine). Sabine’s Gull.


**Habitat.**—Coastal wet meadows and salt-grass flats in tundra (breeding); primarily pelagic, mainly over continental shelf, casually along coasts or in inland lakes (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** in North America from northern and coastal western Alaska (south to Bristol Bay), northwestern Mackenzie, and Banks, Victoria, Bathurst, northwestern Devon and Bylot islands south locally to King William, southern Southampton and southwestern Baffin islands, and northern Keewatin; and in the Palearctic in northern Greenland and Spitsbergen, and from the New Siberian Islands and northern Siberia south to the Taimyr Peninsula and Lena Delta. Nonbreeding birds occur in summer to northern Ellesmere Island, central Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, northern Ontario, and northeastern Quebec, casually at sea to wintering areas.

**Winters** at sea in the eastern Pacific from southern Baja California (at least irregularly) and Panama south to central Chile; and, less commonly, in the Atlantic (primarily tropical areas, rarely the North Atlantic).

**Migrates** regularly through the Pacific region (mostly coastal) of North America from Alaska to Costa Rica; along Hudson Bay (Churchill) and the Atlantic coast (from Labrador to New England, irregularly to Florida); and around Iceland and the coasts of Europe.

Casual through the interior of North America (mostly in migration) from Idaho, Alberta, Montana, North Dakota and the Great Lakes south to southeastern California, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, the Gulf coast, Yucatan Peninsula and Cuba; in Caribbean Panama (Canal area); and to Japan and the North Sea.

Genus **RISSA** Stephens


*Larus tridactylus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 136. (in Europa septentrionali = Great Britain.)

**Habitat.**—Rocky seacoasts and islands, occasionally on ledges of buildings in Old World (breeding); primarily pelagic, also pack ice, sometimes along seacoasts, bays, and estuaries, casually on large inland bodies of water (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** in Alaska along the Chukchi and Bering seacoasts and on Bering Sea islands from Cape Lisburne and the Diomede Islands south to the Aleutians, and east along the Pacific coast to Glacier Bay and Dixon Harbor; in northeastern North America from eastern Somerset, Prince Leopold, Bylot and Cobourg islands south locally through northern and central Baffin Island, Labrador (probably) and Newfoundland to southeastern Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia; and in the Palearctic from Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, Jan Mayen, Spitsbergen, Franz Josef Land, Novaya Zemlya, and the New Siberian, Bennet and Wrangel islands south to the British Isles, northern Europe, the northern Russian coast, Sakhalin, Kamchatka, and the Kuril and Commander islands. Nonbreeding birds occur in summer along the Arctic coast and islands of Alaska and Canada, rarely south along the Pacific coast to California.

**Winters** along the Pacific coast of North America from the southern Bering Sea and southern Alaska south (irregularly) to Baja California, casually to Nayarit (San Blas); in the Great Lakes region; along the Atlantic coast (mostly offshore) from Newfoundland, Nova
Scotia and the Gulf of St. Lawrence south to Florida, less frequently to Bermuda; and in
the Old World from the breeding range south to northwestern Africa, the Mediterranean
region and Japan, casually to the Cape Verde Islands, West Africa, and the Baltic Sea.
Casual in the Hawaiian Islands (Kure east to Laysan, and on Oahu); in the interior of
North America from Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Minnesota south to southeastern
California, Arizona, New Mexico and the Gulf coast (Texas east to western Florida); and
in the Bahamas (Andros, Great Abaco, Berry Islands) and Greater Antilles (Cuba, off Ja-
maica, Virgin Islands). Accidental in South Africa; sight reports for Peru and the Lesser
Antilles (St. Lucia).


*Larus* (*Rissa*) *brevirostris* “Brandt” Bruch, 1853, *J. Ornithol.* 1: 103. (Nord-Westküste
von Amerika = Northwestern America.)

**Habitat.**—Steep cliffs on islands (breeding); primarily pelagic, mostly beyond continental
shelf, and pack ice (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in Alaska in the Pribilof (St. George, St. Paul), Aleutian (Buldir,
Bogoslof, Fire Islands) and Commander islands.
Winter in the extreme northern Pacific Ocean, occurring east to the Gulf of Alaska (Kodiak
and Middleton islands).
Casual or accidental on St. Lawrence Island, in east-central Alaska (near junction of
Kandik and Yukon rivers), west-central Yukon (Forty Mile), coastal British Columbia, coastal
Washington, northwestern Oregon, southern California, and Nevada (near Las Vegas); a sight
report for southwestern Washington.

Genus *RHODOSTETHIA* MacGillivray


Melville Peninsula, Canada.)

**Habitat.**—Arctic coasts, river deltas, and marshy tundra (breeding); mostly pelagic in
Arctic waters, often around pack ice, rarely in coastal waters (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in northern Siberia from the Kolyma Delta to Aby, Malaya (on
the Alazyeya River), Sredne Kolymsk and the Chaun River, and along the lower Indigirka
River and on the southern Taimyr Peninsula; also on Cheyne Island (east of Bathurst Island,
1976 and 1978), in northeastern Manitoba (Churchill, since 1980), and once in west-central
Greenland (Disko Bay).
Winter range unknown, probably pelagic in open Arctic waters.
Migrate along the Arctic coast of Alaska (primarily at Point Barrow), rarely to St.
Lawrence Island, and casually in the Pribilofs and Aleutians (Alaid); also recorded in mi-
gration on the Boothia and Melville peninsulas, on Cornwallis and eastern Baffin islands,
in Keewatin (McConnell River), and in Greenland and the Arctic islands of the Old World,
casually to the Faeroe Islands, British Isles and continental Europe.
Casual or accidental in southwestern British Columbia, Oregon, Colorado, North Dakota,
Nebraska, Minnesota, Missouri, Illinois, Ontario, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Massachu-
setts, Connecticut, off New Jersey, Maryland, and Japan; sight reports for Alberta, Sas-
katchewan, Quebec, New York, and Tennessee.

Genus *PAGOPHILA* Kaup

*Larus eburneus* Phipps.
**Pagophila eburnea** (Phipps). Ivory Gull.

*Larus Eburneus* Phipps, 1774, Voy. North Pole, App., p. 187. (Spitsbergen.)

**Habitat.**—Associated with the Arctic ice pack and drift ice; nests on steep cliffs or low rocky islets near ice or snow.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in Arctic North America on Seymour, southeastern Ellesmere, Devon, northern Baffin and, at least formerly, Prince Patrick, the Polynia and Meighen islands; and in the Palearctic in northern Greenland, Spitsbergen, Franz Josef Land, northern Novaya Zemlya and North Land.

*Winters* in North America primarily over drift ice south to the southern Bering Sea (Pribilof Islands), northern Canada (east to Labrador and Newfoundland), rarely along the Atlantic coast from eastern Quebec and Nova Scotia south (rarely) to New Jersey, and casually south to south-coastal and southeastern Alaska and south-coastal and central British Columbia and the Great Lakes; and in the Palearctic from southern Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, Scandinavia, northern Russia and northern Siberia south to the Commander Islands, casually to the British Isles and continental Europe.

Casual or accidental in southern California, southern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Montana, northeastern Colorado, Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois, Tennessee, southwestern Quebec and central New York; sight reports for Washington and North Carolina.

**Subfamily STERNINAE: Terns**

**Genus STERNA Linnaeus**


*Thalasseus* Boie, 1822, Isis von Oken, col. 563. Type, by subsequent designation (Wagler, 1832), "Th. cantiacus" = *Sterna cantiaca* Gmelin = *Sterna sandvicensis* Latham.

*Sternula* Boie, 1822, Isis von Oken, col. 563. Type, by monotypy, *Sterna minuta Linnaeus* = *Sterna albifrons* Pallas.


*Sterna nilotica* Gmelin. Gull-billed Tern.


**Habitat.**—Salt marshes, estuaries, lagoons and plowed fields, less frequently along rivers, around lakes and in fresh-water marshes.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* locally in western North America in southern California (San Diego Bay, Salton Sea), and on the coasts of Sonora (Bahía de Tobarí) and Sinaloa, Montague Island (Baja California), and elsewhere in the Gulf of California; in eastern North America along the Atlantic-Gulf coast from New York (Long Island) south to Florida (also inland) and west to southern Texas (also inland), probably also to Tamaulipas and Veracruz, and in the Bahamas (Harbour Island, Long Island, Great Inagua) and Virgin Islands (Anegada, probably Sombrero, formerly Cockroach Cay); in South America in southwestern Ecuador, and from central Brazil south to northern Argentina; and in the Old World from northern Europe, central Russia, southern Mongolia, and eastern China south to northwestern Africa, Asia Minor, Iran, India, Sri Lanka, and southern China, also in Australia.

*Winters* in the Americas in coastal areas from Nayarit, the Gulf coast and southern Florida south through Middle America and the West Indies to Peru on the Pacific coast and northern Argentina on the Atlantic coast; and in the Old World from tropical Africa, the Persian Gulf, India, Southeast Asia, eastern China and the Philippines south to southern Africa, Java and Borneo, also in Australia and Tasmania.

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu, Molokai, Maui), north to coastal
central California (to Santa Barbara County) and Arizona (lower Colorado River), and in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Kentucky and Bermuda.

**Notes.**—Often placed in the monotypic genus *Gelochelidon.*

*Sterna caspia* Pallas. Caspian Tern.

*Sterna caspia* Pallas, 1770, Novi Comm. Acad. Sci. Petropol. 14: 582, pl. 22. (Mare Caspium = Caspian Sea, southern Russia.)

**Habitat.**—Seacoasts, bays, estuaries, lakes, marshes, and rivers.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* locally in western North America in south-coastal Alaska (Copper River Delta), and from south-coastal and central interior British Columbia, coastal and eastern Washington, eastern Oregon, southern Idaho, western and central Montana and northwestern Wyoming south (mostly in the interior) to southern California (San Diego Bay, southern end of Salton Sea) and western Nevada (Lahontan Reservoir); in western Mexico in northern Baja California and on the coast of Sinaloa (Isla Latición); in the interior of North America from northeastern Alberta, southern Mackenzie, central Saskatchewan, north-central Manitoba and central James Bay south to Montana, Wyoming, North Dakota (McLean County), northeastern Wisconsin, central Michigan, southern Ontario, northwestern Pennsylvania (formerly) and northeastern New York; at scattered localities along the Atlantic coast in Labrador (Lake Melville), Newfoundland, southeastern Quebec (Fog Island, Natashaquam, Magdalen Islands), New Jersey (Barnegat), Virginia (Metomkin and formerly Cobb's islands), North Carolina (Oregon Inlet), South Carolina (Cape Romain) and Florida (rarely); along the Gulf coast from Texas east to Florida (Tampa Bay); and in the Old World from southern Scandinavia, northern Europe, southern Russia, the Black and Caspian seas, northern Mongolia, Ussuriland and eastern China south to the Mediterranean region, Persian Gulf, Sri Lanka, Australia, and New Zealand; along the coasts of Africa and in the interior at Lake Rudolph. Nonbreeding birds often summer in the James Bay and Great Lakes regions, in Colorado, and along both coasts of the United States, less frequently south in Middle America to Costa Rica.

**Winters** in the Americas primarily in coastal areas from central California (also Salton Sea) south to Baja California and Oaxaca, and from North Carolina south along the Atlantic-Gulf coasts to eastern Mexico, less frequently along both coasts and on inland lakes of Middle America (not recorded El Salvador) to northern Colombia and Venezuela, and rarely to the Bahamas, Greater Antilles (east to the Virgin Islands), and Cayman Islands; and in the Old World from the breeding range south to tropical Africa, the Persian Gulf, India and (rarely) Southeast Asia.

**Migrates** in North America primarily along coasts from southeastern Alaska (rarely), British Columbia and Nova Scotia southward, along the Great Lakes, and less frequently along large rivers in the interior.

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu, Maui, Hawaii); in the interior of western North America north to east-central Alaska and west-central Yukon, and south to New Mexico; and in the Old World north to the Faeroe Islands, British Isles and Japan; accidental in Bermuda; a sight report from French Guiana.

**Notes.**—Often placed in the monotypic genus *Hydroprogne.*

*Sterna maxima* Boddaert. Royal Tern.

*Sterna maxima* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 58. Based on the "Hirondelle de Mer de Cayenne" Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 988. (Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Seacoasts, lagoons, and estuaries, also ocean over continental shelf.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* locally on the Pacific coast in southern California (north to Orange County), Baja California (locally), along the coast of Sonora and Sinaloa, and in the Tres Marías Islands (erroneously reported from Isla Isabel); in the Atlantic-Gulf-Caribbean region from New Jersey and the Gulf coast (west to southern Texas) south through the West Indies to islands off the north coast of Venezuela (Netherlands Antilles east to Los Roques, and Trinidad) and French Guiana, and in Yucatán (Cayo Arcas and Alacran Reef); in South America on the coast of northern Argentina; and in West Africa (islands off Mauritania).
Nonbreeding individuals occur in summer in coastal areas in the Americas north to central California and Maine, and south throughout the wintering range (rarely on the Pacific coast south of Mexico).

**Winters** from central California, the Gulf coast and North Carolina south along both coasts of the Americas to Peru, Uruguay and Argentina; and on the west coast of Africa from Morocco to Angola, casually to southern Africa.

Casual north on the Pacific coast to northern California, and on the Atlantic coast to New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland. Accidental in the interior in southern California (Salton Sea), Wisconsin (Manitowoc), Illinois (Chicago and Lake Calumet), Ontario (Kingsville), New York (Rochester), Ohio (Lorain), Oklahoma, Arkansas and eastern Tennessee, also in the British Isles, Norway, Spain, Gibraltar, and Mozambique; a sight report from interior Mexico (Distrito Federal).

**Notes.**—This and the following three species are often placed in the genus *Thalasseus*. Mayr and Short (1970) considered *S. maxima* and *S. bergii* to constitute a superspecies.

**Sterna bergii** Lichtenstein. Great Crested Tern.

*Sterna Bergii Lichtenstein, 1823, Verz. Doubl., p. 80. (Cape of Good Hope.)*

**Habitat.**—Coastal and pelagic waters.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from the southern African and Indian Ocean regions east to the western Pacific and Australian regions, and *ranges* at sea in the Indian and western Pacific oceans.


**Notes.**—See comments under *S. maxima*.

**Sterna elegans** Gambel. Elegant Tern.


**Habitat.**—Coastal Waters, occasionally ocean far from land.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* along the Pacific coast from southern California (Bolsa Chica, Orange County; San Diego Bay) south to central Baja California (locally), and from the Gulf of California (Rasa and Montague islands; formerly more widespread) south along the coast of Sonora and Sinaloa.

**Winters** along the Pacific coast from Guatemala south to central Chile (most commonly from Ecuador south, rare north of Panama).

Wanders north in summer regularly to central (rarely northern) California, and casually to Oregon and southwestern British Columbia. Casual in Arizona and inland in California; accidental in Virginia, Texas (Lake Balmorhea), French Guiana, Ireland and France.

**Notes.**—See comments under *S. maxima* and *S. sandvicensis*.

**Sterna sandvicensis** Latham. Sandwich Tern.

*Sterna Sandvicensis Latham, 1787, Gen. Synop. Birds (suppl.) 1: 296. (Sandwich, Kent, England.)*

**Habitat.**—Seacoasts, bays, estuaries, and mudflats, occasionally ocean far from land.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* [sandvicensis group] locally on the Atlantic coast of North America in Virginia (Fisherman’s Island), North Carolina (Oregon Inlet), South Carolina and Florida (Nassau Sound), along the Gulf coast from southern Texas east to southern Mississippi (between Petit Bois and Horn islands), Alabama and Florida, in the Bahamas, off southern Cuba (Cayo Los Ballenatos), on islets in the Virgin Islands (off Culebra, St. Thomas and Anegada), in the Lesser Antilles (St. Barthélemy), off Yucatán (Cayo Arcas, Alacrán Reef), off Belize, on Curaçao and Trinidad, and in the Old World from the British Isles and southern Scandinavia south to the Mediterranean, Black and Caspian seas; and [eurygnatha group] in Puerto Rico (Culebra Island), the Virgin Islands (St. Thomas, paired with sandvicensis), on islands off the coast of Venezuela (Netherlands Antilles, Las Aves, Los Roques, and on
Soldado Rock off northern Trinidad, the latter colony sometimes assigned to the *sandvicensis* group) and French Guiana, and along the coast of Brazil (north to Espírito Santo) and southern Argentina. Nonbreeding individuals (*sandvicensis* group) occur in summer throughout the wintering range, most commonly in the Atlantic-Gulf-Caribbean region.

**Winters** (*sandvicensis* group) along the Pacific coast from Oaxaca to Ecuador and Peru, in the Atlantic-Gulf-Caribbean region from Florida (casually from Virginia) and the Gulf coast south throughout the West Indies, casually along coasts to southern Brazil and Uruguay, and in the Old World generally from the southern portions of the breeding range south to the eastern Atlantic islands, southern Africa, the Persian Gulf and India; and (*eurygnatha* group) from the islands off Venezuela (including Tobago and Trinidad) and the Colombian coast south along the Atlantic coast to northern Argentina.

Casual or accidental (*sandvicensis* group) in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu); north to southern California (to Los Angeles County), Minnesota, southern Ontario, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia; sight reports from Illinois, Michigan, Newfoundland, Bermuda, the northern Lesser Antilles (St. Martin), Ecuador, Peru, and Chile, and (*eurygnatha* group) for North Carolina (sight report, Cape Hatteras), Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands (where breeding in 1982, paired with one of the *sandvicensis* group).

**Notes.**—The two groups are often regarded as separate species, *S. sandvicensis* [Sandwich or Cabot’s Tern] and *S. eurygnatha* Saunders, 1876 [Cayenne Tern], but limited interbreeding occurs (Junge and Voous 1955, Voous 1983, Buckley and Buckley 1984, Norton 1984). Mayr and Short (1970) considered *S. sandvicensis*, *S. elegans*, *S. bernsteini* Schlegel, 1863, and *S. bengalensis* Lesson, 1831, to constitute a superspecies. See comments under *S. maxima*.

**Sterna dougallii** Montagu. Roseate Tern.

*Sterna Dougallii* Montagu, 1813, Suppl. Ornithol. Dict., [not paged], see under Tern, Roseate (with plate). (The Cumbrey Islands in Firth of Clyde [Scotland].)

**Habitat.**—Coastal waters, bays, estuaries, nesting on sandy beaches, open bare ground, grassy areas and under tumbled boulders, primarily on islands (breeding); mostly pelagic, rarely along seacoasts, bays and estuaries (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** locally along the Atlantic coast of North America from Quebec (Magdalen Islands), Maine and Nova Scotia south to North Carolina (Core Bank); in the Florida Keys, Bahamas, Cuba (several cays), Jamaica (Pedro Cays), Hispaniola (Beata Island, Cayos de los Pájaros), Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Lesser Antilles and islands off Venezuela (Netherlands Antilles, Las Aves and Los Roques); off Belize and Caribbean Honduras (on Sandy Cay near Utila in the Bay Islands); in Bermuda (formerly); and in the Old World locally from the British Isles and northern Europe south to the eastern Atlantic islands and southern South Africa, and from Sri Lanka and the Andaman Islands south in the Indian Ocean along the east coast of Africa and to the Seychelles and western Australia, and in the Pacific Ocean from China and the Ryukyu Islands south to the Philippines, Solomon Islands, New Caledonia, and northern and eastern Australia. Breeding populations in the Northern Hemisphere show serious declines in recent years.

**Winters** in the Americas primarily in the eastern Caribbean from the West Indies southward, ranging along the Atlantic coast of South America to the Guianas, casually to eastern Brazil; and in the Old World from the eastern Atlantic islands and northern Africa south through the breeding range, and in the Indian and Pacific ocean areas near the breeding grounds.

**Migrates** primarily at sea off the Atlantic coast of North America south to Florida; also off western Europe and in the western Mediterranean region.

Casual along the Gulf of Florida, and in central and southern Europe. Accidental in Indiana (Miller), interior El Salvador (La Palma), on Corn Island (off Nicaragua), and on Gorgona Island (off Pacific coast of Colombia, recovery of a bird banded on Long Island, New York). An old report from the Pacific coast of Oaxaca is questionable.

**Sterna hirundo** Linnaeus. Common Tern.

*Sterna Hirundo* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 137. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Seacoasts, estuaries, bays, lakes, rivers and marshes; in winter, primarily coastal waters, beaches.
**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in the interior of North America from northern Alberta, south-central Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northwestern and central Manitoba, northern Ontario (including southern James Bay), southern Quebec, southern Labrador, Newfoundland and Nova Scotia south to Montana, North Dakota, northeastern South Dakota, central Minnesota, northeastern Illinois, northwestern Indiana (formerly), southern Michigan, northern Ohio, northwestern Pennsylvania (Presque Isle), central and northern New York, and northwestern Vermont, and locally along the Atlantic coast to North Carolina (to Wrightsville Beach) and South Carolina (Deveaux Beach); locally on the Gulf coast in Texas (Port Isabel to Galveston Bay), Louisiana, Mississippi (between Petit Bois and Horn islands) and western Florida (St. George Island); in Bermuda, the Greater Antilles (islets off Hispaniola east to the Virgin Islands), Dominica and the Netherlands Antilles; and in the Old World from the British Isles, northern Europe, northern Russia and northern Siberia south to the eastern Atlantic islands, Mediterranean region, Black and Caspian seas, Asia Minor, the Middle East, northern India, Tibet, Anadyrland and Kamchatka. Nonbreeding individuals occur in summer on James Bay, throughout the Great Lakes region, along the Atlantic-Gulf coast (west to southern Texas), on the Pacific Coast of southern California, south in Middle America to Costa Rica, and throughout the West Indies.

*Winters* in the Americas from southern California (casually) and Baja California (rarely) south along the Pacific coast of Middle America and South America to Peru, and from Florida and the Gulf coast (rarely) south through the West Indies and along the Caribbean-Atlantic coast of Middle America and South America to northern Argentina; and in the Old World from the southern portions of the breeding range south to southern Africa, Madagascar, Sri Lanka, the Malay Peninsula, New Guinea, the Solomon Islands and Australia.

*Migrates* regularly in the western Aleutians (rarely east to the Pribilofs and north to St. Lawrence Island), along the Pacific coast from Alaska southward, in interior North America in southeastern California (Salton Sea), the Mississippi and Ohio valleys, and along the Atlantic-Gulf-Caribbean coast, uncommonly elsewhere in North America (reported north to Yukon, and south to Arizona and New Mexico.

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (main islands from Kauai eastward), Clipperton Island (sight report), Labrador, and interior South America (Ecuador, Bolivia).

**Sterna paradisaea** Pontoppidan. Arctic Tern.

**Sterna Paradisaea** Pontoppidan, 1763, Dan. Atlas 1: 622. (Christiansøe, Denmark.)

**Habitat.**—Rocky or grass-covered coasts and islands, tundra, and sometimes along inland lakes and rivers (breeding); mostly pelagic, rarely in coastal bays and estuaries (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, Banks, Bathurst and northern Ellesmere islands, Labrador and Newfoundland south to the Aleutian Islands, south-coastal and southeastern Alaska, southern Yukon, northwestern British Columbia, southern Mackenzie, northwestern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, extreme northern Ontario (islands in James Bay), central Quebec, New Brunswick and, along the Atlantic coast, locally to Maine and Massachusetts, also in Washington (Everett, since 1977); and in the Palearctic from Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, northern Russia and northern Siberia south to northern Europe, Anadyrland, the Commander Islands, and Gulf of Shelekhoova.

*Winters* primarily in the Southern Hemisphere in subantarctic and Antarctic waters of the Pacific, Atlantic and Indian oceans, from off central Chile, central Argentina and South Africa to the Weddell Sea and (rarely) Antarctic continent.

*Migrates* primarily well at sea, along the Pacific coast from Alaska to southern California, and off South America from Colombia to Chile; on the southbound migration, most North American birds cross the Atlantic at 50–60° N and move south along the coasts of Europe and Africa. A few cross from western Africa back to southern Argentina and continue south. Others move south from westernmost Africa or follow the African coast. Only northbound migrants are normally seen in the west Atlantic from Brazil north.

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands, south-central British Columbia, interior California, southern Nevada, northern and central Alberta, Idaho, eastern Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico, southern Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana, the Great Lakes region, Ottawa River, inland New York (Cayuga Lake), Georgia (Okefenokee Swamp),
Louisiana, Cuba, the Virgin Islands, Bolivia (sight report), the Black Sea, and New Zealand; a sight report from western Maryland.

**Sterna forsteri** Nuttall. Forster’s Tern.

*Sterna hirundo* (not Linnaeus) Richardson, 1832, in Swainson and Richardson, Fauna Bor.-Amer. 2 (1831): 412, (on the banks of the Saskatchewan [River] = about 10–50 miles west of Cumberland House, Saskatchewan.)


**Habitat.** Fresh-water and salt marshes; in migration and winter, also seacoasts, bays, estuaries, rivers, and lakes.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in the interior of North America from southeastern British Columbia (Creston), central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba and southern Ontario south through east-central Washington and eastern and south-central Oregon to northern Baja California, western Nevada, south-central Idaho, north-central Utah, northern and eastern Colorado, eastern New Mexico, central Kansas, western Nebraska, northern Iowa, northeastern Illinois, northwestern Indiana (formerly) and eastern Michigan; along the Atlantic coast from southern New York (Long Island, casually) and Massachusetts (Plum Island) south locally to South Carolina and, formerly, South Carolina (Bulls Bay); and along the Gulf coast from northern Tamaulipas and Texas east to southern Louisiana and southern Alabama (Galliard Islands).

*Winters* from northern California, Baja California, southwestern Arizona, southern New Mexico, Texas, the Gulf coast, Virginia and Bermuda (casually farther north) south (mostly along coasts) to Guatemala, casually to Panama; and in the Bahamas and Greater Antilles (east to Puerto Rico; sight reports from the Virgin Islands).

*Migrates* primarily through interior North America, and on the Pacific coast (north to southern British Columbia) and Atlantic coast (north to New Brunswick and Nova Scotia); a sight report for southern Quebec. Birds from Atlantic coast breeding populations apparently disperse northward, at least to New England, prior to fall migration.

Casual in northeastern British Columbia, the Cayman Islands, Iceland, the British Isles, the Netherlands, and at sea several hundred miles east of Pernambuco, Brazil.

**Sterna albifrons** Pallas. Little Tern.

*Sterna albifrons* Pallas, 1764, in Vroeg. Cat. Adumbr., p. 6. (Maasland, Netherlands.)

**Habitat.** Beaches, rivers, and lakes.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in northern Eurasia from the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, central Russia, southeastern Siberia, Korea and Japan south to West Africa, the Mediterranean region, the Middle East, southern Asia, Indonesia and Australia, and *winters* in the more tropical parts of the breeding range.

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands (Tern Island, Midway, and, probably, French Frigate Shoals; Clapp 1989, Conant et al. 1991).

**Notes.**—See notes under *S. antillarum*.

**Sterna antillarum** (Lesson). Least Tern.

*Sternula antillarum* Lesson, 1847, Oeuvres Compl. Buffon 20: 256. (Guadeloupe, West Indies.)

**Habitat.**—Sandy or gravelly beaches and islands along shallow coasts, rivers, and lakes; nests also on flat rooftops of buildings; in winter, seacoasts, beaches, bays, estuaries, and lagoons.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* along the Pacific coast from central California (San Francisco Bay) south to southern Baja California and Chiapas; in the interior of North America locally along the Colorado, Red, Arkansas, Missouri, Mississippi and Ohio river systems from northeastern Montana, western North Dakota, central and southeastern South Dakota, western Iowa, southeastern Missouri, southern Illinois, southwestern Indiana and central Kentucky south
to southeastern Colorado, east-central New Mexico, central and northeastern Texas, central and northeastern Louisiana, western Mississippi, and western Tennessee; along the Atlantic-Gulf coast from Maine (Scarborough) south to Florida (including Florida Keys) and west to Tamaulipas; in the Atlantic-Caribbean region in Bermuda (at least formerly), throughout the Bahamas and Greater Antilles, in the Lesser Antilles (St. Martin, St. Kitts, Antigua, Guadeloupe), on the Yucatan Peninsula (including Isla Cancun), off Belize (Grassy Cay), in Honduras (on Sandy Cay near Utila Island, and at Puerto Caxinas), and on islands off Venezuela (Netherlands Antilles, Los Roques and Margarita), possibly also Trinidad. Non-breeding birds casually occur in summer north to eastern Wyoming, central Colorado, Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, northeastern Illinois and central Michigan, southern Ontario and Ohio, and south through the wintering range.

**Winters** in South America along the Pacific coast south to Peru (casually north to Nayarit), and along the Atlantic coast from Colombia east to eastern Brazil.

**Migrates** throughout the Gulf-Caribbean region (including the Lesser Antilles and Trinidad), and along both coasts of Middle America.

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands, on the Pacific coast north to Washington, in southeastern California, southern Arizona, Peru and Argentina, and north to eastern Montana, Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, Minnesota, Newfoundland, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia; a sight report for Idaho.

**Notes.**—S. antillarum has been considered conspecific with S. albifrons, but see Massey (1976). The two species, in addition to S. superciliaris and S. lorata Philippi and Landbeck, 1861 of South America, and S. saundersi Hume, 1877 of the northwestern Indian Ocean region, appear to constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990). S. nereis (Gould, 1843) of Australia and S. baleanarum (Strickland, 1852) of southern Africa may be included.

**Sterna superciliaris** Vieillot. Yellow-billed Tern.


**Habitat.**—Rivers and lakes.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in South America east of the Andes from Colombia, Venezuela and the Guianas south to central Bolivia, Paraguay, northeastern Argentina and Uruguay, and winters in the breeding range, wandering to coastal areas, Tobago and Trinidad. Accidental in Panama (Coco Solo, Canal area, 17–20 October 1977; Ridgely 1981: 366).

**Notes.**—See comments under S. antillarum.

**Sterna aleutica** Baird. Aleutian Tern.


**Habitat.**—Coastal waters, nesting on grassy or mossy flats, on small offshore islands and coastal spits, around lagoons or near river mouths, and foraging mainly offshore (breeding); pelagic (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in Alaska from the Chukchi Sea coast (from Tasaychek Lagoon east to Cape Krusenstern and Kotzebue Sound) south along the western coast to the Aleutians (west to Attu) and Alaska Peninsula, and east along the southern coast (including Kodiak Island) to Glacier Bay; and in Asia on the east coast of Kamchatka and Sakhalin. Winters at sea, range unknown, although recently reported from the Philippines in May and Hong Kong (August–October). Casual in the Pribilof and Commander islands, on St. Lawrence Island, and in Japan. Accidental in British Columbia (Queen Charlotte Islands) and Great Britain.

**Sterna lunata** Peale. Gray-backed Tern.

**Habitat.**—Coastal waters, nesting on sandy beaches or bare ground on islands (breeding); mostly pelagic (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from the northwestern Hawaiian Islands (from Kure east to Kaula and Moku Manu off Oahu), Wake Island and the Marianas (Guguan) south to the Phoenix, Fiji, Line, and Tuamotu islands.  

*Winters* at sea in the central Pacific Ocean, wandering casually to Clipperton Island and the Moluccas.

**Sterna anaethetus** Scopoli. Bridled Tern.


**Habitat.**—Coastal waters, nesting on islands usually in rocky areas or on coral, occasionally on sand, but generally in crevices, on ledges, or partially concealed (breeding); Pelagic Waters (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in the Pacific Ocean (mostly on islets) in Nayarit (Isla Isabela, San Blas), Guerrero (near Zihuetanejo, White Friar Rocks), northwestern Costa Rica (Nicoya and Osa peninsulas) and southwestern Ecuador (Isla Pelado), possibly also Honduras (Los Farallones) and Panama (Friaules del Sur, off the Azuero Peninsula), and from Taiwan and the Palau Islands south to Indonesia, New Guinea and Australia; in the Atlantic-Caribbean region in the Florida Keys (Pelican Shoals), Bahamas, Cuba (many small cays), the Cayman Islands (Grand Cayman), Jamaica (Morant and Pedro cays, and off Port Royal), Hispaniola (Navassa, Seven Brothers and Beata islands), Puerto Rico (Mona and Desesceo islands), the Virgin Islands, Lesser Antilles, off the Yucatan Peninsula (Cancun and Cozumel islands), Belize and Venezuela (Las Aves and Los Roques, formerly on Aruba and off Tobago); off Mauritania, and on islands in the Gulf of Guinea; the Red Sea and Persian Gulf; and in the Indian Ocean from off western India south to the Seychelles, Mauritius, and the Laccadive and Maldives.

*Ranges* at sea in the Pacific off Middle and South America from Nayarit south to Ecuador, and widely in the western Pacific from the breeding range north to Japan, Marcus Islands, and the Volcano and Ryukyu islands; in the Atlantic-Caribbean region widely in the West Indies, north along the Atlantic coast (most abundantly after storms) from Florida to North Carolina (casually to Maine), along the Gulf coast from Florida west to Texas, and rarely along the north coast of Venezuela; and in the Indian Ocean from India and Sri Lanka south in the breeding range, and to the east coast of Africa.

Casual in Bermuda. Accidental in Caribbean Costa Rica and Newfoundland, and in the British Isles, Denmark, France, and at Cape Horn; a sight report for Arkansas.  

**Notes.**—Mayr and Short (1970) considered *S. anaethetus* and *S. fuscata* to constitute a superspecies.

**Sterna fuscata** Linnaeus. Sooty Tern.

*Sterna fuscata* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 228. Based mainly on "L'Hirondelle-de-mer brune" Brisson, Ornithologie 6: 220, pl. 21, fig. 2. (in Insula Dominensi = Hispaniola.)

**Habitat.**—Nests on islands on sandy beaches, bare ground or coral, most often with scattered grasses or herbs present, less commonly on rocky ledges; generally forages offshore; Pelagic Waters (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in the Pacific from the Hawaiian Islands (Kure east to Kaula, and Moku Manu and Manana off Oahu), on islands off western Mexico (Alijos Rocks, Clipperton, Revillagigedo, Tres Marías, and Isabela), and the Ryukyu, Bonin, Marcus and Wake islands south to the Australian region, Micronesia, central Polynesia and Tuamotu islands, also in the Galapagos Islands (Culpepper), and on San Felix off Chile; in the Atlantic-Gulf-Caribbean region on small islands along the Gulf coast of Texas (Matagorda Bay to Cameron County), Louisiana (Chandeleur Islands) and the Yucatan Peninsula (Alacrán reef, Isla Cancun, and formerly Isla Mujeres and Cayos Arcas), in North Carolina (Morgan Island, 1978), South Carolina (Bird Key, Cape Romaine), and Florida (Dry Tortugas, occasionally elsewhere),
throughout the Bahamas, off Cuba, Jamaica, Hispaniola and Puerto Rico (Monito and Culebra islands), in the Virgin Islands and Lesser Antilles, off Belize and probably also Honduras (Isla Roatán), off the north coast of Venezuela (Islas de Aves, islets off Tobago and Trinidad, and formerly Margarita), French Guiana and Brazil (Rocas Reef, Fernando de Noronha, Trindade, Martin Vas), and in the tropical Atlantic (Ascension, and islets off St. Helena and Principe); and in the Indian Ocean from the Mascarenes, Seychelles, Laccadive, Maldives and Andaman islands to western Australia.

Ranges at sea widely in the Pacific, throughout the Hawaiian Islands, off the west coast of Middle America from Sinaloa to Panama; and widely in the tropical and subtropical Pacific, throughout most of the Caribbean-Gulf region, regularly from Texas east to Florida (especially after storms) and casually north along the Atlantic coast to New England and Nova Scotia, also to Bermuda, along the coast of South America east to the Guianas, to the British Isles, continental Europe and the Azores, and off the coast of western Africa; and widely throughout the tropical and subtropical Indian Ocean.

Casual inland after storms in the Atlantic states north to New York, and to western Texas, Arkansas, Wisconsin, Tennessee and West Virginia, and in California and at Lago de Nicaragua; sight reports for southern Ontario.

Notes.—See comments under S. anaethetus.

Genus PHAETUSA Wagler


Phaetusa simplex (Gmelin). Large-billed Tern.


Habitat.—Rivers and lakes; in nonbreeding season, also seacoasts.

Distribution.—Breeds in South America in western Ecuador (at least formerly), and from Colombia, Venezuela (including Margarita Island), Trinidad and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Argentina, and ranges to seacoasts in the nonbreeding season.

Casual in Panama (Coco Solo, Canal area, and vicinity; and near El Rincón, Herrera). Accidental in Bermuda, Cuba (Nipe Bay) and Aruba, also records (of individuals whose origin has been questioned) for Illinois (photograph, Lake Calumet, Chicago), Ohio (sight report, Evans Lake, near Youngstown) and New Jersey (photographs, Kearny Marsh).

Genus CHLIDONIAS Rafinesque


Hydrochelidon Boie, 1822, Isis von Oken, col. 563. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray 1841), Sterna nigra Linnaeus.

Chlidonias leucopterus (Temminck). White-winged Tern.

Sterna leucoptera Temminck, 1815, Man. Ornithol. (ed. 1, 1814), p. 483. (les bords de la Méditerranée, etc. = Mediterranean Sea.)

Habitat.—Marshes (breeding); coasts, rivers and lakes (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds from eastern Europe east to southern Siberia, Sakhalin and Manchuria, and winters from tropical Africa, India, Southeast Asia and eastern China south to southern Africa, Madagascar, Sri Lanka, the East Indies, New Guinea, Australia and, rarely, New Zealand, migrating through Europe, Korea and Japan.

Casual or accidental in Alaska (Nizki Island in the Aleutians, Homer), Manitoba, Wisconsin, Ontario, Quebec (Saint-Gédéon; bred successfully, paired with C. niger and raised young), New Brunswick, Vermont, Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Vir-
ginia, the Bahamas (Great Inagua), Virgin Islands (St. Croix), Barbados, Guam, the northern Marianas, and Palau; sight reports for Indiana and Georgia.

**Notes.**—Also known as White-winged Black Tern.

**Chlidonias hybridus** (Pallas). Whiskered Tern.


**Habitat.**—Marshes, lagoons, rivers and lakes (breeding); coasts, rivers and lakes (non-breeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southern Europe, southern Russia and southern Siberia south to South Africa and Australia, and *winters* in Africa, and from southern Asia to Australia. Accidental in New Jersey (Cape May) and Delaware (Delaware Bay, same individual, 29 June–6 September 1993, photograph; VIREO; published photograph, DeBenedictis 1994b), and in Barbados (16–23 April, 1994, photograph; 1995, Nat. Audubon Soc. Field Notes 49: 204).

**Notes.**—Also known as Marsh Tern.

**Chlidonias niger** (Linnaeus). Black Tern.

*Sterna nigra* Linnaeus, 1758, *Syst. Nat.* (ed. 10) 1: 137. (in Europa = near Uppsala, Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Extensive marshes, sloughs and wet meadows, primarily fresh-water (breeding); pelagic, as well as along seacoasts, bays, estuaries, lagoons, lakes and rivers (non-breeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America from central and northeastern British Columbia, northern Alberta, south-central Mackenzie, northwestern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, southern Quebec, southern New Brunswick and central Nova Scotia south locally to south-central California, northern Nevada, northern Utah, central and eastern Colorado, Nebraska, Missouri (formerly), central Illinois, Kentucky (formerly), northern Ohio, Pennsylvania, western New York, northwestern Vermont and Maine (one old record from Fort Yukon, east-central Alaska); and in the Old World from Iceland, northern Europe, north-central Russia and central Siberia south to the Mediterranean Sea, Asia Minor, Turkestan, and the Caspian and Aral seas. Nonbreeding birds occur in summer south on the Pacific coast to Panama, in the interior to Arizona and New Mexico, and in eastern North America to the Gulf coast, where abundant.

*Winters* on the west coast of the Americas from Jalisco (casually north to California) south to Peru, and on the northern coast of South America from Colombia to Surinam; and in the Old World primarily in tropical Africa south to Angola and Tanzania, casually to Madeira and northern China.

*Migrates* through the interior of North America south of the breeding range; along both coasts and through the interior of Middle America; along the Atlantic coast from Nova Scotia south to Florida and the West Indies (rarely south to Barbados); and often far at sea. Casual in the Hawaiian Islands, Alaska, Yukon, Clipperton Island, Bermuda, Chile, and northern Argentina.

Genus *LAROSTERNA* Blyth

Larosterna inca (Lesson). Inca Tern.


**Habitat.**—Coastal Waters; nests on islands

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in Peru and Chile, and *ranges* along the Pacific coast of South America.

Casual off the Pacific coast of Panama (Bay of Panama), where present in moderate numbers, 31 May–27 June 1983 (maximum of 65 individuals), in apparent association with a major "El Niño Southern Oscillation" (Reed 1988; photograph).

Genus ANOUS Stephens


**Anous stolidus** (Linnaeus). Brown Noddy.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic Waters; nests on islands on bare ground, rock ledges, sandy beaches or in trees.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in the Pacific Ocean from the Hawaiian (from Kure east to Kaula, Lehua off Niïhau, and Moku Manu and Manana off Oahu), Ryukyu and Bonin islands south to northern Australia, Norfolk Island and the Tuamotu Archipelago, and islands off western Mexico (Revilleigedo, Tres Marías, Tres Marietas, and Isabela; possibly Las Rocosas Potosí) south to Costa Rica (Cocos Island, possibly also on the Santa Elena Peninsula) and Colombia (Octavia Rocks, Gorgona Island); in the Atlantic-Gulf-Caribbean region from the Bahamas and Florida Keys (Dry Tortugas) south through most of the Antilles to islands off the coasts of the Yucatan Peninsula (Alacran reef), Belize, Isla San Andrés, Venezuela (Las Aves east to Margarita, Tobago and Trinidad), and French Guiana; and in the Atlantic Ocean on Trinidad, Ascension, St. Helena, Tristan da Cunha and Gough, also islands in the Gulf of Guinea; and in the Indian Ocean region from the Red Sea, Gulf of Aden and Laccadive Islands south to Madagascar and the Seychelles.

*Winters* at sea, generally in the vicinity of the breeding grounds, ranging casually (mostly after storms) in the Atlantic-Gulf-Caribbean region north to New Jersey and south to the coasts of Middle America (Caribbean coast and islands off El Salvador and Honduras, and both coasts of Panama).

Casual in Bermuda. Accidental in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Louisiana and Texas, also in Norway and Germany.

**Notes.**—Also known as Noddy Tern or Common Noddy.

**Anous minutus** Boie. Black Noddy.

*Anous minutus* Boie, 1844, Isis von Oken, col. 188. (New Holland = Raine Island, Australia.)

**Habitat.**—Pelagic Water; nests on islands in trees or on rock ledges.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in the tropical Pacific Ocean from the Hawaiian Islands (throughout), and Marcus and Wake islands south to New Guinea, northeastern Australia and the Tuamotu Archipelago, also off the coast of Middle America on Clipperton Island, and on Cocos Island (off Costa Rica); in the Caribbean region off Belize (formerly on Southwest Cay in Glover's Reef, no recent records), in the Lesser Antilles (Sombrero off Anguilla), and off Venezuela (Los Roques, Aruba since 1992, and possibly Las Aves); and in the tropical South Atlantic from St. Paul's Rocks and Fernando de Noronha to St. Helena and...
(formerly) Inaccessible Island. Summers in small numbers (since 1960) in the Florida Keys (Dry Tortugas).

Winters at sea in the vicinity of the breeding grounds.

Casual in Isla Cancun, Anguilla, and the Netherlands Antilles (Bonaire); sight reports from Honduras (Isla Utila) and the Bahamas. Accidental on the central coast of Texas (Nueces County).

Notes.—Some authors (e.g., Vaurie 1965) treat A. tenuirostris (Temminck, 1823) of the Indian Ocean as conspecific with A. minutus; they constitute a superspecies. With a single species concept, White-capped Noddy is the appropriate English name.

Genus PROCESTerna Lafresnaye


Type, by monotypy, Procesterna tereticollis Lafresnaye = Sterna cerulea Bennett.

Procesterna cerulea (Bennett). Blue-gray Noddy.

Sterna cerulea F. D. Bennett, 1840, Narr. Whaling Voy. 2: 248. (Christmas Island, Pacific Ocean.)

Habitat.—Pelagic Waters; nests in recesses and shallow cavities on rocky islands, and in the open on sandy islets.

Distribution.—Breeds in the tropical Pacific Ocean from the Hawaiian Islands (Gardner Pinnacles, French Frigate Shoals, Necker, Nihoa and Kaula) and Johnston Atoll south to southwestern Micronesia and Polynesia, and east to San Ambrosio and Easter islands.

Winters at sea in the general vicinity of the breeding grounds.

Notes.—Also known as Gray Ternlet. Procesterna cerulea and the southwestern Pacific P. albivitta Bonaparte, 1856 constitute a superspecies; they are considered one species by Sibley and Monroe (1993).

Genus GYGIS Wagler


Gygis alba (Sparrman). Common White-Tern.

Sterna alba Sparrman, 1786, Mus. Carlso., fasc. 1, pl. 11. (in India orientali, ad promontorium Bonae Spet Insulasque maris pacifici = Ascension Island.)

Habitat.—Pelagic Waters; nests on islands on bare limbs or crotches in branches of trees (no nest), less commonly on rocky ledges or coral, sometimes in old nests of Anous minutus and on various man-made structures.

Distribution.—Breeds [alba group] in the tropical South Atlantic on Fernando de Noronha, Trindade, Martin Vas Rocks, Ascension and St. Helena; on islands in the tropical Pacific Ocean [candida group] from the Hawaiian (Kure east to Kaula, and on Oahu), Carolina and Marshall islands south to Norfolk, Kermadec, Tonga and Society islands, also on Clipperton Island and Cocos Island (off Costa Rica), in the Galapagos Islands, and on Easter and Sala-y-Gomez islands, and in the Indian Ocean in the Seychelles; and [microrhyncha group] on the larger Marquesas Islands and Kiribati.

Ranges at sea generally near the breeding range.

Accidental [candida group] in the Revillagigedo Islands (Oneal Rock near Socorro, erroneously reported breeding); and [alba group] on Bermuda (7-9 December 1972; photograph of individual referable to this group) and Tobago.

Notes.—Also known as White Noddy, White Tern, or Fairy Tern, the latter name now restricted to Sterna nereis (Gould, 1843) of the southwest Pacific. Groups: G. alba (Sparrman, 1786) [Atlantic White-Tern], G. candida (Gmelin, 1789) [Pacific White-Tern], and G. microrhyncha Saunders 1876 [Little White-Tern]. The latter is given species rank by Pratt et al. (1987) and Sibley and Monroe (1990), although some hybridization occurs in the Marquesas Islands and Kiribati (Holyoak and Thibault 1976).
Subfamily RYNCHOPINAE: Skimmers

Genus RYNCHOPS Linnaeus


**Habitat.**—Primarily near coasts on sandy beaches, shell banks, coastal islands, tropical rivers, and locally, gravelly rooftops, occasionally inland in flooded farmlands; in migration and winter, also bays, estuaries, lagoons and mudflats (Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in western North America in southern California (north to Orange County and the Salton Sea; since 1994 also in San Francisco Bay), possibly also in Baja California, and along the Pacific coast of Sonora, Sinaloa, Nayarit, and Oaxaca; and locally on the Atlantic-Gulf coast from southern Massachusetts, Connecticut (Bluff Island), New York (Long Island) and New Jersey south to southern Florida (Miami area), and from western Florida (south to the Tampa Bay region) along the Gulf coast to Texas and south to the Yucatan Peninsula; and in South America south along the Pacific coast to western Ecuador and in the Caribbean-Atlantic drainage, in the middle reaches of large rivers (Orinoco, Cauca, Amazon, Paraná) to northern Argentina.

**Winters** from southwestern California, Sonora, the Gulf coast, and Florida (rarely from North Carolina) south along the coasts of Cuba (rare but regular), Middle America and South America (including Margarita Island and Trinidad) to central Argentina. Postbreeding individuals wander rarely north to central California and (usually following storms) to Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland.

Casual inland in coastal states, on the Mexican Plateau, and to Arizona, New Mexico, Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Tennessee, Indiana, western and southern Ontario and southern Quebec, also to Bermuda, the Bahamas (Bimini, Great Inagua), the Cayman Islands, Hispanoiola (off the coast), the Virgin Islands, Guadeloupe, and Grenada.

Family ALCIDAE: Auks, Murres, and Puffins

**Notes.**—The position of the auks and their relatives with respect to other groups in the Charadriiformes has been subject to considerable controversy. Opinions have ranged from considering them as a subfamily of the Laridae (Sibley and Ahlquist 1990) to the sister group to the rest of the Charadriiformes (Mickevich and Parenti 1980, Björklund 1994). They are here accorded family rank, but conclusions concerning their position within the order must await further studies. See Strauch (1985), Moum et al. (1994), and Friesen et al. (1996) for phylogenetic hypotheses, generally concordant, concerning relationships among tribes, genera, and species.

Tribe ALCINI: Dovekies, Murres, and Auks

Genus ALLE Link


*Alle alle* (Linnaeus). Dovekie.

**Family Alcidae**

**Habitat.**—Mostly pelagic; nests in crevices on steep coastal cliffs.

**Distribution.**—Breeds on eastern Baffin Island, and in the Palearctic in Greenland, Iceland, Jan Mayen, Spitsbergen, Bear Island, Franz Josef Land, Novaya Zemlya and North Land; also probably islands in the Bering Sea (St. Lawrence and Little Diomede), and possibly on eastern Ellesmere Island. Nonbreeding birds occur in summer along the Atlantic coast to Maine.

Winters offshore from the breeding range south to Southampton Island, Ungava Bay, the Gulf of St. Lawrence and Bay of Fundy (irregularly along the Atlantic coast as far as North Carolina), and in the eastern Atlantic to the Canary Islands, Azores, France and the Baltic Sea, also casually south to southern Florida, Cuba, the Bahamas (Grand Bahama), Bermuda, Madeira and the western Mediterranean Sea.

Casual along the Arctic coast of Alaska (Point Barrow) and Canada, Melville Island and Keewatin, on islands in the southern Bering Sea (St. Matthew, St. George, St. Paul), and in the interior of northeastern North America west to central Manitoba, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Ontario and New York; also in the British Isles and interior of Europe. Accidental in western Florida (Bay County); sight reports for the Aleutian Islands (near Unimak) and Illinois.

**Notes.**—Also known as Little Auk.

**Genus Uria Brisson**

_**Uria**_ Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 52; 6: 70. Type, by tautonymy, _Uria_ Brisson = _Colymbus aalge_ Pontoppidan.

**Uria aalge** (Pontoppidan). Common Murre.


**Habitat.**—Pelagic and along rocky seacoasts; nests in coastal cliff ledges.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in North America along the Pacific coast from western Alaska (Cape Lisburne, Kotzebue Sound, Diomede Islands) south through Norton Sound and the Bering Sea (St. Matthew, Nunivak and the Pribilof islands) to the Aleutians, and from south-coastal Alaska to central California (including the Farallon Islands, and south to Monterey County, formerly Santa Barbara County); in eastern North America from Labrador (locally east from Nunsarsuk Island) and southeastern Quebec (north shore of Gulf of St. Lawrence, Anticosti and Bonaventure islands, and Bird Rocks) south to Newfoundland and Nova Scotia (at least formerly); and in the Palearctic from Greenland and Iceland east to Norway, and south to northern France and central Norway, and from the Commander Islands and Kamchatka south to southern Sakhalin, eastern Korea and Japan.

Winters primarily offshore in areas near the breeding grounds, in the Pacific south regularly to southern California and (rarely) northern Baja California; in eastern North America south to Massachusetts, casually as far as Virginia (Back Bay); and in the Palearctic to northern Europe.

A sight report for Sinaloa.

**Notes.**—Also known as Thin-billed Murre and, in Old World literature, as the Guillemot.

**Uria lomvia** (Pontoppidan). Thick-billed Murre.

_Alca lomvia_ Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 130. (in Europa boreali = Greenland.)

**Habitat.**—Mostly pelagic; nests in steep, coastal cliffs.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in western North America from northern Alaska (Cape Lisburne, Kotzebue Sound, Diomede Islands) south through the Pribilofs to the Aleutians and to British Columbia (Triangle Island), east to Kodiak, Middleton and St. Lazaria islands, and in northwestern Mackenzie (Cape Parry); in eastern North America from Prince Leopold, Cobourg, Bylot and eastern Baffin islands south to northern Hudson Bay (Coats Island and Chesterfield Inlet), northern Quebec (Ungava Bay to Cape Chidley), Labrador, the Gulf of St. Lawrence and Newfoundland (Bird Rock), formerly to Maine (Penobscot Bay); and in the Palearctic from Greenland, Iceland, Jan Mayen, Spitsbergen, Novaya Zemlya, northern Russia and
northern Siberia south to the Chukotkski Peninsula, Kamchatka, and the Commander and Kuril islands.

**Winters** primarily offshore from the breeding grounds, in western North America south to southeastern Alaska, casually to central California (Monterey Bay); in eastern North America south along the Atlantic coast to New Jersey, casually south to Florida and inland to the Great Lakes region (recorded from Michigan, Ontario and Quebec south to Iowa, Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania); and in the Palearctic south to northern Europe and Japan.

**Notes.**—Also known as Brunnich’s Murre and, in Old World literature, as Brunnich’s Guillemot.

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**Genus ALCA Linnaeus**

*Alca Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 130. Type, by tautonymy, *Alca torda* Linnaeus (*Alca*, prebinomial specific name, in synonymy).*

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**Alca torda** Linnaeus. Razorbill.

*Alca Torda Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 130. (in Europa borealis oceano = Stora Karlsö, Baltic Sea.)*

**Habitat.**—Mostly pelagic; nests in coastal cliffs and on rocky shores and islands.

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** in North America from extreme southeastern Baffin Island and the coast of Labrador south to southeastern Quebec (north shore of Gulf of St. Lawrence, Cape Whittle, Bird Rocks, and Anticosti, Bonaventure, Magdalen and Pêlerins islands), eastern Newfoundland, southern New Brunswick (Grand Manan, Machias Seal Island), eastern Maine (Matinicus Rock) and Nova Scotia; and in the Palearctic from Greenland east to the British Isles, Bear I., Scandinavia and northern Russia. Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) on Diggles Island, off northwestern Quebec.

**Winters** offshore from the breeding grounds in North America south to New York (Long Island), casually to South Carolina and Florida (including the Gulf coast) and inland to southern Ontario; and in the Palearctic from southern Scandinavia and the Baltic Sea south to the western Mediterranean Sea.

Accidental in central New York (Seneca County).

**Notes.**—Also known as Razor-billed Auk.

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**Genus PINGUINUS Bonnaterre**

*Plautus (not Gunnerus) Brünnich, 1771, Zool. Fund., p. 78. Type, by monotypy, "Brillefuglen" = *Alca impennis* Linnaeus.*


†*Pinguinus impennis* (Linnaeus). Great Auk.

*Alca impennis* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 130. (in Europa arctica = Norwegian Sea.)*

**Habitat.**—Mostly at sea; nested on low coastal rocky islands.

**Distribution.**—**EXTINCT**. Formerly **bred** in the Gulf of St. Lawrence (Bird Rocks), Newfoundland (Funk Island), Greenland, Iceland and the Outer Hebrides (St. Kilda), possibly in the Faeroe Islands and on Lundy, doubtfully on the Isle of Man.

**Wintered** from the breeding grounds south to Maine and Massachusetts, casually to South Carolina; and to the British Isles, France, Spain, Denmark and Scandinavia.

Last verified record: two taken in Iceland on 3 June 1844.

**Notes.**—Strauch (1985)'s analysis of primarily morphological characters indicated that *Pinguinus* should be merged into *Alca.*
Tribe CEPHINI: Guillemots

Genus **CEPPHUS** Pallas


**Cepphus grylle** (Linnaeus). Black Guillemot.

*Alca Grylle* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 130. (in Europæ borealis oceano = Gotland, Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Mostly coastal; nests in holes under rocks (rarely in ground) on rocky islands, in crevices in base of coastal cliffs, and (in Alaska) in or under beach flotsam.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in northern Alaska (along the Chukchi and Beaufort seacoasts from Cape Thompson east at least to Barter Island, possibly also on St. Lawrence Island in the Bering Sea) and northern Yukon (Herschel Island); in eastern North America from Ellesmere, Devon, Somerset, Blyth and eastern Baffin islands south to the Melville Peninsula, Southampton Island, northern Ontario (Cape Henrietta Maria), the eastern shore of Hudson and James bays, Newfoundland, shores and islands of the eastern St. Lawrence River (Pélerins Islands), Gulf of St. Lawrence, New Brunswick, Maine and southern Nova Scotia; and in the northern Palearctic from Greenland, Iceland, Jan Mayen, Spitsbergen, Bear I., Franz Josef Land and Novaya Zemlya east to the New Siberian, Wrangel and Herald islands, and south to the British Isles, Scandinavia, and the coast of northern Russia and northern Siberia. Recorded in summer west to Banks Island and northern Keewatin.

**Winters** from the breeding grounds south in the Bering Sea ice front to the Pribilof Islands, and in eastern North America to New England, rarely New York (Long Island) and New Jersey; and in the Palearctic to northern Europe.

Casual or accidental inland to Alberta, Saskatchewan (sight report), Mackenzie, Manitoba, southern Ontario, northeastern Ohio, eastern Pennsylvania (Delaware River near Chester) and New York, and south to South Carolina.

**Notes.**—*C. grylle* and *C. columba*, and possibly also Asiatic *C. carbo* Pallas, 1811 (Mayr and Short 1970), constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Cepphus columba** Pallas. Pigeon Guillemot.

*Cepphus Columba* Pallas, 1811, Zoogr. Rosso-Asiat. 2: 348. (in oceano arctico pariterque circa Camtschatacam et in omni freto inter Sibiriam et Americam = Kamchatka and Bering Strait.)

**Habitat.**—Mostly coastal; nests in crevices in coastal cliffs, excavated holes in banks or among rocks along shores also under docks and piers.

**Distribution.**—Breeds [columba group] in western North America from northern Alaska (Cape Lisburne and Cape Thompson) south through Norton Sound, Cape Newenham and Cape Peirce, and the Bering Sea islands (Diomede, St. Lawrence, St. Matthew, Hall, Nunivak) to the Aleutians, and south along the Pacific coast to southern California (to Santa Barbara Island, and on the mainland to northern Santa Barbara County); and in eastern Siberia from the Chukotski Peninsula south to Kamchatka and the Commander Islands. Nonbreeding individuals [columba group] occur in summer elsewhere in the Bering Sea (Pribilof Islands) and in Baja California.

**Winters** [columba group] offshore near the breeding grounds, in North America from the Pribilof and Aleutian islands south to central California (casually to San Diego County), and in Eurasia south to northern Japan.

**Resident** (snowi group) in the Kuril Islands.

**Notes.**—Groups: *C. columba* [Pigeon Guillemot] and *C. snowi* Stejneger, 1897 [Kuril Guillemot]. See comments under *C. grylle*.
Tribe BRACHYRAMPHINI: Brachyramphine Murrelets

Genus **BRACHYRAMPHUS** Brandt


**Brachyramphus perdix** (Pallas). Long-billed Murrelet.

*Cepphus Perdix* Pallas, Zoogr. Rosso-Asiat., 2, 1811, p. 351, pl. 80. (Bering Sea and Sea of Okhotsk.)

**Habitat.**—Oceanic, most numerous on near-shore waters and bays. Nests on masses of lichens in coniferous trees and (probably) on the ground.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in eastern Asia, along the western shores of the Sea of Okhotsk from the Penzhina Delta south to Olga Bay, on both coasts of Sakhalin Island, and from the southern Kurile Islands (Urup, Iterup) to northeastern Hokkaido (Mt. Hokoto), and on the east coast of Kamchatka. (The report of nesting on the Commander Islands is not considered valid by recent Russian authors.)

*Winters* south along both coasts of Japan, regularly to northern Honshu and rarely or casually to southern Korea and Amami-oshima in the Ryu-kyu Islands. Casual in interior North America: Alaska (Denali National Park), California (Mono Lake, 4 specimens), Montana, Colorado, Arkansas, Indiana, Ohio, Quebec, St. Lawrence River (Ontario/New York), Massachusetts, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Florida; accidental in coastal California (Humboldt Bay); also sight reports for this or *B. marmoratus* from Saskatchewan, Iowa, and Indiana (Lake Michigan); see summary in Sealy et al. (1991).

**Notes.**—Treated as a species by Ridgway (1919) and AOU (1931), but subsequently (e.g., AOU 1957) generally considered a subspecies of *B. marmoratus*. Molecular data (Friesen et al. 1996) indicate that *B. brevirostris* may be more closely related to *B. marmoratus* than is *B. perdix*; other molecular data (Zink et al. 1995) also show a degree of differentiation between *perdix* and *marmoratus* comparable to that between well-differentiated species. Also known as Asiatic Murrelet.

**Brachyramphus marmoratus** (Gmelin). Marbled Murrelet.


**Habitat.**—Mostly coastal; nests on large horizontal branches in coniferous trees near coasts, occasionally on islands on open barren ground.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* definitely in southern Alaska (Kenai Peninsula, Barren Islands, Baranof Island), coastal British Columbia (including lakes near the coast, Campbell et al. 1990), western Washington and central California (Santa Cruz County). Occurs in summer and probably breeds in North America from southern Alaska (the Aleutians, Alaska Peninsula and south-coastal region) south to central California.

*Winters* offshore near the breeding grounds from southern Alaska (casually the Aleutians and Pribilofs) south to central California, casually to northern Baja California.

**Notes.**—See comments under *B. perdix*.

**Brachyramphus brevirostris** (Vigors). Kittlitz’s Murrelet.

*Uria brevirostris* Vigors, 1829, Zool. J. 4 (1828): 357. (San Blas [Mexico], error = North Pacific.)

**Habitat.**—Mostly coastal, showing preference for ice-filled waters (Kessel 1989); nests in coastal cliffs, and barren ground, rock ledges and talus above timberline in coastal mountains. Generally near snowfields.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in Alaska from Point Hope south to the Aleutians and east to Glacier Bay, and along the north shore of the Chukotski Peninsula.
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Winters generally offshore from the Aleutians east to Glacier Bay. Casual in the Kuril Islands. Accidental in British Columbia (Victoria), Washington (San Juan Island) and southern California (La Jolla).

Notes.—See comments under B. perdix.

Tribe SYNTHLIBORAMPHINI: Synthliboramine Murrelets

Genus SYNTHLIBORAMPHUS Brandt


Notes.—Strauch (1985) merged Endomychura into Synthliboramphus (cf. Moum et al. 1994), and placed Synthliboramphus in the Cepphini.

Synthliboramphus hypoleucus (Xántus de Vesey). Xantus's Murrelet.


Habitat.—Coastal Waters, Pelagic Waters; nests on islands on the ground, in crevices beneath large rocks, or under dense clumps of vegetation.

Distribution.—Breeds on islands off southern California (San Miguel, Santa Cruz, Anacapa, Santa Barbara, San Clemente, and, formerly, Santa Catalina) and western Baja California (Los Coronados, Todos Santos, Natividad, San Benito and Guadalupe). On large islands (e.g., San Miguel, Santa Cruz, San Clemente, Guadalupe) confined largely or entirely to offshore rocks (Drost and Lewis 1995).

Winters primarily from northern California (rarely) south to southern Baja California, casually farther north (recorded from off the coasts of Oregon, Washington, and southern British Columbia).

Notes.—There is some evidence that S. hypoleucus [Xantus's Murrelet] and the form S. scrippsi (Green and Arnold, 1939) [Scripps's Murrelet], here considered a subspecies of hypoleucus, breed in the San Benito Islands and on Santa Barbara Island with but limited hybridization; thus there may be two species within this complex (Jehl and Bond 1975). Synthliboramphus hypoleucus and S. craveri were formerly considered conspecific, but both apparently breed in the San Benito Islands with very little hybridization (Jehl and Bond 1975). Synthliboramphus hypoleucus and S. craveri constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970). These two species were formerly placed in the genus Endomychura.

Synthliboramphus craveri (Salvadori). Craveri's Murrelet.


Habitat.—Coastal Waters, Pelagic Waters; nests in rock crevices on islands.

Distribution.—Breeds on most islands in the Gulf of California (north to Consag Rock), and probably north along the west coast of Baja California to Magdalena Bay and the San Benito Islands.

Winters at sea in the Gulf of California and to the coast of Sonora (possibly farther south off western Mexico).

Wanders after the breeding season along the Pacific coast of Baja California and California north (uncommonly) to Monterey Bay and south to Nayarit; a sight report for central California (Farallon Islands).

A record from Oregon is erroneous.

Notes.—Olson (1996) pointed out that the singular possessive form of the English name
of this species is technically incorrect because the species was evidently named for the Craveri brothers. See comments under S. hypoleucus.

**Synthliboramphus antiquus** (Gmelin). Ancient Murrelet.


**Habitat.**—Mostly pelagic; nests along rocky seacoasts in crevices, under rocks, and in burrows in the ground.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in western North America from southern Alaska (the Aleutian, Sanak and Kodiak islands) south to British Columbia (Queen Charlotte Islands), casually to northwestern Washington (Carroll Island); and in eastern Asia from the Commander Islands and Kamchatka south to Amurland, Sakhalin, northern Japan (Hokkaido and Honshu), Korea and Dagelet Island.

*Winters* primarily offshore in North America from the Aleutian Islands south to central (rarely southern) California; and in Asia from the Commander Islands south to Taiwan and the Ryukyu Islands. Post-breeding dispersal reported north through Bering Straits to Chukchi Sea (Kessel 1989).

Casual in Baja California and in the interior of western and central North America in southern Yukon, and from southern British Columbia, Alberta, Idaho, Montana, southern Manitoba, the Great Lakes region and southern Quebec south to southeastern California, Nevada, Utah, northern New Mexico, central Colorado, Nebraska, Louisiana, central Illinois, northwestern Indiana, northern Ohio and Pennsylvania.

Accidental in the British Isles.

**Notes.**—*S. antiquus* and the Japanese *S. wurnizusurne* (Temminck, 1835) [Japanese or Temminck’s Murrelet] constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Tribe AETHIINI: Auklets**

Genus **PTYCHORAMPHUS** Brandt


*Ptychoramphus aleuticus* (Pallas). Cassin’s Auklet.

*Uria Aleutica* Pallas, 1811, Zoogr., Rosso-Asiat. 2: 370. (Russia ad Oceanum orientalem = North Pacific Ocean.)

**Habitat.**—Mostly pelagic; nests on islands in burrows in the ground.

**Distribution.**—Breeds locally on coastal islands from southern Alaska (west to Buldir in the Aleutians) south to southern Baja California (including Asunción, San Roque and Guadalupe islands).

*Winters* along the Pacific coast from southern British Columbia (Vancouver Island), rarely from southeastern Alaska, south to southern Baja California.

Accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu).

Genus **AETHIA** Merrem


**Notes.**—See Strauch (1985), Moum et al. (1994), and Friesen et al. (1996) for merger of *Cyclorrhynchus* into *Aethia.*
**Aethia psittacula** (Pallas). Parakeet Auklet.

*Alca psittacula* Pallas, 1769, Spic. Zool 1(5): 13, pl. ii; pl. v, figs. 4–6. (in mari Kamtschatkam ... et circa insulas partim versus Iaponiam partim versus Americam septentrionalem sparsas = Kamchatka.)

**Habitat.**—Mostly pelagic; nests along rocky seacoasts in cliff crevices, among boulders on beaches, and on rocky slopes with dense vegetation.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in western Alaska from the Diomede Islands, Fairway Rock, Sledge Island and Norton Sound south through the Bering Sea (St. Lawrence, St. Matthew and the Pribilof islands) to the Aleutians, and east to islands in Prince William Sound; and in eastern Siberia along the Gulf of Anadyr and in the Commander Islands. Winters at sea in the North Pacific from the Pribilof and Aleutian islands south well offshore rarely to central (casually to southern) California, and in Asia south to Sakhalin and the Kuril Islands.

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands (Kure, Midway) and northern Alaska (Point Barrow). Accidental in Sweden.

**Aethia pusilla** (Pallas). Least Auklet.

*Uria pusilla* Pallas, 1811, Zoogr. Rosso-Asiat. 2: 373. (circa Camtschatcam = Kamchatka.)

**Habitat.**—Mostly pelagic; nests on talus slopes and beach rock rubble, occasionally in small crevices in coastal cliffs.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in western Alaska from the Diomede Islands south through islands of the Bering Sea (including the Pribilofs) to the Aleutian, Shumagin and Semidi islands; and in eastern Siberia along the Chukotski Peninsula and the Commander Islands south to the central Kuril Islands (Jones 1993). Winters in the southern Bering Sea, at sea off the Aleutians, and from the coast of eastern Siberia south to Kamchatka, Sakhalin, the Kuril Islands and northern Japan. Casual north to northern Alaska (Point Barrow) and east to northern Mackenzie (Kittigazuit). Accidental in California (San Mateo County).

**Aethia pygmaea** (Gmelin). Whiskered Auklet.


**Habitat.**—Mostly pelagic; nests in crevices in talus slopes, among boulders along beaches, and on lava flows on high slopes.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in southwestern Alaska in the Aleutians (east at least to Unimak Pass and west to Buldir, possibly also in the Near Islands), and in the Commander and central Kuril islands. Winters at sea off the Aleutians, and from the Commander Islands and Kamchatka south to the Kuril Islands and Japan. Casual north in the Bering Sea to St. Lawrence Island and Bristol Bay, and south to Japan.

**Aethia cristatella** (Pallas). Crested Auklet.

*Alca cristatella* Pallas, 1769, Spic. Zool. 1(5): 18, pl. iii; pl. v, figs. 7–9. (Ultimarum versus Japoniam maxime incola et circa insulam Matmey = Hokkaido to Kamchatka.)

**Habitat.**—Mostly pelagic; nests on talus slopes and beach boulder rubble, occasionally in crevices in cliffs.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in western Alaska on Bering Sea islands (from the Diomedes south, including King, St. Lawrence and St. Matthew, to the Pribilofs), and in the Aleutians east at least to the Shumagin and Semidi islands, but not in the Near Islands); and in eastern Siberia from the Chukotski Peninsula south to Sakhalin and the central Kuril Islands. Non-
breeding birds occur in summer north to northern Alaska (Wainwright and Barrow), and to Wrangel and Herald islands, off northern Siberia.

Winters in open waters of the Bering Sea and around the Aleutians, east to the vicinity of Kodiak, and in Asiatic waters near breeding areas, straggling south to Japan.

Accidental inland in Alaska (Nulato), in British Columbia (Vancouver Island), in California (Marin County), and in the North Atlantic off the northeastern coast of Iceland; sight reports for coastal Oregon and Baja California.

Tribe FRATERCULINI: Puffins

Genus CERORHINCA Bonaparte


Cerorhinca monocerata (Pallas). Rhinoceros Auklet.


Habitat.—Mostly pelagic; nests on islands in ground burrows.

Distribution.—Breeds on islands along the Pacific coast of North America from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska (Barren, Middleton, St. Lazaria and Forrester islands) south to southern California (to Santa Barbara County, off San Miguel Island); and in eastern Asia from southern Sakhalin and the southern Kuril Islands south to Korea and Japan. Nonbreeding birds occur in summer south casually to southern California (San Pedro).

Winters off the Pacific coast of North America from southern British Columbia (casually from southern Alaska) south to Baja California (Santa Margarita Island); and in Asia in the southern part of the breeding range.

Casual in the Aleutian and Commander islands.

Notes.—Also known as Horn-billed Puffin.

Genus FRATERCULA Brisson

Fratercula Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 52; 6: 81. Type, by tautonymy, Fratercula Brisson = Alca arctica Linnaeus.


Fratercula arctica (Linnaeus). Atlantic Puffin.

Alca arctica Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 130. (in Europae borealis oceano = northern Norway.)

Habitat.—Primarily pelagic; nests on rocky island slopes and seacoasts, usually in burrows, rarely in cliff crevices.

Distribution.—Breeds in eastern North America from Labrador (north to Nain) south in coastal areas to southeastern Quebec (Mingan, Anticosti, Bonaventure and Magdalen islands, and Gaspé Peninsula), Newfoundland, southwestern New Brunswick (Machias Seal Island) and eastern Maine (Seal Island and Matinicus Rock), also on Diggles Island off northwestern Quebec; and in the Palearctic from Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, Spitsbergen, Bear Island and Novaya Zemlya south to the British Isles, northern Europe, southern Scandinavia and the coast of northern Russia.

Winters in the North Atlantic off North America from Labrador south to Massachusetts, casually to New Jersey, Maryland and Virginia; and in Eurasia from the breeding range south to the eastern Atlantic islands, northwestern Africa, the western Mediterranean region, and southern Europe.

Casual or accidental in Ohio (Toledo area), Ontario (Ottawa; Cochrane), southwestern Quebec (Lake St. Peter), Vermont (Rutland) and Florida (Martin County).
Notes.—Also known as Common Puffin and, in Old World literature, as the Puffin. *Fratercula arctica* and *F. corniculata* constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

**Fratercula corniculata** (Naumann). Horned Puffin.

*Mormon corniculata* Naumann, 1821, Isis von Oken, col. 782. (Kamchatka.)

**Habitat.**—Mostly pelagic; nests on rocky islands in cliff crevices and among boulders, rarely in ground burrows.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* on islands and along coasts of the Chukchi and Bering seas from the Diomede Islands and Cape Lisburne south to the Aleutian Islands, and along the Pacific coast of western North America from the Alaska Peninsula and south-coastal Alaska south to British Columbia (Queen Charlotte Islands, and probably elsewhere along the coast); and in Asia from northeastern Siberia (Kolyuchin Bay) south to the Commander Islands, Kamchatka, Sakhalin, and the northern Kuril Islands. Nonbreeding birds occur in late spring and summer south along the Pacific coast of North America to southern California, and north in Siberia to Wrangel and Herald islands.

*Winters* from the Bering Sea and Aleutians south, at least casually, to the northwestern Hawaiian Islands (from Kure east to Laysan), and off North America (rarely) to southern California; and in Asia from northeastern Siberia south to Japan.

Accidental in Mackenzie (Basil Bay); a sight report for Baja California.

Notes.—See comments under *F. arctica*.

**Fratercula cirrhata** (Pallas). Tufted Puffin.

*Alca cirrhata* Pallas, 1769, Spic. Zool. 1(5): 7, pl. i; pl. v, figs. 1–3. (in Mari inter Kamtschaticam et Americam Archipelagumque Kurilum = Bering Sea.)

**Habitat.**—Primarily pelagic; nests on islands and coastal slopes in ground burrows, sometimes under boulders and piles of rocks, occasionally under dense vegetation.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* along the Pacific coast of North America from the Diomede Islands and Cape Thompson south through islands of the Bering Sea (including the Pribilofs) to the Aleutians, east to the Alaska Peninsula, Kodiak Island, and southeastern Alaska, and south to southern California (to Santa Barbara County, off San Miguel Island); and in eastern Asia from the Kolyuchin Islands and East Cape south to Kamchatka, the Commander and Kuril islands, Sea of Okhotsk, Sakhalin, and northern Japan.

*Winters* offshore from southern Alaska and Kamchatka south through the breeding range to central (rarely southern) California and southern Japan.

Accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Laysan) and Maine.

Notes.—Formerly placed in the monotypic genus *Lunda*.

**Family Incertae Sedis**

**Family PTEROCLIDIDAE: Sandgrouse**

Notes.—The relationships of the Pteroclididae are so controversial that we leave them *incertae sedis*. Maclean (1967, 1969) and Fjeldst (1976) placed them in the Charadriiformes, a position supported by recent molecular analyses (Sibley and Ahlquist 1990). Others (Olson 1970, Strauch 1978) retain them in their traditional position in the Columbiformes.

**Genus PTEROCLES** Temminck

*Pterocles* Temminck, 1815, Pig. Gall. 3: 238, 712. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), *Tetrao alchata* Linnaeus.

**Pterocles exustus** Temminck. Chestnut-bellied Sandgrouse.

*Pterocles exustus* Temminck, 1825, Planches Color., livr. 60, pls. 354, 360. (west coast of Africa, Egypt and Nubia = Senegal.)

**Habitat.**—Dry keawe scrub forest, rocky grasslands, and pastures at low and moderate elevations; in native range, deserts and arid scrub.
**Distribution.**—Resident across northern Africa (south of the Sahara) from Senegal east to Somalia and Kenya, and from Arabia and Syria east to Baluchistan and India. Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (North Kona district of Hawaii, since 1961).

Order **COLUMBIFORMES**: Pigeons and Doves

Family **COLUMBIDAE**: Pigeons and Doves

**Genus COLUMBA** Linnaeus

*Columba* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 162. Type, by subsequent designation (Vigors, 1825), *Columba oenas* Linnaeus.


**Notes.**—For modern usage of *Patagioenas* and *Oenoenas* as genera distinct from *Columba*, see Johnston (1962); for contrary opinion, see Corbin (1968).

*Columba livia* Gmelin. Rock Dove.

*Columba domestica* B livia Gmelin, 1789, Syst. Nat. 1(2): 769. (No locality given = southern Europe.)

**Habitat.**—In the wild state along rocky seacoasts or inland in gorges, river valleys, caves, and desert oases, nesting on cliff ledges or in holes and fissures; feral birds in the Western Hemisphere occasionally in natural habitats, more abundantly near human settlement, especially in cities.

**Distribution.**—Resident in Eurasia from the Faeroe Islands, southern Scandinavia, Russia, western Siberia, Manchuria, and northern China south through the British Isles, western Europe, and the Mediterranean region to the eastern Atlantic islands, northern Africa, Arabia, Iran, India, Sri Lanka, and Burma.

Introduced and established widely throughout the world, including the Hawaiian Islands, most of North America (from the central parts of the Canadian provinces south), in the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island), and the West Indies.

**Notes.**—Also known as Rock Pigeon or Domestic Pigeon; established, feral populations are sometimes called Feral Pigeon or Common Pigeon. Oberholser (1974) used the name *Lithoenas domestica*; see Banks and Browning (1995).

*Columba cayennensis* Bonnaterre. Pale-vented Pigeon.


**Habitat.**—Gallery Forest, River-edge Forest, Edge of Tropical Lowland Forest, and Secondary Forest, lowland pine savanna (0–800 m; Tropical Zone, in South America to Temperate Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident from extreme southeastern Veracruz, Tabasco, the Yucatan Peninsula, and northern Chiapas south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica and Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago,
Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to northern Argentina and southeastern Brazil.

Notes.—Also known as Rufous Pigeon.

*Columba speciosa* Gmelin. Scaled Pigeon.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Gallery Forest, lowland pine savanna (0–1400 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southern Veracruz and northern Oaxaca south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from dry northwest) and Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru, and east of the Andes (excluding most of Amazonia) to northern Argentina and southeastern Brazil.

*Columba squamosa* Bonnaterre. Scaly-naped Pigeon.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–2500 m).

Distribution.—Resident in the Greater Antilles (rare on Jamaica), Lesser Antilles (not recorded Anguilla, St. Barthélemy or Désirade), and islands off the north coast of Venezuela (Curaçao, Bonaire, Los Testigos, and Los Frailes, formerly also Aruba). Casual in southern Florida (Key West).

Notes.—Also known as Red-necked Pigeon.

*Columba leucocephala* Linnaeus. White-crowned Pigeon.


Habitat.—Mangrove Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–2000 m).

Distribution.—Breeds in southern Florida (mangrove islets in the Florida Keys from Elliott to Marquesas keys, and throughout Florida Bay), Bahamas, Antilles (south to Barbuda and Antigua), Cayman Islands, islands of the western Caribbean Sea (Cozumel off Quintana Roo, cays off Belize, the Bay and Hog islands off Honduras, Providencia and Corn islands), and Caribbean Panama (Swan Cay, Escudo de Veraguas, and coast of Bocas del Toro, also San Blas Islands). Individuals from Florida Bay commonly forage on the mainland (southern Dade and Monroe counties).

Winters throughout most of the breeding range, regularly in southern peninsular Florida, the Florida Keys, and northern Bahamas, ranging in Middle America to coastal areas (recorded Quintana Roo, Belize, Honduras, and western Panama), and in the Lesser Antilles south to St. Lucia.

Casual on the mainland of southern Florida (north to Fort Pierce region); a sight report for southern Texas. A report from Oaxaca (Salina Cruz) is questionable (Binford 1989).


*Columba flavirostris* Wagler, 1831, Isis von Oken, col. 519. (Mexico = Veracruz.)

Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest (0–2100 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from central Sonora, southern Chihuahua, Durango, San Luis Potosí, Nuevo León, and southern Texas south through Middle America (including the Tres
Marías Islands, but absent from most of Caribbean slope from Honduras south) to central Costa Rica; northernmost populations are migratory southward.

**Notes.**—C. flavirostris and C. inornata appear to constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

**Columba inornata** Vigors. Plain Pigeon.

*Columba inornata* Vigors, 1827, Zool. J. 3: 446. (near Havana, Cuba.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–2000 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Cuba, the Isle of Pines, Hispaniola (including Tortue Island), Jamaica, and Puerto Rico (where presently confined to vicinity of Cidra, west-central Puerto Rico).

**Notes.**—See comments under C. flavirostris.

**Columba fasciata** Say. Band-tailed Pigeon.

*Columba fasciata* Say, 1823, in Long, Exped. Rocky Mount. 2: 10 (note). (small tributary of the Platte = Plum Creek, near Castle Rock, Douglas County, Colorado.)

**Habitat.**—Temperate and mountain forests, primarily in oaks, less commonly in coniferous forest, and locally in lowlands, foraging also in cultivated areas; increasingly common in wooded suburbs in Pacific coastal region (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds [fasciata group] from southwestern British Columbia south (primarily in mountains) through Washington, Oregon, California, and western Nevada to southwestern Baja California; from southern Nevada, Arizona, central Utah, north-central Colorado, New Mexico, and western Texas south through the mountains of Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras to (at least formerly) north-central Nicaragua. Regular in summer (and probably breeding) north to southeastern Alaska (as far north as Mitkof Island and the Stikine River) and west-central British Columbia.

Winters [fasciata group] from western Washington, central California, central Arizona, central New Mexico (rarely), and western Texas southward through the breeding range, occurring widely in Mexico in foothills at lower elevations than in the breeding season, regularly north to southwestern British Columbia, rarely west to islands off the coast of California, and east to Nevada.

Resident [albilinea group] in the mountains of Costa Rica and western Panama (east to eastern Veraguas); and in South America in the mountains from Venezuela, Trinidad, and Colombia south to northwestern Argentina.

Casual [fasciata group] in western and northern Alaska (near Nome, upper Ikpikpuk River), and from Idaho, Montana, central Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, western and southern Ontario, New Hampshire, New Brunswick, Maine, and Nova Scotia south to Wyoming, western Missouri, Oklahoma, western Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and Florida.


**Columba caribaea** Jacquin. Ring-tailed Pigeon.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1500 m.).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Jamaica.

**Notes.**—See comments under C. fasciata.

**Columba subvinacea** (Lawrence). Ruddy Pigeon.

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Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [subvinacea group] in the mountains of Costa Rica and western Panama (east to Veraguas), and from northern and eastern Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil; and [berlepschi group] in eastern Panama (eastern Panamá province, San Blas, and eastern Darién) and western Colombia south to northwestern Peru.

Notes.—Wetmore (1968) suggested that the two groups represent distinct species, C. subvinacea [Ruddy Pigeon] and C. berlepschi Hartert, 1898 [Berlepsch’s Pigeon]. See notes under C. nigrirostris.

Columba nigrirostris Sclater. Short-billed Pigeon.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, eastern Chiapas, and southern Quintana Roo south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Central America to Costa Rica (including southwestern portion on the Pacific slope), Panama (both slopes), and northwestern Colombia (Chocó).

Notes.—Wetmore (1968) considered the unique type of C. chiriquensis (Ridgway, 1915) to be an immature C. nigrirostris, although Johnston (1962) considered it to be an example of C. subvinacea. Columba nigrirostris and C. goodsoni Hartert, 1902, appear to constitute a superspecies (Johnston 1962).

Genus STREPTOPELIA Bonaparte


Streptopelia orientalis (Latham). Oriental Turtle-Dove.

Columba orientalis Latham, 1790, Index Ornithol., 2: 606. (China.)

Habitat.—Open forest and savanna.

Distribution.—Breeds in Asia from the Ural Mountains east to the Sea of Okhotsk and Japan, and south to southern Asia, and winters in the southern part of the breeding range. Casual in Alaska in the Pribilof Islands (St. Paul, 23 June–18 July 1984, photograph; Gibson and Kessel 1992), at sea about 50 miles from the Pribilof Islands (individual came aboard a fishing vessel, about 20–26 July 1986, photograph; Gibson and Kessel 1992), and in the Aleutian Islands (Attu, 20 May–12 June 1989, photograph; 1989, Amer. Birds 43: 525; DeBenedictis 1991; Attu, 21 May—3 June 1996, Nat. Aud. Soc. Field Notes 50: 320). A report from British Columbia (Vancouver Island) may be an escape from captivity.

Notes.—Also known as Rufous Turtle-Dove.

Streptopelia risoria (Linnaeus). Ringed Turtle-Dove.

Columba risoria Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 165. (in India.)

Habitat.—Feral populations occur in open woodland and parks around human habitation; related species in the wild state inhabit arid country with trees and shrubs, often near human habitation.

Distribution.—Origin and native country uncertain; long domesticated and in captivity worldwide.

Introduced and established in west-central Florida (Pinellas County), the Bahamas (New Providence), Puerto Rico, and apparently also in eastern Texas (Houston region) and Alabama (Montgomery). Other North American populations (e.g., in Los Angeles) have failed to become established.
Notes.—Also known as Barbary Dove. This widely domesticated and locally introduced form is now deemed to be derived from the African S. roseogrisea (Sundevall, 1957) [African Collared-Dove] rather than S. decaocto (Goodwin 1983). Surviving North American populations may now be entirely human-supported and totally human-dependent. There is controversy whether the name risoria can be applied to any wild population at all (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Streptopelia turtur (Linnaeus). European Turtle-Dove.

Columba Turtur Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat., ed. 10, 1, p. 164. (in India, error = England.)

Habitat.—Open woodland, scrub, plains, and gardens.
Distribution.—Breeds from the British Isles and Europe south to northern Africa and southwestern Asia, and winters south to southwestern Africa.

Accidental in southern Florida (Lower Matecumbe Key, 9–11 April 1990, photograph; Hoffman et al. 1990). Some consider the origin of this individual uncertain; see DeBenedictis (1994b).

Streptopelia decaocto (Frivaldszky). Eurasian Collared-Dove.

Columba risoria L. var. decaocto Frivaldszky, 1838, K. Magyar Tudos Irodalombanok Evkonyvii 3(3) (1834-36): 183, pl. 8. (Turkey.)

Habitat.—Suburbs, parks, and farm groves; in Old World, a variety of habitats from open woodland to scrub and desert, as well as around human habitation.
Distribution.—Western Palearctic from the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, and western Russia south to southern Europe, Egypt, and southern Asia east to Burma and Sri Lanka; European populations represent a relatively recent expansion and may be the result of introductions.

Introduced and established in the Bahama Islands (New Providence, 1974), whence it has spread to other northern islands in the Bahamas (Grand Bahama, Abaco, Bimini, Eleuthera, Andros), to Cuba, to the Lesser Antilles (Montserrat, St. Kitts, Dominica, Guadeloupe), and to southern Florida (late 1970's, now common to abundant from the Tampa and Palm Beach areas south to Key West, breeding locally west to Destin in the Panhandle); also established locally in coastal Georgia, South Carolina, and southeastern Louisiana, occurring casually north to North Carolina (nesting 1995) and Pennsylvania, and west to southwestern Louisiana, Arkansas, and central and northwestern Texas (origin uncertain); a small population in southeastern Colorado is of uncertain origin. Also apparently spreading in Caribbean, with recent populations discovered in Cuba, Montserrat, and Dominica. Also introduced in Japan.

Notes.—For a discussion of the history of S. decaocto in North America, see Smith (1987). For distribution in West Indies, see Barre et al. (1996). Streptopelia decaocto and S. bitorquata (Temminck) 1810, of Indonesia and the Philippines, appear to constitute a superspecies (Goodwin 1983).

Streptopelia chinesis (Scopoli). Spotted Dove.

Columba (chinesis) Scopoli, 1786, Del Flor. Faun. Insubr., fasc. 2, p. 94. (China = Canton.)

Habitat.—Primarily suburban areas and cultivated lands around human habitation with groves of trees.
Distribution.—Resident from eastern Afghanistan, the Himalayas, and eastern China south to Sri Lanka, the Malay Peninsula, East Indies, and Philippines.

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (main islands from Kauai eastward); in southern California (primarily from Santa Barbara, where now rare, and Bakersfield south to San Diego and the Coachella Valley) and (probably) extreme northwestern Baja California (Tijuana area), casually to Imperial Valley; and in Mauritius, Sulawesi, Australia, New Zealand, and various islands of Polynesia. A small population may persist on St. Croix, Virgin Islands (introduced in 1964).
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*Geopelia striata* (Linnaeus). Zebra Dove.


**Habitat.**—Open country with trees and shrubbery growth, parks, gardens, and cultivated areas, especially near human habitation.

**Distribution.**—Resident from the Malay Peninsula and Philippines south to the East Indies.

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (in 1922, now on all main islands from Kauai eastward).

**Notes.**—Also known as Barred Dove. *Geopelia placida* Gould, 1844 [Peaceful Dove] of Australia and *G. maugæus* (Temminck, 1811) [Barred Dove] of the Lesser Sunda Islands are often merged with *G. striata* (see Christidis and Boles 1994).

Genus *ZENAIDA* Bonaparte


*Zenaida asiatica* (Linnaeus). White-winged Dove.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Riparian Thickets, Second-growth Scrub, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–2500 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds [asiatica group] in southeastern California, southern Nevada, and extreme southwestern Utah.

Resident [asiatica group] from central Arizona, central New Mexico, northern Chihuahua, western and central Texas, and (locally) southern Louisiana and southern Alabama south to Baja California, through most of Middle America (including Isla Tiburón off Sonora, the Tres Marías Islands off Nayarit, and Cozumel and Holbox islands off Quintana Roo) to Honduras, locally in the Pacific lowlands to northwestern Costa Rica (Guanacaste), in mangrove swamps of western Panama around the shores of Golfo de Parita from Herrera (lower Río Parita) to Coclé (Río Pocrú and Río Antón), in the southern Bahamas (north to Great Exuma and Long Island) and Greater Antilles (east to Puerto Rico), and on islands in the western Caribbean (Providencia, San Andrés); and [meloda group] along the Pacific coast of South America from southwestern Ecuador to northern Chile.

Winters [asiatica group] south to Costa Rica and islands in the Caribbean Sea.

Introduced [asiatica group] in central and southern Florida.

Casual [asiatica group] in northwestern North America north to southeastern Alaska (Skagway), British Columbia, Montana, and Colorado, in eastern North America from Minnesota, northern Ontario, New Brunswick, Maine, and Nova Scotia south to northern Texas, central Louisiana, and northern Florida, in the northern Bahamas (Grand Bahama, Acklin’s Island), and in the Virgin Islands (St. Croix, St. John).

**Notes.**—Groups: *Z. asiatica* [White-winged Dove] and *Z. meloda* (Tschudi, 1843) [Pacific Dove].
**Zenaida aurita** (Temminck). Zenaida Dove.

*Columba Aurita* Temminck, 1809, Les Pigeons, livr. 6, Les Colombes, p. 60, pl. 25. (Martinique.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub, Second-growth Scrub (0–600 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the Florida Keys (formerly), Bahamas, Greater Antilles (east to Virgin Islands), Cayman Islands and Lesser Antilles; and along the north coast of the Yucatan Peninsula (Yucatán, Quintana Roo), including on Holbox, Cancun, Mujeres, and Cozumel islands. A specimen from Belize is of dubious authenticity (Barlow et al. 1969). Casual in southern Florida (from Key West to Key Largo, with sight reports north to Osceola County).

**Zenaida auriculata** (Des Murs). Eared Dove.

*Peristera auriculata* Des Murs, 1847, in Gay, Hist. Fis. Pol. Chile, Zool. 1: 381, pl. 6. (central provinces of Chile.)

**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub (0–3400 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the southern Lesser Antilles on Grenada and the Grenadines; and throughout most of South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including islands from the Netherlands Antilles east to Tobago and Trinidad) and the Guianas south to Tierra del Fuego.

Casual on St. Lucia and Martinique; accidental in the Falkland Islands and on South Georgia. An individual photographed in Panama (Coco Solo, Canal area) may have been an escape from captivity; also a sight report from Tocumen, Panamá Prov.

**Notes.**—*Z. auriculata* and *Z. macroura* constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

**Zenaida macroura** (Linnaeus). Mourning Dove.


**Habitat.**—Cultivated lands with scattered trees and bushes, open woodland, suburbs, and arid and desert country (generally near water) (Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from central British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, central Ontario, southern Quebec, Maine, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia south to southern Baja California, Sonora (in Pacific lowlands), in the interior mountains and Central Plateau of Mexico to Oaxaca and Puebla, and to northern Tamaulipas (in the Caribbean lowlands), Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida; in Bermuda, the Bahama Islands, and Greater Antilles (east to Puerto Rico and Culebra and Vieques islands); in Guadalupe, the Revillagigedo and Tres Marias islands off western Mexico; and in western Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and western Panama (east to western Panamá province), probably also elsewhere in northern Central America.

*Winters* primarily from northern California east across the central United States to Iowa, southern Michigan, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, New York, and New England (uncommonly to the northern limits of the breeding range), and south throughout the breeding range and over most of Middle America to central Panama.

Casual north to western and central Alaska (almost annually), southern Yukon, southern Mackenzie, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, Labrador, Newfoundland, and Greenland, and to the Cayman Islands. Accidental on Clipperton Island, Colombia, and the British Isles.

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (on Hawaii in 1963, presently a small population in the North Kona region).

**Notes.**—See comments under *Z. auriculata* and *Z. graysoni*. 
Zenaida graysoni (Lawrence). Socorro Dove.


Habitat. — Arid Lowland Scrub.
Distribution. — Formerly resident on Socorro Island, in the Revillagigedo Islands, off western Mexico; several recent searches (1988–1991) found only Z. macroura (a new invader to Socorro) and confirm the extirpation in the wild of Z. graysoni, although there are still living birds in captivity at this time.

Notes. — Although considered by many authors as conspecific with Z. macroura, differences in morphology, vocalizations, and behavior support the maintenance of specific status for Z. graysoni (Baptista et al. 1983).

Genus ECTOPISTES Swainson


†Ectopistes migratorius (Linnaeus). Passenger Pigeon.


Habitat. — Forest, foraging in open country and cultivated lands adjacent to forest.


Wintered from Arkansas, southeastern Missouri, Tennessee, and North Carolina south to Texas, the Gulf coast, and northern Florida, occasionally north to Indiana, southern Pennsylvania, and Connecticut.

Casual or accidental to Nevada, Idaho, Wyoming, British Columbia, Mackenzie, Alberta, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, Baffin Bay, northern Quebec, Labrador, Prince Edward Island, Bermuda, Cuba (Havana market), and Mexico (recorded Puebla, Veracruz, and Tabasco); also in Scotland, Ireland, and France, although the European individuals may have been escapes from captivity. Last specimen obtained in the wild taken at Sargento, Pike County, Ohio, on 24 March 1900; last living individual died in captivity in the Cincinnati Zoological Gardens, Cincinnati, Ohio, on 1 September 1914.

Notes. — Oberholser (1974) used the name E. canadensis (Linnaeus), but see Banks and Browning (1995).

Genus COLUMBINA Spix


Columbigallina Boie, 1826, Isis von Oken, col. 977. Type, by monotypy, Columba passerina Linnaeus.


Columbina inca (Lesson). Inca Dove.

Chamelepelia inca Lesson, 1847, Descr. Mamm. Ois., p. 211. (Mexico [probably west coast].)

Habitat. — Second-growth Scrub, Riparian Thickets, Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub (0–2400 m; Tropical, less frequently Subtropical zones).
**Distribution.**—Resident from southeastern California, northeastern Baja California, southern Nevada, central Arizona, southern New Mexico, central Texas, and western Louisiana south through Mexico (except the Yucatán Peninsula and the remainder of Baja California), Guatemala (rare in Petén and Caribbean lowlands), El Salvador, Honduras (Pacific lowlands and arid interior valleys), and Nicaragua (Pacific lowlands) to northwestern Costa Rica (Guanacaste and highlands to vicinity of San José); and, at least formerly, in the Florida Keys (Key West), where now apparently extirpated.

Wanders regularly to eastern and southwestern California (Inyo, Los Angeles, and Kern counties), and casually to southern Utah, north-central and southeastern Colorado, North Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, northwestern Missouri, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and northeastern Louisiana. Accidental in Ontario. The origin of the Key West breeding populations may have been escaped cage-birds.

**Notes.**—Often placed in the genus Scardafella, but see Johnston (1961). **Columbina inca** is sometimes merged with **C. squammata** (Lesson, 1831) of South American (Hellmayr and Conover 1942, Mayr and Short 1970).

**Columbina passerina** (Linnaeus). Common Ground-Dove.


**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Second-growth Scrub, Pastures/Agricultural Lands, lowland pine savanna (0–2300 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern California (north to Santa Barbara County), central Arizona, southwestern New Mexico, central Texas, the Gulf coast, South Carolina, Bermuda, and the Bahamas south through Mexico (including Socorro Island in the Revillagigedos, Tres Marías and Tres Marietas islands off Nayarit, and islands off the Yucatán Peninsula, but rare in the central highlands), the Antilles, and Central America (mostly in the highlands and arid interior, but also in the Caribbean lowland savanna, and in the Bay Islands off Honduras) to central Costa Rica (Guanacaste and the arid central highlands); in western Panama (Azuero Peninsula); and in northern South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including islands from the Netherlands Antilles east to Trinidad), and the Guianas south to Ecuador and eastern Brazil. Northwestern populations are partly migratory.


**Notes.**—Also known as Scaly-breasted Ground-Dove. Oberholser (1974) used the generic name **Columbigallina**.

**Columbina minuta** (Linnaeus). Plain-breasted Ground-Dove.

*Columba minuta* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 285. Based on "La petite Tourterelle brun d’Amérique" Brisson, Ornithologie 1: 116, pl. 8, fig. 2. (in America = Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Arid Montane Scrub, Second-growth Scrub (0–1400 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America in southern Mexico (southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, and southwest Campeche, presumably also Morelos), Belize, Guatemala, and, locally, north-central and northeastern Nicaragua (probably also in eastern Honduras) and extreme northeastern Costa Rica; along the Pacific coast of Middle America locally from Jalisco, Guerrero, and southwestern Oaxaca south to Costa Rica (not recorded Honduras or Pacific lowlands of Nicaragua, but present in the central highlands of Nicaragua) and Panama (east to eastern Panamá province, also recorded on Caribbean slope in Canal area); and disjunctly in South America in northern Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, the Guianas, Peru, eastern and central Brazil, eastern Bolivia, and northern Paraguay.
Columbina talpacoti (Temminck). Ruddy Ground-Dove.

Columbina talpacoti Temminck, 1810, Les Pigeons, livr. 12/13, Les Colombi-Gallines, p. 22. (l'Amérique méridionale = Brazil.)

Habitat.—Second-growth Scrub, Riparian Thickets, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–1200 m; Tropical, less frequently Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southern Sonora, eastern San Luis Potosí, and Tamaulipas south through Middle America (including Cozumel and Cancun islands off Quintana Roo, and Coiba and Pearl islands off Panama), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including Margarita Island), Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northern Argentina and northern Uruguay.

Ranges north rarely to southern California (north to Santa Barbara and Inyo counties), southern Arizona, and western and southern Texas, casually to southern Nevada, southwestern New Mexico, southern Baja California (sight reports), and Chile.

Notes.—C. talpacoti and C. buckleyi (Sclater and Salvin, 1877) of western Ecuador and northwestern Peru, form a superspecies (Goodwin 1983). Oberholser (1974) used the generic name Columbigallina.

Genus CLARAVIS Oberholser


Claravis pretiosa (Ferrari-Perez). Blue Ground-Dove.

Columbina cinerea (not Scopoli, 1786) Temminck, 1811, Les Pigeons, livr. 14/15, Les Colombes, p. 126, pl. 58. (au Brésil = Brazil.)


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, River-edge Forest, Gallery Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from Chiapas on the Pacific slope, and from southeastern San Luis Potosí, Hidalgo, and southern Tamaulipas on the Gulf-Caribbean slope south through Middle America, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru, and east of the Andes to northern Argentina, Paraguay, and southeastern Brazil.

Claravis mondetoura (Bonaparte). Maroon-chested Ground-Dove.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, especially with heavy undergrowth or bamboo (900–3000 m; Subtropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident locally in the mountains of Veracruz, Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Costa Rica, and western Panama (Chiriquí); and in the Andes of South America from Colombia and northwestern Venezuela south to northern Bolivia.

Notes.—C. mondetoura and C. godefrida (Temminck, 1811), of eastern South America, constitute a superspecies (Goodwin 1983).

Genus LEPTOTILA Swainson


Leptotila verreauxi Bonaparte. White-tipped Dove.

Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, River-edge Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–2800 m; Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident [verreauxi group] from central Sonora, southwestern Chihuahua, southeastern San Luis Potosi, Nuevo Leon, and southern Texas (lower Rio Grande Valley north to central Texas coast) south through Middle America (including the Tres Marias Islands off Nayarit, and the Pearl Islands and many other small islands off Panama), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including islands from the Netherlands Antilles east to Tobago and Trinidad), and the Guianas south, west of the Andes, to northern Peru; and [brasiliensis group] from eastern Peru, eastern Bolivia, and Brazil south to northern Argentina and Uruguay.

Notes.—Also known as White-fronted Dove. Groups: L. verreauxi [White-tipped Dove] and L. brasiliensis (Bonaparte, 1856) [Brazilian Dove]. Leptotila verreauxi and the South American L. megalura Sclater and Salvin, 1879, appear to constitute a superspecies (Goodwin 1983).

Leptotila rufaxilla (Richard and Bernard). Gray-fronted Dove.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones);

Distribution.—Resident [plumbeiceps group] from southern Tamaulipas, southeastern San Luis Potosi, southern Veracruz, and northern Oaxaca south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope (except Yucatan) through Belize, northern Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua (also Pacific slope in southwest), and Costa Rica (both slopes) to western Panama (western Bocas del Toro), and in the Western Andes and Cauca Valley of Colombia; [battyi group] in western Panama (Azuero Peninsula in southern Veraguas and western Herrera, and Cebaco and Coiba islands); and [rufaxilla group] in South America from eastern Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia, Paraguay, northeastern Argentina, and southern Brazil.


Leptotila wellsi (Lawrence). Grenada Dove.

Engyptila wellsi Lawrence, 1884, Auk, 1, p. 180. (Fontenoy, St. Georges, Grenada.)

Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest.

Distribution.—Resident on the southwestern peninsula of Grenada, where surviving in small numbers; formerly more widely distributed on Grenada and on offshore islands (Glover’s, Green). Not definitely known from Tobago or St. Vincent although sometimes listed for those islands.

Notes.—Formerly (A.O.U. 1983) included with L. rufaxilla, from which it differs in vocalizations, plumage, and soft part colors (Blockstein and Hardy 1989). See comments under L. rufaxilla.

Leptotila jamaicensis (Linnaeus). Caribbean Dove.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest.

Distribution.—Resident on Jamaica, Grand Cayman Island, the northern Yucatan Pen-
insula (including Holbox, Mujeres, Cancun, and Cozumel islands), on islands off Belize (Ambergris Cay) and Honduras (Roatán and Barahona in the Bay Islands, and Little Hog Island), and on Isla San Andrés in the western Caribbean Sea.

Introduced and established in the Bahamas (New Providence).

Notes.—Also known as White-bellied Dove. See comments under *L. rufaxilla*.

**Leptotila cassini** Lawrence. Gray-chested Dove.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from eastern Tabasco and northern Chiapas south through Belize, northern Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua, and on both slopes from Costa Rica through Panama to northern Colombia.

Notes.—Also known as Cassin’s Dove.

Genus **Geotrygon** Gosse


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–900 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Caribbean lowlands of Costa Rica and Panama (also on Pacific slope in eastern Panamá province and Darién), and in western Colombia and northwestern Ecuador.

Notes.—Also known as Veraguas Quail-Dove.

*Geotrygon chrysia* Bonaparte. Key West Quail-Dove.

*Geotrygon chrysia* Bonaparte, 1855, C. R. Acad. Sci. Paris 40: 100. (Floride = Florida.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–500 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Bahamas (Grand Bahama, Great Abaco, Andros, New Providence, Eleuthera, San Salvador, Long Island, and North Caicos), Cuba, the Isle of Pines, Hispaniola (including Gonâve, Tortue, and Catalina islands), Puerto Rico (possibly also Mona Island).

Casual in southern Florida (the Florida Keys, and southern mainland, mostly near coasts). Formerly reported as common and breeding at Key West (Howell 1932).

Notes.—*G. chrysia* and *G. mystacea* constitute a superspecies (Goodwin 1983).

*Geotrygon mystacea* (Temminck). Bridled Quail-Dove.

*Columba mystacea* Temminck, 1811, Les Pigeons, livr. 14/15, Les Colombes, p. 124, pl. 56. (l’Amerique = probably Lesser Antilles.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–700 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident in eastern Puerto Rico (locally), the Virgin Islands (except Anegada), and Lesser Antilles (from Saba and Barbuda south to St. Lucia).

Notes.—See comments under *G. chrysia*. 
Geotrygon albifacies Sclater. White-faced Quail-Dove.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (1200–2700 m; Subtropical Zone).
Notes.—G. albifacies and G. chiriquensis are often (Goodwin 1983) considered as conspecific with the South American G. linearis (Prévost, 1843), but retention of three species constituting a superspecies complex seems more satisfactory. If all are combined into a single species, G. linearis, the name White-faced Quail-Dove is still appropriate.

Geotrygon chiriquensis Sclater. Chiriqui Quail-Dove.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (600–3100 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).
Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica and western Panama (Chiriquí and Veraguas).
Notes.—See comments under G. albifacies.

Geotrygon carrikeri Wetmore. Tuxtla Quail-Dove.

Geotrygon lawrenceii carrikeri Wetmore, 1941, Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. 54, p. 205. (Volcán San Martín, Sierra de Tuxtla, Veracruz, Mexico, 3000–4000 feet elev.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (350–1500 m; upper Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).
Distribution.—Resident in southeastern Veracruz (Sierra de los Tuxtlas).
Notes.—Formerly treated as a subspecies of G. lawrenceii, but see Peterson (1993); cf. Howell and Webb (1995).

Geotrygon lawrenceii Salvin. Purplish-backed Quail-Dove.

Geotrygon lawrenceii Salvin, 1874, Ibis, p. 329. (Calobre, Veraguas, Panama.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (400–1050 m; upper Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).
Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica and Panama (east to Darién).
Notes.—Geotrygon lawrenceii, G. costaricensis, and G. goldmani are closely related, but degree of relationship is uncertain; G. lawrenceii and G. costaricensis are reportedly sympatric in Costa Rica, and G. lawrenceii and G. goldmani overlap in eastern Panama.

Geotrygon costaricensis Lawrence. Buff-fronted Quail-Dove.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (1000–3000 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).
Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica and western Panama (east to Veraguas).
Notes.—Also known as Costa Rican Quail-Dove. See comments under G. lawrenceii.


Geotrygon goldmani Nelson, 1912, Smithsonian. Misc. Collect. 60(3): 2. (Mount Pirri, at 5,000 feet altitude, head of Rio Limon, eastern Panama.)
Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (750–1600 m; upper Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of eastern Panama (eastern Panamá province and Darién) and extreme northwestern Colombia (Juradó).

Notes.—Also known as Goldman’s Quail-Dove. See comments under G. lawrencii.

Geotrygon caniceps (Gundlach). Gray-headed Quail-Dove.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (Cuba) and Montane Evergreen Forest (Hispaniola) (0–1800 m).

Distribution.—Resident in the lowlands of Cuba and in the mountains of Hispaniola (Dominican Republic, not known from Haiti).

Notes.—Also known as Moustached Quail-Dove.

Geotrygon versicolor (Lafresnaye). Crested Quail-Dove.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (100–1800 m).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of Jamaica.

Geotrygon violacea (Temminck). Violaceous Quail-Dove.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1600 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in eastern Nicaragua (Caribbean lowlands), Costa Rica (humid Caribbean lowlands and foothills, also in semiarid Guanacaste lowlands on Pacific slope), and Panama (from Colón eastward), and in South America from northern Colombia, Venezuela, and Surinam south, east of the Andes, to Bolivia, northeastern Argentina, eastern Paraguay, and eastern Brazil.

Geotrygon montana (Linnaeus). Ruddy Quail-Dove.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical, locally to lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident [*montana* group] in the Greater Antilles, on Grenada (in the Lesser Antilles), from southern Sinaloa, Puebla, and southern Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America to Panama (including Isla Coiba and Isla San José in the Pearl Islands), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to northeastern Argentina, northern Paraguay, and southeastern Brazil; and [*martinica* group] in the Lesser Antilles (from Guadeloupe and Dominica south to St. Vincent). Some (many?) populations evidently undergo seasonal movements.

Casual [*montana* group] in southern Texas (Bentsen–Rio Grande State Park, 2–6 March 1996), southern Florida (Florida Keys, Dry Tortugas), and the Virgin Islands.

Notes.—Groups: *G. montana* [Ruddy Quail-Dove] and *G. martinica* (Linnaeus, 1758) [Martinique Quail-Dove].

Genus STARNOENAS Bonaparte.

**Starnoenas cyanocephala** (Linnaeus). Blue-headed Quail-Dove.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest.

**Distribution.**—Resident on Cuba.

Recorded from the Isle of Pines (one specimen, 1909) and Jamaica (apparently through attempted introduction). Specimens and reports from southern Florida are not sufficiently documented to constitute evidence of occurrence (Robertson and Woolfenden 1992).

Order **PSITTACIFORMES**: Parrots

**Notes.**—The Psittaciformes are sometimes divided into several families.

Family **PSITTACIDAE**: Lories, Parakeets, Macaws, and Parrots

**Notes.**—Individuals of many parrot species occur as escapes from captivity, especially in Florida (Robertson and Woolfenden 1992, Stevenson and Anderson 1994) and southern California (Johnston and Garrett 1994).

Subfamily **PLATYCERCINAE**: Australian Parakeets and Rosellas

**Genus MELOPSITTACUS** Gould


**Melopsittacus undulatus** (Shaw). Budgerigar.

*Psittacus undulatus* Shaw, 1805, in Shaw and Nodder, Naturalists' Misc. 16: pl. 673. (New Holland = New South Wales, Australia.)

**Habitat.**—Suburbs with adjacent grassy open areas, such as beaches; in Australia, open woodland and scrubby areas, especially in semi-arid habitats, suburban areas, and parks.

**Distribution.**—Resident (though nomadic) through most of the interior of Australia, rarely ranging to coastal areas.

Introduced and established in west-central Florida (Charlotte to Citrus counties); escaped cage birds may be seen almost anywhere in North America. There is no evidence of establishment in Puerto Rico as previously reported.

**Notes.**—Also known as Shell Parakeet or Budgerygah.

Subfamily **PSITTACINAE**: Typical Parrots

**Genus PSITTACULA** Cuvier


**Psittacula krameri** (Scopoli). Rose-ringed Parakeet.

*Psittacus krameri* Scopoli, 1769, Annus I, Hist.-Nat., p. 31. (No locality given = Senegal.)

**Habitat.**—Suburbs; in Africa, open woodland, savanna, cultivated lands, and areas around human habitation.

**Distribution.**—Resident in North Africa from Senegal east (south of the Sahara) to Eritrea, Ethiopia and Sudan; and in southern Asia from Afghanistan, India and Nepal south to Sri Lanka and Burma.

Introduced and established in small numbers in southern Florida (locally in Dade, Collier,
and Dixie counties, since 1960's), Egypt, the Near East, Zanzibar, Mauritius, Singapore, Hong Kong and Macao; small introduced groups have also persisted in the Hawaiian Islands (on Oahu since 1971, breeding reported on Hawaii in 1981, probably breeding also on Kauai) and Virginia (Hampton, since 1973).

Subfamily ARINAE: New World Parakeets, Macaws, and Parrots

Genus PYRRHURA Bonaparte


Pyrrhura picta (Müller). Painted Parakeet.

Psittacus pictus P. L. S. Müller, 1776, Natursyst., Suppl., pl. 75. (Cayenne.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).
Distribution.—Resident in western Panama (Azuero Peninsula); and in South America from northern Colombia, southern Venezuela and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Peru and Amazonian Brazil.

Notes.—The populations in Panama and northern Colombia may be subspecies of the South American P. leucotis (Kuhl, 1820) rather than P. picta (Ridgely and Gwynne 1989). Pyrrhura picta and P. leucotis constitute a superspecies (Delgado 1985, Sibley and Monroe 1990) and may even be conspecific (G. Smith 1982).

Pyrrhura hoffmanni (Cabanis). Sulphur-winged Parakeet.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (1200–3000 m; Subtropical, rarely Tropical zones).
Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica (from Cordillera de Talamanca and Dota Mountains southward, including to Volcán Irazú) and western Panama (Chiriquí, Bocas del Toro and Veraguas, occurring also in the lowlands of the latter two).

Notes.—Also known as Hoffmann’s Conure.

Genus MYIOPSITTA Bonaparte


Myiopsitta monachus (Boddaert). Monk Parakeet.

Psittacus monachus Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 48. Based on Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 768. (No locality given = Montevideo, Uruguay.)

Habitat.—Primarily urban parks and suburbs; in South America, open woodland, savanna, arid scrubland, riverine forest, cultivated lands and orchards, especially around human habitation (Tropical and Subtropical zones).
Distribution.—Resident from central Bolivia, Paraguay and southern Brazil south to central Argentina.

Introduced and established in the eastern United States from Illinois, Michigan, southern Quebec, southern New York, Connecticut and Rhode Island south to New Jersey, with individual reports west and south to California, Oregon, Idaho, Oklahoma, Kentucky, and Virginia (control measures in progress in several localities); and in Texas, Florida, the Bahama Islands (Eleuthera), the Cayman Islands (Grand Cayman), Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic, and Guadeloupe.
Genus *CONUROPSIS* Salvadori


†*Conuropsis carolinensis* (Linnaeus). Carolina Parakeet.


**Habitat.**—Riverine forest, cypress swamps and deciduous woodland, foraging in open situations including cultivated lands and gardens.

**Distribution.**—EXTINCT. Formerly ranged from eastern Nebraska (reports from the Dakotas questionable), Iowa, southeastern Wisconsin, Ohio, Pennsylvania and New Jersey south to southern Oklahoma, the Gulf states (from Texas eastward) and south-central Florida. Last known living individual died in the Cincinnati Zoo, 21 February 1918, although there are questionable sight reports for Florida in 1926 and South Carolina in 1936.

Genus *ARATINGA* Spix


**Notes.**—Members of *Aratinga* and other related genera are sometimes referred to by the group name Conure.

*Aratinga holochlora* (Sclater). Green Parakeet.

*Conurus holochlorus* Sclater, 1859, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (3)4: 224. (Jalapa, Vera Cruz, Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—[holochlora group] Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (0–2200 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones); [brevipes group] Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1000 m); and [rubritorquis group] Pine-Oak Forest, Pine Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (800–2600 m; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident [holochlora group] in southwestern Chihuahua and northeastern Sinaloa, wandering to southern Sonora, and from southern Nuevo León and Tamaulipas south to Veracruz, with disjunct populations in southeastern Oaxaca and Chiapas; [brevipes group] on Socorro Island, in the Revillagigedos; and [rubritorquis group] in the highlands of central and eastern Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras and northern Nicaragua.

Reports from southern Florida are based on escaped cage-birds; established in southern Texas in lower Rio Grande Valley, probably from introduced individuals.

**Notes.**—Groups: *A. holochlora* [Green Parakeet]; *A. brevipes* Lawrence, 1871 [Socorro Parakeet]; and *A. rubritorquis* (Sclater, 1887) [Red-throated Parakeet]. Howell and Webb (1995) treated the three groups as separate species. *Aratinga holochlora* and *A. strenua* constitute a superspecies; they are sometimes considered conspecific (e.g., Forshaw 1973), but differences are retained in areas of close approach.

*Aratinga strenua* (Ridgway). Pacific Parakeet.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1300 m Tropical, less frequently Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope of Middle America from southeastern Oaxaca and Chiapas south to southwestern Nicaragua.

**Notes.**—See comments under *A. holochlora*. 

**Aratinga finschi** (Salvin). Crimson-fronted Parakeet.

*Conurus finschi* Salvin, 1871, Ibis, p. 91, pl. 4. (Bugaba, Chiriqui, Veragua [= Panama].)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1600 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in southeastern Nicaragua (Caribbean lowlands), Costa Rica (primarily Caribbean slope and Golfo Dulce lowlands on Pacific slope), wandering elsewhere on latter in dry season on cordilleras Guanacaste and Central, and western Panama (Caribbean slope in western Bocas del Toro and western Chiriquí, and Pacific lowlands in western Veraguas and Herrera).

Reports from southern Florida are based on escaped cage-birds (Stevenson and Anderson 1994).

**Notes.**—*A. finschi* and the South American *A. leucophthalmus* (P. L. S. Müller, 1776) constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Aratinga chloroptera** (de Souancé). Hispaniolan Parakeet.

*Psittacara chloroptera* de Souancé, 1856, Rev. Mag. Zool. (2)8: 59. (Saint-Domingue = Hispaniola.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–2000 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Hispaniola, on Mona Island (formerly, last individual taken in 1892), and probably also on Puerto Rico (based on hearsay evidence, but certainly not there after 1883).

Reports from southern Florida are based on escaped cage-birds (Stevenson and Anderson 1994).

**Notes.**—*A. chloroptera* and *A. euops* constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Aratinga euops** (Wagler). Cuban Parakeet.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–800 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Cuba (widespread, most common in remote forested areas) and the Isle of Pines (apparently surviving in small numbers).

**Notes.**—See comments under *A. chloroptera*.

**Aratinga nana** (Vigors). Olive-throated Parakeet.

*Psittacara nana* Vigors, 1830, Zool. J. 5: 273. (Jamaica.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [astec group] on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from southern Tamaulipas and Veracruz south (including Holbox Island, off Quintana Roo) to extreme western Panama (western Bocas del Toro); and [nana group] on Jamaica.

**Notes.**—Groups: *A. astec* (de Souancé, 1875) [Aztec Parakeet] and *A. nana* [Jamaican Parakeet]. Howell and Webb (1995) treated the groups as species.

**Aratinga canicularis** (Linnaeus). Orange-fronted Parakeet.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope of Middle America from central Sinaloa and western Durango south to northwestern Costa Rica (to the Gulf of Nicoya and San José region), also in the arid Comayagua Valley on the Caribbean slope of Honduras.
Introduced in Puerto Rico; reports from southern Florida are based on escaped cage-birds (Stevenson and Anderson 1994).

**Notes.**—*A. canicularis* and the South American *A. aurea* (Gmelin, 1788) may constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Aratinga pertinax** (Linnaeus). Brown-throated Parakeet.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub, Second-growth Scrub, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [ocularis group] in western Panama (Pacific slope from western Chiriquí to eastern Panamá province, ranging to Caribbean slope in the Canal area); and [pertinax group] along the north coast of South America (including islands from the Netherlands Antilles east to Margarita) from northern Colombia east to the Guianas and northern Brazil.

Introduced and established (before 1860) [pertinax group] on St. Thomas, in the Virgin Islands (from the population on Curaçao), then spreading to Culebra Island, Tortola, and Puerto Rico. These populations disappeared between 1975 and 1982 (Wiley 1993).

Reports from southern Florida are based on escaped cage-birds (Stevenson and Anderson 1994).

**Notes.**—Known on St. Thomas as the Caribbean Parakeet. Groups: *A. ocularis* (Sclater and Salvin, 1865) [Veraguas Parakeet] and *A. pertinax* [Brown-throated Parakeet]. *Aratinga pertinax* and South American *A. cactorum* (Kuhl, 1820), may constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Genus ARA** Lacépède


**Ara severa** (Linnaeus). Chestnut-fronted Macaw.


**Habitat.**—River-edge Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from eastern Panama (Darién, possibly ranging, at least formerly, west to the Canal area), Colombia, Venezuela and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia and Amazonian and central Brazil.

Breeding has been reported in Florida (Miami), but there is no evidence for establishment (Stevenson and Anderson 1994).

**Ara militaris** (Linnaeus). Military Macaw.

*Psittacus militaris* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 139. (No locality given = Colombia.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (450–2600 m; Tropical, less commonly Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in Mexico from southeastern Sonora, southwestern Chihuahua and Sinaloa south to Guerrero (formerly), Oaxaca and Chiapas, also (at least formerly) in eastern Nuevo León, southern Tamaulipas and southeastern San Luis Potosí; and in South America in a series of isolated populations in northern Venezuela, Colombia (east and south of the range of *A. ambiguia*), eastern Ecuador, eastern Peru, eastern Bolivia, and northwestern Argentina.

Reports from southern Florida are based on escaped cage-birds (Stevenson and Anderson 1994).
Notes.—*A. militaris* and *A. ambiguus* may constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990) and may even be conspecific (Fjeldså et al. 1987).

*Ara ambiguus* (Bechstein). Great Green Macaw.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–700 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Caribbean slope of eastern Honduras (Olancho, Mosquitia), Nicaragua (also Pacific slope) and Costa Rica, locally on both slopes of Panama, and in northwestern Colombia, with an isolated population in western Ecuador. Now much reduced and local throughout its Central American range.

**Notes.**—Also known as Green Macaw or Buffon’s Macaw. See comments under *A. militaris*.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in eastern Panama (San Blas and Darién, probably also eastern Panamá province), and in South America from northern and eastern Colombia, Venezuela and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northern Argentina and southeastern Brazil.

**Notes.**—Also known as Green-winged Macaw and Red-blue-and-green Macaw.

*Ara macao* (Linnaeus). Scarlet Macaw.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, lowland pine savanna (0–900 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones.)

**Distribution.**—Resident locally from eastern Chiapas and (at least formerly), southern Campeche (formerly north to southern Tamaulipas) south along the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America to Honduras, on both slopes of Nicaragua, Costa Rica and Panama (including Isla Coiba), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil. Extirpated from most of its Middle American range.

Reports from southern Florida are based on escaped cage-birds (Stevenson and Anderson 1994).

†*Ara tricolor* Bechstein. Cuban Macaw.


**Habitat.**—Forest edge and open country with scattered trees, especially palms.

**Distribution.**—EXTINCT. Formerly resident on Cuba (except Oriente Province), possibly also the Isle of Pines; last specimen taken in the Ciénaga de Zapata in 1864.

**Notes.**—For continued use of *A. tricolor* for the Cuban birds, contra Wetherbee (1985), see Walters (1995).
Ara ararauna (Linnaeus). Blue-and-yellow Macaw.


Habitat.—Gallery Forest, River-edge Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–700 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident from eastern Panama (Pacific slope in eastern Panamá province and Darién), Colombia, southern Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia, Paraguay, and central and eastern Brazil.

Introduced birds, presumably escapees, breed in Puerto Rico (Perez-Rivera 1996). Reports from southern Florida are based on escaped cage-birds (Stevenson and Anderson 1994).

Genus RHYNCHOPSITTA Bonaparte

Rhynchopsitta Bonaparte, 1854, Rev. Mag. Zool. (2) 6: 149. Type, by monotypy, Macrocercus pachyrhyncha Swainson.

Rhynchopsitta pachyrhyncha (Swainson). Thick-billed Parrot.

Macrocercus pachyrhyncha Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 439. (Table land, Mexico.)

Habitat.—Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (1500–3400 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds in the mountains of Chihuahua and Durango, probably elsewhere in the Sierra Madre Occidental of central and northern Mexico.

Wanders widely, recorded from central Sonora south to Jalisco and Michoacán, formerly recorded north to south-central and southeastern Arizona (Chiricahua, Dragoon, Galiuro and Patagonia mountains) and, possibly, southwestern New Mexico (unverified reports from the Animas Mountains), and east to México (Popocatépetl and central Veracruz (Cofre de Perote and Jalapa).

Recently introduced in southeastern Arizona, ranging north to Mogollon Rim.

Notes.—Often considered conspecific with R. terrisi, but see Hardy (1967); they constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Rhynchopsitta terrisi Moore. Maroon-fronted Parrot.

Rhynchopsitta terrisi Moore, 1947, Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. 60: 27. (Sierra Potosí, about 7500 feet, Nuevo León, Mexico.)

Habitat.—Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (1500–2800 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the Sierra Madre Oriental of southeastern Coahuila, Nuevo León and western Tamaulipas.

Reports from southern Florida are based on escaped cage-birds.

Notes.—See comments under R. pachyrhyncha.

Genus BOLBORHYNCHUS Bonaparte


Bolborhynchus lineola (Cassin). Barred Parakeet.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, often where bamboo is seeding (800–3300 m; Subtropical, less commonly Temperate or upper Tropical, zones).

Distribution.—Resident locally in the highlands of Middle America from northern Oa-
xaca, Veracruz and Chiapas south through Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Costa Rica to western Panama (Chiriquí, Bocas del Toro and Veraguas); and in the Andes of South America from Colombia and northwestern Venezuela south to central Peru.

Genus **FORPUS** Boie

*Forpus* Boie, 1858, J. Ornithol. 6: 363. Type, by subsequent designation (Hellmayr, 1929), *Psittacus passerinus* Linnaeus.

**Forpus passerinus** (Linnaeus). Green-rumped Parrotlet.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–900 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in northeastern Colombia, northern Venezuela, Trinidad, the Guianas and Brazil south to the Amazon basin; also recorded from Curacao, where possibly introduced.

Introduced and established on Jamaica (common) and Barbados (rare and apparently decreasing); attempted introduction on Martinique was unsuccessful.

**Notes.**—Also known as Guianan Parrotlet. *Forpus passerinus* and *F. xanthopterygius* constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Forpus cyanopygius** (de Souancé). Mexican Parrotlet.

*Psittacula cyanopygia* de Souancé, 1856, Rev. Mag. Zool. (2)8: 157. (No locality given = northwestern Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1300 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in southern Sonora, Sinaloa, western Durango, Zacatecas, Nayarit (including the Tres Marías Islands), Jalisco, and Colima.

**Notes.**—Also known as Blue-rumped Parrotlet.

**Forpus conspicillatus** (Lafresnaye). Spectacled Parrotlet.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in eastern Panama (eastern Panamá province and eastern Darién), Colombia, and southwestern Venezuela.

Genus **BROTogerIS** Vigors


**Brotogeris jugularis** (Müller). Orange-chinned Parakeet.

*Psittacus jugularis* P. L. S. Müller, 1776, Natura-syst., Suppl., p. 80. Based on “Petit Perruche à gorge jaune d’Amerique” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 190, fig. 1. (in America = Bonda, Santa Marta, Colombia.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in southwestern Mexico (Pacific lowlands of southeastern Oaxaca and Chiapas), Guatemala (Pacific lowlands), El Salvador, Honduras (Pacific lowlands and arid interior valleys), Nicaragua (Pacific drainage, and locally in cleared areas on Caribbean slope), Costa Rica (Pacific lowlands and humid Caribbean region south at least to Limón),
Panama (both slopes, including Coiba and Taboga islands), northern Colombia and northern Venezuela. Reports from Guerrero are open to question. Reports from southern Florida are based on escaped cage-birds (Stevenson and Anderson 1994).

Notes.—Also known as Tovi Parakeet.

*Brotogeris versicolurus* (Müller). White-winged Parakeet.

*Psittacus versicolurus* P. L. S. Müller, 1776, Natursyst., Suppl., p. 75. (No locality given = Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Suburbs and parks; in South America, open woodland, scrubland and open areas with scattered trees, less frequently in dense forest, in both arid and humid situations (Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from eastern Colombia, eastern Ecuador, and northeastern Peru east through the Amazon Basin to French Guiana and the Belém area of Pará, Brazil. Introduced and established in southern California, west-central and southeastern Florida, Puerto Rico, and western Peru (Lima).

Notes.—Populations in Florida (Smith and Smith 1993) and southern California (Johnston and Garrett 1994) are being replaced by *B. chiriri* (Vieillot, 1817) [Yellow-chevroned Parakeet], formerly considered conspecific with *versicolurus* but separated on the basis of morphological differences and near sympatry in Pará, Brazil (Pinto and Camargo 1957). See Appendix.

Genus **TOUIT** Gray


**Touit costaricensis** (Cory). Red-fronted Parrotlet.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (500–1000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in Costa Rica (Turrialba to Puerto Limón, and Cordillera de Talamanca) and western and central Panama (Chiriquí, Bocas del Toro, Coclé).

Notes.—*T. costaricensis* and *T. dilectissima* have been considered conspecific, but see Wetmore (1968); they constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Touit dilectissima** (Sclater and Salvin). Blue-fronted Parrotlet.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest. Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (800–1700 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in eastern Panama (eastern Panamá province and Darién), northern and western Colombia, northwestern Venezuela and western Ecuador.

Notes.—See comments under *T. costaricensis*.

Genus **PIONOPSITTA** Bonaparte


**Pionopsitta pyrilia** (Bonaparte). Saffron-headed Parrot.

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in extreme eastern Panama (eastern Darién), northern Colombia, and western Venezuela.

*Pionopsitta haematotis* (Sclater and Salvin). Brown-hooded Parrot.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, northern Chiapas, southern Campeche and southern Quintana Roo south to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica and Panama, and from western Colombia to western Ecuador.

**Notes.**—*P. haematotis* and *P. pulchra* Berlepsch, 1897, of northern South America, constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Genus *PIONUS* Wagler


*Psittacus menstruus* (Linnaeus). Blue-headed Parrot.

**Habitat.**—River-edge Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, lowland pine savanna (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in eastern Costa Rica (from Río Pacuare on the Caribbean slope eastward and, rarely, in the Golfo Dulce region on the Pacific) and Panama (both slopes, including Coiba and the Pearl islands), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia, and Amazonian and southeastern Brazil.

*Pionus senilis* (Spix). White-crowned Parrot.

*Psittacus senilis* Spix, 1824, Avium Spec. Nov. Bras. 1: 42, pl. 31, fig. 1. (No locality given = Veracruz, Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1600 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from southeastern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south through eastern Mexico (including southern Campeche and southern Quintana Roo) and Central America to Costa Rica (both slopes) and western Panama (western Chiriquí and western Bocas del Toro).

Reports from southern Florida are based on escaped cage-birds (Stevenson and Anderson 1994).

Genus *AMAZONA* Lesson

*Amazona* Lesson, 1830, Traité Ornithol., livr. 3, p. 189. Type, by subsequent designation (Salvadori, 1891), *C. farinosa* = *Psittacus farinosus* Boddaert.

**Notes.**—Members of the genus *Amazona* are sometimes referred to under the group name Amazon.
**Amazona albifrons** (Sparrman). White-fronted Parrot.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southern Sonora, Sinaloa, western Durango and southeastern Veracruz south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to Honduras and on the Pacific slope to northwestern Costa Rica (Guanacaste).

Introduced and breeding in Puerto Rico (Mayaguez area) but establishment uncertain. Reports from southern Florida are based on escaped cage-birds (Stevenson and Anderson 1994).

**Amazona xantholora** (Gray). Yellow-lored Parrot.

*Psittacus albifrons* (not Sparman) Kuhl, 1820, Consp. Psittacorum, p. 80. (No locality given.)


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* throughout the Yucatan Peninsula (including Cozumel Island), in Belize, and (formerly) on Isla Roatán (in the Bay Islands, Honduras).

**Amazona leucocephala** (Linnaeus). Cuban Parrot.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–800 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the Bahamas (Great Inagua and Abaco, formerly also on Long, Crooked, Acklin, and Fortune islands), Cuba, the Isle of Pines, and the Cayman Islands (Grand Cayman and Cayman Brac, formerly also Little Cayman).

**Notes.**—Sibley and Monroe (1990) considered *A. leucocephala, A. collaria,* and *A. ventralis* to constitute a superspecies.

**Amazona collaria** (Linnaeus). Yellow-billed Parrot.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Jamaica.

**Amazona ventralis** (Müller). Hispaniolan Parrot.

*Psittacus ventralis* P. L. S. Müller, 1776, Natursyst., Suppl., p. 79. Based on "Perroquet à ventre pourpre, de la Martinique" Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 548. (Martinique, error = Hispaniola.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1500 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Hispaniola (including Gonâve, Grand Cayemite, Beata and Saona islands).

Introduced and established on Puerto Rico and in the Virgin Islands (St. Croix and St. Thomas).
Reports from southern Florida are based on escaped cage-birds (Stevenson and Anderson 1994).

**Amazona vittata** (Boddaert). Puerto Rican Parrot.

*Psittacus vittatus* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 49. Based on “Perroquet de St. Domingue” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 792. (Santo Domingo, error = Puerto Rico.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (0–900 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Puerto Rico (a small population surviving in the Luquillo National Forest and vicinity), and formerly also Culebra Island.

**Amazona agilis** (Linnaeus). Black-billed Parrot.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (500–1600 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* at higher elevations in western Jamaica (absent from Blue and John Crow mountains in eastern Jamaica).

**Amazona viridigenalis** (Cassin). Red-crowned Parrot.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Gallery Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in eastern Nuevo León, Tamaulipas, San Luis Potosí and extreme northeastern Veracruz.

A breeding population in southern Texas (lower Rio Grande Valley, recorded northwest to Falcon Dam) is most likely established from escapes from captivity, but a wild origin for some of the individuals cannot be ruled out. Introduced and established in southern Florida (Dade and Monroe counties), and Puerto Rico; a small group has also persisted since 1970 in the Hawaiian Islands (on Oahu).

**Notes.**—Also known as Green-cheeked Parrot. *Amazona viridigenalis* and *A. finschi* are closely related and, along with South American *A. tucumana* (Cabanis), 1885, and *A. pretrei* (Temminck), 1830, appear to constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Amazona finschi** (Sclater). Lilac-crowned Parrot.


**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forests, Tropical Deciduous Forests (0–2200 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Pacific slope of western Mexico from southeastern Sonora and southwestern Chihuahua south to Oaxaca (the Isthmus of Tehuantepec). Reports from southern Florida are based on escaped cage-birds.

**Notes.**—See comments under *A. viridigenalis*.

**Amazona autumnalis** (Linnaeus). Red-lored Parrot.


**Habitat.**—Edge of Tropical Lowland Forests, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1100 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* (*autumnalis* group) from Tamaulipas and southeastern San Luis Potosí south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope (including southern Campeche, but absent from
the remainder of the Yucatan Peninsula) to Honduras (including the Bay Islands); most Nicaraguan birds are intermediate between this and the following group; [salvini group] in eastern Nicaragua and on Isla Ometepe in Lago de Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (on the Pacific mainly in the southwestern region) and Panama (including Coiba and the Pearl islands), and in South America in northern and western Colombia, western Ecuador and northwestern Venezuela; and [diadema group] in the upper Amazon basin of Brazil.

Reports from southern Florida are based on escaped cage-birds (Stevenson and Anderson 1994).

Notes.—Also known as Yellow-cheeked Parrot. Groups: A. autumnalis [Yellow-cheeked Parrot], A. salvini (Salvadori, 1891) [Salvin’s Parrot], and A. diadema (Spix, 1824) [Dia-demed Parrot].

Amazona farinosa (Boddaert). Mealy Parrot.

Psittacus farinosus Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 52. Based on “Le Perroquet Meunier de Cayenne” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 861. (Cayenne.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca and southern Campeche south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope (except the remainder of the Yucatan Peninsula) to Nicaragua (including north-central highlands), on both slopes of Costa Rica and Panama (including Isla Coiba and other islets), and in South America from Colombia and Venezuela south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and central Brazil.

Reports from southern Florida are based on escaped cage-birds (Stevenson and Anderson 1994).

Notes.—Also known as Blue-crowned Parrot.

Amazona oratrix Ridgway. Yellow-headed Parrot.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–700 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident on the Pacific slope of Mexico (including Tres Marias Islands) from Colima to Oaxaca (the Isthmus of Tehuantepec); on the Gulf slope of northeastern Mexico from southern Nuevo León and Tamaulipas south to Veracruz and Tabasco; and in Belize; a sight report from northeastern Guatemala.

Introduced and possibly established in Puerto Rico and southern Florida (Dade County).

Notes.—Although A. oratrix and A. auropalliata are frequently considered conspecific with A. ochrocephala, the close approach of A. oratrix and A. auropalliata in Pacific Oaxaca without evidence of interbreeding (Binford 1989), and the presence of both A. auropalliata and A. ochrocephala in Caribbean Honduras, suggest that the best treatment would be as allospecies of a superspecies complex (Monroe and Howell 1966). Losada and Howell (1996), however, suggested that species limits should be re-evaluated because of misunderstanding of plumage variation in Caribbean lowland populations. With a single species, Yellow-headed Parrot is the appropriate name.

Amazona auropalliata (Lesson). Yellow-naped Parrot.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, lowland pine savanna (0–600 m; Tropical Zone).
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Distribution.—Resident on the Pacific slope of Middle America from extreme southeastern Oaxaca south to northwestern Costa Rica (Guanacaste); in the Sula Valley of northern Honduras (where possibly introduced); in the Bay Islands off Caribbean Honduras (Roatán, Barbareta and Guanaja); and the Mosquitia in eastern Honduras and northeastern Nicaragua.

Reports from southern Florida are based on escaped cage-birds (Stevenson and Anderson 1994).

Notes.—See comments under A. oratrix.

Amazona ochrocephala (Gmelin). Yellow-crowned Parrot.


Habitat.—River-edge Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–850 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the Sula Valley of northern Honduras (at least formerly, where present since at least mid-19th Century, apparently a native population); and from Panama (including Coiba and the Pearl islands), Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad (probably), and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

Introduced and established on Puerto Rico; reports from southern Florida are based on escaped cage-birds (Stevenson and Anderson 1994).

Notes.—See comments under A. oratrix.

Amazona arausiaca (Müller). Red-necked Parrot.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Dominica, in the Lesser Antilles, surviving in reduced numbers.

Notes.—Species of Amazona may also have been present on Martinique and Guadeloupe, for which names have been proposed although no specimens exist (see Appendix).

Amazona versicolor (Müller). St. Lucia Parrot.

Psittacus versicolor P. L. S. Müller, 1776, Natursyst., Suppl., p. 78. Based on “Perroquet, de la Havane” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 360. (Havana, error = St. Lucia.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1000 m).

Distribution.—Resident on St. Lucia, in the Lesser Antilles, where surviving in much reduced numbers.

Notes.—See comments under A. arausiaca.

Amazona guildingii (Vigors). St. Vincent Parrot.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1000 m).

Distribution.—Resident on St. Vincent, in the Lesser Antilles.

Amazona imperialis Richmond. Imperial Parrot.


Amazona imperialis (Ridgway MS) Richmond, 1899, Auk 16: 186 (in text). New name for Psittacus augustus Vigors, preoccupied.

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (500–1400 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Dominica, in the Lesser Antilles, where surviving in small numbers.
Notes.—Sibley and Ahlquist (1990) treated each of the subfamilies at the family level. Hughes (1996) proposed a realignment of the some genera on the basis of behavioral and skeletal characters.

Subfamily CUCULINAE: Old World Cuckoos

Genus CUCULUS Linnaeus


*Cuculus canorus* Linnaeus, 1758, *Syst. Nat.* (ed. 10) 1: 110. (in Europa = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Open woodland, forest edge and clearings, taiga, open country with scattered trees and, occasionally, treeless regions with bushy growth.

Distribution.—Breeds from the British Isles, Scandinavia, northern Russia and northern Siberia south to northern Africa, the Mediterranean region, Asia Minor, the Himalayas, Burma, Southeast Asia and eastern China.

Winters in Africa, India, Southeast Asia, the East Indies, New Guinea and the Philippines, casually to the eastern Atlantic islands, Sri Lanka, and the Bonin, Molucca and Palau islands in the western Pacific.

Migrates through the Mediterranean region, Arabia, Taiwan, the Ryukyu Islands, Japan and the Kuril Islands to Kamchatka and Anadyrland, ranging casually to the Commander Islands and western and central Aleutian Islands (from Attu to Adak), occasionally reaching the Pribilof Islands (St. Paul) islands, St. Lawrence Island, and the mainland of western Alaska (Tutakoke River mouth and Seward Peninsula, near Nome), casually also to Iceland and the Faeroe Islands.

Accidental in Massachusetts (Martha’s Vineyard), the Lesser Antilles (Barbados), and Greenland.

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as the Cuckoo. *Cuculus canorus* and the African *C. gularis* Stephens, 1815, constitute a superspecies (Cramp 1985).

*Cuculus saturatus* Blyth. Oriental Cuckoo.


Habitat.—Forested regions, primarily coniferous, less frequently deciduous woodland or mixed coniferous-deciduous areas, locally in montane forest.

Distribution.—Breeds [*saturatus* group] from central Russia, central Siberia, Anadyrland and Kamchatka south to the Himalayas, northern Burma, southern China, Taiwan and Japan. Resident [*lepidus* group] in southeast Asia and western Indonesia.

Winters [*saturatus* group] from the Malay Peninsula and Philippines south through Indonesia and New Guinea to northern and eastern Australia and Lord Howe Island.

Wanders [*saturatus* group] casually to the western Aleutian Islands (Attu, Rat Islands), the Pribilof Islands (St. Paul), St. Lawrence Island, and (once) to the western Alaskan mainland (Cape Prince of Wales).

Notes.—Also known as Himalayan Cuckoo. Groups: *C. saturatus* [Oriental Cuckoo] and *C. lepidus* Müller, 1845 [Sunda Cuckoo].

Subfamily COCCYZINAE: New World Cuckoos

Genus COCCYZUS Vieillot

**Coccyzus erythropthalmus** (Wilson). Black-billed Cuckoo.

*Cuculus erythropthalmus* [sic] Wilson, 1811, Amer. Ornithol. 4: 16, pl. 28, fig. 2. (No locality given = probably near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.)

**Habitat.**—Forest edge and open woodland, both deciduous and coniferous, with dense deciduous thickets (breeding); scrub (arid or humid) as well as forest, although most frequently in lowland humid regions (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from east-central and southeastern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, central Ontario, southwestern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia south, at least locally, to Montana (rarely in west), southeastern Wyoming, eastern Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas, north-central Oklahoma, north-central Texas (once successfully in southern Texas), northern Arkansas (rare), Tennessee, northern Alabama, and the Carolinas.

*Winters* in South America (including Trinidad) from northern Colombia and northern Venezuela south to central Bolivia (limits of winter range poorly known).

**Migrates** regularly through the southeastern United States, Bermuda, Mexico (primarily from Guerrero, Guanajuato and Tamaulipas southward, mostly in Gulf-Caribbean lowlands, including Cozumel Island) and Middle America (not recorded El Salvador); and casually west to the Pacific region from southeastern British Columbia south to southern California, Arizona, Sinaloa and New Mexico, and through the Bahamas (Grand Bahama, New Providence) and the Antilles (recorded Cuba, the Isle of Pines, Jamaica, Puerto Rico and Barbuda).

Casual or accidental in Newfoundland, Paraguay, northern Argentina, Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, continental Europe, and the Azores.

**Coccyzus americanus** (Linnaeus). Yellow-billed Cuckoo.


**Habitat.**—Open woodland, especially where undergrowth is thick, parks and riparian woodland (breeding); forest, woodland, and scrub (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from interior California (formerly north to western Washington), southern Idaho, Wyoming, southeastern Montana, the Dakotas, southern Manitoba (rarely), Minnesota, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec and southern New Brunswick (probably) south to southern Baja California, southern Arizona, Chihuahua, Coahuila, Nuevo León, Tamaulipas, sporadically farther south in Mexico (recorded breeding in Zacatecas and Yucatán) the Gulf coast, the Florida Keys and the Greater Antilles (Cuba, Jamaica, Hispaniola, Gonâve Island, Puerto Rico, and St. Croix in the Virgin Islands), probably also in the Bahamas (Great Inagua) and Lesser Antilles (St. Kitts). In recent years, western distribution has contracted.

*Winters* from northern South America (also Tobago and Trinidad) south to northern Argentina, casually north to the southern United States.

**Migrates** regularly through the southern United States, Middle America, Bermuda, and the West Indies; regular in fall in Nova Scotia.

Casual or accidental north to southeastern Alaska (Ketchikan), southwestern British Columbia, central Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, Labrador, and Newfoundland, and on Clipperton Island, Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, continental Europe and the Azores.

**Notes.**—*C. americanus* and *C. euleri* may form a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

**Coccyzus euleri** Cabanis. Pearly-breasted Cuckoo.

*Coccygus* [sic] *Euleri* Cabanis, 1873, J. Ornithol. 21: 72. (Cantagallo, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Gallery Forest, River-edge Forest (0–900 m).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in southern South America presumably from eastern Brazil south to northern Argentina, and *winter* s (possibly also locally breeding) in northern South America in Colombia, Venezuela and the Guianas.
Accidental in the northern Lesser Antilles (Sombrero Island, 1863) and Bolivia.

**Notes.**—Although *C. julieni* Lawrence, 1864 has priority over *C. euleri* (Banks 1988a), the former has been suppressed for purposes of priority by the I.C.Z.N. (1992). See comments under *C. americanus*.

**Coccyzus minor** (Gmelin). Mangrove Cuckoo.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Mangrove Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1250 m; Tropical and, rarely, Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from Sinaloa and Tamaulipas south on both slopes of Middle America (including Holbox, Mujeres and Cozumel islands off the Yucatan Peninsula, and the Bay Islands off Honduras) to western Panama (Veraguas, Bocas del Toro); and from southern Florida (Tampa Bay and Miami areas southward in coastal areas, including the Florida Keys) and the Bahamas south throughout the Antilles (not recorded Isle of Pines) and islands in the western Caribbean Sea (Cayman, Swan, Providencia and San Andrés) to Venezuela (including islands from the Netherlands Antilles and Trinidad), the Guianas and northern Brazil.

Casual north to southeastern Texas (Port Bolivar, sight reports elsewhere) in northern and peninsular Florida (including the interior), and south to central Panama (Canal area and the Pearl Islands).

**Notes.**—Sibley and Monroe (1990) treated *C. minor* and *C. ferrugineus* as a superspecies.

**Coccyzus ferrugineus** Gould. Cocos Cuckoo.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest.

**Distribution.**—Resident on Cocos Island, off Costa Rica.

**Notes.**—See comments under *C. minor*.

**Coccyzus melacoryphus** Vieillot. Dark-billed Cuckoo.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, River-edge Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident in South America (including Trinidad and the Galapagos Islands), the more southerly populations migratory northward in winter.

Accidental on Clipperton Island (13 August 1958; Stager 1964), in Grenada (Levera Pond, 26 May 1963; Schwartz and Klinikowski 1965), and in Panama (Tocumen, eastern Panamá province, 26 January 1980; Ridgely and Gwynne 1989). A specimen record from southern Texas is under review.

Genus *SAUROTHERA* Vieillot

*Saurothera* Vieillot, 1816, Analyse, p. 28. Type, by monotypy, “Coucou à long bec” Buffon = *Cuculus vetula* Linnaeus.

**Saurothera merlini** d’Orbigny. Great Lizard-Cuckoo.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the northern Bahamas (Andros, New Providence and Eleuthera), Cuba (including Cayo Santa Maria and Cayo Coco), and the Isle of Pines.
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Saurothera vetula (Linnaeus). Jamaican Lizard-Cuckoo.

*Cuculus Vetula* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 111. Based mainly on *Cuculus major* Sloane, Voy. Jamaica 2: 312, pl. 258. (in Jamaica.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1200 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Jamaica.

**Notes.**—*S. vetula, S. viei!!oti,* and *S. longirostris* have been treated as conspecific (e.g., Peters 1940); they constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Saurothera longirostris (Hermann). Hispaniolan Lizard-Cuckoo.

*Cuculus longirostris* Hermann, 1783, Tabula Affinit. Anim., p. 186. (Hispaniola.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–2000 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Hispaniola (including Tortue, Saona and Gonâve islands).

**Notes.**—See comments under *S. vetula.*

Saurothera vieilloti Bonaparte. Puerto Rican Lizard-Cuckoo.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–800 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Puerto Rico and (formerly) Vieques Island, possibly at one time on St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands.

**Notes.**—See comments under *S. vetula.*

Genus HYETORNIS Sclater


**Notes.**—*Hyetornis* was merged with *Piaya* by Peters (1940).

Hyetornis rufigularis (Hartlaub). Bay-breasted Cuckoo.

*Coccyzus rufigularis* "Herz. c. Württemb." Hartlaub, 1852, Naumannia 2: 55. (Mountain forests of Spanish Santo Domingo = Dominican Republic.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–900 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Hispaniola (primarily the Dominican Republic, rare in Haiti) and Gonâve Island.

Hyetornis pluvialis (Gmelin). Chestnut-bellied Cuckoo.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Jamaica.

Genus PIAYA Lesson

*Piaya* Lesson, 1830, Traité Ornithol., livr. 2, p. 139. Type, by original designation, *Cuculus cayanus* Gmelin [= Linnaeus].

Piaya cayana (Linnaeus). Squirrel Cuckoo.

*Cuculus cayanus* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 170. Based on "Le Coucou de Cayenne" Brisson, Ornithologie 4: 122, pl. 8, fig. 2. (in Cayana = Cayenne.)
Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest, River-edge Forest (0–2500 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southern Sonora, southwestern Chihuahua, southeastern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south through Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula, casually Isla Cancún, but doubtfully recorded from Holbox and Mujeres islands), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to southern Bolivia, northern Argentina, and Uruguay.

Piaya minuta (Vieillot). Little Cuckoo.

Coccyzus minutus Vieillot, 1817, Nouv. Dict. Hist. Nat. (nouv. éd.) 8: 275. Based in part on “Le petit Coucou de Cayenne” Brisson, Ornithologie 4: 124, pl. 16, fig. 2. (No locality given = Cayenne.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–900; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident from eastern Panama (from Canal area and eastern Panamá province eastward), Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia and Amazonian and south-central Brazil.

Subfamily NEOMORPHINAE: Ground-Cuckoos and Roadrunners

Genus TAPERA Thunberg


Tapera naevia (Linnaeus). Striped Cuckoo.

Cuculus nevius Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 170. Based on “Le Coucou tacheté de Cayenne” Brisson, Ornithologie 4: 127, pl. 9, fig. 1. (in Cayania = Cayenne.)

Habitat.—Second-growth Scrub, Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Riparian Thickets (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from central Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas and southern Quintana Roo south along both slopes of Middle America, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including Margarita Island), Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to northern Argentina and southern Brazil.

Genus DROMOCOCCYX Wied


Dromococcyx phasianellus (Spix). Pheasant Cuckoo.

Macropus phasianellus Spix, 1824, Avium Spec. Nov. Bras. 1: 53, pl. 42. (forest of Rio Tonantins, Amazon Valley, Brazil.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1600 m; Tropical Zone.)

Distribution.—Resident on both slopes of Middle America from Guerrero, Puebla, Oaxaca, southeastern Veracruz, Chiapas and the Yucatan Peninsula south to Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia, Paraguay, northeastern Argentina, and southeastern Brazil.

Genus MOROCOCCYX Sclater

Morococcyx Sclater, 1862, Cat. Collect. Amer. Birds, p. 322. Type, by monotypy, Coccyzus erythropyga Lesson.
**Morococcyx erythropygus** (Lesson). Lesser Ground-Cuckoo.


**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Tropical Deciduous Forest Edge, Second-growth Scrub (0–1500 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Pacific slope of western Mexico from southern Sinaloa south to northwestern Costa Rica (Río Grande de Tárcoles), occurring also in the arid interior valleys on the Caribbean slope of Guatemala (Motagua) and Honduras (Quimistán, Sula, Comayagua, Aguán).

Genus **GEOCOCXY** Wagler


*Geococcyx velox* (Wagner). Lesser Roadrunner.

*Cuculus velox* A. Wagner, 1836, *Gelehrte Anz.*, München 3: col. 96. (Mexico = outskirts of Mexico City.)

**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Pine Forest (0–2800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in western Mexico from extreme southern Sonora south to Chiapas (Tuxtla Gutiérrez), and in the interior of Middle America from eastern Nayarit, Jalisco, Michoacán, México, Morelos, Puebla, west-central Veracruz and Oaxaca south through Central America to central Nicaragua; an isolated population in Yucatán and northern Campeche.

*Geococcyx californianus* (Lesson). Greater Roadrunner.


**Habitat.**—Desert scrub, chaparral, edges of cultivated lands, and arid open situations with scattered brush, locally in cedar glades and pine-oak woodland (Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from north-central California, western and central Nevada, southern Utah, southern Colorado, southern Kansas, central and eastern Oklahoma, southwestern Missouri, central and western Arkansas and western and north-central Louisiana south to southern Baja California, Sinaloa, Durango, Zacatecas, northeastern Jalisco, eastern Michoacán, México, Puebla, Veracruz, northern Tamaulipas and the Gulf coast of Texas.

**Notes.**—Often called the Roadrunner in American literature.

Genus **NEOMORPHUS** Gloger

*Neomorphus* Gloger, 1827, in *Froriep*, *Notizen* 16: col. 278, note. Type, by original designation, *Coccozus geoffroyi* Temminck.

*Neomorphus geoffroyi* (Temminck). Rufous-vented Ground-Cuckoo.

*Coccozus geoffroyi* Temminck, 1820, *Planches Color.*, livr. 2, pl. 7. (No locality given = Pará, Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* locally in Nicaragua (Caribbean slope), Costa Rica (primarily Caribbean slope, on Pacific drainage in Cordillera de Guanacaste), and Panama (both slopes), and in South America from Colombia south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

**Notes.**—Sibley and Monroe (1990) considered *N. geoffroyi* and Amazonian *N. squamiger* Todd, 1925 [Scaled Ground-Cuckoo] to constitute a superspecies.
Subfamily CROTOPHAGINAE: Anis

Genus CROTOPHAGA Linnaeus


**Crotophaga major** Gmelin. Greater Ani.

*Crotophaga major* Gmelin, 1788, Syst. Nat. 1(1): 363. Based in part on "Le grand Bout-de-petun" Brisson, Ornithologie 4: 180, pl. 18, fig. 2, and Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 102, fig. 1. (in Cayenna = Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—River-edge Forest, Gallery Forest, Freshwater Marshes (0–800 m; Tropical Zone, locally to Temperate Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from eastern Panama (on the Caribbean slope from western Colón eastward, on the Pacific from the Canal area eastward), Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes virtually throughout to northern Argentina. Two specimens taken along the Río Tamesi, southern Tamaulipas, may represent a resident population in northeastern Mexico (Olson 1978), but subsequent searches for the species have failed.

**Crotophaga ani** Linnaeus. Smooth-billed Ani.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Agricultural Pastures/Cropland (0–2000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in central and southern Florida (Tampa Bay and Merritt Island region southward, mainly from Lake Okeechobee area to Dade County); from the Bahamas south throughout the Antilles (including the Cayman Islands); on islands off Quintana Roo (Cozumel), Belize (Ambergris Cay), Honduras (Swan and Bay islands) and Nicaragua (Corn, Providencia and San Andrés); and in southwestern Costa Rica (Pacific slope north to the Gulf of Nicoya region) and Panama (both slopes, including Coiba and the Pearl islands), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including Margarita Island), Tobago, Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to northern Argentina.

Casual north to North Carolina, in northern Florida, and to the mainland of Honduras (Trujillo region, where possibly breeding). Accidental in Ohio. Reports from Louisiana, Indiana, and New Jersey are questionable.

**Crotophaga sulcirostris** Swainson. Groove-billed Ani.

*Crotophaga sulcirostris* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 440. (Table land. Temascaltepec = Temascaltepec, México.)

**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Riparian Thickets (0–2300 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in southern Baja California (Cape district, formerly, with one recent report of a vagrant); from southern Sonora, central and southern (casually western, north-central and southeastern) Texas and southern Louisiana (rarely, one breeding record, Plaquemines Parish) south along both slopes of Middle America (including Mujeres, Holbox and Cozumel islands off Quintana Roo) and along both coasts of South America to extreme northern Chile and Guyana (also the Netherlands Antilles); and in northwestern Argentina.

Wanders regularly east along the Gulf coast to peninsular Florida, and casually northward to southern California, southern Nevada, northern Arizona, central New Mexico, Colorado, South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, southern Ontario, Ohio, and Maryland. Accidental in the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island; sight reports). Reports from Trinidad are erroneous (ffrench 1991).
Order **STRIGIFORMES**: Owls

Family **TYTONIDAE**: Barn Owls

Genus **TYTO** Billberg


**Tyto alba** (Scopoli). Barn Owl.

*Strix alba* Scopoli, 1769, Annus I, Hist.-Nat., p. 21. (Ex Foro Juli = Friuli, northern Italy.)

**Habitat.**—Open and partly open country in a wide variety of situations, often around human habitation; nests in buildings, caves, crevices on cliffs, burrows and hollow trees, rarely in trees with dense foliage, such as palms (Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the Americas from southwestern and south-central British Columbia, western Washington, Oregon, southern Idaho, Montana, North Dakota, Iowa, southern Wisconsin, southern Michigan (formerly), extreme southern Ontario, southern Quebec, New York, southern Vermont and Massachusetts south through the United States and Middle America (including many islands around Baja California and in the Gulf of California, the Tres Marias Islands, Bay Islands off Honduras, and Pearl Islands off Panama), Bermuda, the Bahamas, Greater Antilles (except Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands) and Lesser Antilles (Dominica, St. Vincent, Grenada and the Grenadines), and in South America in the Galapagos Islands (Santa Cruz, Isabela, James, San Cristóbal and Fernandina) and from Colombia and Venezuela (including islands of the Netherlands Antilles, Tobago and Trinidad) south to Tierra del Fuego; and in the Old World from the British Isles, Baltic countries, southern Russia and southern Siberia south throughout most of Eurasia and Africa to southern Africa, Madagascar, the Malay Peninsula, the East Indies (except Sumatra, Borneo and the Philippines) and Australia, and east in the western Pacific to the Society Islands. Northernmost populations in North America are partially migratory, wintering south to southern Mexico and the West Indies.

Wanders casually north to northeastern British Columbia, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Nova Scotia; a record from Alaska is erroneous.

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (in 1958, now on all main islands from Kauai eastward) and on Lord Howe Island.

**Notes.**—Also known as Common Barn-Owl. *Tyto alba* and the closely related *T. glaucops* are regarded as species because sympatry occurs on Hispaniola.

**Tyto glaucops** (Kaup). Ashy-faced Owl.


**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Second-growth Scrub, nesting in limestone caves and sinkholes, and often foraging around old buildings and ruins (0–2000 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Hispaniola.

**Notes.**—Also known as Hispaniolan Barn-Owl or Ashy-faced Barn-Owl. See comments under *T. alba*.

Family **STRIGIDAE**: Typical Owls

Genus **OTUS** Pennant

*Otus* Pennant, 1769, Indian Zool., p. 3. Type, by monotypy, *Otus bakkamoena* Pennant.

Gymnoglaux Cabanis, 1855, J. Ornithol. 3: 466. Type, by monotypy, Noctua nudipes Lembeye (not Strix nudipes Daudin) = Gymnoglaux lawrencii Sclater and Salvin.

Otus flammuleus (Kaup). Flammulated Owl.


Habitat.—Montane forest, primarily open ponderosa pine association, occasionally aspen; in migration, wooded areas in lowlands and mountains (upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds locally from south-central British Columbia (Kamloops, Penticton), central Washington, eastern Oregon, southern Idaho, western Montana and north-central Colorado south to south-central California (Palomar Mountain), southern Arizona, southern New Mexico and western Texas (Guadalupe, Chisos, and, probably, Davis mountains); also in Coahuila, Tamaulipas, Nuevo León, México (Chimalpa), and Veracruz (Las Vegas). A report of one heard in Oaxaca requires confirmation (Binford 1989).

Winters from central Mexico (Sinaloa, Jalisco, Michoacán and Distrito Federal) south in the highlands to Guatemala and El Salvador, casually north to southern California.

Migrates east to central Montana, central Colorado, eastern New Mexico and western Texas.

Casual or accidental in Wyoming, southeastern Texas (Galveston, Port Aransas), Louisiana (Baton Rouge), Alabama (Shelby County), Florida (Redington Beach) and the Gulf of Mexico (ca. 75 miles southeast of Galveston, Texas).

Notes.—Also known as Flammulated Screech-Owl. The Eurasian O. scops (Linnaeus, 1758) and O. flammuleus differ in vocalizations and are separate species (Marshall 1978); Mayr and Short (1970) considered them to represent a superspecies. Marshall and King (in Monroe and Sibley 1993) considered O. flammuleus as probably related to O. brucei (Hume, 1873) [Pallid Scops-Owl].

Otus sunia (Hodgson). Oriental Scops-Owl.

Scops sunia Hodgson, 1836, Asiat. Res. 19: 175. (Nepal.)

Habitat.—Forest and woodland.

Distribution.—Breeds from the northern limit of trees in northeastern Asia and the large islands of Japan south to northern China and Korea. Winters from southeastern China and Japan south to Southeast Asia.

Accidental in Alaska in the Aleutian Islands on Buldir (5 June 1977) and Amchitka (late June 1979).

Notes.—O. sunia and other Old World forms are sometimes merged in the Eurasian O. scops (Linnaeus, 1758), but studies of vocalizations and behavior confirm their status as species (Marshall 1967, 1978). See comments under O. flammuleus.

Otus kennicottii (Elliot). Western Screech-Owl.


Habitat.—Woodland, especially oak and riparian woodland, and giant cacti (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident [kennicottii group] from south-coastal (west to Cordova) and southeastern Alaska, coastal and south-central British Columbia, northern Idaho, western and south-central Montana, northwestern Wyoming (Wind River Mountains), southeastern Colorado, and extreme western Oklahoma south to southern Baja California, central Sonora, in the Mexican highlands through central and eastern Chihuahua and Coahuila as far as the Distrito Federal, and to south-central Texas (east to Kerr County); and [vinaceus group] in southern Sonora, western Chihuahua and northern Sinaloa.

Casual [kennicottii group] in Alberta and Kansas (Morton Co.).

Notes.—Also known as Kennicott’s Screech-Owl. Groups: O. kennicottii [Western Screech-Owl] and O. vinaceus (Brewster, 1888) [Vinaceous Screech-Owl]. Relationships of
North and Middle American Otus are discussed in Marshall (1967), in which the four groups of *O. asio* are recognized on the basis of vocalizations and behavior as "incipient species"; these groups are now considered to be allospecies of a superspecies. Long-distance dispersal apparently accounts for overlap and rare mixed pairs in marginally poor habitat along the Arkansas River in southeastern Colorado and the Rio Grande in Texas. If these four species (*O. kennicottii* and the following three species) are treated as a single species, then *O. asio* and Common Screech-Owl are the appropriate scientific and English names, respectively. Intergradation of *O. k. cardonensis* Huey, 1926 and *O. k. xantusi* (Brewster, 1902) in Baja California is uncertain. The latter form may represent *O. cooperi* because of vocal similarities. Miller and Miller (1951) discussed the relationship of *O. kennicottii* and *O. vinaceus*, the latter formerly treated as a separate species. Because they are similar in voice and intergrade, they are regarded as conspecific.

**Otus asio** (Linnaeus). Eastern Screech-Owl.


**Habitat.**—Open woodland, deciduous forest, open mixed deciduous-coniferous woodland, parklands, residential areas, and riparian woodland in drier regions.

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, central Minnesota, north-central Michigan, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec and Maine (formerly) south through the eastern United States to Coahuila, central Nuevo León, eastern San Luis Potosí, southern Tamaulipas, southern Texas, the Gulf coast and southern Florida (upper Florida Keys), and west to central Montana, northern and eastern Wyoming, eastern Colorado, Kansas, western Oklahoma, and west-central Texas. Recorded in summer (and probably breeding) in central Alberta.

Casual in Nova Scotia (Indian Lake); sight reports from New Brunswick.

**Notes.**—Also known as the Screech Owl. See comments under *O. kennicottii*.

**Otus seductus** Moore. Balsas Screech-Owl.

*Otus vinaceus seductus* Moore, 1941, Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. 54: 156. (5 miles northeast of Apatzingán, Michoacán, altitude 1000 feet.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, mesquite (0-1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in Colima, southern Jalisco, the Río Balsas drainage of Michoacán, and western Guerrero.

**Notes.**—See comments under *O. kennicottii*.

**Otus cooperi** (Ridgway). Pacific Screech-Owl.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Mangrove Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0-950 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident along the Pacific coast of Middle America from Oaxaca (west to Puerto Angel region and Rancho Las Animas) south to northwestern Costa Rica (Guanacaste region).

**Notes.**—Also known as Cooper's Screech-Owl. See comments under *O. kennicottii*.

**Otus trichopsis** (Wagler). Whiskered Screech-Owl.

*Scops trichopsis* Wagler, 1832, Isis von Oken, col. 276. (Mexico = mountains of southwestern Puebla.)

**Habitat.**—Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, (600-2950 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southeastern Arizona, northeastern Sonora, southwestern New Mexico, Chihuahua, Coahuila, Nuevo León and Tamaulipas south through the moun-
tains of Mexico (west to Sinaloa, Nayarit, Jalisco, Michoacán and Guerrero, and east to west-central Veracruz), Guatemala, El Salvador and Honduras to northern Nicaragua.

Notes.—Also known as Whiskered Owl or Spotted Screech-Owl.

**Otus choliba** (Vieillot). Tropical Screech-Owl.


**Habitat**.—Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, River-edge Forest, Gallery Forest (0–2800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution**.—Resident from central Costa Rica (San José region) south through Panama (including the Pearl Islands), and in South America from Colombia and Venezuela (including Margarita Island), Trinidad and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northern Argentina and Paraguay; erroneously reported from Honduras.

**Otus barbarus** (Sclater and Salvin). Bearded Screech-Owl.


**Habitat**.—Pine Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (1400–2200 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution**.—Resident in the mountains of Chiapas and northern Guatemala.

Notes.—Also known as Santa Barbara Screech-Owl or Bridled Screech-Owl.

**Otus guatemalae** (Sharpe). Vermiculated Screech-Owl.

*Scops brasilianus* Subsp. B. Scops guatemalce Sharpe, 1875, Cat. Birds Brit. Mus. 2: ix, 112, pl. 9. (Central America, from Veraguas northwards to Mexico = Guatemala.)

**Habitat**.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (0–1800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution**.—Resident [guatemalae group] from southeastern Sonora and southern Tamaulipas south on both slopes of Mexico to Chiapas and the Yucatan Peninsula (including Cozumel Island), and thence south through Guatemala, Belize and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua; and [vermiculatus group] locally from northeastern Costa Rica and Panama and south locally to western Colombia.

Notes.—Includes *O. guatemalae* [Middle American Screech-Owl] and *O. vermiculatus* (Ridgway, 1887) [Vermiculated Screech-Owl], sometimes treated as separate species because of vocal differences (Sibley and Monroe 1990, Marshall et al. 1991). Marshall et al. (1991) proposed that populations of *vermiculatus* from northern South America, excluding those from western Colombia, be merged into *O. atricapillus* of South America, a treatment followed by Monroe and Sibley (1993), but see König (1994) and Heidrich et al. (1995a).

**Otus clarkii** Kelso and Kelso. Bare-shanked Screech-Owl.

*Otus clarkii* L. and E. H. Kelso, 1935, Biol. Leaflet, no. 5, [not paged]. (Calobre, Panama.)

**Habitat**.—Montane Evergreen Forest (900–3300 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution**.—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica (Cordillera Central eastward), Panama (recorded from western Chiriquí, Veraguas and eastern Darién) and extreme northwestern Colombia.

Notes.—Also known as Bare-legged Screech-Owl. Once called *Otus nudipes* in the literature, based on *Bubo nudipes* Vieillot, 1807, but the latter name is now regarded as a nomen dubium; furthermore, with the following species placed in *Otus, Bubo nudipes* is also a junior secondary homonym of *Strix nudipes*. 
**Otus nudipes** (Daudin). Puerto Rican Screech-Owl.

*Strix nudipes* Daudin, 1800, Traité Ornithol. 2: 199. (Porto Rico and Cayenne = Puerto Rico.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–900 m).

**Distribution.**—**Resident** on Puerto Rico (including Vieques and Culebra islands) and, very local or extirpated, in the Virgin Islands (St. Thomas, St. John, Tortola, Virgin Gorda and St. Croix).

**Notes.**—Also known as Puerto Rican Bare-legged Owl.

**Otus lawrencii** (Sclater and Salvin). Cuban Screech-Owl.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest; nests in holes in coconut palms and limestone cliffs.

**Distribution.**—**Resident** on Cuba, Cayo Romano, and the Isle of Pines.

**Notes.**—Formerly placed in monotypic genus *Gymnoglaux* and known as Bare-legged Owl.

**Genus LOPHOSTRIX** Lesson


**Lophostrix cristata** (Daudin). Crested Owl.

*Strix cristata* Daudin, 1800, Traité Ornithol. 2: 307. Based on “La Chouette à aigrette blanche” Levaillant, Ois. Afr. 1: 43. (Guiana.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1000 m) (Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—**Resident** on both slopes of Middle America from southern Veracruz, northern and southeastern Oaxaca, and Chiapas south to Panama, and in South America from Colombia, western Venezuela and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

**Genus PULSATRIX** Kaup


**Pulsatrix perspicillata** (Latham). Spectacled Owl.


**Habitat.**—River-edge Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—**Resident** on both slopes of Middle America from southern Veracruz, northern and southeastern Oaxaca, and Chiapas south to Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to northwestern Argentina, Paraguay and southeastern Brazil.

**Genus BUBO** Duméril


**Bubo Virginianus** (Gmelin). Great Horned Owl.

Habitat.—A wide variety of forested habitats, moist or arid, deciduous or evergreen lowland forest to open temperate woodland, including second-growth forest, swamps, orchards, parklands, riverine forest, brushy hillsides and semi-desert (Tropical to Alpine zones, most commonly Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds from western and central Alaska, central Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northern Quebec, northern Labrador and Newfoundland south throughout the Americas (except the West Indies, most islands, and most of Amazonia) to Tierra del Fuego.

Winters generally throughout the breeding range, with the northernmost populations being partially migratory, wintering south to southern Canada and the northern United States.

Genus *NYCTEA* Stephens


*Nyctea scandiaca* (Linnaeus). Snowy Owl.

*Strix scandiaca* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 92. (in Alpibus Lapponiae = Lapland.)

Habitat.—Tundra, primarily where mounds, hillocks, or rocks are present; in winter and migration, occurring also in open country such as prairie, marshes, fields, pastures, and sandy beaches.

Distribution.—Breeds in North America in the western Aleutians (Attu, Buldir), on Hall Island (in the Bering Sea), and from northern Alaska, northern Yukon (Herschel Island), and Banks, Prince Patrick and northern Ellesmere islands south to coastal western Alaska (to Hooper Bay), northern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northeastern Manitoba (Churchill), Southampton and Belcher islands, northern Quebec and northern Labrador; and in the Palearctic in northern Greenland, and from northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, southern Novaya Zemlya and northern Siberia south to the British Isles (rarely), southern Scandinavia, the limits of tundra in Eurasia, and the Commander Islands.

Winters irregularly from the breeding range in North America south to southern Canada, North Dakota, Minnesota, northern Illinois, northern Michigan, and New York, casually or sporadically to central California (Monterey County), southern Nevada, Utah, Colorado, Oklahoma, and southeastern Texas, the Gulf states and Georgia (sight reports from central Florida); and in Eurasia south to Iceland, the British Isles, northern continental Europe, central Russia, northern China and Sakhalin.

Casual or accidental in Bermuda, the Azores, Mediterranean region, Iran, northwestern India, and Japan.

Genus *SURNIA* Duméril

*Surnia* Duméril, 1806, Zool. Anal., p. 34. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), *Strix funerea* Gmelin = *Strix ulula* Linnaeus.

*Surnia ulula* (Linnaeus). Northern Hawk Owl.

*Strix Ulula* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 93. (in Europa = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Open coniferous or mixed coniferous-deciduous forest, forest edge and clearings, forest burns, dense tamarack, bogs, scrubby second-growth woodland and muskeg.

Distribution.—Breeds in North America from the limit of trees in western and central Alaska, central Yukon, northwestern and central Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northern Quebec, central Labrador and Newfoundland south to south-coastal Alaska (Kodiak Island), central British Columbia, northwestern Montana, southwestern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, southeastern Ontario, northern Michigan (once, Isle Royale, 1905), southern Quebec, and New Brunswick (breeding sporadic along southern limits of range); and in
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Eurasia from northern Scandinavia, northern Russia and northern Siberia south to central Russia, northern Mongolia, northern Manchuria, and Sakhalin.

Winters from the breeding range southward, in North America irregularly to southern Canada and northern Minnesota, casually to Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Nebraska, Iowa, central Illinois, southern Michigan, northern Ohio and Pennsylvania; and in Eurasia to the British Isles, continental Europe and southern Russia.

Notes.—Known widely as the Hawk Owl.

Genus GLAUCIDIUM Boie

Glaucidium Boie, 1826, Isis von Oken, col. 970. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), Strix passerina Linnaeus.

Glaucidium gnomon Wagler, Northern Pygmy-Owl.

Habitat.—Open forest and woodlands, in coniferous, hardwood, mixed and pine-oak woodland (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident [californicum group] from southern Alaska (recorded west to Yakutat), British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), west-central Alberta and western and central Montana south, mostly in mountainous regions, to southern California (Laguna Mountains), southern Arizona, and southern New Mexico (perhaps northern Mexico); [gnoma group] the interior of Mexico, Guatemala, and central Honduras; and [hoskinsii group] in the Cape district of southern Baja California.

Casual [californicum group] in northwestern Wyoming and western Texas.

Notes.—Heidrich et al. (1995b) considered G. californicum Sclater, 1857 [Northern Pygmy-Owl], and G. gnomon [Mexican Pygmy-Owl] to represent separate species based on genetic and vocal differences (as anticipated by Sibley and Monroe [1990] and Monroe and Sibley [1993]). König (1991) and Heidrich et al. (1995b) proposed, based on vocalizations, that the populations of Costa Rica and Panama traditionally assigned to G. jardinii belong with G. gnomon.

Glaucidium jardinii (Bonaparte). Andean Pygmy-Owl.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (2000–3400 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of central Costa Rica and Panama (recorded Chiriqui and Veraguas); and in the Andes of South America from Colombia and western Venezuela south to northern Argentina.

Notes.—Also known as Mountain Pygmy-Owl. See comments under G. gnomon. König (1991) described the population from Peru to Argentina as a separate species, G. bolivianum [Yungas Pygmy-Owl], based on vocal differences.


Glaucidium griseiceps Sharp, 1875, Ibis 1875, p. 41. (Veragua [Panama] and Chisec and Chocutum [Guatemala] = tropical lowlands [Coban] of Alta Vera Paz, Guatemala.)

Habitat.—Humid Evergreen Forest (0–1300 m; Tropical to lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from southeastern Veracruz and northern Oaxaca south (not recorded Yucatan Peninsula or Nicaragua) to northwestern Colombia (also disjunct records on Pacific slope of Guatemala, in eastern Panama province, Canal area, and Darién, and north-northwest of Alto Tambo, Prov. Esmeraldas, Ecuador).

vocalizations, morphology, coloration, and habitat distribution, which support the treatment of these six forms as species; see Vielliard (1989) and König (1991) for additional data on South American forms.

**Glaucidium sanchezi** Lowery and Newman. Tamaulipas Pygmy-Owl.


**Habitat.**—Humid Evergreen Forest (900–2100 m; lower Subtropical to upper Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Mexico in southern Tamaulipas and eastern San Luis Potosí.

**Notes.**—See comments under *G. griseiceps*.

**Glaucidium palmarum** Nelson. Colima Pygmy-Owl.

*Glaucidium palmarum* Nelson, 1901, Auk 18:46. (Arroyo de Juan Sanchez, Territory of Tepic, Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (0–1500 m; lower Subtropical to upper Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope of Mexico from central Sonora to south-central Oaxaca (foothills inland of Puerto Angel) and in the Balsas drainage of southern Morelos and northern Guerrero.

**Notes.**—See comments under *G. griseiceps*.

**Glaucidium brasilianum** (Gmelin). Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl.

*Strix brasiliana* Gmelin, 1788, Syst. Nat. 1(1): 289. Based on “Le Hibou de Brésil” Brisson, Ornithologie, 1, p. 499. (in Brasilia = Ceará, Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Second-growth Scrub, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, lowland pine savanna, giant cacti (0–2000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from south-central Arizona (formerly north to Phoenix area), Sonora (at least formerly), Chihuahua, Coahuila, Nuevo León and southern Texas (north to Starr and Kenedy counties) south through Mexico (including Isla Cancun off Quintana Roo), Belize, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica (Pacific slope, very rare on Caribbean drainage) and Panama (Pacific slope east to western Panamá province), and in South America from the coastal lowlands of Colombia, Venezuela (including Margarita Island), Trinidad and the Guianas south, east of the Andes to central Argentina.

**Notes.**—Also known as Ferruginous Owl. *Glaucidium nanum* (King, 1827) [Austral Pygmy-Owl] has been treated as conspecific (e.g., Marín et al. 1989) with *G. brasilianum*, but vocal differences support recognition as a species (König 1991); they constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970). König (1991) described the population of northwestern Peru as a separate species, *G. peruanum* [Peruvian Pygmy-Owl], based primarily on vocal differences; this treatment was followed by Monroe and Sibley (1993).

**Glaucidium siju** (d’Orbigny). Cuban Pygmy-Owl.

*Noctua siju* d’Orbigny, 1839, in La Sagra, Hist. Fis. Pol. Nat. Cuba, Ois., p. 41, pl. 3. (Cuba.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Pine Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Cuba, Cayo Coco (Archipelago Sabana-Camagüey), and the Isle of Pines.
Genus **MICRATHENE** Coues


*Micropallas* Coues, 1889, Auk 6: 71. New name for *Micrathene* Coues, thought to be preoccupied.

*Micrathene whitneyi* (Cooper). Elf Owl.

*Athene whitneyi* Cooper, 1861, Proc. Calif. Acad. Sci. (1)2:118. (Fort Mojave, latitude 35° [N.], Colorado Valley [Arizona].)

**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Gallery Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (0–2100 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from extreme southern Nevada (Colorado River, opposite Fort Mohave, Arizona, at least formerly), extreme southeastern California (lower Colorado River Valley, formerly west to central Riverside County), central Arizona, southwestern New Mexico, western and southern Texas, Coahuila and Nuevo León south to Sonora (including Isla Tiburón), Guanajuato and Puebla, probably elsewhere in central Mexico; also in southern Baja California (Cape district) and formerly in the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro).

*Winters* from southern Sinaloa, Michoacán, Morelos and southern Texas south to Guerrero, Puebla and northwestern Oaxaca, certainly also elsewhere in central Mexico; resident on Socorro Island and in Baja California, where recorded north to lat. 28° 10’ N., possibly only as a vagrant.

Accidental in eastern New Mexico.

Genus **ATHENE** Boie


**Notes.**—Although karyotypic and molecular studies suggest generic status for *Speotyto* (Schmutz et al. 1989. Sibley and Ahlquist 1990), we follow Amadon and Bull (1988) in merging *Speotyto* into *Athene*.

*Strix cunicularia* (Molina). Burrowing Owl.

*Strix Cunicularia* Molina, 1782, Saggio Stor. Nat. Chili, p. 263. (Chilii = Chile.)

**Habitat.**—Northern Temperate Grassland, Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, tropical grasslands (0–4000 m; Tropical to Alpine zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southern interior British Columbia, southern Alberta, central Saskatchewan (formerly) and southern Manitoba south through eastern Washington (formerly), central Oregon and California (including the Channel islands, formerly the Farallon Islands) to Baja California (including many coastal islands, and on Guadalupe Island), east locally to western Minnesota, northwestern Iowa, southwestern Missouri, Oklahoma and western Texas, and south to central Mexico (including Isla Clarion in the Revillagigedo group, but southern limits of the breeding range in the interior in Mexico not known); in Florida (north to Madison and Duval counties), the Bahamas, Cuba (western Pinar del Rio, northern Matanzas, southern Ciego de Avila, Cayo Coco, and near Guantánamo), Isle of Pines (Los Indios), Hispaniola (including Gonâve and Beata islands) and, at least formerly, the northern Lesser Antilles (St. Kitts, Nevis, Antigua, Redonda, and Marie Galante); and locally in South America from Colombia and Venezuela (including Margarita Island) south to northern Tierra del Fuego.

*Winters* in North America and Middle America in general through the breeding range, except for the northern portions in the Great Basin and Great Plains regions, and regularly south to southern Mexico, Guatemala and El Salvador (at least formerly), casually to Honduras (Monte Redondo), Costa Rica (Los Cuadros on Volcán Irazú) and Panama (Divalá in
Chiriquí); and through the breeding range in the West Indies and South America, casually
to Cuba.
Casual north and east in eastern North America to Wisconsin, Michigan, western and
southern Ontario, southern Quebec, Maine, New York, Massachusetts, Virginia and North
Carolina, and in the Gulf states east to Alabama and northwestern Florida; a sight report
for New Brunswick.

**Genus CICCABA Wagler**

*Ciccaba Wagler*, 1832, Isis von Oken, col. 1222. Type, by monotypy, *Ciccaba huhula
= Strix huhula Daudin*.

**Notes.**—*Ciccaba* is often merged in *Strix*. If *Ciccaba* is recognized as a genus, it appears
to be polyphyletic, according to morphological studies (Voous 1964, Norberg 1977) and
 genetic data (Sibley and Ahlquist 1990).

**Ciccaba virgata** (Cassin). Mottled Owl.

America = Bogotá, Colombia.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest (0–2200 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southern Sonora, southwestern Chihuahua, Sinaloa, Nayarit, Jalisco, Guanajuato, San Luis Potosí, central Nuevo León, and Tamaulipas south through Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia, Paraguay, and northeastern Argentina.

Accidental in southern Texas (Feb. 1983 in Hidalgo County; Lasley et al. 1988).

**Notes.**—Also known as Mottled Wood-Owl.

**Ciccaba nigrolineata** Sclater. Black-and-white Owl.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on both slopes of Middle America from southeastern San Luis Potosí, Veracruz, northern and southeastern Oaxaca, Chiapas, and Quintana Roo south locally to Panama, and in South America from Colombia east to northwestern Venezuela and south, west of the Andes, to western Ecuador and northwestern Peru.

**Notes.**—*C. nigrolineata* and the South American *C. huhula* Daudin, 1800, constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Genus STRIX Linnaeus**


**Notes.**—See comments under *Ciccaba*.

**Strix occidentalis** (Xántus de Vesey). Spotted Owl.


**Habitat.**—Dense mature coniferous forest (primarily Douglas fir), especially in shaded, steep-walled canyons (Temperate Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [occidentalis group] in the mountains and in humid coastal forest from extreme southwestern British Columbia (north to Atka Lake, east to Manning Provincial Park) south through western Washington and western Oregon to south-central California.
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(Laguna Mountains) and, probably, northern Baja California (Sierra San Pedro Mártir); and [lucida group] in the Rocky Mountain region from southern Utah and central Colorado south through the mountains of Arizona, New Mexico, extreme western Texas (Guadalupe Mountains), northern Sonora, Chihuahua, Coahuila and Nuevo León to Jalisco, Michoacán and Guanajuato.

Notes.—The two groups, *S. occidentalis* [California Spotted-Owl] and *S. lucida* (Nelson, 1903) [Mexican Spotted-Owl], are genetically distinct to a degree reflecting long isolation (Barrowclough and Gutiérrez 1990). Several hybrids have occurred between *S. occidentalis* and *S. varia* (Hamer et al. 1994), which may form a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

**Strix varia** Barton. Barred Owl.


Habitat.—Dense woodland and forest (coniferous or hardwood), swamps, wooded river valleys, and cabbage palm-live oak hammocks, especially where bordering streams, marshes, and meadows (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southeastern Alaska (from Skagway to Ketchikan), southern (including Vancouver Island) and eastern British Columbia south to northwestern California, Oregon and western Montana, east across central Alberta, and central Saskatchewan, and from southern Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia, central and southern Texas, the Gulf coast and southern Florida, and west to eastern North Dakota, southeastern South Dakota (formerly), eastern Nebraska, central Kansas and western Oklahoma; and in the Central Plateau of Mexico from Durango south to Guerrero (Mount Teotepec) and Oaxaca (La Parada and Cerro San Felipe), and east to San Luis Potosí, Puebla, and Veracruz. Some Mexican populations are widely disjunct. Northernmost populations are partially migratory, individuals occasionally ranging to the Gulf coast.

Accidental in Wyoming.

Notes.—*S. varia* and *S. fulvescens* are possibly conspecific, based on similar appearance and voice (Hardy et al. 1988). See comments under *S. occidentalis*.

**Strix fulvescens** (Sclater and Salvin). Fulvous Owl.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (1200–3100 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras; records from Oaxaca are erroneous.

Notes.—See comments under *S. varia*.

**Strix nebulosa** Forster. Great Gray Owl.


Habitat.—Dense coniferous and hardwood forest, especially pine, spruce, paper birch and poplar, with adjacent meadows, bogs, or clearings; in migration and winter also in second growth, especially near water, foraging in wet meadows.

Distribution.—Breeds in North America from central Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and central Mackenzie, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario and west-central Quebec south locally in the interior to the mountains of north-central Washington, south-central Oregon, California (southern Sierra Nevada), northern Idaho, western Montana, western Wyoming, southwestern and central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan (casually) and south-central Ontario; and in Eurasia from northern Scandinavia, northern Russia and northern Siberia south to central Russia, northern Mongolia, northern Manchuria, Amurland and Sakhalin. Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) in southern Quebec.
Winters generally through the breeding range, in central and eastern North America wandering south irregularly to northern Utah, southern Montana, North Dakota, southern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario and central New York, casually as far as coastal northern California, southern Idaho, Nebraska, Iowa, Indiana, Ohio, and from southern and eastern Quebec, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia south to Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

Genus *ASIO* Brisson


*Asio otus* (Linnaeus). Long-eared Owl.

*Strix Otus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 92. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Riparian woodland and coniferous or mixed coniferous-deciduous forest, especially near water, usually with adjacent fields or meadows.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America from south-coastal and south-central British Columbia, southwestern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia south locally to northwestern Baja California (lat. 30° N.), southern Arizona (rarely), southern New Mexico, western (formerly central Texas), Coahuila, central Oklahoma, Arkansas (formerly), Missouri, central Illinois, southern Indiana, central Ohio, Pennsylvania (also in the mountains to western Virginia), New York and New England (formerly to central Maryland); and in Eurasia from the British Isles, Scandinavia, northern Russia and northern Siberia south to the Azores, Canary Islands, northwestern Africa, southern Europe, Asia Minor, Iran, the Himalayas, Manchuria, Taiwan, and Korea.

Winters in North America from southern Canada south to northern Baja California (casually to Los Coronados, Cedros and Tiburón islands), Guerrero, Oaxaca, Puebla, San Luis Potosí, southern Texas, the Gulf coast and Georgia, casually to Florida, Bermuda and Cuba; and in the Old World from the breeding range south to northern Africa, Iraq, India, and southern China.

Casual or accidental in southeastern Alaska (Skagway, Taku River), Yukon (Dempster Highway) and Labrador (Red Bay).


*Nyctalops stygius* Wagler, 1832, Isis von Oken, col. 1222. (Brazil or South Africa = Minas Gerais, Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Pine Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–3100 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* locally in Middle America in northeastern Sinaloa, southwestern Chihuahua, northwestern Durango, Jalisco, Guerrero (Omitleme), Veracruz (Mirador), Chiapas (Volcán Tacaná), Guatemala (Cobán), Belize, and north-central Nicaragua; in the Greater Antilles (Cuba, the Isle of Pines, Hispaniola and Gonâve Island); and locally in South America in Colombia, western Venezuela, Ecuador, Brazil, Paraguay, and northern Argentina. Recorded also (and possibly resident) on Cozumel Island, Quintana Roo.

*Asio flammeus* (Pontoppidan). Short-eared Owl.

*Strix flammea* Pontoppidan, 1763, Dan. Atlas 1: 617, pl. 25. (Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Open country, including prairie, meadows, tundra, moorlands, marshes, savanna, in the Hawaiian Islands also around towns; in winter, primarily in open country with tall grass.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in the Hawaiian Islands (main islands from Kauai eastward), and on Pohnpei in the Caroline Islands; in North America from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, central Keewatin, southern Baffin Island (probably), northern Quebec, northern Labrador and Newfoundland south to the eastern Aleutian Islands (west to Unalaska),
southern Alaska, central (casually southern) California, northern Nevada, Utah, northeastern Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, southern Illinois, western Kentucky, southern Indiana, central Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and northern (formerly coastal) Virginia; in the Greater Antilles (Cuba, Cayo Coco, Hispaniola, Puerto Rico); in South America from Colombia, Venezuela and the Guianas south to Tierra del Fuego (including the Galapagos, Juan Fernández and Falkland islands); and in Eurasia from Iceland, the British Isles, Scandinavia, northern Russia and northern Siberia south to southern Europe, Afghanistan, Transbaicaia, northern Mongolia, northern Manchuria, Anadyrland, Sakhalin, the northern Kuril Islands and Kamchatka.

Winters generally in the breeding range, in the Hawaiian Islands ranging casually to the western islands (Kure, Midway, and casually east to French Frigate Shoals); in North America and Middle America mostly from southern Canada south to southern Baja California (casually to Los Coronados Islands and Isla Tiburón), Oaxaca, Puebla, Veracruz, the Gulf coast, southern Florida, and the Greater Antilles and Cayman Islands; and in the Old World south to northwestern Africa, the Mediterranean region, northeastern Africa, Asia Minor, Sri Lanka, the Malay Peninsula, southern China and Japan, casually to the Azores, eastern Atlantic islands, Borneo, the Philippines and Ryukyu Islands.

Casual or accidental in the Revillagigedo Islands (Clarión), Guatemala (Volcán de Agua), Bahamas (Grand Turk), the Virgin Islands (St. Thomas, Guana, possibly St. John), Lesser Antilles (St. Barthélemy), Bermuda, and Greenland.

Genus PSEUDOSCOPS Kaup

Pseudoscops Kaup, 1848, Isis von Oken, col. 769. Type, by monotypy, Ephialtes grammicus Gosse.


Pseudoscops clamator (Vieillot). Striped Owl.

Bubo Clamator Vieillot, 1808, Hist. Nat. Ois. Amer. Sept. 1 (livr. 4): pl. 20. (depuis Cayenne jusqu'à la Baie d'Hudson = Cayenne.)

Habitat.—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Second-growth Scrub (0–1400 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident locally on the Gulf-Caribbean slope in northern Oaxaca, southern Veracruz, southern Belize, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua, on the Pacific slope in El Salvador, on both slopes of Costa Rica and Panama, and in South America from eastern Colombia, Venezuela (also Tobago) and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes (excluding much of Amazonia) to northern Argentina and Uruguay.

Notes.—Frequently placed either in Asio or in the monotypic genus Rhinoptynx, but see Olson (1995).

Pseudoscops grammicus (Gosse). Jamaican Owl.

Ephialtes grammicus Gosse, 1847, Birds Jamaica, p. 19 (footnote). (Bluefields Mountains and Tait-Shafton, Jamaica = Tait-Shafton.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–600 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Jamaica.

Genus AEGOLIUS Kaup


Aegolius funereus (Linnaeus). Boreal Owl.

Strix funereus Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 93. (in Europa = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Dense coniferous forest, mixed coniferous-hardwood forest, and thickets of alder, aspen or stunted spruce, muskeg, most commonly in proximity to open grassy situations.
**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America to tree line from central Alaska, central Yukon, southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, Labrador and Newfoundland (probably) south to southern Alaska (Kodiak Island), northern and interior British Columbia, eastern Washington, northeastern Oregon, central Idaho, western Montana, northwestern and southern Wyoming, western Colorado, northern New Mexico, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, western and central Ontario, southern Quebec (Magdalen Islands) and New Brunswick (Grand Manan); and in Eurasia from northern Scandinavia, northern Russia and northern Siberia south to the mountains of southern Europe, the western Himalayas, western China, Sakhalin and Kamchatka.

*Winters* generally in the breeding range, in North America south irregularly (or casually) to southern British Columbia, central Montana, North Dakota, eastern South Dakota, southern Minnesota, central Wisconsin, southern Michigan, southern Ontario, New York and New England, casually to southern Oregon, Nebraska, northern Illinois, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey; and in Eurasia to southern Europe, Ussuriland, the Kuril Islands, and Japan.

Accidental in the Pribilofs (St. Paul).

**Notes.**—Known in Old World literature as Tengmalm’s Owl.

*Aegolius acadicus* (Gmelin). Northern Saw-whet Owl.


**Habitat.**—Dense coniferous or mixed coniferous-hardwood forest, cedar groves, alder thickets and tamarack bogs; in migration and winter, also in dense second growth, brushy areas, arid scrub and open buildings.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southern Alaska (west to the base of the Alaska Peninsula), southern and northeastern British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte Islands), central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec (possibly also Anticosti Island), northern New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia south to the mountains of south-central California (also on Santa Cruz and Santa Catalina islands) and presumably northern Baja California (sight reports, Sierra San Pedro Martir), locally in the highlands of Mexico from Tamaulipas and Coahuila to Oaxaca (Cerro San Felipe), and to extreme western Texas, central Oklahoma, central Missouri (formerly), central Illinois, central Indiana, central Ohio, West Virginia, Virginia, western Maryland, and New York (Long Island); also in the mountains and adjacent lowlands of eastern Tennessee and western North Carolina.

*Winters* generally throughout the breeding range, south irregularly or casually to desert regions of southern California and southern Arizona, to the Gulf coast (eastern Texas eastward), and through the Atlantic states to northeastern (possibly southern) Florida.

Casual or accidental on islands in the Bering Sea (St. Lawrence Island, and St. Paul in the Pribilofs), Newfoundland and Bermuda.

**Notes.**—*A. acadicus* and *A. ridgwayi* are closely related and may be conspecific [Saw-whet Owl]; they constitute a superspecies (Binford 1989, Hardy et al. 1989).


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (2300–3300 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* locally in Chiapas, Guatemala (Saccomula, Quetzaltenango and Soloma), El Salvador (Los Esesmiles, at least formerly), Costa Rica (Volcán Irazú, and Candelaria and Dota mountains) and western Panama (Volcán Barú, in western Chiriquí).

**Notes.**—See comments under *A. acadicus.*
Order **CAPRIMULGIFORMES**: Goatsuckers, Oilbirds, and Allies

Family **CAPRIMULGIDAE**: Goatsuckers

Subfamily **CHORDEILINAE**: Nighthawks

Genus **LUROCALIS** Cassin


**Luurocalis semitorquatus** (Gmelin). Short-tailed Nighthawk.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest (0–1700 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [semitorquatus group] from eastern Chiapas, Guatemala, northern Honduras and northeastern Nicaragua (Río Banbana) south through Costa Rica (entire Caribbean slope, and Pacific southwest) and Panama (both slopes, including Isla Cébaco), and in South America in northern Colombia, Venezuela (except western), Trinidad, the Guianas and extreme northwestern Brazil; and [nattereri group] in the lowlands of South America from eastern Ecuador and Amazonian and eastern Brazil south to northern Bolivia and northern Argentina.

**Notes.**—Also known as Semicollared Nighthawk. Groups: *L.* semitorquatus [Short-tailed Nighthawk] and *L.* nattereri (Temminck, 1822) [Chestnut-banded Nighthawk]. The two groups were treated by Hardy et al. (1989) as separate species based on vocalizations, but no comprehensive analysis of vocalizations has been published. *Luurocalis rufiventris* Taczanowski [Rufous-bellied Nighthawk] of the Andes of South America, is now usually regarded as a species distinct from *L. semitorquatus* (Parker et al. 1991, Monroe and Sibley 1993) based on strong differences in vocalizations and plumage (e.g., see Fjeldså and Krabbe 1993).

Genus **CHORDEILES** Swainson

*Chordeiles* [subgenus] Swainson, 1832, in Swainson and Richardson, Fauna Bor.-Amer. 2 (1831): 337, 496. Type, by original designation, *Caprimulgus virginianus* Gmelin = *Caprimulgus minor* Forster.

**Chordeiles acutipennis** (Hermann). Lesser Nighthawk.


**Habitat.**—Open country, desert regions, scrub, savanna and cultivated areas, primarily in arid habitats (Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from central interior California, southern Nevada, extreme southwestern Utah, central Arizona, central New Mexico and south-central Texas south to southern Baja California, and through the lowlands of both slopes of Mexico (including the Yucatan Peninsula and Cozumel Island) to Guatemala, also locally in Honduras (arid interior valleys on Caribbean drainage), Nicaragua (Tipitapa), Costa Rica (Pacific slope of Guanacaste, and Puerto Cortés area) and Panama (Coclé and western Panamá province); and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including Margarita Island), Tobago, Trinidad and the Guianas south locally to Paraguay and southern Brazil.

**Winters** from southern California (casually), Baja California, southwestern Arizona (casually), central Sinaloa, Durango and Veracruz south through Middle America and South America to the limits of the breeding range; also casually to Chile.

**Migrates** regularly through Middle America (including the Bay Islands off Honduras),
most commonly on the Pacific slope. In North America, ranges casually east along the Gulf coast to Alabama.

Casual or accidental in Alaska (specimen from Noatak River mouth), Colorado, northeastern New Mexico, Oklahoma (Boise City), Ontario (Point Pelee), Florida (Pensacola area and Dry Tortugas), and Bermuda.

Notes.—Also known as Trilling Nighthawk.

**Chordeiles minor** (Forster). Common Nighthawk.


**Habitat.**—A wide variety of open and semi-open situations, especially in savanna, grasslands, fields, and around human habitation, including cities and towns; frequently nests on flat gravel roofs of buildings (Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southern Yukon, southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, southern Labrador and Nova Scotia south to southern California (San Bernardino Mountains), southern Nevada, southern Arizona, northeastern Sonora, Chihuahua, Texas, Tamaulipas, the Gulf coast and southern Florida, and south locally through the Gulf and Caribbean slopes of Mexico (excluding the Yucatan Peninsula) to Chiapas, in the pine savanna of Belize and the Mosquita of eastern Honduras and Nicaragua, and in Costa Rica and Panama (east to eastern Panamá province).

**Winters** in South America south to northern Argentina.

**Migrates** through Middle America and the West Indies, including most islands in the Caribbean Sea and those off Venezuela, and (in fall) in southeastern Alaska.

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (French Frigate Shoals); north to south-coastal, central and northern Alaska, northern Yukon, Melville Island, coastal Labrador, Newfoundland and Greenland; Clipperton Island, Bermuda, and Europe; and at sea near the Azores.

Notes.—Also known as Booming Nighthawk. *Chordeiles minor* and *C. gundlachii* are often treated as conspecific, despite differences in vocalizations (but see McAtee 1947, Eisenmann 1962a, Stevenson et al. 1983, Hardy et al. 1988); they probably constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Chordeiles gundlachii** Lawrence. Antillean Nighthawk.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–600 m).

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** in the Florida Keys, the Bahamas, Greater Antilles (east to the Virgin Islands, including small cays off Cuba, Gonâve and Tortue) and Cayman Islands; also on the southern Florida mainland (identified by call).

**Winters** presumably in South America.

Casual in summer in Louisiana (New Orleans) and in migration in the Swan Islands (western Caribbean Sea).

Notes.—See comments under *C. minor*.

Subfamily CAPRIMULGINAE: Nightjars

Genus **NYCTIDROMUS** Gould


**Nyctidromus albicollis** (Gmelin). Common Pauraque.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, lowland pine savanna (0–1700 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).
**Family Caprimulgidae**

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southern Sonora, Sinaloa, southern Texas (McMullen and Refugio counties, casually north to Zavala, Frio and De Witt counties), Nuevo León and Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Tres Marias, Mujeres and Cozumel islands off Mexico, and the Pearl Islands off Panama), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to northern Argentina and southern Brazil.

**Notes.**—Also known as the Pauraque.

Genus **Phalaenoptilus** Ridgway


**Phalaenoptilus nuttallii** (Audubon). Common Poorwill.

*Caprimulgus Nuttallii* Audubon, 1844, Birds Amer. (octavo ed.) 7: 350, pl. 495. (upper Missouri = between Fort Pierre and mouth of the Cheyenne River, South Dakota.)

**Habitat.**—Rocky and gravelly terrain in sparse scrubland, broken chaparral, and openings in woodland and forest.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southern interior British Columbia, Montana, extreme southwestern Saskatchewan, central North Dakota, southwestern (and formerly also southeastern) South Dakota and Nebraska south through eastern Washington, central and eastern Oregon and California to southern Baja California, southern Sonora, Durango, Jalisco, Guanajuato and Coahuila, and east to eastern Kansas, western Oklahoma and central Texas.

**Winters** in southern parts of the breeding range in California and Arizona (probably also farther east), sometimes in a torpid condition, and south to the limits of the breeding range in Mexico.

Casual or accidental in southwestern British Columbia, southern Manitoba (Treesbank), northwestern Ontario (near Moosonee), Minnesota (Swift County), and eastern Oklahoma (Tulsa).

Genus **Siphonorhis** Sclater


†*Siphonorhis americanus* (Linnaeus). Jamaican Pauraque.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub.

**Distribution.**—*Extinct*. Formerly *resident* on Jamaica; last collected near Spanishtown in September 1859 (specimen USNM).

**Notes.**—*S. americanus* and *S. brewsteri* are closely related and constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990). Called Jamaican Poorwill by Sibley and Monroe (1990).

*Siphonorhis brewsteri* (Chapman). Least Pauraque.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–900 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* locally on Hispaniola (including Gonâve Island).


Genus **Nyctiphrynus** Bonaparte

Otophanes Brewster, 1888, Auk 5: 88. Type, by original designation, Otophanes mcleodii Brewster.


Tyto Brewster, 1888, Auk 5: 89. (Sierra Madre of Chihuahua, Mexico.)

Habitat.—Pine-Oak Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (1100–1800 m; upper Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident locally in Chihuahua (including near the Sonora-Chihuahua border), eastern Sinaloa, Jalisco, Colima, Guerrero and Oaxaca (Sierra de Miahautlán).

Notes.—This and the following two species are often placed in the genus Otophanes (Friedmann et al. 1950).

Nyctiphrynus mcleodii (Brewster). Eared Poorwill.

Caprimulgus yucatanicus Harteft, 1892, Cat. Birds Brit. Mus. 16: xv, 525, 575. (Tizimin, Yucatan.)

Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in the Yucatan Peninsula, northern Guatemala (Petén) and Belize.

Notes.—See comments under N. mcleodii.

Nyctiphrynus ocellatus (Tschudi). Ocellated Poorwill.

Caprimulgus ocellatus Tschudi, 1844, Arch. Naturgesch. 10: 268. (Republica Peruana = Peru.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, lowland pine savanna (0–1350 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident (presumably) in northern Nicaragua (single specimen from Peña Blanca, Jinotega); northern Costa Rica (Brasilia), and in South America east of the Andes from southeastern Colombia, eastern Ecuador, and Amazonian Brazil south to Paraguay and northeastern Argentina. A sight report for Panama (Canal area) requires confirmation.

Notes.—See comments under N. mcleodii.

Genus CAPRIMULGUS Linnaeus

Caprimulgus Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 193. Type, by tautonymy, Caprimulgus europaeus Linnaeus (Caprimulgus, prebinomial specific name, in synonymy).


Caprimulgus carolinensis Gmelin. Chuck-will’s-widow.


Habitat.—Deciduous forest, pine-oak association and live-oak groves; in migration and winter also in open woodland, scrub, and Tropical Evergreen Forest.

Distribution.—Breeds from eastern Kansas, southern and eastern Iowa, central Illinois, northwestern and central Indiana, extreme southern Ontario, southern Ohio, central West Virginia, Maryland, New Jersey and southern New York (Long Island) and (probably) Massachusetts (Martha’s Vineyard) south to eastern Oklahoma, south-central and southeastern Texas, the Gulf coast and southern Florida. Recorded sporadically in summer north to southeastern South Dakota, southern Minnesota, Wisconsin, southern Michigan and Pennsylvania.
Winters from southeastern Texas (rare), southern Louisiana (rare), and coastal Alabama (rare) south through Middle America (reported on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Mexico and Belize and on both slopes south of Mexico) to Colombia, and from central Florida and the Bahamas south through the Greater Antilles to the northern Lesser Antilles (Saba, St. Martin, Barbuda).

Casual or accidental in California, Nevada, eastern New Mexico, southern Quebec, northern New York, Maine, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, the Cayman Islands and Netherlands Antilles (Bonaire), and Venezuela.

Notes.—C. carolinensis and C. rufus constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

Caprimulgus rufus Boddart. Rufous Nightjar.

*Caprimulgus rufus* Boddart, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 46. Based on “Crapaud-Volant ou Tette-Chèvre de Cayenne” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 735. (Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest (0-1800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [minimus group] in southeastern Costa Rica, Panama (primarily the Pacific slope, including Isla Coiba), northern Colombia, western and northern Venezuela and Trinidad; [rufus group] in South America from Colombia, southern Venezuela and the Guianas south, east of the Andes to northern Argentina, Paraguay and southern Brazil; and [otiosus group] in the Lesser Antilles (St. Lucia); erroneously reported from northern Venezuela.

Notes.—Groups: *C. minimus* Griscom and Greenway, 1937 [Ruddy Nightjar], *C. rufus* [Rufous Nightjar], and *C. otiosus* (Bangs, 1911) [St. Lucia Nightjar]. We follow Robbins and Parker (1997a) in treating *C. otiosus* as a subspecies of *C. rufus*. See comments under *C. carolinensis*.

Caprimulgus cubanensis (Lawrence). Greater Antillean Nightjar.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Pine Forest (0-2000 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident [cubanensis group] in Cuba and the Isle of Pines; and [ekmani group] in Hispaniola.

Notes.—Differences in vocalizations (Hardy et al. 1988) suggest that the two groups may represent separate species, *C. cubanensis* [Cuban Nightjar] and *C. ekmani* (Lönnberg, 1929) [Hispaniolan Nightjar].

Caprimulgus salvini Hartert. Tawny-collared Nightjar.

*Caprimulgus salvini* Hartert, 1892, Ibis, p. 287. New name for *Antrostomus macromystax* Baird, Brewer and Ridgway, preoccupied.

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from Nuevo León and southern Tamaulipas south through eastern San Luis Potosí and Veracruz to northern Oaxaca (winter only) and Chiapas (probably resident throughout most of this range north of Oaxaca).

Recorded from Nicaragua (Matagalpa); probably represents a vagrant.

Notes.—Without explanation, Peters (1940) considered *C. salvini* to be conspecific with *C. sericocaudatus* (Cassin, 1849) [Silky-tailed Nightjar]. See notes under *C. badius*.

Caprimulgus badius (Bangs and Peck). Yucatan Nightjar.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in the Yucatan Peninsula (including Cozumel Island). Recorded in winter in Belize (including Half Moon Cay) and northern Honduras.
Notes.—Formerly considered conspecific with C. salvini and with the South American C. sericocaudatus (Cassin, 1849) [Silky-tailed Nightjar]. The three taxa are apparently closely related but have distinctive vocalizations (Hardy and Straneck 1989).


Antrostornus ridgwayi Nelson, 1897, Auk 14: 50. (Tlalkisala, Guerrero, Mexico.)

Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Montane Scrub, Arid Lowland Scrub, Pine-Oak Forest (0–2000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southern Arizona, southern Sonora, Sinaloa and Durango south through western Mexico and the southern portions of the Central Plateau to Morelos, Oaxaca and Chiapas; disjunctly on the Caribbean slope in central Veracruz; and in the Motagua Valley of Guatemala, the interior of Honduras, and central Nicaragua. Casual in summer elsewhere in southeastern Arizona and extreme southwestern New Mexico (Gualupe Canyon). Northernmost populations are migratory southward.

A specimen record from California (Ventura Co.) is under review.

Notes.—Also known as Ridgway’s Whip-poor-will.


Caprimulgus vociferus Wilson, 1812, Amer. Ornithol. 5: 71, pl. 41, figs. 1–3. (Pennsylvania = Philadelphia.)

Habitat.—Forest and open woodland, both arid and humid, from lowland moist and deciduous forest to montane forest and pine-oak association, breeding in the tropics primarily in open montane forest (Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds [arizonae group] in southern California (probably, in San Gabriel, San Bernardino, San Jacinto and Clark mountains), and from southern Nevada, northern Arizona, central New Mexico and extreme western Texas south through the highlands of Mexico, Guatemala and El Salvador to Honduras, also (probably) in southern Baja California; and [vociferus group] from south-central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, central New Brunswick and Nova Scotia south, east of the Great Plains (west to eastern North Dakota, southeastern South Dakota, eastern Nebraska, eastern Kansas and Oklahoma) to extreme northeastern Texas, Arkansas, northern Mississippi, north-central Alabama, central Georgia, South Carolina, east-central North Carolina and Virginia.

Winters [arizonae group] in central Mexico; and [vociferus group] from northern Mexico (Sonora eastward), southern Texas, the Gulf coast and east-central South Carolina (casually farther north, on the Atlantic coast to New Jersey) south through Middle America to Costa Rica, casually to southern California, western Panama (western Chiriqui) and Cuba.

Casual [arizonae group] in central northern California, southern Alberta, southwestern Saskatchewan, northwestern Montana (calls only) and central Colorado; and [vociferus group] in eastern Colorado (probably) and central eastern Quebec. Accidental [vociferus group] in southeastern Alaska (Kupreanof Island).

Notes.—The two groups differ in egg pigmentation (Phillips et al. 1964) and in vocalizations (Hardy et al. 1988) and may represent separate species, C. arizonae (Brewster, 1881) [Western Whip-poor-will] and C. vociferus [Eastern Whip-poor-will]. Caprimulgus vociferus and C. noctitherus constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

Caprimulgus noctitherus (Wetmore). Puerto Rican Nightjar.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest.

Distribution.—Resident on Puerto Rico, where now restricted to the southwestern portion of the island.

Notes.—Also known as Puerto Rican Whip-poor-will. Reynard (1962) documented vocal differences between this form and C. vociferus that support their treatment as separate species. See also comments under C. vociferus.
Caprimulgus saturatus (Salvin). Dusky Nightjar.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (1500–3100 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the central highlands of Costa Rica, and in western Panama (vicinity of Volcán Barú, western Chiriquí).

Caprimulgus cayennensis Gmelin. White-tailed Nightjar.


**Habitat.**—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Second-growth Scrub (0–1000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Lesser Antilles (Martinique, where possibly extirpated); and in Costa Rica and Panama, and in South America from northern Colombia, Venezuela (including islands from the Netherlands Antilles to Tobago and Trinidad) and the Guianas south locally to northern Ecuador and northern Brazil.

**Accidental in Puerto Rico (sight report).**

**Notes.**—*C. cayennensis* and *C. candicans* appear to constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Caprimulgus maculicaudus (Lawrence). Spot-tailed Nightjar.


**Habitat.**—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, lowland pine savanna (0–1500 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Breeds locally in the Gulf-Caribbean lowlands of southern Mexico (southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca), in the Mosquitia of northeastern Nicaragua (probably also eastern Honduras), and in South America from eastern Colombia, Venezuela and the Guianas south locally, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia and southeastern Brazil.

Apparent at least partly migratory from the Middle American breeding grounds, as there are few records during the nonbreeding season; recorded also from central Honduras (Lake Yojoa), probably as a transient. Presumably resident in the South American portion of the breeding range.

Caprimulgus indicus Latham. Jungle Nightjar.

*Caprimulgus indicus* Latham, 1790, Index Ornithol. 2: 588. Based on the “Indian Goatsucker” Latham, Gen. Synop. Birds (suppl.) 1: 196. (in India.)

**Habitat & Distribution.**—Breeds in open woodland and forest from Manchuria and Japan south to India, Sri Lanka and eastern China, and winters in a variety of woodland and partly open habitats from the Himalayas, eastern China and Japan south to the East Indies and New Guinea.


**Notes.**—Also known as Gray Nightjar.

Family NYCTIBIIDAE: Potoos

Genus *NYCTIBIUS* Vieillot

Nyctibius grandis (Gmelin). Great Potoo.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Gallery Forest (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* locally in eastern Chiapas, Guatemala (Polochic and Salinas rivers), eastern Honduras (Olancho), Nicaragua (San Emilio), Costa Rica and Panama (Caribbean lowlands throughout, and Pacific lowlands in eastern Panamá province and Darién), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia and southeastern Brazil.

Nyctibius griseus (Gmelin). Common Potoo.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, River-edge Forest, lowland pine savanna (0–1800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southwestern Costa Rica and eastern Nicaragua (recorded also in northern Nicaragua) south to Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, (also Trinidad and Tobago) and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to Bolivia, northern Argentina and Uruguay.

**Notes.**—Despite a lack of abrupt morphological change, dramatic differences in vocalizations indicate that specific status is warranted for this species and *N. jamaicensis*. (Davis 1978, Hardy et al. 1988, Stiles and Skutch 1989).

Nyctibius jamaicensis (Gmelin). Northern Potoo.


**Habitat.**—Open woodland, sometimes near human settlement (Subtropical and Tropical zones)

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southern Sinaloa, southern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America to Caribbean slope of eastern Honduras (including Isla Roatán in the Bay Islands) and Pacific slope of Central Costa Rica, and in the Greater Antilles (Jamaica, Hispaniola and Gonave Island).

**Notes.**—Formerly treated as conspecific with *N. griseus*; see note under that species. They constitute a superspecies.

Family STEATORNITHIDAE: Oilbirds

Genus STEATORNIS Humboldt


Steatornis caripensis Humboldt. Oilbird.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest; nests and roosts in caves; forages at night for fruits in open woodland (0–2200 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas, and in the Andes locally south to central Bolivia.

Casual (although probably resident) in Panama (Canal area, eastern Panamá province, eastern Darién). Accidental in Costa Rica (Cerro de la Muerte).
Order **APODIFORMES**: Swifts and Hummingbirds

Family **APODIDAE**: Swifts

Subfamily **CYPSELOIDINAE**: Cypseloidine Swifts

Genus **CYPSELOIDES** Streubel

*Cypseloides* Streubel, 1848, Isis von Oken, col. 366. Type, by subsequent designation (Sclater, 1865), *Hemiprocne fumigata* Streubel.

*Cypseloides niger* (Gmelin). Black Swift.

*Hirundo nigra* Gmelin, 1789, Syst. Nat. 1(2): 1025. Based on "Le Martinet de S. Domingue" Brisson, Ornithologie 2: 514, pl. 46, fig. 3. (in insulae S. Dominici et Cayennae = Hispaniola.)

Habitat.—Primarily montane areas (except in the most northern part of the range), foraging over both forest and open areas; nests in crevices or shallow caves in steep rock faces and canyons, usually near or behind waterfalls (occasionally in sea caves) (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds locally from southeastern Alaska (north to the Stikine River), south-central British Columbia, and southwestern Alberta south through the Pacific states to southern California, and from Idaho, northwestern Montana, western and central Colorado, central Utah, southeastern Arizona, north-central New Mexico, Chihuahua, Durango, Nayarit, Hidalgo, and Veracruz south through southern Mexico, Guatemala, and Honduras to Costa Rica (not recorded Nicaragua); and in the Antilles (Cuba, Jamaica, Hispaniola, Puerto Rico, Montserrat, Guadeloupe, Dominica, Martinique, St. Lucia, and St. Vincent).

Migrates through western North America through California, Arizona, New Mexico, and Mexico (including Baja California, with records at sea in the Pacific off Chiapas and Guatemala) to Costa Rica and northwestern Colombia, and through the Lesser Antilles to Trinidad and Guyana.

Winters (presumably) in South America, but distribution unknown (Stiles and Negret 1994).

Migrates in western North America through California, Arizona, New Mexico, and Mexico (including Baja California, with records at sea in the Pacific off Chiapas and Guatemala), and to the Virgin Islands and Lesser Antilles.

Casual in south-coastal Alaska (Wooded Islands); sight report for Panama (Chiriqui). Sight reports for Florida and Texas are questionable.

Notes.—Formerly placed in the monotypic genus *Nephoecetes* Baird, 1858. Mayr and Short (1970) considered *C. niger* and South American *C. lernosi* Eisenmann and Lehmann, 1962, and *C. fumigatus* (Streubel, 1848) to constitute a superspecies.

*Cypseloides storeri* Navarro et al. White-fronted Swift.

*Cypseloides storeri* Navarro et al., 1992, Wilson Bull. 104: 56. (Puerto del Gallo, Tlacotepec, Guerrero, Mexico.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest; generally near waterfalls (1500–2500 m; Subtropical Zone).

Distribution.—Known from five specimens from the mountains of Jalisco (Autlán), Michoacán (Tacámbaro), and Guerrero (Sierra de Atoyac).

Notes—Howell and Webb (1995) treated *storeri* as a subspecies of *C. cryptus*.

*Cypseloides cryptus* Zimmer. White-chinned Swift.

*Cypseloides cryptus* Zimmer, 1945, Auk 62: 588. (Inca Mine, Río Tavara, Perú.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–3000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).
**Distribution.**—Breeds in western and central Costa Rica (Cordillera de Guanacaste, Tres Ríos, Rara Avis), and presumably in South America (recorded Colombia, Venezuela, Guyana, Ecuador, and Peru); recorded locally from the Caribbean slope of Belize, Honduras (San Esteban), Nicaragua (El Recreo), and Panama (San Blas and Isla Coiba).

**Notes.**—See comments under *C. storeri*.

*Cypseloides cherriei* Ridgway. Spot-fronted Swift.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest; nests on rock ledges near waterfalls (900–1100 m; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Known only from Costa Rica (Volcán de Irazú, and Puntarenas province), Colombia ( Santander), Venezuela (Aragua, where nesting has been verified), and northwestern Ecuador.

**Genus STREPTOPROCNE** Oberholser


*Streptoprocne rutila* (Vieillot). Chestnut-collared Swift.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub; nests on rock faces near or behind waterfalls (occasionally in sea caves) (800–2800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from eastern Sinaloa, Durango, Zacatecas, Hidalgo, and Veracruz south through Middle America (not reported Nicaragua), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, Guyana, and French Guiana (probably) south in the Andes to central Bolivia. Possibly migratory in part, especially the northern Middle American populations. A sight report for southwestern Chihuahua.

**Notes.**—Formerly placed in the genus *Chaetura* or *Cypseloides*, but see Marín and Stiles (1992), who showed that *rutila* and its close allies share numerous characters with *Streptoprocne*, especially in reproductive and nesting traits.

*Streptoprocne zonaris* (Shaw). White-collared Swift.

*Hirundo zonaris* Shaw, 1796, in J. F. Miller, Cimelia Phys., p. 100, pl. 55. (No locality given = Chapada, Mato Grosso, Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub, Pine Forest; nests on cliffs near or behind waterfalls (0–3600 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from Guerrero, San Luis Potosí, and Tamaulipas south through Middle America (including Isla Coiba off Panama), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south to northwestern Argentina, and central and southeastern Brazil; and in the Greater Antilles (Cuba, Jamaica, Hispaniola, Tortue Island, and possibly also the Isle of Pines). Wanders irregularly north in the Lesser Antilles to Grenada and the Grenadines. Accidental in Texas (Freeport Rockport, Padre Island), northwestern Florida (Perdido Key), and the northern Lesser Antilles (Saba); sight reports from northwestern California, Michigan (Iosco Co.), Sinaloa, Colima, Jalisco, Vieques Island (off Puerto Rico), and St. Kitts.

**Notes.**—In the West Indies, also known as Antillean Cloud Swift.
Streptoprocne semicollaris (Saussure). White-naped Swift.

_Acanthylis semicollaris_ Saussure, 1859, Rev. Mag. Zool. (2)11: 118. (les grandes forêts, du Mexique = San Joaquin, near City of Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Second-growth Scrub; nests on ledges in caves (800–3400 m; Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in northern and central Mexico (recorded Sinaloa, Chihuahua, Durango, Nayarit, México, Distrito Federal, Morelos, and Guerrero). Accidental in Chiapas.

Subfamily CHAETURINAE: Chaeturine Swifts

Genus _CHAETURA_ Stephens


_Cháeturá pelagica_ (Linnaeus). Chimney Swift.


**Habitat.**—Open situations and woodland, especially around human habitation; now nests and roosts primarily in chimneys, originally on cliffs or in hollow trees.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in eastern North America east of the Rocky Mountains from east-central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland (probably) south to eastern New Mexico (probably), south-central and southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida, and west to southeastern Wyoming and eastern Colorado, with one confirmed breeding record for southern California (Ventura, 1977); recorded in summer (and probably breeding) elsewhere in central and southern California, and in Arizona.

Winters in western Peru, northern Chile, and in the upper Amazon basin of eastern Peru and northwestern Brazil.

_Migrates_ regularly through the lowlands of eastern Mexico, the Caribbean slope of Middle America (including Cozumel Island, the Bay Islands off Honduras, and Taboga Island off Panama, casually on the Pacific slope of eastern Panama), Colombia, and western Venezuela, casually west to Montana, Utah, California (primarily southern portion), Arizona, and New Mexico, and through the Bahamas, Greater Antilles (recorded Cuba, Jamaica, Hispaniola, Tortue Island, and the Virgin Islands), and the Swan and Cayman islands.

Casual or accidental in Alaska (St. George Island in the Pribilofs), Bermuda, Greenland, and the British Isles; sight reports from Alberta are questionable.

**Notes.**—Chaetura pelagica, _C. vauxi_, and _C. chapmani_ may constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

_Cháeturá vauxi_ (Townsend). Vaux’s Swift.


**Habitat.**—Breeds primarily in mature coniferous and mixed forest, foraging and migrating also over open country; Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds [vauxi group] in western North America from southeastern Alaska (north to Haines and Skagway), southern British Columbia, northern Idaho, and western Montana south to central California (Santa Cruz County, probably Monterey County), and in southwestern Tamaulipas, southeastern San Luis Potosi, and Hidalgo. Recorded in summer (and probably breeding) [group uncertain] through much of central and southeastern Mexico.
Winters [vauxi group] from central Mexico (rarely from northern California) south throughout the breeding range in Middle America, and in Venezuela.

Migrates [vauxi group] east of the breeding range from Idaho, Nevada, and Utah (rarely) south through the southwestern United States, Baja California, and western Mexico.

Resident [richmondi group] from Jalisco, Veracruz, and Chiapas south to Panama (including Coiba and the Pearl islands) and northern Venezuela (Lara to Monagas); and [gaumeri group] on the Yucatan Peninsula (including Cozumel Island).

Casual [vauxi group] in southern Louisiana and western Florida (sight reports).

Notes.—The three groups have often been treated as separate species, C. vauxi [Vaux’s Swift], C. richmondi Ridgway, 1910 [Dusky-backed Swift], and C. gaumeri Lawrence, 1882 [Yucatan Swift]. See comments under C. pelagica.

Chaetura chapmani Hellmayr. Chapman’s Swift.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–1500 m; Tropical to lower Temperate zones)

Distribution.—Resident from eastern Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south locally to southwestern and northeastern Brazil, the southernmost population migratory northward.

Ranges casually to (and possibly resident in) central Panama (Gatun, Canal area, 11 July 1911, and Mandinga, San Blas, 30 January 1957).

Notes.—Also known as Dark-breasted Swift. See comments under C. pelagica.

Chaetura brachyura (Jardine). Short-tailed Swift.


Habitat.—Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–1050 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in the Lesser Antilles (St. Vincent, the population apparently partly migratory), and from Panama (eastern Colón, Canal area, and Darién), Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes to northern Bolivia and central Brazil; also west of the Andes in southwestern Ecuador and northwestern Peru. Accidental in the Virgin Islands (St. Croix). Reports from Grenada are regarded as doubtful.

Chaetura andrei Berlepsch and Hartert. Ashy-tailed Swift.

Chaetura andrei Berlepsch and Hartert, 1902, Novit. Zool. 9: 91. (Caicara, Orinoco River, Venezuela.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–1600 m).

Distribution.—Breeds in Venezuela, and from eastern Brazil south to Paraguay, northern Argentina, and southern Brazil, ranging in winter from the breeding range north, at least casually, to Venezuela and Colombia.

Accidental in Panama (Juan Díaz, western Panamá province, 4 August 1923; Rogers 1939).

Notes.—Also known as Andre’s Swift. Although the nominate form may be a subspecies of C. vauxi, the subspecies C. a. meridionalis, the form recorded in Panama, may be a separate species, C. meridionalis Hellmayr, 1907 [Sick’s Swift] (Marín 1997).

Chaetura spinicauda (Temminck). Band-rumped Swift.

Cypselus spinicaudus Temminck, 1839, Planches Color., livr. 102, Tabl. Méth., p. 57. Based on “Hirondelle à queue pointue de Cayenne” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 726, fig. 1. (Cayenne.)
**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in southwestern Costa Rica (El General, Térraba, and Golfo Dulce regions) and Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to Amazonian Brazil.


_Habitat._—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident [sclateri group]* in the Lesser Antilles (Grenada), from the Caribbean slope of Nicaragua and Costa Rica south to western Panama (western Bocas del Toro), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, at least locally, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to northern Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil; and [*cinereiventris group*] in northeastern Argentina and southeastern Brazil.


*Chaetura martinica* (Hermann). Lesser Antillean Swift.

_Habitat._—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the Lesser Antilles (Guadeloupe, Dominica, Martinique, St. Lucia, and St. Vincent); doubtfully recorded from Nevis (sight report). Reports from Trinidad are erroneous, being based on specimens actually taken on Dominica.

**Notes.**—See comments under _C. cinereiventris._

**Genus HIRUNDAPUS** Hodgson

_Hirundapus caudacutus* (Latham). White-throated Needletail.

_Habitat._—Montane forest; nests in hollow trees; in migration and winter in forested and open regions.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in the Himalayas and from Siberia south to Mongolia, Manchuria, Korea, and Japan, and *winters* from India and Taiwan south to Australia and Tasmania. Casual in the western Aleutians (Attu, Shemya), Europe, the Shetland Islands, and New Zealand.

**Notes.**—Also known as White-throated Needle-tailed Swift.

**Genus AERODRAMUS** Oberholser


**Notes.**—We follow Lee et al. (1996) in maintaining the genus _Aerodramus_; see also Browning (1993).
Aerodramus bartschi (Mears). Guam Swiftlet.

Habitat.—Steep valleys on tropical islands; nests in caves or behind waterfalls.

Distribution.—Resident on the island of Guam, at least formerly, and in the northern Mariana Islands (Saipan, Tinian, Agiguan, formerly Rota). Introduced (in 1962) and established in Hawaii (Halava Valley, Oahu, breeding in 1989).

Notes.—Formerly (A.O.U. 1983) treated as part of the species A. vanikorensis, but Browning (1993) has shown that the species in the A.O.U. area is distinct, and has presented evidence that the species is established where introduced in Hawaii.

Subfamily APODINAE: Apodine Swifts

Genus APUS Scopoli


Apus apus (Linnaeus). Common Swift.

Hirundo Apus Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 192. (in Europe altis = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Nests in tree cavities and in cliffs.

Distribution.—Breeds from northern Eurasia south to northern Africa, Arabia, Iraq, the Himalayas, and northeastern China, and winters in the southern half of Africa.

Accidental in Alaska (St. Paul Island, in the Pribilofs, 28 June 1950; Kenyon and Phillips 1965); a sight report from Barbados is questionable.

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as the Swift.

Apus pacificus (Latham). Fork-tailed Swift.

Hirundo pacifica Latham, 1802, Index Ornithol., suppl., (1801) p. lviii. (Nova Hollandia = New South Wales, Australia.)

Habitat.—A wide variety of habitats from seacoasts to mountains, generally nesting in colonies on cliffs, and in caves, buildings or tree cavities.

Distribution.—Breeds from eastern Siberia and Kamchatka south to northern India, the Malay Peninsula, and southern China.

Winters from the Himalayas and Malay Peninsula south to New Guinea, Australia, and New Zealand.

Ranges casually (primarily in summer and fall) to the Pribilof (St. George, St. Paul) and western Aleutian (Attu, Agattu, Shemya) islands; a sight report from Middleton Island in the Gulf of Alaska.

Accidental in the Seychelles and Marshall Islands.

Notes.—Also known as White-rumped Swift, a name now generally restricted to the African species A. caffer (Lichtenstein, 1823).

Apus melba (Linnaeus). Alpine Swift.

Hirundo Melba Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 192. (ad fretum Herculeam = Gibraltar.)

Habitat.—Nests on cliffs and buildings.

Distribution.—Breeds from southern Europe and India south to southern Africa, Madagascar, and Sri Lanka, and winters generally throughout the breeding range, the northernmost populations being partly migratory.

Accidental in the Lesser Antilles (Barbados, September 1955, after a hurricane; Bond 1959: 11) and Puerto Rico (9 July 1987, photograph; 1987, Amer. Birds 41: 1492); a sight report for St. Lucia.

Notes.—Sometimes placed in the genus Tachymarptis (Sibley and Monroe 1990).
Genus **AERONAUTES** Hartert


**Aeronautes saxatalis** (Woodhouse). White-throated Swift.


**Habitat.**—Primarily mountainous country, especially near cliffs and canyons, foraging over forest and open situations; nests in cliffs, occasionally in buildings and on seaciffs (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from extreme south-central British Columbia, Idaho, Montana, and southwestern South Dakota south through the Pacific and southwestern states (including the Channel Islands off California) to southern Baja California (a questionable sight record of nesting on Guadalupe Island in 1892, unreported there since 1922), east to western Nebraska, northeastern and central New Mexico, and western Texas (to Val Verde County), and south through the interior of Mexico to Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras.

*Winters* from central California, central Arizona, and, rarely, southern New Mexico (casually farther north) south to the limits of the breeding range in Middle America.

Casual in Kansas and eastern and southern Texas. Accidental in coastal British Columbia, Missouri (Cape Girardeau), Arkansas (Hot Springs), and Michigan; sight reports for North Dakota and the Dominican Republic.

Genus **PANYPTILA** Cabanis


**Panyptila cayennensis** (Gmelin). Lesser Swallow-tailed Swift.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, and Chiapas (both slopes) south locally on the Caribbean slope of Belize, Guatemala (also Pacific slope), Honduras, and Nicaragua, in Costa Rica (Caribbean slope, and Golfo Dulce region on the Pacific), and Panama (both slopes), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru, and east of the Andes to northern Bolivia and east-central Brazil.

**Notes.**—Also known as Cayenne Swift.

**Panyptila sanctihieronymi** Salvin. Great Swallow-tailed Swift.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine Forest, Secondary Forest, Arid Montane Scrub (900–1850 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the highlands and Pacific slope of Nayarit, Jalisco, Colima, Michoacán, Mexico, Guerrero, Oaxaca, Chiapas, Guatemala, and Honduras.

Casual in north-central Nicaragua (El Corozo, Nueva Segovia); sight reports for Costa Rica.

**Notes.**—Also known as Geronimo Swift.
Genus *TACHORNIS* Gosse


*Tachornis phoenicobia* Gosse, Antillean Palm-Swift.

*Tachornis phoenicobia* Gosse, 1847, *Birds Jamaica*, p. 58 (footnote). (Jamaica.)

**Habitat.**—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Second-growth Scrub; nests in colonies in palm trees.

**Distribution.**—Resident on Cuba, the Isle of Pines, Hispaniola (including Saona and Beata islands, and iles-à-Vache), and Jamaica.

Accidental in the Florida Keys (Key West), July–August 1972 (Robertson and Woolfenden 1992); a sight report for Puerto Rico.

Family TROCHILIDAE: Hummingbirds

**Notes.**—For recognition of subfamilies, see Bleiweiss et al. (1994).

Subfamily PHAETHORNITHINAE: Hermits

Genus *GLAUCIS* Boie


**Notes.**—Gill and Gerwin (1989), based on allozyme data, recommended the merger of *Threnetes* into *Glaucis.*

*Glaucis aenea* Lawrence. Bronzy Hermit.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–800 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident from the Caribbean slope of Nicaragua south through Costa Rica (both slopes) to western Panama (Bocas del Toro, Chiriquí, western Veraguas); and the Pacific lowlands of Colombia and northwestern Ecuador.

**Notes.**—*Glaucis aenea* and *G. hirsuta* are closely related and constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

*Glaucis hirsuta* (Gmelin). Rufous-breasted Hermit.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, River-edge Forest (0–1100 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident from central and eastern Panama (from Coclé and western Panamá province eastward), eastern Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, Tobago, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia and central Brazil; and in the Lesser Antilles on Grenada.

**Notes.**—See comments under *G. aenea*.

Genus *THRENETES* Gould


**Notes.**—See note under *Glaucis.*
**Threnetes ruckeri** (Bourcier). Band-tailed Barbthroat.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1050 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Caribbean slope of southern Belize, eastern Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua, and in Costa Rica (both slopes, except dry northwest), Panama, Colombia, western Venezuela, and western Ecuador.

**Notes.**—*Threnetes ruckeri* and the South American *T. leucurus* (Linnaeus, 1766) constitute a superspecies.

**Genus PHAEThORNIS Swainson**

*Phaethornis* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag.(n.s.) 1: 441. Type, by original designation, "*Troch. superciliosus* of Authors" = *Trochilus superciliosus* Linnaeus.


**Phaethornis guy** (Lesson). Green Hermit.

*Trochilus Guy* Lesson, 1833, Les Trochil., p. 119, Index, p. xiv. (Brazil, error = Venezuela.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (800–2000 m, locally to 350 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the mountains of Costa Rica, Panama, and South America from Colombia, northern Venezuela, and Trinidad south on western slope of the Andes to western Colombia and on eastern slope to southern Peru.

**Phaethornis superciliosus** (Linnaeus). Long-tailed Hermit.

*Trochilus superciliosus* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 189. Based on "Le Colibry a longue queue de Cayenne" Brisson, Ornithologie 3: 686, pl. 35, fig. 5. (in Cayania = Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [griseoventer group] in western Mexico from west-central Nayarit (near Tepic and San Blas) south to Jalisco (Sierra de Autlán, Mineral San Sebastián) and Colima (Cerro Grande); [mexicanus group] in Guerrero and western Oaxaca; [longirostris group] on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from Veracruz, Tabasco, northern Oaxaca, and Chiapas (Arroyo de la Playas, Palenque) south through Central America to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica and Panama, and in northern Colombia and northwestern Venezuela; [baroni group] in South America west of the Andes in western Ecuador and northwestern Peru; and [superciliosus group] in South America east of the Andes from northern Colombia and southern Venezuela south to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

**Notes.**—Groups: *P. griseoventer* Phillips, 1962 [Jalisco Hermit], *P. mexicanus* Hartert, 1897 [Hartert’s Hermit], *P. longirostris* DeLattre, 1843 [Long-tailed Hermit], *P. baroni* Hartert, 1897 [Baron’s Hermit], and *P. superciliosus* [Rusty-breasted Hermit]. At least the three northern groups should probably be treated as species; Howell and Webb (1995) treated *griseoventer* and *mexicanus* together as a species under the latter name. Hinckelmann (1996) recognized all Central American populations as *P. longirostris*, distinct from *superciliosus* and *baroni*.

**Phaethornis anthophilus** (Bourcier). Pale-bellied Hermit.

*Trochilus anthophilus* Bourcier, 1843, Rev. Zool. [Paris] 6: 71. (la vallée supérieure de la Madeleine, région tempérée, la Colombie = upper Magdalena Valley, Colombia.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–900 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).
Distribution.—Resident from eastern Panama (eastern San Blas, eastern Panamá province) east through northern Colombia to northern Venezuela.

**Phaethornis longuemareus** (Lesson). Little Hermit.

*Trochilus Longuemareus* Lesson, 1832, Les Trochil., p. 15; 1833, p. 160, pl. 2, 62. (Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [adolphi group] on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, Campeche, and Quintana Roo south through Belize and eastern Guatemala to Honduras, on both slopes in Nicaragua (rare on Pacific slope), Costa Rica (rare in dry northwest), and Panama, and in western Colombia and western Ecuador; and [longuemareus group] in South America from northern Colombia, Venezuela, and Trinidad south, east of the Andes, to central Peru and Amazonian Brazil.

**Notes.**—The groups perhaps should be recognized as distinct species, *P. adolphi* Gould, 1857 [Boucard’s Hermit] and *P. longuemareus* [Little Hermit]. These forms belong to a well defined group of small species (Gill and Gerwin 1989) that may be recognizable at the generic level as *Pygrnornis* Bonaparte, 1854 (as treated by Howell and Webb 1995).

**Genus EUTOXERES** Reichenbach


**Eutoxeres aquila** (Bourcier). White-tipped Sicklebill.


**Habitat.**—Humid Montane, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–2100 m; upper Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from central Costa Rica south locally through Panama, and in South America on western slope of the Andes from western Colombia south to western Ecuador and on eastern slope from Colombia south to northern Peru.

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**Genus ANDRODON** Gould


**Androdon aequatorialis** Gould. Tooth-billed Hummingbird.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (750–1550 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from eastern Panama (eastern Darién) and Colombia (east to Magdalena Valley) south along the Pacific coast to northwestern Ecuador.

**Genus DORYFERA** Gould


*Helianthea* or *Hemistephania* Reichenbach, 1854, J. Ornithol. 1 (Beil. zu Extrah.): 12. Type, by monotypy, *Trochilus ludovicæ* Bourcier and Mulsant.
**Doryfera ludovicae** (Bourcier and Mulsant). Green-fronted Lancebill.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, usually associated with rushing streams and waterfalls (750–2800 m; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the highlands of central Costa Rica (primarily the Caribbean slope of the Cordillera Central), Panama (Chiriquí, Veraguas, eastern Darién), and in the Andes of South America from Colombia and western Venezuela south to northern Bolivia.

**Genus PHAEOCHROA** Gould

*Phaeochroa* Gould, 1861, Introd. Trochil., p. 54. Type, by subsequent designation (Elliot, 1879), *Trochilus cuvierii* DeLattre and Bourcier.

*Phaeochroa cuvierii* (DeLattre and Bourcier). Scaly-breasted Hummingbird.

*Trochilus Cuvierii* DeLattre and Bourcier, 1846, Rev. Zool. [Paris] 9: 310. (isthme de Panama et Teleman, Amérique centrale.)

**Habitat.**—Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [roberti group] on the Caribbean slope from eastern Chiapas, northern Guatemala, and Belize south to northeastern Costa Rica (Puerto Viejo de Sarapiquí); and [cuvierii group] from central Costa Rica (primarily on the Pacific slope) south through Panama (both slopes) to northern Colombia.

**Notes.**—Groups: *P. roberti* (Salvin, 1861) [Robert’s Hummingbird] and *P. cuvierii* [Cuvier’s Hummingbird].

**Genus CAMPYLOPTERUS** Swainson


*Campylopterus curvipennis* (Deppe). Wedge-tailed Sabrewing.

*Trochilus curvipennis* "Lichtenstein," W. Deppe, 1830, Preis.-Verz. Säugeth. Vögel, etc., Mex., p. 1, no. 32. (Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [curvipennis group] on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from southeastern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south through Veracruz and northeastern Puebla to northern Oaxaca; and [pampa group] in the Yucatan Peninsula, Tabasco, northeastern Chiapas, Guatemala (Peten and Alta Verapaz), Belize, and eastern Honduras (Olancho).

**Notes.**—Also known as Curve-winged Sabrewing. Groups: *C. curvipennis* [Curve-winged Sabrewing] and *C. pampa* (Lesson, 1832) [Wedge-tailed Sabrewing]. *Campylopterus curvipennis* and *C. excellens* may be conspecific; they constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990). Further study of this complex is needed.

*Campylopterus excellens* (Wetmore). Long-tailed Sabrewing.

*Pampa pampa excellens* Wetmore, 1941, Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. 54: 207. (Volcán san Martín, 3300 feet, Tuxtla Mountains, Vera Cruz, México.)
Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1050 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in southern Veracruz (Sierra de los Tuxtlas and Jesús Carranza) and northwestern Chiapas.

Notes.—Recognition of C. excellens as a distinct species follows Lowery and Dalquest (1951). See comments under C. curvipennis.

Campylopterus rufus Lesson. Rufous Sabrewing.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (950–2000 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in southeastern Oaxaca (Sierra Madre de Chiapas), Chiapas, central Guatemala, and El Salvador. Records from Oaxaca west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec are doubtful (Binford 1989).

Campylopterus hemileucurus (Deppe). Violet Sabrewing.

Trochilus hemileucurus "Lichtenst[ein]." W. Deppe, 1830, Preis.-Verz. Säugeth. Vögel, etc., Mex., p. 1, no. 33. (Mexico.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (900–2400 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical, occasionally lower Tropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the foothills and highlands of Middle America from southern Mexico (Guerrero, Veracruz, Oaxaca, Tabasco, and Chiapas) and Belize south to western Panama (Chiriquí, Veraguas, Herrera, Los Santos), ranging in nonbreeding season to lower elevations, occasionally to sea level.

Genus FLORISUGA Bonaparte

Florisuga Bonaparte, March 1850, Consp. Gen. Avium 1(1): 73. Type, by subsequent designation (Bonaparte, April 1850), Trochilus mellivorus Linnaeus.

Florisuga mellivora (Linnaeus). White-necked Jacobin.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–900 m; Tropical and, locally, lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from southern Veracruz and northern Oaxaca south through Chiapas, northern Guatemala, and Belize to Honduras, on both slopes of Nicaragua, Costa Rica (rare in dry northwest), and Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, Tobago, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

Accidental in the southern Lesser Antilles (Carriacou) and Netherlands Antilles (Aruba, Curaçao).

Genus COLIBRI Spix


Colibri delphinae (Lesson). Brown Violet-ear.

Ornithoeca Delphinea Lesson, 1839, Rev. Zool. [Paris] 2: 44. (No locality given = Santa Fé de Bogotá, Colombia.)
Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (600–2500 m; Upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident locally in foothills on the Caribbean slope of Middle America from southern Belize and eastern Guatemala south to Costa Rica and Panama (locally in highlands on both slopes), and locally in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, on the western slope of the Andes to northwestern Ecuador and on the eastern slope to central Bolivia, also widely scattered records in northern and eastern Brazil.

Colibri thalassinus (Swainson). Green Violet-ear.

Trochilus thalassinus Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 441. (Temiscaltipec, Mexico = Temascaltepec, Mexico.)

Habitat.—Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (1400–3000 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones, in South America also Temperate Zone).

Distribution.—Resident [thalassinus group] from Jalisco, Guanajuato, San Luis Potosí, and Veracruz south through the highlands of southern Mexico and Belize to Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, and northwestern Nicaragua; and [cyanotus group] in the mountains of Costa Rica and western Panama (Chiriquí, Veraguas); and in montane South America from Colombia and northern Venezuela south in Western Andes to western Ecuador and in Eastern Andes to central Bolivia.

Ranges [thalassinus group] rarely north to Texas, casually to Arkansas (four records). Accidental [thalassinus group] in Ontario, Michigan, Missouri, Alabama, and North Carolina (Asheville); sight reports for southern Baja California and Yucatán. Reports from California are not adequately documented.

Notes.—Groups: C. thalassinus [Green Violet-ear] and C. cyanotus Bourcier, 1843 [Mountain Violet-ear].

Genus ANTHRACOTHORAX Boie

Anthracothorax Boie, 1831, Isis von Oken, col. 545. Type, by subsequent designation (Elliot, 1879), Trochilus violicauda Boddaert = Trochilus viridigula Boddaert.

Anthracothorax prevostii (Lesson). Green-breasted Mango.


Habitat.—Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest, (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident [prevostii group] from San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south to northern Oaxaca, Veracruz, and Chiapas, and along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula and larger islands offshore, Hunting Cay off Belize, the Bay Islands off Honduras, and on Providencia and San Andrés islands in the Caribbean Sea off Nicaragua) to central Costa Rica and northwestern Panama (Bocas del Toro), also in central and northeastern Colombia and northern Venezuela; and [iridescens group] in the arid Pacific lowlands from western Ecuador south to northwestern Peru. Northeasternmost populations in Mexico are migratory to southern Mexico.

Accidental [prevostii group] in southern Texas (Corpus Christi; 6–27 Jan. 1992; 1992, Amer. Birds 46: 289; photograph in DeBenedictis 1994b). Notes.—Also known as Prevost’s Mango. The iridescens group may be a species, A. iridescens (Gould, 1861) [Ecuadorian Mango], or (e.g., Hilty and Brown 1986) a subspecies of A. nigricollis (Sibley and Monroe 1990). Anthracothorax nigricollis, A. veraguensis, and A. prevostii are closely related and constitute a superspecies.

Anthracothorax nigricollis (Vieillot). Black-throated Mango.


Habitat.—Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Second-growth Scrub (0–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).
Distribution.—Resident in central and eastern Panama (from the Canal area eastward), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia, Paraguay, and northeastern Argentina.

Notes.—See comments under A. prevostii.

**Anthracothorax veraguensis** Reichenbach. Veraguan Mango.


Habitat.—Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest (Tropical Zone).

**Anthracothorax dominicus** (Linnaeus). Antillean Mango.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m).

**Anthracothorax viridis** (Audebert and Vieillot). Green Mango.

*Trochilus viridis* Audebert and Vieillot, 1801, *Ois. Dors* 1: 34, pl. 15. (îles de l’Amérique Septentrionale = Puerto Rico.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–900 m).

**Anthracothorax mango** (Linnaeus). Jamaican Mango.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest.

**Genus EULAMPIS** Boie


**Eulampis jugularis** (Linnaeus). Purple-throated Carib.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1100 m).

**Notes:** Formerly treated as a subspecies of *A. prevostii*, but see Olson (1993a). See comments under *A. prevostii*.
Casual in the Virgin Islands (St. Croix, St. John), Barbuda, Désirade, îles des Saintes, and Bequia; sight reports for Barbados and Grenada.

**Notes.**—Also known as Garnet-throated Hummingbird, a name now restricted to *Lampodera rhani*.

_Eulampis holosericeus* (Linnaeus). Green-throated Carib.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Secondary Forest (0–900 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident in Puerto Rico (primarily eastern), the Virgin Islands, and Lesser Antilles (south to St. Vincent, Barbados, the northern Grenadines, and Grenada). Accidental on Tobago (specimen, USNM).

**Notes.**—Also known as Emerald-throated Hummingbird. Formerly placed in the monotypic genus _Sericotes._

Genus _CHRYSOLAMPIS_ Boie


_Chrysolampis mosquitos_ (Linnaeus). Ruby-topaz Hummingbird.


**Habitat.**—Gallery Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Low Seasonally Wet Grassland (0–1300 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident from Colombia, Venezuela (including islands from the Netherlands Antilles east to Tobago and Trinidad), and the Guianas south to extreme eastern Bolivia and southeastern Brazil (generally absent from Amazonia). Accidental in Panama (El Real, Darién, 27 January 1985, photograph in VIREO; Braun and Wolf 1987). A sight report for Grenada.

Genus _ORTHORHYNCUS_ Lacépède


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1000 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident in Puerto Rico (including on Vieques and Culebra islands), the Virgin Islands, and Lesser Antilles south to Grenada. A specimen obtained in Texas (Galveston Island, February 1967; Pulich 1968) is of questionable origin (DeBenedictis 1992, T.O.S. 1995).

Genus _KLAIS_ Reichenbach

_Basilinna_ B Klais Reichenbach, 1854, J. Ornithol. 1 (Beil. zu Extrah.): 13. Type, by monotypy, _Trochilus guimeti_ Bourcier.
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Klais guimeti (Bourcier). Violet-headed Hummingbird.


_Habitat._—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (300–1400 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones, rarely lower Tropical Zone).

_Distribution._—Resident on the Caribbean slope of eastern Honduras (west to the Sula Valley) and Nicaragua, in Costa Rica (Caribbean slope and the Pacific southwest) and Panama (both slopes), and in South America from eastern Colombia and western and northern Venezuela south to central Bolivia and extreme western Brazil.

Genus Abeillia Bonaparte


_Abeillia abeillei_ (DeLattre and Lesson). Emerald-chinned Hummingbird.


_Habitat._—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (1000–1850 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

_Distribution._—Resident in the highlands from Veracruz, southeastern Oaxaca (Sierra Madre de Chiapas), and Chiapas south through the highlands of Guatemala, El Salvador, and western Honduras to north-central Nicaragua.

Genus Lophornis Lesson


_Lophornis brachylopha_ Moore. Short-crested Coquette.


_Habitat._—Montane Evergreen Forest (500–1350 m; .

_Distribution._—Resident locally in the Sierra Madre del Sur of Guerrero.

_Notes._—Banks (1990b) provided rationale for treating _L. brachylopha_ as a species distinct from _L. delattrei._

_Lophornis delattrei_ (Lesson). Rufous-crested Coquette.


_Habitat._—Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (0–2000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

_Distribution._—Resident locally in central Costa Rica (San José region, known from four specimens; unrecorded since 1906) and Panama (throughout, but most frequent in central Panama); and the upper Magdalena Valley of Colombia and along the base of the Eastern Andes from northern Colombia to central Bolivia.

_Lophornis helenae_ (DeLattre). Black-crested Coquette.

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (300–1450 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, and Chiapas (also Pacific slope) south to central Costa Rica (on Caribbean slope, vagrant to the vicinity of San José and the Pacific slope).

Reports from southern Texas are erroneous (T.O.S. 1995).

Notes.—This species and the following are often placed in the genus *Paphiosia*.

*Lophornis adorabilis* Salvin. White-crested Coquette.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (300–1200 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in central and southwestern Costa Rica (north to the Cordillera Central) and extreme western Panama (western Chiriquí); a report from Isla Cébaco, Panama, is considered doubtful.

Notes.—Also known as Adorable Coquette. See comments under *L. helenae*.

**Genus DISCOSURA** Bonaparte


*Discosura conversii* (Bourcier and Mulsant). Green Thorntail.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (700–1400 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in Costa Rica (Caribbean slope north to the Cordillera Central), locally in Panama (recorded eastern Chiriquí, Veraguas, Cocle, the Canal area, eastern Panamá province, and eastern Darién), and on the Pacific slope of western Colombia and western Ecuador.

Notes.—Often placed in the genus *Popelairia* Reichenbach, 1854 (e.g., Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Genus CHLOROSTILBON** Gould


*Chlorostilbon auriceps* (Gould). Golden-crowned Emerald.

*Trochilus auriceps* Gould, 1852, Jardine’s Contr. Orn., p. 137. (Mexico.)

Habitat.—Second-growth Scrub, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest Edge (0–1800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Pacific slope from Sinaloa south to southern Oaxaca (Waiat), and inland to southern Morelos.

Notes.—Formerly considered a subspecies of *C. canivetii*, but see Howell (1993). See comments under *C. canivetii*. 

**Chlorostilbon forficatus** Ridgway. Cozumel Emerald.

*Chlorostilbon forficatus* Ridgway, 1885, Descr. New Species Birds, Cozumel Is., p. 3 (Cozumel Island, Yucatan.)

**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Secondary Forest (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Cozumel Island, rarely on Isla Mujeres, Quintana Roo, Mexico. Historical reports from Isla Holbox are unreliable.

**Notes.**—Formerly considered a subspecies of *C. canivetii*, but see Howell (1993). See comments under *C. canivetii*.

**Chlorostilbon canivetii** (Lesson). Canivet’s Emerald.

*Ornismya canivetii* Lesson, 1832, Hist. Nat. Colibris, livr. 13, p. 174, pl. 37, 38. (Brésil, error = Jalapa, Veracruz.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest Edge, Second-growth Scrub, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1900 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south through northern and northeastern Oaxaca to northern Guatemala and Belize (including Holbox Island off the Yucatan peninsula, and the Bay and Hog islands off Honduras), and on both slopes of Middle America from southeastern Chiapas, western and southern Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras south to Nicaragua and northern Costa Rica (primarily Guanacaste, but also to central plateau region).

**Notes.**—This species formerly included *C. auriceps* and *C. forficatus*; the complex was known as Fork-tailed Emerald. It presently incudes *C. osberti* Gould, 1860, and *C. salvini* Cabanis and Heine, 1860, which Howell (1993) recommended combining as a species, *C. salvini* [Salvin’s Emerald]. The expanded *C. canivetii* sometimes (Eisenmann 1955) includes *C. assimilis*, and that complex along with several South American forms has been merged (Meyer de Schauensee 1966) under the comprehensive name *C. mellisugus* (Linnaeus, 1758), Blue-tailed Emerald. See Stiles (1996a).

**Chlorostilbon assimilis** Lawrence. Garden Emerald.

*Chlorostilbon assimilis* Lawrence, 1861, Ann. Lyc. Nat. Hist. N. Y. 7: 292. (Atlantic side of the Isthmus of Panama, along the line of the Panama Railroad.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Second-growth Scrub, Secondary Forest (0–800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in southwestern Costa Rica (north to the Térraba region) and Panama (Pacific slope east to western Darién, including Coiba, Pearl, and many smaller islands), also Caribbean slope in Bocas del Toro and Canal area.

**Notes.**—Also known as Allied Emerald. See comments under *C. canivetii*.

**Chlorostilbon ricordii** (Gervais). Cuban Emerald.

*Ornismya Ricordii* Gervais, 1835, Mag. Zool. [Paris] 5: cl. 2, pl. 41, 42. (Santiago de Cuba = Santiago, Cuba.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Pine Forest (0–1200 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Bahamas (Abaco, including offshore cays, Grand Bahama, Andros, and Green Cay), and on Cuba (including offshore cays) and the Isle of Pines.

Sight reports from southern and east-central Florida are unsubstantiated (DeBenedictis 1991, Robertson and Woolfenden 1992).

**Chlorostilbon bracei** (Lawrence). Brace’s Emerald.

*Sporadinus Bracei* Lawrence, 1877, Ann. N. Y. Acad. Sci. 1: 50. (New Providence, Bahama Islands.)

**Habitat.**—Unknown.
**Chlorostilbon swainsonii** (Lesson). Hispaniolan Emerald.

*Ornithomyia Swainsonii* Lesson, 1829, Hist. Nat., Ois.-Mouches, p. "xvij" [= xvii]; 1830, p. 197, pl. 70. (le Brésil, error = Hispaniola.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–2400 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Hispaniola; reports from Gonâve Island are unsubstantiated.

**Chlorostilbon maugaeus** (Audebert and Vieillot). Puerto Rican Emerald.

*Trochilus Maugæus* Audebert and Vieillot, 1801, Ois. Dorés 1: 77, 79, pl. 37, 38. (Puerto Rico.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–1000 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Puerto Rico.

**Genus CYNANTHUS Swainson**

*Cynanthus* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 441. Type, by subsequent designation (Stone, 1907), *Cynanthus latirostris* Swainson.


**Cynanthus sordidus** (Gould). Dusky Hummingbird.


**Habitat.**—Arid Montane Scrub, Gallery Forest (900–2250 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from eastern Michoacán, México, and Morelos south to Oaxaca and Puebla.

**Cynanthus latirostris** Swainson. Broad-billed Hummingbird.

*Cynanthus latirostris* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 441. (Tableland of Mexico = valley of México, near Mexico City.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest (0–2100 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds [latirostris group] from western Sonora, southeastern Arizona, southwestern New Mexico (Guadalupe Canyon), northern Chihuahua, western Texas (Brewster County, casually), and Tamaulipas south through Mexico (including the Tres Marias Islands) to northern Veracruz, Hidalgo, and Puebla.

*Winters [latirostris group] from central Sonora, Chihuahua, and Tamaulipas south through the breeding range, casually north to southern Arizona.*

*Resident [doubledayi group] in the Pacific lowlands of southern Guerrero, southern Oaxaca, and western Chiapas. Casual [latirostris group] north to Baja California, California (to Sonoma County), Utah, central Arizona, central and eastern Texas, and southern Louisiana; sight reports to southern Nevada and central New Mexico. Accidental in southern Ontario, Michigan, and Illinois; a sight report for South Carolina.

**Notes.**—Groups: *C. latirostris* [Broad-billed Hummingbird] and *C. doubledayi* (Bourcier, 1847) [Doubleday’s Hummingbird]. Howell and Webb (1995) suggested that the two groups should be treated as species.
Genus *CYANOPHAIA* Reichenbach


*Cyanophaia bicolor* (Gmelin). Blue-headed Hummingbird.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–900 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Dominica and Martinique, in the Lesser Antilles.

Genus *THALURANIA* Gould


*Thalurania ridgwayi* Nelson. Mexican Woodnymph.

*Thalurania ridgwayi* Nelson, 1900, Auk, 17, p. 262. (San Sebastian, Jalisco, México.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (200–2100 m).

**Distribution.**—Pacific slope of Nayarit, western Jalisco, and Colima.

**Notes.**—Escalante-Pliego and Peterson (1992) provided reasons for treating *T. ridgwayi* and *T. fannyi* as species distinct from *T. colombica*.

*Thalurania colombica* (Bourcier). Violet-crowned Woodnymph.

*Ornismya Colombica* Bourcier, 1843, Rev. Zool. [Paris], 6, p. 2. (in Colombie = San Agustín, Magdalena Valley, Colombia.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1900 m).

**Distribution.**—Lowlands [*towsendi* group] of Caribbean slope from Guatemala and Belize south to Costa Rica and western and central Panama (east to Canal area and eastern Panama province); lowlands to 1900 m [*colombica* group] of northern Colombia and western Venezuela.

**Notes.**—Groups: *T. towsendi* Ridgway, 1888 [Violet-crowned Woodnymph], and *T. colombica* [Colombian Woodnymph]. See *Thalurania ridgwayi*.

*Thalurania fannyi* (DeLattre and Bourcier). Green-crowned Woodnymph.

*Trochilus Fannyi* DeLattre and Bourcier, 1846, Rev. Zool. [Paris], 9, p. 310. (Río Dagua, near Buenaventura, Colombia.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–800 m).

**Distribution.**—[*fannyi* group] eastern Panama (eastern Colón, Darién, and eastern San Blas) and northwestern Colombia; and [*hypochlora* group] Pacific slope of southwestern Colombia south to northwestern Peru.

**Notes.**—Groups: *T. fannyi* [Green-crowned Woodnymph], and *T. hypochlora* Gould 1871 [Emerald-bellied Woodnymph]. See *Thalurania ridgwayi*.

Genus *PANTERPE* Cabanis and Heine

FAMILY TROCHILIDAE

Panterpe insignis Cabanis and Heine. Fiery-throated Hummingbird.

Panterpe insignis Cabanis and Heine, 1860, Mus. Heineanum 3: 43 (footnote). (Costa Rica.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Second-growth Scrub, Paramo Grassland (1400–3100 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in Costa Rica (cordilleras de Talamanca and Central) and western Panama (western Chiriquí and western Bocas del Toro).

Genus DAMOPHLILA Reichenbach

Damophila Reichenbach, 1854, J. Ornithol. 1 (Beil. zu Extrah.): 7. Type, by subsequent designation (Elliot, 1879), T. julie Bourcier = Ornismyia julie Bourcier.

Damophila julie (Bourcier). Violet-bellied Hummingbird.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–900 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in central and eastern Panama (from northern Cocle and the Canal area eastward), western Colombia, and western Ecuador; specimens reported from “Costa Rica” are probably mislabeled (Stiles and Skutch 1989).

Genus LEPIDOPYGA Reichenbach

Agyrtria γ Lepidopyga Reichenbach, 1855, Trochil. Enum., p. 7. Type, by subsequent designation (Ridgway, 1911), Trochilus goudoti Bourcier.

Lepidopyga coeruleogularis (Gould). Sapphire-throated Hummingbird.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–700 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in Panama (the Pacific lowlands from western Chiriquí eastward, including Isla Coiba, and the Caribbean lowlands in the Canal area and San Blas) and northern Colombia; an old specimen from “Costa Rica” is probably mislabeled, but there is a sight report from Costa Rica (Stiles and Skutch 1989).

Genus HYLOCHARIS Boie

Hylocharis Boie, 1831, Isis von Oken, col. 546. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), H. sapphirina (Gm.) Boie = Trochilus sapphirinus Gmelin.


Hylocharis grayi (DeLattre and Bourcier). Blue-headed Sapphire.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–2000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from extreme eastern Panama (near Jaque in southern Darién) south through western and central Colombia to northwestern Ecuador.

Hylocharis eliciæ (Bourcier and Mulsant). Blue-throated Goldentail.

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1100 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from Veracruz, Oaxaca, and Chiapas south along both slopes of Central America to Panama (including Isla Coiba) and northwestern Colombia (northwestern Chocó).

**Hylocharis leucotis** (Vieillot). White-eared Hummingbird.


**Habitat.**—Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (900–3100 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southern Arizona, Sonora, Chihuahua, Coahuila, Nuevo León, and Tamaulipas south through the highlands of Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua. Recorded irregularly in summer (and probably breeding) in the mountains of southwestern New Mexico (Animas Mountains) and western Texas (Big Bend, Guadalupe Mountains); northernmost populations are migratory southward.

**Notes.**—*Hylocharis leucotis* and *H. xantusii* may constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970). Howell and Webb (1995) placed these two species in the genus *Basilinna*.

**Hylocharis xantusii** (Lawrence). Xantus’s Hummingbird.


**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub (0–1900 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in southern Baja California, casually north to lat. 29° N., including islands in the Gulf of California north to Isla San José. Accidental in California (Ventura, Anza-Borrego Desert); see Hainebach (1992).

**Notes.**—See comments under *H. leucotis*.

Genus **GOLDMANIA** Nelson


**Goldmania violiceps** Nelson. Violet-capped Hummingbird.

*Goldmania violiceps* Nelson, 1911, Smithson. Misc. Collect. 56(21): 1. (Cerro Azul, 3000 feet, northwest of Chepo, Panama.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (600–1000 m; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in eastern Panama (eastern Colón, eastern Panamá province and eastern Darién) and extreme northwestern Colombia.

Genus **GOETHALSIA** Nelson


**Goethalsia bella** Nelson. Rufous-cheeked Hummingbird.

*Goethalsia bella* Nelson, 1912, Smithson. Misc. Collect. 60(3): 7. (Cana, at 2,000 feet altitude, eastern Panama.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (600–150 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in extreme eastern Panama (cerros Pirre and Sapo in eastern Darién) and adjacent northwestern Colombia (Alturas del Nique in Chocó).

**Notes.**—Also known as Pirre Hummingbird.
Genus *TROCHILUS* Linnaeus


*Trochilus polytmus* Linnaeus. Streamertail.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m).

Distribution.—Resident [polytmus group] in western and central Jamaica (west of the Morant River); and [scitulus group] in eastern Jamaica (John Crow Mountains, and east of the Morant River).

Notes.—The two groups differ in bill color, display, and vocalizations, with an apparent narrow hybrid zone between them; some authors suggest that these be recognized as distinct species, *T. polytmus* [Western Streamertail] and *T. scitulus* (Brewster and Bangs, 1901) [Eastern Streamertail]. For discussions, see Schuchmann (1978) and Gill et al. (1973).

Genus *AMAZILIA* Lesson

*Amazilia* Lesson, 1843, Echo Monde Savant (2)7: col. 757. Type, by subsequent designation (Stone, 1918), *Omnismia cinamomea* Less[on] (= *O. rutila* DeLattre) = *Omnismya rutila* DeLattre.


*Amazilia candida* (Bourcier and Mulsant). White-bellied Emerald.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1600 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident (mostly) from southeastern San Luis Potosí and northern Veracruz south along the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula, also Pacific lowlands of Chiapas and Guatemala) to Honduras, and Nicaragua, where also in north-central highlands, and, probably only as a vagrant, Costa Rica (south to Osa Peninsula). There are winter records for the Pacific slope of Oaxaca (Binford 1989).

*Amazilia luciae* (Lawrence). Honduran Emerald.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest (Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in Honduras (Caribbean lowlands from Cofradía east to Catacamas).

*Amazilia amabilis* (Gould). Blue-chested Hummingbird.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Caribbean slope of Nicaragua and Costa Rica, and in
Panama (Caribbean slope throughout, and Pacific slope from eastern Panamá province eastward), Colombia (east to the Magdalena Valley, and south along the Pacific coast) and western Ecuador.

Notes.—*Amazilia amabilis* and *A. decora* constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Amazilia decora** (Salvin). Charming Hummingbird.


**Habitat**.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution**.—*Resident* on the Pacific slope of southwestern Costa Rica (El General-Térraba-Golfo Dulce region) and extreme western Panama (western Chiriquí).

Notes.—See comments under *A. amabilis*.

**Amazilia boucardi** (Mulsant). Mangrove Hummingbird.


**Habitat**.—Mangrove Forest (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution**.—*Resident* on the Pacific coast of Costa Rica (Gulf of Nicoya to Golfo Dulce region).

Notes.—Also known as Boucard’s Hummingbird.

**Amazilia cyanocephala** (Lesson). Azure-crowned Hummingbird.

*Ornismya cyanocephalus* Lesson, 1829, Hist. Nat. Ois.-Mouches, p. xlv. (Le Brésil, error = Veracruz, Veracruz.)

**Habitat**.—[cyanocephala group] Pine-Oak Forest, Pine Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (600–1800 m); [chlorostephana group] lowland pine savanna (100 m); (Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution**.—*Breeds* [cyanocephala group] from southern Tamaulipas south, primarily in the foothills, through Veracruz, northern and southeastern Oaxaca, Chiapas, southern Quintana Roo, central and eastern Guatemala, Belize, El Salvador, and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua.

*Resident* [chlorostephana group] in Honduras and northeastern Nicaragua.

*Winters* [cyanocephala group] generally in the breeding range, occurring also in lowland habitats (recorded San Luis Potosí and Quintana Roo).

Notes.—Also known as Red-billed Azurecrown. Groups: *A. cyanocephala* [Azure-crowned Hummingbird] and *A. chlorostephana* Howell, 1965 [Mosquitia Hummingbird]. *Amazilia microrhynchra* (Elliott, 1876) [Small-billed Azurecrown], is now regarded as being based on an aberrant specimen of *A. cyanocephala* (Monroe 1968).

**Amazilia cyanifrons** (Bourcier). Indigo-capped Hummingbird.


**Habitat**.—Secondary Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (400–2000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution**.—*Resident* in northern Colombia (Atlántico and the Magdalena Valley to Norte de Santander); one specimen known from northwestern Costa Rica (Volcán Miravalles).

Notes.—Also known as Blue-fronted Hummingbird. This form is known from Middle America only from the single specimen taken in Costa Rica and described as a new species, *A. alfaroana* Underwood, 1896. The type closely resembles *A. cyanifrons* and does not appear to be a hybrid between any Middle American species of *Amazilia*. The
unique specimen of alfaroana is tentatively considered to represent a subspecies of A. cyanifrons (Stiles and Skutch 1989); its status can be clarified only by additional data.

Amazilia beryllina (Deppe). Berylline Hummingbird.


**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Pine Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–3100 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southeastern Arizona (Huachuca Mountains), Sonora, and southern Chihuahua south through western Mexico (east to Durango, Guanajuato, Tlaxcala, Puebla, and west-central Veracruz), Guatemala, and El Salvador to central Honduras.

Accidental in southwestern New Mexico (Guadalupe Canyon); a sight report for western Texas.

**Notes.**—Hybridization between *A. beryllina* and *A. cyanura* had been reported from south-central Guatemala (Patulul) and El Salvador, but verification of hybridization is lacking (Howell and Webb 1995). *Amazilia sumichrasti* Salvin, 1891, is based on an individual of *A. beryllina* taken at Santa Efigenia, Oaxaca (Friedmann et al. 1950).


*Amazilia cyanura* Gould, 1859, Monogr. Trochil., pt. 18, pl. [12] and text. (Realejo, Nicaragua.)

**Habitat.**—Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope from central Chiapas to western Nicaragua (also locally on the Caribbean slope of Honduras).

Casual in Costa Rica (near San José and Finca La Selva), possibly a rare and local resident.

**Notes.**—*Amazilia cyanura* and *A. saucerrottei* appear to constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990). See comments under *A. beryllina*.

Amazilia saucerrottei (DeLattre and Bourcier). Steely-vented Hummingbird.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–2000 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in Middle America from western and southern Nicaragua south to southern Costa Rica (primarily on the Pacific slope and in the central plateau, south to the Dota region); and in South America in Colombia and northwestern Venezuela.

Casual in Caribbean Costa Rica (Carrillo).

**Notes.**—Also known as Blue-vented Hummingbird. See comments under *A. cyanura*.

Amazilia edward (DeLattre and Bourcier). Snowy-bellied Hummingbird.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [niveoventer group] in southwestern Costa Rica (El General-Térraba-Golfo Dulce region) and western Panama (east to western Coclé and the Azuero Peninsula, including Isla Coiba); and [edward group] in central and eastern Panama (from eastern Cocé and western Panamá east to Darién, primarily on the Pacific slope, and including the Pearl, Taboga, Taboguilla, and Urávila islands).

**Notes.**—Also known as Snowy-breasted Hummingbird. The two groups, *A. niveoventer* (Gould, 1851) [Snowy-bellied Hummingbird] and *A. edward* [Edward's Hummingbird], intergrade in central Panama (Wetmore 1968).
Amazilia tzacatl (De la Llave). Rufous-tailed Hummingbird.

*Trochilus Tzacatl* De la Llave, 1833, Registro Trimestre 2(5): 48. (México.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [tzacatl group] from southern Tamaulipas south in the Gulf-Caribbean lowlands to northern Oaxaca, Chiapas, the Yucatan Peninsula, Guatemala, Belize, Honduras, and Nicaragua, and on both slopes of Costa Rica (rare in the arid northwest) and Panama (including many islands off the Pacific coast), and in South America from Colombia (including Gorgona Island) east to northwestern Venezuela and south to western Ecuador; and *[handleyi group]* on Isla Escudo de Veraguaras, off the Caribbean coast of western Panama.

Reports [tzacatl group] from southern Texas (Brownsville) are questionable (DeBenedictis 1992), as are those from the Pacific slope of Guatemala.

**Notes.**—Also known as Rieffer’s Hummingbird. The two groups are regarded by Wetmore (1968) as distinct species, *A. tzacatl* [Rufous-tailed Hummingbird] and *A. handleyi* Wetmore, 1963 [Escudo Hummingbird].

Amazilia yucatanensis (Cabot). Buff-bellied Hummingbird.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1250 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from Coahuila, Nuevo Leon, and southern Texas (north to Corpus Christi) south in the Gulf-Caribbean lowlands (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to northern Guatemala (Petén) and Belize.

Winter regularly in southeastern Texas, southern Louisiana, southern Mississippi, and northwestern Florida. Casual or accidental in Arkansas, southern Alabama, and southeastern Florida.

**Notes.**—Also known as Fawn-breasted Hummingbird or Yucatan Hummingbird. A specimen from Honduras referred to this species (Monroe 1968) is apparently a hybrid *A. rutila* x *A. tzacatl* (Howell and Webb 1995). Mayr and Short (1970) considered *A. yucatanensis* and *A. rutila* to constitute a superspecies.

Amazilia rutila (DeLattre). Cinnamon Hummingbird.


*Ornismya rutila* DeLattre, 1843, Echo Monde Savant (2)7: col. 1069. New name for *Ornismya cinnamomea* Lesson, preoccupied.

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–1250 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Pacific slope of Middle America (including the Tres Marías Islands) from central Sinaloa south to central Costa Rica; and on the Caribbean slope on the Yucatan Peninsula (including Holbox, Contoy, Mujeres, and Cancun islands, and Cayo Culebra), in Belize (including offshore cays), in the arid interior valleys of Guatemala and Honduras, and in the Mosquitia of eastern Honduras and northeastern Nicaragua.


**Notes.**—See comments under *A. yucatanensis*.

Amazilia violiceps (Gould). Violet-crowned Hummingbird.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest; in United States,
primarily in riparian woodland of cottonwoods and sycamores with dense understory (0–
2200 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from northern Sonora, southeastern Arizona (Huachuca and Chir-
icahua mountains), southwestern New Mexico (Guadalupe Canyon), and western Chihuahua
south to Guerrero and (at least seasonally) northwestern Oaxaca. Northernmost populations
are migratory southward.

Casual or accidental in central southern California (Sonoma, Los Angeles, and Ventura
counties), central Arizona, southern New Mexico, western Texas (El Paso), and Veracruz;
a sight report from Baja California.

**Notes.**—The name *A. verticalis* (W. Deppe, 1830), often used for this species, has been
relegated to the synonymy of *A. cyanocephala* (see Phillips 1965). *Amazilia violiceps* and
*A. viridifrons* are sometimes considered conspecific, but apparent sympatry in Guerrero and
Oaxaca without intergradation seems to support their status as full species (Binford 1989).

**Amazilia viridifrons** (Elliot). Green-fronted Hummingbird.

*Cyanomyia viridifrons* Elliot, 1871, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (4)8: 267. (Putla [de Guerrero,
Oaxaca], Mexico; Binford, 1989, Ornithol. Monogr. 43, p. 339.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Tropical
Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1550 m; Tropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* (*viridifrons* group) on the Pacific slope of southern Mexico from
central Guerrero south to western Oaxaca, and in eastern Oaxaca and western Chiapas (east
to Tonalá and Ocozocoautla); [*wagneri* group] in southern Oaxaca.

**Notes.**—Groups: *A. viridifrons* [Green-fronted Hummingbird] and *A. wagneri* Phillips,
1965 [Cinnamon-sided Hummingbird]. The form *wagneri* may represent a distinct species

**Genus EUPHERUSA Gould**

**Eupherusa Gould, 1857, Monogr. Trochil., pt. 14, pl. [12] and text. Type, by monotypy,
Ornismya eximia DeLattre.**

**Eupherusa eximia** (DeLattre). Stripe-tailed Hummingbird.

*Ornismya eximia* DeLattre, 1843, Echo Monde Savant (2)7: col. 1069. (Guatemala =
Cobán, Alta Verapaz, Guatemala.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Montane Evergreen
Forest (800–2000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the highlands of Middle America from Puebla, Veracruz, north-
ern and southeastern Oaxaca, and Chiapas south through eastern Guatemala, Belize, and
Honduras to north-central Nicaragua, and in the interior highlands of Costa Rica and western
Panama (east to Veraguas).

Winters to lower elevations.

**Eupherusa cyanophrys** Rowley and Orr. Blue-capped Hummingbird.

*Eupherusa cyanophrys* Rowley and Orr, 1964, Condor 66: 82. (11 miles south of [San
Pedro] Juchatengo, 4700 feet, Oaxaca, México.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (1200–2600 m; Sub-
tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in southern Oaxaca (Sierra de Miahuatlán).

**Eupherusa poliocerca** Elliot. White-tailed Hummingbird.

*Eupherusa poliocerca* Elliot, 1871, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (4)8: 266. (Putla [de Guerrero,
Oaxaca], Mexico; Binford, 1989, Ornithol. Monogr. 43, p. 339.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (900–1400 m; Sub-
tropical Zone).
Distribution.—Resident in the Sierra Madre del Sur of Guerrero and western Oaxaca. Reports of this species from Puebla (Friedmann et al. 1950) are questionable.

Eupherusa nigriventris Lawrence. Black-bellied Hummingbird.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (900–2000 m; Subtropical Zone).
Distribution.—Resident in Costa Rica (primarily central highlands) and western Panama (east to Veraguas, mostly on the Caribbean slope).

Genus ELVIRA Mulsant, Verreaux and Verreaux


Elvira chionura (Gould). White-tailed Emerald.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (900–2000 m; Subtropical Zone).
Distribution.—Resident in the highlands of southwestern Costa Rica (north to the Dota Mountains) and western Panama (Chiriquí, Veraguas, and eastern Coclé).

Elvira cupreiceps (Lawrence). Coppery-headed Emerald.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (700–1500 m; Subtropical Zone).
Distribution.—Resident in the highlands of Costa Rica (primarily on the Caribbean slope of the Cordillera Central, and in the cordilleras de Tilarán and Guanacaste).

Genus MICROCHERA Gould

Microchera Gould, 1858, Monogr. Trochil., pt. 16, pl. [12] and text. Type, by original designation, Mellisuga albo-coronata Lawrence.

Microchera albo-coronata (Lawrence). Snowcap.

Mellisuga albo-coronata Lawrence, 1855, Ann. Lyc. Nat. Hist. N. Y. 6 ... 137, pl. 4. (Belen, Veraguas, New Grenada [= Panama].)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (300–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).
Distribution.—Resident on the Caribbean slope of eastern Honduras (Olancho, sight reports), Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and western Panama (Veraguas, western Colón, Coclé, and western Panamá province).

Genus CHALYBURA Reichenbach

Agyrtria & Chalybura Reichenbach, 1854, J. Ornithol. 1 (Beil. zu Extrah.): 10. Type, by subsequent designation (Elliot, 1879), Trochilus buffonii Lesson.

Chalybura buffonii (Lesson). White-vented Plumeleteer.

Trochilus Buffonii Lesson, 1832, Les Trochil., p. 31, pl. 5. (Brazil, error = Bogotá region, Colombia.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–900 m; Tropical Zone).
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**Distribution.**—Resident [buffonii group] in Panama (from western Panamá province on the Pacific slope to the Canal area in the Caribbean lowlands eastward), western and northern Colombia, and western and northern Venezuela (east to Miranda and Guárico); [caeruleogaster group] in southeastern Colombia (from western Arauca to Meta); and [intermedia group] in southwestern Ecuador and northwestern Peru.

**Notes.**—Groups: *C. buffonii* [White-vented Plumeleteer], *C. intermedia* E. and C. Hartert, 1894 [Ecuadorian Plumeleteer], and *C. caeruleogaster* (Gould, 1847) [Blue-bellied Plumeleteer].

**Chalybura urochrysia** (Gould). Bronze-tailed Plumeleteer.

_Hypuroptila urochrysia_ Gould, 1861, Monogr. Trochil., pt. 22, pl. [7] and text. (neighborhood of Panamá, error = western Colombia.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–900 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident [melanorrhoa group] on the Caribbean slope of extreme eastern Honduras (Gracias a Dios), Nicaragua, and Costa Rica; and [urochrysia group] from Panama (locally on both slopes) and western Colombia south to northwestern Ecuador.

**Notes.**—The two groups have been recognized as full species, *C. melanorrhoa* Salvin, 1865 [Black-vented Plumeleteer] and *C. urochrysia* [Bronze-tailed Plumeleteer], but free interbreeding occurs in northwestern Panama (Eisenmann and Howell 1962).

**Genus LAMPORNIS** Swainson


**Lampornis viridipallens** (Bourcier and Mulsant). Green-throated Mountain-gem.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (1200–3100 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands of extreme southeastern Oaxaca (Sierra Madre de Chiapas), Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador, and western Honduras (west of the Comayagua-Ulúa river valley).

**Notes.**—*Lampornis viridipallens* and *L. sybillae* constitute a superspecies (Monroe 1963a, Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Lampornis sybillae** (Salvin and Godman). Green-breasted Mountain-gem.

_Delattria sybillae_ Salvin and Godman, 1892, Ibis, p. 327. (Matagalpa, Nicaragua.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (100–2400 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands of eastern Honduras (east of the Comayagua-Ulúa river valley) and north-central Nicaragua.

**Notes.**—For treatment of *L. sybillae* as a separate species from *L. viridipallens*, see Monroe (1963a). See comments under *L. viridipallens*.

**Lampornis amethystinus** Swainson. Amethyst-throated Hummingbird.

_Lampornis amethystinus_ Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 442. (Temiscaltipec [= Temascaltepec] and Real del Monte, [México,] Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (900–3400 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Nayarit, Jalisco, southeastern San Luis Potosí, and southern Tamaulipas south through the highlands of southern Mexico, Guatemala, and El Salvador to central Honduras.
Notes.—Populations irregularly distributed from Michoacán to Oaxaca consisting of bluish-throated rather than pink-throated males may represent a species, *L. margaritae* (Salvin and Godman, 1889) [Margaret's Hummingbird], distinct from *L. amethystinus* (Binnie 1989).

*Lampornis clemenciae* (Lesson). Blue-throated Hummingbird.

*Ornismya Clemenciae* Lesson, 1829, Hist. Nat. Ois.-Mouches, p. xlv; 1830, p. 216, pl. 80. (le Mexique = Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Pine Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, in migration also visiting flowers in open situations and gardens; in United States, breeds primarily in moist, wooded canyons (1500–3400 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from northern Sonora, southeastern Arizona, Chihuahua, and western Texas south through Coahuila, Durango, and western Mexico to Oaxaca and (possibly) Chiapas. Recorded (mostly in summer) in southwestern and central Colorado.

Winters from southern Sonora (casually southeastern Arizona) and Chihuahua south through the breeding range in Mexico.

Migrates casually east to New Mexico and southern Texas (Rockport and Corpus Christi area southward).

Accidental in south-central California (a female mated to either *Calypte anna* or *Archilochus alexandri* raised young in 1977 and 1978 at Three Rivers, Tulare County; Baldridge et al. 1983) and Louisiana (Baton Rouge, Slidell).

*Lampornis hemileucus* (Salvin). White-bellied Mountain-gem.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (700–1400 m; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in Costa Rica (in the Tilarán, Central, and Talamancan cordilleras) and western Panama (recorded Chiriquí and Veraguas).


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (800–3200 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands of western Nicaragua (Volcán Mombacho and Volcán Maderas, Isla de Ometepe in Lago de Nicaragua) and western and central Costa Rica (from the Cordillera de Guanacaste south to the Dota region and the northern tip of the Cordillera de Talamancan); also in west-central Panama (Chiriquí west to the Fortuna area, Veraguas, and western Coclé).

Notes.—Relationships within the *L. calolaema-castaneoventris* complex are not well understood. It has been suggested by some authors (e.g., Ridgely and Gwynne 1989) that the purple-throated males (*calolaema*) and white-throated males (*castaneoventris*) are morphs of the same species; some introgression occurs in areas where both types are found, although they tend to maintain their distinctness (Stiles and Skutch 1989). Until the matter is resolved, it seems best to treat the forms as separate species with limited hybridization in the areas of sympatry. If the entire complex is regarded as a single species, as advocated by Wetmore (1968), the name Variable Mountain-gem may be used. See comments under *L. castaneoventris*.

*Lampornis castaneoventris* (Gould). White-throated Mountain-gem.


**Habitat.**—[cinereicauda group] Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (1800–
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3100 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones); [castaneoventris group] Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (1250–3150 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [cinereicauda group] in the highlands of southern Costa Rica (north to the Cordillera de Talamanca); and [castaneoventris group] western Panama (Volcán de Chiriquí region of western Chiriquí east to Boquete).

**Notes.**—The two groups are sometimes regarded as distinct species, *L. castaneoventris* [White-throated Mountain-gem] and *L. cinereicauda* (Lawrence, 1867) [Gray-tailed Mountain-gem], but see Ridgely (1981); Stiles and Skutch (1989) treated these two and *L. calolaema* as allospecies. See comments under *L. calolaema.*

**Genus LAMPROLAIMA** Reichenbach


*Lamprolama rhami* (Lesson). Garnet-throated Hummingbird.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (110–3100 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from Guerrero and western Veracruz south through Oaxaca, Chiapas, Guatemala, and El Salvador to Honduras.

**Genus HELIODOXA** Gould


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (500–2150 m; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident from Costa Rica (north to the Cordillera Central, primarily on Caribbean slope) south locally through Panama and northern Colombia to western Ecuador.

**Genus EUGENES** Gould


*Eugenes fulgens* (Swainson). Magnificent Hummingbird.

*Trochilus fulgens* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 441. (Temiscaltiepec, Mexico = Temascaltepec, México.)

**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Pine Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (1300–3300 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds [fulgens group] in north-central Colorado (once), and from southeastern Arizona, southwestern (and probably also north-central) New Mexico, and western Texas (Culberson, Jeff Davis, and Brewster counties) south through the highlands of Mexico, Guatemala, western El Salvador, and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua; recorded in summer (and probably breeding) elsewhere in southwestern and central Colorado.

**Winters** [fulgens group] from Sonora and Chihuahua south through the breeding range in Middle America, casually in southern Arizona and southern New Mexico.

**Resident** [spectabilis group] in the mountains from central Costa Rica to western Panama (western Chiriquí).
Casual [fulgens group] north to southern Utah, northern New Mexico, northeastern Kansas, and south-central Texas; sight reports from Wyoming and eastern Texas. Accidental in Minnesota, Georgia, and Florida.

**Notes.**—Also known as Rivoli’s Hummingbird. Groups: *E. fulgens* [Magnificent or Rivoli’s Hummingbird] and *E. spectabilis* (Lawrence, 1867) [Admirable Hummingbird].

**Genus HAPLOPHAEDIA** Simon


**Haplophaedia aureliae** (Bourcier and Mulsant). Greenish Puffleg.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (1400–2500 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in eastern Panama (in eastern Darién on cerros Pirre, Malí, and Tacarcuna); and in the Andes of South America from Colombia south to northern Bolivia.

**Genus Heliothyrix** Boie


**Heliothryx barroti** (Bourcier). Purple-crowned Fairy.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1300 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from Tabasco and northern Chiapas south through eastern Guatemala, Belize, and Honduras to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (except the arid northwest) and Panama, and from northern Colombia south, west of the Andes, to southwestern Ecuador.

**Notes.**—*Heliothryx barroti* and *H. aurita* (Gmelin, 1788), of South America, constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Genus Heliomaster** Bonaparte


**Heliomaster longirostris** (Audebert and Vieillot). Long-billed Starthroat.

*Trochilus longirostris* Audebert and Vieillot, 1801, Ois. Dorés 1: 107, pl. 59. (West Indies = Trinidad.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on both slopes of Middle America from Guerrero and Veracruz south (exclusive of the Yucatan Peninsula) through Middle America (rare on Pacific slope from Honduras to northwestern Costa Rica), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and central Brazil.

**Heliomaster constantii** (DeLattre). Plain-capped Starthroat.

*Ornismya Constantii* DeLattre, 1843, Echo Monde Savant (2)7: col. 1069, in text. (Guatemala.)
Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–1250 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident on the Pacific slope of Middle America from southern Sonora south to Costa Rica (primarily the Guanacaste region in the northwest, rarely in the El General-Térabab region in the southwest).

Casual in southeastern Arizona (north to Phoenix); a sight report for southwestern New Mexico.

Notes.—Also known as Constant’s Starthroat.

Genus CALLIPHLOX Boie


Calliphlox evelynae (Bourcier). Bahama Woodstar.


Habitat.—Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge.

Distribution.—Resident throughout the Bahama Islands.

Casual in southern Florida (Lantana, Homestead, Miami area).

Notes.—Often treated in the genus Philodice.

Calliphlox bryantae (Lawrence). Magenta-throated Woodstar.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (700–1900 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the highlands of Costa Rica (from the Cordillera de Guanacaste to the central plateau near San José, the Dota Mountains, and Cerro de Talamanca), and western Panama (Chiriquí and Veraguas).

Notes.—Also known as Costa Rican Woodstar. Frequently placed in the genus Philodice.

Calliphlox mitchellii (Bourcier). Purple-throated Woodstar.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Second-growth Scrub (1000–1900 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in western Colombia and western Ecuador. Presumably resident in eastern Panama (Cana region, Cerro Pirre, eastern Darién), where known from two female specimens: 13 April 1938 (Wetmore 1968; reported as Acestrura heliodor) and 11 August 1982 (Robbins et al. 1985).

Notes.—For a full discussion of these two specimens, see Robbins et al. (1985). This species is sometimes placed in the genus Philodice (e.g., Hilty and Brown 1986).

Genus DORICHA Reichenbach


Notes.—Merged with Calothorax by Howell and Webb (1995).

Doricha enica (Vieillot). Slender Sheartail.

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Second-growth Scrub (1000–2100 m; Subtropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in the highlands of Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador, and western Honduras (east to La Paz).

*Doricha eliza* (DeLattre and Lesson). Mexican Sheartail.


Habitat.—Arid Lowland Scrub (Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in two disjunct areas of southeastern Mexico (in central Veracruz, and the coastal scrub of the Yucatan Peninsula, including Holbox Island; a sight record for Isla Cancun).

Genus *Tilmatura* Reichenbach


*Ornismya dupontii* Lesson, 1832, Hist. Nat. Colibris, livr. 13, p. 100, pl. 1. (México.)

Habitat.—Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Second-growth Scrub (900–2500 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the highlands from Sinaloa, Jalisco, Colima, Michoacán, México, Morelos, and western Veracruz south through Guerrero, Oaxaca, Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua.

Notes.—Placed in the genus *Philodice* by Howell and Webb (1995).

Genus *Calothorax* Gray


*Cynanthus Lucifer* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 442. (Temiscaltipec, Mexico = Temascaltepec, México.)

Habitat.—Arid Montane Scrub; in United States, primarily on steep desert slopes with agave, sotol, and ocotillo adjacent to brushy washes with nectar-producing plants such as havard penstemon, and woolly paintbrush (1550–2750 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Breeds from southern Arizona (Cochise County), southwestern New Mexico (Peloncillo Mountains), western Texas (Brewster County), and Nuevo León south in the highlands of Mexico to Valley of México, possibly to Morelos and Puebla.

Winters from northern Mexico south to the limits of the breeding range, casually to western Veracruz, Oaxaca, and (questionably) Chiapas.

Casual elsewhere in southern Arizona and southern New Mexico, and in southern Texas (east to Hays, Bee, and Aransas counties).

Notes.—*Calothorax lucifer* and *C. pulcher* appear to constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).


Habitat.—Arid Montane Scrub (1000–2250 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).
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Distribution.—Resident from eastern Guerrero and southern Puebla south to central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec); reports from Chiapas are questionable.

Notes.—See comments under C. lucifer.

Genus ARCHILOCHUS Reichenbach


Type, by monotypy, *Trochilus alexandri* Bourcier [= Bourcier and Mulsant].

Notes.—See comments under *Calypte* and *Stellula*.

**Archilochus colubris** (Linnaeus). Ruby-throated Hummingbird.


Habitat.—Deciduous or mixed woodland, second growth, parks, and open situations with scattered trees, foraging also in meadows and gardens; in migration and winter, a wide variety of woodland and open habitats.

Distribution.—Breeds from central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south, east of the Rocky Mountains, to southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida, and west to the eastern Dakotas, central Nebraska, central Kansas, central Oklahoma, and central Texas.

Winters from on Pacific slope of Mexico from southern Sinaloa south, and in interior and Caribbean slope from southern Veracruz, the Yucatan Peninsula, and Oaxaca, south through Middle America (including Cozumel and Holbox islands) to central Costa Rica (south of Nicaragua most commonly on the Pacific slope), casually to western Panama (Chiriquí and western Panamá province); also small numbers from southeastern Texas and southern Louisiana along Gulf Coast to northwestern Florida, and also in southern Florida; casual in western Cuba.

Migrates through southern Texas and northeastern and north-central Mexico; regular in Cuba, especially in spring.

Casual north to southwestern British Columbia, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, Labrador, and Newfoundland, and in California (east-central and the Farallon Islands), eastern New Mexico, the northern Bahamas (Grand Bahama, New Providence), and Bermuda; sight reports from southeastern Colorado and southern Baja California. Reports from Grand Cayman, Jamaica, Hispaniola, and Puerto Rico are questionable. Accidental in Alaska (St. Michael).

Notes.—Although the breeding ranges of *A. colubris* and *A. alexandri* overlap slightly in central Texas, it seems best to regard these species as constituting a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

**Archilochus alexandri** (Bourcier and Mulsant). Black-chinned Hummingbird.


Habitat.—Open woodland, scrub, desert washes, riparian woodland, chaparral, parks, and gardens, most frequently in arid regions.

Distribution.—Breeds from south-central British Columbia, Washington, central Idaho, and northwestern Montana south to northern Baja California, northern Sonora, northern Chihuahua, northern Coahuila (probably), and southern Texas, and east to southwestern Wyoming, southeastern Colorado, southwestern Oklahoma, and central Texas (to Dallas, Navarro, and Hidalgo counties).

Winters from primarily along Pacific slope from southern Sonora (casually southern California) south to Michoacán and Morelos, and also small numbers in southeastern Texas east along the Gulf coast to northwestern Florida; casually also in Georgia and South Carolina.

Migrates through much of northern Mexico south of the breeding range from eastern Baja California and Sonora to western Tamaulipas, south to limit of winter range.
Casual in south-coastal British Columbia, southern Alberta, Wyoming, Kansas, Arkansas, North Carolina, and southern Florida, also in southern Baja California and Veracruz. Accidental in southern Ontario, Massachusetts, and Tennessee; sight reports for southern Saskatchewan and Nova Scotia.

Notes.—See comments under A. colubris.

Genus **MELLISUGA** Brisson


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–2400 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Jamaica and Hispaniola (including Gonâve, Tortue, Saona, and Catalina islands, and île-à-Vache).

A sight report in Puerto Rico.

*Mellisuga helenae* (Lembeye). Bee Hummingbird.

*Orthorhynchus helenae* (Gundlach MS) Lembeye, 1850, Aves Isla Cuba, p. 70, pl. 10, fig. 2. (Cárdenas, Cuba.)

**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Pine Forest Edge, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Cuba and the Isle of Pines.

Genus **CALYPTE** Gould

*Calypte* Gould, 1856, Monogr. Trochil., pt. 11, pl. [5-7] and text. Type, by subsequent designation (Baird, Brewer, and Ridgway, 1875), *Ornismya costae* Bourcier.

Notes.—Merged with *Archilochus* by Howell and Webb (1995).

*Calypte anna* (Lesson). Anna’s Hummingbird.

*Ornismya Anna* Lesson, 1829, Hist. Nat. Ois.-Mouches, p. “xxxj” [= xxxi]; 1830, p. 205, pl. 74. (La Californie = San Francisco, California.)

**Habitat.**—Open woodland, chaparral, scrubby areas, and partly open situations, foraging also in gardens and meadows; ascends to montane regions in summer postbreeding season.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in southwestern British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), western Washington, western Oregon, California (west of the Sierra Nevada from Humboldt, Shasta, and Tehama counties southward), northwestern Baja California, and southern Arizona (north to Phoenix and Superior). Recorded in summer (and probably breeding) in southern New Mexico and western Texas (Davis Mountains).

Winters from central British Columbia south to central Baja California, and east to Utah (casually), southern Arizona, central New Mexico, northern Sonora, and northern Chihuahua, casually north to south-coastal Alaska, central British Columbia, and western Montana, and east to central New Mexico, northern Coahuila, and east-central and southeastern Texas, southern Louisiana, southern Mississippi, and southern Alabama.

Casual or accidental in southern Alberta, Saskatchewan, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Arkansas, Tennessee, Florida (Tallahassee), and Georgia.

*Calypte costae* (Bourcier). Costa’s Hummingbird.

**Habitat.**—Desert and semi-desert, especially in washes, and arid brushy foothills and chaparral; in migration and winter, also adjacent mountains and in open meadows and gardens.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from central California (north to Monterey, Stanislaus, and Inyo counties), southern Nevada, and southwestern Utah south to southern Baja California (including the Channel Islands off California, and islands off the coast of Baja California), Sonora (including Tiburón and San Esteban islands), southern Arizona, and (probably) southwestern New Mexico; there is an isolated breeding attempt (eggs laid, nest destroyed) for southern Oregon.

Winters from southern California and southern Arizona south to Sinaloa and Nayarit, casually north to southwestern British Columbia, Oregon, and central Nevada, and east to central and southern Texas (Hays and Kleberg counties).

Accidental in south-coastal Alaska (Anchorage); a sight report for southern Alberta.

Genus *STELLULA* Gould


**Notes.**—Merged with *Archilochus* by Howell and Webb (1995).

*Stellula calliope* (Gould). Calliope Hummingbird.


**Habitat.**—Open shrubby montane forest, mountain meadows, second-growth, and willow and alder thickets; in migration and winter, also chaparral, lowland brushy areas, deserts, and semi-desert regions.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in the mountains from central interior British Columbia (also Vancouver Island) and west-central Alberta south through Washington, Oregon, Nevada, and California to northern Baja California (Sierra San Pedro Mártir), and east to western Montana, western Wyoming, and Utah.

Winters from southern Sinaloa south to Michoacán, Guerrero, and Oaxaca, and east to Aguascalientes, Guanajuato, and Distrito Federal; casual, but increasingly regular, along Gulf Coast in southeastern Texas, southern Louisiana, southern Mississippi, southern Alabama, and northwestern Florida; one December record from western Texas (El Paso).

Migrates regularly through the southwestern United States, northern Baja California, and northwestern Mexico, and casually east to southwestern Saskatchewan, South Dakota, western Nebraska, Kansas, and western Texas.


Genus *ATTHIS* Reichenbach


**Notes.**—Merged with *Selasphorus* by Howell and Webb (1995).

*Atthis heloisa* (DeLattre and Lesson). Bumblebee Hummingbird.


**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (1025–3800 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands from southwestern Chihuahua, southeastern Sinaloa, Nayarit, Jalisco, Guanajuato, San Luis Potosí, Nuevo León, and southern Tamaulipas south to Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec) and western Veracruz.

Accidental in Arizona (Huachuca Mountains).
Notes.—Also known as Heloise’s Hummingbird. *Atthis heloisa* and *A. ellioti* constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Atthis ellioti** Ridgway. Wine-throated Hummingbird.

*Atthis ellioti* Ridgway, 1878, Proc. U. S. Natl. Mus. 1: 8, 9, and fig. (Volcán de Fuego, Guatemala.)

**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Second-growth Scrub (900–2650 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands of Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras.

Notes.—See comments under *A. heloisa*.

Genus **SELASPHORUS** Swainson

*Selasphorus* Swainson, 1832, in Swainson and Richardson, Fauna Bor.-Amer. 2 (1831): 324, 496. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), *Trochilus rufus* Gmelin.

*Platurornis* Oberholser, 1974, Bird Life Texas, p. 986. Type, by original designation, *Selasphorus platycercus* = *Trochilus platycercus* Swainson.

Notes.—See comments under *Atthis*.

**Selasphorus platycercus** (Swainson). Broad-tailed Hummingbird.

*Trochilus platycercus* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 441. (No locality given = Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Open woodland, especially pine, pine-oak, and pinyon-juniper, brushy hillsides, montane scrub, and thickets; in migration and winter also open situations in lowlands where flowering shrubs are present (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in the mountains from north-central Idaho (Latah County), southwestern Montana, and northern Wyoming south to southeastern California, northeastern Sonora, Guanajuato, México, Distrito Federal, Hidalgo, Nuevo León, and western Texas (east to Bandera County); and in eastern Chiapas and Guatemala (rare in eastern mountains).

Winters from the highlands of northern Mexico south to western Veracruz and Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec), in the breeding range in Chiapas and Guatemala, and rarely but regularly to coastal Texas and southern Louisana, casually to southern Mississippi, southern Alabama, Georgia, and also southern Arizona.

Migrates casually east to Nebraska, central Kansas, and eastern and southeastern Texas, and west to Oregon and coastal California.

Casual, primarily in summer, north to Oregon and Montana, and in fall in Kansas and Arkansas; sight reports for British Columbia and western Florida.

**Selasphorus rufus** (Gmelin). Rufous Hummingbird.


**Habitat.**—Coniferous forest edge, second growth, thickets, and brushy hillsides, foraging in adjacent scrubby areas and meadows; in winter, primarily pine-oak woodland; in migration, primarily lowlands in spring but montane meadows in fall.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southern Alaska (west to Prince William Sound), southern Yukon, western and southern British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte Islands), west-central Alberta, and western Montana south, primarily in the mountains, to northwestern California (Humboldt County), eastern Oregon, central Idaho, and western Wyoming.
Winters primarily from Sinaloa and Chihuahua south to Oaxaca, México, Distrito Federal, and western Veracruz. Also over much of the Gulf Coast region from central and eastern Texas to northwestern Florida, casually northward (usually unsuccessfully) through much of the eastern United States. Also casually to rarely in British Columbia and coastal southern California.

Migrates regularly through the southwestern United States, Baja California, and northern and central Mexico, casually east to eastern Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma. Casual east across interior eastern North America (recorded from Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, southern Ontario, and northern New York south to Missouri, Kentucky, and Tennessee), and along the Atlantic coast (north to Nova Scotia), some attempting to winter. Accidental on Big Diomede Island and Grand Bahama. Some of these eastern records may pertain to S. sasin.

Notes.—Selasphorus rufus and S. sasin constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

Selasphorus sasin (Lesson). Allen’s Hummingbird.


Habitat.—Chaparral, open oak woodland, riparian woodland, residential areas; in winter, montane woodland.

Distribution.—Breeds from southwestern Oregon south through coastal California to Ventura County.

Winters mostly in central Mexico south to Distrito Federal, perhaps north to Aguascalientes and Guanajuato, also casually along Gulf Coast in southeastern Texas, southern Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and Georgia.

Migrates through southern California and northern Baja California (including Los Coronados and Cedros islands), most of northwestern and north-central Mexico, and east, at least casually, to southern Arizona and southern New Mexico.

Resident in the Channel Islands (off southern California), and in coastal southern California (Los Angeles County, probably also Orange County).

Accidental in Washington (Seattle), eastern Kansas, Massachusetts (Nantucket), and southwestern Texas; reports from Florida do not eliminate S. rufus.

Notes.—See comments under S. rufus.

Selasphorus flammula Salvin. Volcano Hummingbird.


Habitat.—Paramo Grassland, Second-growth Scrub, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (1850–2400 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the highlands of Costa Rica (Cordillera Central south along the Cordillera de Talamanca) and western Panama (Volcán Barú in western Chiriquí).

Notes.—There has been much confusion regarding the status and distribution of the forms of this species. As presently understood (Stiles 1983a), the mauve-gorgeted race flammula breeds on the Irazú–Turrialba massifs in central Costa Rica; S. torridus Salvin, 1870 [Heliotrope-throated Hummingbird], based on dull-gorgeted males, breeds the length of the Cordillera de Talamanca and is now considered a subspecies of flammula (formerly it was considered but a color morph). The red-gorgeted form S. simoni Carriker, 1910 [Cerise-throated Hummingbird], breeds on Volcán Poás and Volcán Barba of the northern Cordillera Central and (formerly?) the Cerros de Escazú south of San José; simoni is divergent in morphology (but not in displays) and was previously considered a species related to S. ardens, but it appears to be but a distinct subspecies of flammula (Stiles 1983a). If any of the preceding are regarded as specifically distinct, then Rose-throated Hummingbird would be the appropriate English name for S. flammula. See comments under S. ardens.
Selasphorus ardens Salvin. Glow-throated Hummingbird.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (750–1800 m; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of western Panama in eastern Chiriquí (Cerro Flores) and Veraguas (Santa Fé, Castillo, and Calovévora).

**Notes.**—This species has been considered closely related to *S. flammula* on the basis of gorget color and measurements, but in wing and tail morphology (and presumably displays) it is more similar to *S. scintilla*, with which it may constitute a superspecies (Stiles 1983a). See comments under *S. flammula*.

Selasphorus scintilla (Gould). Scintillant Hummingbird.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (900–2100 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of central Costa Rica (Cordillera Central south along the Pacific slope of the Cordillera de Talamanca, and north, at least casually, to the Cordillera de Tilarán) and western Panama (western Chiriquí).

**Notes.**—See comments under *S. ardens*.

Order TROGONIFORMES: Trogons

Family TROGONIDAE: Trogons

Subfamily TROGONINAE: Trogons

Genus PRIOTELUS Gray


**Priotelus temnurus** (Temminck). Cuban Trogon.

*Trogon temnurus* Temminck, 1825, Planches Color., livr. 55, pl. 326. (Havana, Cuba.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Pine Forest, Secondary Forest (0–2000 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Cuba and the Isle of Pines.

**Priotelus roseigaster** (Vieillot). Hispaniolan Trogon.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine Forest (0–3000 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Hispaniola.

**Notes.**—Often placed in the monotypic genus *Ternnotrogon*.

Genus TROGON Brisson

*Trogon* Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 42; 4: 164. Type, by subsequent designation (Stone, 1907), *Trogon viridis* Linnaeus.
Curucujus Bonaparte, 1854, Ateneo Ital. 2: no. 8. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1855), "Trogon curucui" = Trogon melanurus Swainson.

Trogonurus Bonaparte, Ateneo Ital. 2: no. 8. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1855), Trogon collaris Vieillot.

Microtrogon (not Bertoni, 1901) Goeldi, 1908, Bol. Mus. Goeldi, 5: 92. Type, by monotypy, Trogon ramoniana Deville and Des Murs.


Trogon melanoleucus Gould, 1836, Monogr. Trogonidae, ed. 1, pt. 2, pl. [6] and text. (State of Tamaulipas, Mexico.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones, mostly below 600 m).

Distribution.—Resident from southern Tamaulipas (formerly?) and southern Veracruz (and possibly eastern San Luis Potosi) south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to northeastern Costa Rica, and on the Pacific slope from El Salvador south to northwestern Costa Rica.

Notes.—Formerly considered conspecific (e.g., Peters 1945), T. melanoleucus and T. citreolus constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Pacific slope from southern Sinaloa to western Chiapas.

Notes.—See comments under T. melanoleucus.

Trogon viridis Linnaeus. White-tailed Trogon.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1300 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in Panama (west on the Caribbean slope nearly to the Costa Rican border, and on the Pacific to eastern Panamá province), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to northern Bolivia and south-central Brazil.

Notes.—Formerly considered conspecific (e.g., Peters 1945), T. viridis and T. bairdii constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Trogon bairdii Lawrence. Baird’s Trogon.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1250 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Pacific slope of southwestern Costa Rica (north to the region around Río Grande de Tárcoles) and western Panama (western Chiriqui).

Notes.—See comments under T. viridis.

Trogon violaceus Gmelin. Violaceous Trogon.

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [caligatus group] from southeastern San Luis Potosí, Puebla, Veracruz, and Oaxaca south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to Panama, western and northern Colombia, northwestern Venezuela, and western Ecuador; and [violaceus group] from eastern Colombia, southern Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northern Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

**Notes.**—Groups: *T. caligatus* Gould, 1838 [Gartered Trogon] and *T. violaceus* [Violaceous Trogon].

**Trogon mexicanus** Swainson. Mountain Trogon.

*Trogon Mexicanus* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 440. (Temiscaltipec, Mexico = Temascaltepec, México.)

**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Pine Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (1200–3500 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from eastern Sinaloa, southern Chihuahua, Durango, Zacatecas, San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south through the mountains of Mexico and Guatemala to El Salvador and central Honduras.

**Notes.**—Also known as Mexican Trogon.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Pine-Oak Forest; in United States, primarily sycamore riparian woodland adjacent to pine-oak woodland (0–2500 m; Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [ambiguus group] from Sonora, southeastern Arizona, southwestern New Mexico (rarely), Chihuahua, Durango, Zacatecas, Nuevo León, and Tamaulipas south through Mexico (including María Madre and María Magdalena in the Tres Marias Islands) to Guerrero, Veracruz, and Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec); and [elegans group] in southern and eastern Guatemala (Motagua Valley and Pacific lowlands), El Salvador, Honduras (interior valleys and Pacific lowlands), Nicaragua (Pacific slope), and northwestern Costa Rica (Guanacaste). Northernmost populations [ambiguus group] are mostly migratory, the species being casual in the southwestern United States in winter.

Casual [ambiguus group] in south-central Arizona (west to Phoenix area) and southern Texas (Big Bend and lower Rio Grande Valley).

**Notes.**—Groups: *T. ambiguus* Gould, 1835 [Coppery-tailed Trogon] and *T. elegans* [Elegant Trogon].

**Trogon collaris** Vieillot. Collared Trogon.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–2500 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [puella group] from Guerrero, Hidalgo, southeastern San Luis Potosí, Veracruz, and northern Oaxaca south along both slopes of Middle America including the Yucatan Peninsula (not recorded Pacific slope of Nicaragua) to Panama (western Chiriquí, western Bocas del Toro, and Darién); and [collaris group] in extreme eastern Panama (Cerro Pire in eastern Darién), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to southwestern Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and Amazonian and southeastern Brazil.

**Notes.**—Groups: *T. puella* Gould, 1845 [Bar-tailed Trogon] and *T. collaris* [Collared Trogon]. See comments under *T. aurantiiventris.*
FAMILY TROGONIDAE


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (600–2100 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica and western and central Panama (east to western Panamá province).

**Notes.**—Probably a localized color morph of *T. collaris* (Stiles and Skutch 1989; see also Wetmore 1968).

Trogon rufus Gmelin. Black-throated Trogon.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Caribbean slope of Honduras (east of the Sula Valley) and Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (except the dry northwest) and Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Peru, Amazonian and southeastern Brazil, extreme northeastern Argentina, and eastern Paraguay.

**Notes.**—Also known as Graceful Trogon.

Trogon melanurus Swainson. Black-tailed Trogon.

*Trogon melanurus* Swainson, 1838 (January), Animals in Menageries, *in Lardner, Cabinet Cyclopedia* 98: 329. (Demerara [Guyana].)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident [macroura group] in central and eastern Panama (the Canal area eastward), northern Colombia, and northwestern Venezuela; and [melanurus group] from eastern Colombia, southern Venezuela, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil, and west of the Andes in western Ecuador and northwestern Peru.

**Notes.**—Groups: *T. macroura* Gould, 1838 (March) [Large-tailed Trogon] and *T. melanurus* [Black-tailed Trogon].

Trogon massena Gould. Slaty-tailed Trogon.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [massena group] on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of southern Veracruz, Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, southern Campeche, southern Quintana Roo, Belize, Guatemala, and Honduras, and on both slopes of Nicaragua, Costa Rica (absent from the dry northwest), and Panama; and [australis group] on the Pacific slope of Colombia and northwestern Ecuador.

**Notes.**—Also known as Massena Trogon. Groups: *T. massena* [Massena Trogon] and *T. australis* (Chapman, 1915) [Chapman’s Trogon].

Trogon clathratus Salvin. Lattice-tailed Trogon.

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (100–1100 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Caribbean slope of Costa Rica (recorded from Río San Juan on the Nicaragua-Costa Rica border) and Panama (Bocas del Toro, Veraguas, and Cocle, locally also on the Pacific slope in Chiriquí and Veraguas).

Genus EUPHTILITIS Gould

_Euptilotis_ (not _Euptilotus_ Reichenbach, 1850) Gould, 1858, Monogr. Trogonidae, ed. 2, pt. 1, pl. 4 and text. Type, by original designation, _Trogon neoxenus_ Gould.


_Euptilotis neoxenus_ (Gould). Eared Trogon.

_Trogon neoxenus_ Gould, 1838, Monogr. Trogonidae, ed. 1, pt. 3, pl. [10] and text. (Mexico.)

Habitat.—Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (1800–3100 m; Temperate Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of southern Arizona (Ramsey Canyon, rarely), northwestern Chihuahua, Sinaloa, Durango, Zacatecas, Nayarit, Jalisco, and Michoacán. Recorded casually elsewhere in southern Arizona (Huachuca and Chiricahua mountains) and Sonora; a sight report for southwestern New Mexico (Animas Mountains).

Notes.—Also known as Eared Quetzal.

Genus PHAROMACHRUS de la Llave

_Pharamachrus_ de la Llave, 1832, Registro Trimestre 1: 48. Type, by monotypy, _Pharomachrus mocinno_ de la Llave.

_Pharamachrus auriceps_ (Gould). Golden-headed Quetzal.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (1200–1500 m; upper Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in eastern Panama (Cerro Pire in eastern Darién); and in South America in the Andes from Colombia and northwestern Venezuela south to northern Bolivia.

Notes.—Sibley and Monroe (1990) considered _P. auriceps_ and Amazonian _P. pavoninus_ (Spix, 1824) to constitute a superspecies; they were considered conspecific by Peters (1945).

_Pharamachrus mocinno_ de la Llave. Resplendent Quetzal.

_Pharamachrus Mocinno_ de la Llave, 1832, Registro Trimestre 1: 48. (Guatemala and Chiapas.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (1300–3000 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of southeastern Oaxaca (Sierra Madre de Chiapas), Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, north-central Nicaragua, Costa Rica (except the Cordillera de Guanacaste), and western Panama (east to Veraguas, at least formerly).

Notes.—Sibley and Monroe (1990) considered _P. mocinno_ and the Andean _P. antisianus_ (d’Orbigny, 1837) to constitute a superspecies; they were considered conspecific by Peters (1945). For use of “mocinno” instead of the emended “mocino,” see Eisenmann (1959a).
Order **UPUPIFORMES**: Hoopoes and Allies

Family **UPUPIdae**: Hoopoes

Genus *Upupa* Linnaeus


*Upupa epops* Linnaeus. Eurasian Hoopoe.

*Upupa Epops* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 117. (in Europa sylvis = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—A variety of open and partly open situations.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from northern Eurasia south to southern Africa, Madagascar, India, and Southeast Asia, and winters from southern Europe, India, and southern China south through the remainder of the breeding range. Accidental in western Alaska (Old Chevak, Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta, 2–3 September 1975; Dau and Paniyak 1977).

Order **CORACIIFORMES**: Rollers, Motmots, Kingfishers, and Allies

Suborder **Alcedines**: Todies, Motmots, and Kingfishers

Superfamily **Todoidea**: Todies and Motmots

Family **Todidae**: Todies

Genus *Todus* Brisson


*Todus multicolor* Gould, 1837, Icones Avium, pt. 1, pl. [12] and text. (No locality given = western Cuba.)

**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine Forest (0–2400 m)

**Distribution.**—Resident on Cuba and the Isle of Pines.

*Todus subulatus* Gray. Broad-billed Tody.

*Todus subulatus* "Gould" G. R. Gray, 1847, Genera Birds 1: pl. 22. (No locality given.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Second-growth Scrub (0–1700 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Hispaniola (including Gonâve Island).

**Notes.**—Also known as Hispaniolan Tody.

*Todus angustirostris* Lafresnaye. Narrow-billed Tody.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (900–2400 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of Hispaniola (locally also at low elevations in the Dominican Republic).
**Todus todus** (Linnaeus). Jamaican Tody.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–1800 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Jamaica.

**Todus mexicanus** Lesson. Puerto Rican Tody.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–1000 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Puerto Rico.

**Genus Hylomanes** Lichtenstein

**Hylomanes momotula** Lichtenstein. Tody Motmot.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Veracruz and northern Oaxaca south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to Nicaragua (recorded only at Peña Blanca, depto. Jinotega), locally on the Pacific slope of Chiapas, Guatemala, and El Salvador (El Imposible), and in Costa Rica (most frequently on the Pacific slope of Cordillera de Guanacaste), Panama (local, recorded Veraguas, Colón, eastern Panamá province, eastern San Blas, and Darién), and western Colombia.

**Genus Aspatha** Sharpe


**Aspatha gularis** (Lafresnaye). Blue-throated Motmot.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (1500–3100 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of southeastern Oaxaca (Sierra Madre de Chiapas), Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras.

**Genus Momotus** Brisson


**Momotus mexicanus** Swainson. Russet-crowned Motmot.

*Momotus Mexicanus* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 442. (Temiscaltipec, Mexico = Temascaltepec, México.)
Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1900 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in western and interior Mexico from southern Sonora, southwestern Chihuahua, Durango, and Zacatecas south to Morelos, western Puebla, Oaxaca, and Chiapas; and in the interior of Guatemala (upper Motagua Valley).

*Momotus momota* (Linnaeus). Blue-crowned Motmot.

*Ramphastos Momota* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 152. (in America meridionali = Cayenne.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, River-edge Forest (0–1600 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [coeruliceps group] in Nuevo León, Tamaulipas, San Luis Potosí and northern Veracruz; [lessonii group] from southern Veracruz and northern and southeastern Oaxaca south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to western Panama; [subrufescens group] in eastern Panama, northern Colombia, and northern Venezuela; [momota group] in South America from eastern Colombia, southern Venezuela (also Tobago and Trinidad), and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to northern Argentina, Paraguay, and south-central Brazil; and [aequatorialis group] on the east slope of the Andes from Colombia south to northern Bolivia.

Notes.—Throughout the extensive range of this species, various morphologically, and possibly vocally (Ridgely and Gwynne 1989), distinct groups exist, which may represent distinct species: *M. coeruliceps* (Gould, 1836) [Blue-crowned Motmot], *M. lessonii* Lesson, 1842 [Lessoh’s Motmot], *M. subrufescens* Sclater, 1853 [Tawny-bellied Motmot], *M. momota* [Blue-diademed Motmot], and *M. aequatorialis* Gould, 1858 [Highland Motmot]. Each of these groups was treated as a separate species by Ridgway (1914) and Cory (1918), and Fjeldså and Krabbe (1990) treated *aequatorialis* as a species.

Genus *BARYPTHENGUS* Cabanis and Heine

*Baryphthengus* Cabanis and Heine, 1859, Mus. Heineanum 2: 114. Type, by subsequent designation (Sharpe, 1892), *Baryphonus ruficapillus* Vieillot.

*Baryphthengus martii* (Vieillot). Rufous Motmot.

*Prionites martii* Spix, 1824, Av. Bras. 1: 64. (near Pará, Brazil.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Caribbean slope of northeastern Honduras (Gracias a Dios), Nicaragua, and Costa Rica, on both slopes of Panama, and in South America from Colombia south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes south to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

Notes.—Wetmore (1968) and Ridgely and Gwynne (1989) treated *B. martii* as a separate species from *B. ruficapillus* (Vieillot, 1818) [Rufous-capped Motmot] of southeastern South America, partly because they thought that *ruficapillus* never acquires racquet tail tips, in contrast to *martii*; evidently, they did not realize that Amazonian *martii* also lacks racquet tail tips. Nevertheless, Sick’s (1984, 1993) descriptions of the vocal differences between *ruficapillus* and *martii* strongly suggest that they should be treated as separate species, the treatment followed here (contra A.O.U. 1983).

Genus *ELECTRON* Gistel


**Electron carinatum** (Du Bus de Gisignies). Keel-billed Motmot.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally on the Caribbean slope from southeastern Mexico (Veracruz, Tabasco, and Oaxaca) south through Central America to northeastern Costa Rica.

**Electron platyrhynchum** (Leadbeater). Broad-billed Motmot.

*Momotus platyrhynchus* Leadbeater, 1829, Trans. Linn. Soc. London 16: 92. (Brazil, error = western Ecuador.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [*platyrhynchum* group] in eastern Honduras (Lancetilla, Olancho), Nicaragua (Caribbean slope), Costa Rica (mostly Caribbean slope, locally on Pacific drainage), Panama (both slopes), western Colombia, and western Ecuador; and [*pyrrholaemum* group] in South America from southeastern Colombia south, east of the Andes, to east-central Bolivia, and central Brazil.

**Notes.**—Groups: *E. platyrhynchum* [Broad-billed Motmot] and *E. pyrrholaemum* (Berlepsch and Stolzmann, 1902) [Plain-tailed Motmot].

**Genus EUMOMOTA** Sclater


**Eumomota superciliosa** (Sandbach). Turquoise-browed Motmot.

*Pyronites superciliosus* Sandbach, 1837, Athenaeum, no. 517, p. 698. (México = Campeche.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Gulf-Caribbean lowlands of southeastern Mexico (from eastern Tabasco through the Yucatan Peninsula, formerly from southern Veracruz); in the Pacific lowlands of Middle America from Oaxaca (vagrant only) and Chiapas south to central Costa Rica (south to Quepos); and in the interior valleys of Guatemala (Motagua and Río Negro drainages) and Honduras (locally spreading to Caribbean lowlands).

Superfamily ALCEDINOIDEA: Kingfishers

Family **ALCEDINIDAE**: Kingfishers

Subfamily CERYLINAE: Typical Kingfishers

**Genus CERYLE** Boie

*Ceryle* Boie, 1828, Isis von Oken, col. 316. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), *C. rudis* (Gm.) = *Alcedo rudis* Linnaeus.

Subgenus **MEGACERYLE** Kaup


**Family Alcedinidae**

*Ceryle torquata* (Linnaeus). Ringed Kingfisher.

_Alcédo torquata_ Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 180. Based mainly on “Le Martin-pescheur hupé du Mexique” Brisson, Ornithologie 4: 518, pl. 41, fig. 1. (in Martinica, Mexico = Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Rivers, Freshwater Lakes and Ponds, Coastal Waters, Mangrove Forest (0–2000 m; Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Sinaloa, Nuevo León, southern Texas (lower Rio Grande Valley west to Val Verde County), and Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America (including islands off the Pacific coast from the Tres Marias south to the Pearl islands), and throughout most of South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including Margarita Island), Trinidad, and the Guianas south to Tierra del Fuego; and in the Lesser Antilles (Guadeloupe, Dominica, and Martinique, doubtfully recorded from Grenada and St. Kitts).

Casual in western Texas (Big Bend), and north to central and southeastern Texas (Travis, Kerr, and Fort Bend counties); a sight report from Puerto Rico.

*Ceryle alcyon* (Linnaeus). Belted Kingfisher.


**Habitat.**—Mainly wooded rivers, streams, and lakes; in nonbreeding season more widespread, i.e., shorelines of bodies of water wherever trees, rocks, or manmade objects provide suitable hunting perches, including along coasts, watercourses in open country, or marshes.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from western and central Alaska, central Yukon, British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte and Vancouver islands), western and south-central Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, central (and probably northern) Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, east-central Labrador, and Newfoundland south to southern California, southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and central Florida.

Winters from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska, southern British Columbia, western and central Montana, Wyoming, Nebraska, southern Minnesota, the southern Great Lakes region, New York, and New England (casually north to the Maritime Provinces) south throughout the continental United States, Middle America (including offshore islands from western Mexico to Cocos and the Pearl islands), the West Indies, and Bermuda to northern South America (recorded Colombia, Venezuela, Guyana, and most islands off Venezuela) and the Galapagos Islands.

Casual in the Hawaiian Islands, the eastern Aleutians, northern Alaska (Point Barrow), Clipperton Island, Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, continental Europe, and the Azores.

**Genus Chloroceryle** Kaup


Type, by subsequent designation (Sharpe, 1871), _Alcedo superciliosa_ Linnaeus = _Alcedo aenea_ Pallas.

Chloroceryle amazona (Latham). Amazon Kingfisher.


**Habitat.**—Rivers, Freshwater Lakes and Ponds (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Sinaloa, southeastern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America (except Campeche and Yucatán), and in South America west of the Andes in western Colombia, and east of the Andes from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south to northern Argentina and Uruguay.

Ranges north in winter to southern Sinaloa.
Chloroceryle americana (Gmelin). Green Kingfisher.


Habitat.—Streams, Freshwater Lakes and Ponds, Rivers (0–2100 m; Tropical and Sub-tropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southern Arizona, Sonora, Chihuahua, northern Coahuila, and central Texas south, primarily in the lowlands, along both slopes of Middle America (including Isla Coiba, Isla Cébaco, and other small islands off Panama), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (also Tobago and Trinidad), and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northern Chile and east of the Andes to central Argentina.

Casual north to north-central and eastern Texas.


Habitat.—Streams, Freshwater Lakes and Ponds (Tropical Zone; mostly below 200 m).

Distribution.—Resident locally on the Caribbean slope of southeastern Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and Panama, locally on the Pacific slope of Panama (from Panamá province east, including the Pearl Islands), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and central and southeastern Brazil.

Chloroceryle aenea (Pallas). American Pygmy Kingfisher.

Alcedo (aenea) Pallas, 1764, in Vroeg, Cat. Raisonné Ois., Adumbr., p. 1, no. 54. (Surinam.)

Habitat.—Streams, Freshwater Lakes and Ponds (Tropical Zone; 0–750 m).

Distribution.—Resident from southeastern San Luis Potosí, Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, northern and southeastern Chiapas, and the Yucatan Peninsula south in the lowlands of both slopes of Middle America (including Cozumel Island off Quintana Roo, the Bay Islands off Honduras, and Isla Coiba off Panama), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and central and southeastern Brazil.

Order PICIFORMES: Puffbirds, Jacamars, Toucans, Woodpeckers, and Allies


Suborder GALBULI: Puffbirds and Jacamars

Family BUCCONIDAE: Puffbirds

Genus NYSTALUS Cabanis and Heine

Nystalus Cabanis and Heine, 1863, Mus. Heineanum 4(1): 139. Type, by subsequent designation (Sclater, 1882), Alcedo maculata Gmelin.

Nystalus radiatus (Sclater). Barred Puffbird.

FAMILY BUCCONIDAE

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–900 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from Panama (west to Coelé and western Panamá province, possibly to Veraguas) and northern Colombia south through western Colombia to western Ecuador.


Genus NOTHARCHUS Cabanis and Heine

Notharchus Cabanis and Heine, 1863, Mus. Heineanum 4(1): 146, 149. Type, by subsequent designation (Sclater, 1882), Bucco hyperrhynchus Sclater = Bucco macrorhynchos Gmelin.

Notharchus macrorhynchos (Gmelin). White-necked Puffbird.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–900 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [macrorhynchos group] from southern Mexico (west-central Veracruz, Oaxaca, Chiapas, southern Campeche, and Quintana Roo) south along both slopes of Middle America, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil; and [swainsonii group] in Paraguay, northeastern Argentina, and southeastern Brazil.

Notes.—This and the following two species were placed in the genus Bucco by A.O.U. (1983) but see A.O.U. (1993). Groups: N. macrorhynchos [White-necked Puffbird] and N. swainsonii (Gray, 1846) [Buff-bellied Puffbird].

Notharchus pectoralis (Gray). Black-breasted Puffbird.

Bucco pectoralis G. R. Gray, 1846, Genera Birds 1: pl. 26. (No locality given; Valley of the lower Magdalena River, Colombia, suggested by Cory [1919].)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in eastern Panama (west to the Canal area, mostly on the Pacific drainage), and in South America from northern Colombia south, west of the Andes, to northwestern Ecuador.

Notes.—See comments under N. macrorhynchos.

Notharchus tectus (Boddart). Pied Puffbird.

Bucco tectus Boddart, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 43. Based on “Barbu à plastron noir” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 688, fig. 2. (Cayenne.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident on the Caribbean slope of Costa Rica (from Río Sarapiquí drainage southward), in Panama (throughout the Caribbean slope, on the Pacific known from eastern Panamá province and Darién), and in South America from Colombia, southern Venezuela, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to eastern Peru, extreme east-central Bolivia, and Amazonian Brazil, also west of the Andes in northwestern Ecuador.

Notes.—See comments under N. macrorhynchos.

Genus MALACOPTILA Gray

Malacoptila panamensis Lafresnaye. White-whiskered Puffbird.

_Habitat._—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1250 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

_Distribution._—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from Tabasco and Chiapas south to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from the drier portions of Guanacaste in the northwest) and Panama, and in South America from northern Colombia south, west of the Andes, to northwestern Ecuador.

Genus MICROMONACHA Sclater

Micromonacha lanceolata (Deville). Lanceolated Monklet.

_Bucco lanceolata_ Deville, 1849, Rev. Mag. Zool. (2)1: 56. (Pampa del Sacramento, misión de Sarayacu [upper Amazon]).

_Habitat._—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (300–2100 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

_Distribution._—Resident locally in Costa Rica (northern slope of Cordillera Central, Caribbean slope of Cordillera de Talamanca), Panama (one record from Caribbean slope of western Veraguas), western Colombia, and western Ecuador; also in South America east of the Andes in eastern Colombia, eastern Ecuador, eastern Peru, northern Bolivia, and western Amazonian Brazil.

Notes.—The two groups are often regarded as distinct species, _N. frontalis_ (Sclater, 1854) [Gray-cheeked Nunlet] and _N. ruficapilla_ [Rufous-capped Nunlet] (Peters 1948, Wetmore 1968). Meyer de Schauensee (1970) treated the two as conspecific.

Genus NONNULA Sclater

Nonnula ruficapilla (Tschudi). Gray-cheeked Nunlet.

_Lypornix ruficapilla_ Tschudi, 1844, Arch. Naturgesch. 10: 300. (Republica Peruana = Vitoc Valley, Peru.)

_Habitat._—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

_Distribution._—Resident [frontalis group] in central and eastern Panama (west to northern Coclé and the Canal area) and northern Colombia; and [ruficapilla group] in eastern Peru, eastern Bolivia, and western Brazil.

Notes.—The two groups are often regarded as distinct species, _N. frontalis_ (Sclater, 1854) [Gray-cheeked Nunlet] and _N. ruficapilla_ [Rufous-capped Nunlet] (Peters 1948, Wetmore 1968). Meyer de Schauensee (1970) treated the two as conspecific.

Genus MONASA Vieillot

Monasa Vieillot, 1816, Analyse, p. 27. Type, by monotypy, “Coucou noir de Cayenne” Buffon = _Cuculus ater_ Boddart.

Monasa morphoeus (Hahn and Küster). White-fronted Nunbird.

_Bucco Morphaeus_ “Wagler” Hahn and Küster, 1823, Vögel Asien, Afr., etc., lief. 14, pl. 2 and text. (Brazil.)

_Habitat._—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1100 m; Tropical Zone).

_Distribution._—Resident [grandior group] in the Caribbean lowlands of eastern Honduras (Olancho), Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and western Panama (western Bocas del Toro); _pallescens_
group] in eastern Panama (both slopes, west to western Colón) and northern and western Colombia; and [morphoeus group] from southeastern Colombia and southwestern Venezuela south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia and central and southeastern Brazil.

Notes.—Groups: *M. grandior* Sclater and Salvin, 1868 [Costa Rican Nunbird]; *M. palllescens* Cassin, 1850 [Pale-winged Nunbird]; and *M. morphoeus* [White-fronted Nunbird].

Family GALBULIDAE: Jacamars

Genus **BRACHYGALBA** Bonaparte

*Brachygalba* Bonaparte, 1854, Ateneo Ital. 2: 129. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1855), *Galbula albigularis* Spix.

*Brachygalba salmoni* Sclater and Salvin. Dusky-backed Jacamar.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Second-growth Edge (0–600 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in extreme eastern Panama (eastern Darién) and northwestern Colombia.

Notes.—*Brachygalba salmoni* and three South American species, *B. albogularis* (Spix, 1824), *B. goeringi* Sclater and Salvin, 1869, and *B. lugubris* (Swainson, 1838), may constitute a superspecies (Haffer 1967, 1974).

Genus **GALBULA** Brisson

*Galbula* Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 42; 4: 86. Type, by tautonymy, *Galbula* Brisson = *Alcedo galbula* Linnaeus.

*Galbula ruficauda* Cuvier. Rufous-tailed Jacamar.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, River-edge Forest (0–1300 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [melanogenia group] from southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, and southern Campeche south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America (except the Yucatan Peninsula) to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (except the dry northwest) and western Panama (western Chiriquí and western Bocas del Toro), and in eastern Panama (Darién), western Colombia, and northwestern Ecuador; and [ruficauda group] from eastern Panama (eastern Panamá province and eastern Darién), northern Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south to eastern Colombia, and from Amazonian Brazil south to southern Bolivia, northeastern Argentina, Paraguay, and southeastern Brazil.

Notes.—The two groups were formerly treated as separate species, *G. melanogenia* Sclater, 1853 [Black-chinned Jacamar], and *G. ruficauda* [Rufous-tailed Jacamar](Haffer 1967); however, intergradation between the two occurs in eastern Panama and northwestern Colombia (Wetmore 1968). *Galbula ruficauda* appears to be part of a large superspecies including the following South American allospecies (Haffer 1974): *G. galbula* (Linnaeus, 1766), *G. tombacea* Spix, 1824, *G. cyanescens* Deville, 1849, and *G. pastazae* Taczanowski and Berlepsch, 1885.

Genus **JACAMEROPS** Lesson

Jacamerops aurea (Müller). Great Jacamar.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1100 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in Costa Rica (Caribbean slope west to the Sarapiquí region) and Panama (both slopes), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

Suborder PICI: Toucans, New World Barbets, Barbets, and Woodpeckers

Family RAMPHESTIDAE: New World Barbets and Toucans

Notes.—Comparative anatomy, skeletal morphology, and molecular genetics indicate that the Capitonidae should be treated as a subfamily of the Ramphastidae, separate from the Old World barbets (Burton 1984, Prum 1988, Sibley and Ahlquist 1990, and Lanyon and Hall 1994).

Subfamily CAPITONINAE: New World Barbets

Genus CAPITO Vieillot

Capito Vieillot, 1816, Analyse, p. 27. Type, by monotypy, "Tamatia à tête et gorge rouges” Buffon = Bucco niger P. L. S. Müller.

Capito maculicoronatus Lawrence. Spot-crowned Barbet.

Capito maculicoronatus Lawrence, 1861, Ann. Lyc. Nat. Hist. N. Y. 7: 300. (Atlantic side of the Isthmus of Panama, along the line of the Panama Railroad = Canal Zone.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in Panama (west to northern Coclé on the Caribbean slope and to eastern Panamá province on the Pacific) and western Colombia.

Notes.—Capito maculicoronatus and the South American C. squamatus Salvin, 1876, may constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Genus EUBUCCO Bonaparte


Eubucco bourcierii (Lafresnaye). Red-headed Barbet.

Microgogon Bourcierii Lafresnaye, 1845, Rev. Zool. [Paris] 8: 179. (Bogotá, Colombia.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (900–2400 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the highlands of Costa Rica (north to the Cordillera Central) and Panama (recorded east to Veraguas, in San Blas, and in eastern Darién); and in South America in the Andes from Colombia and western Venezuela south to northern Peru.

Subfamily SEMNORNITHINAE: Toucan-Barbets

Genus SEMNORNIS Richmond

Pan (not Oken, 1816, Mammalia) Richmond, 1899, Auk 16: 77. New name for Tetragonops Jardine, preoccupied.

Semnornis Richmond, 1900, Auk 17: 179. New name for Pan Richmond, preoccupied.

Notes.—This genus may be more closely related to toucans than to barbets (Prum 1988, Remsen et al. 1993).

Semnornis frantzii (Sclater). Prong-billed Barbet.

Tetragonops frantzii Sclater, 1864, Ibis, p. 371, pl. 10. (in int. reipubl. Costa Rica = near San José, Costa Rica.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (1200–2450 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica (north to the Cordillera de Tilarán, and primarily on the Caribbean slope) and western Panama (east to Veraguas).

Subfamily RAMPHASTINAE: Toucans

Genus AULACORHYNCHUS Gould


Aulacorhynchus prasinus (Gould). Emerald Toucanet.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–3000 m; upper Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the highlands of Middle America from southeastern San Luis Potosí, Hidalgo, Puebla, Veracruz, Guerrero, Oaxaca, Chiapas, and Quintana Roo south through Central America to north-central Nicaragua, also in highlands of Costa Rica and Panama; and in foothills of the Andes of South America from Colombia and western Venezuela south to central Bolivia (also in lowlands of southern Peru and northern Bolivia).

Notes.—Formerly, A. caeruleogularis (Gould, 1854) was treated as a separate species (Ridgway 1914, Cory 1919), but most authors consider it now to be conspecific with A. prasinus (Peters 1948, Haffer 1974, Ridgely 1976, Stiles and Skutch 1989).

Genus PTEROGLOSSUS Illiger


Pteroglossus torquatus (Gmelin). Collared Aracari.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [torquatus group] from Veracruz, Oaxaca, Chiapas, and the Yucatan Peninsula south along both slopes of Middle America (except the Pacific slope in Costa Rica and Panama from the Gulf of Nicoya east to western Panamá province), northern Colombia, and western and northern Venezuela; and [sanguineus group] in extreme eastern Panama (eastern Darién), western Colombia, and northwestern Ecuador.

Notes.—Pteroglossus torquatus, P. frantzii, and the South American P. erythropygius
Gould, 1843, and *P. pleuricinctus* Gould, 1836, appear to constitute a superspecies (Haffer 1974). *Pteroglossus torquatus* and *P. frantzii* are closely related and were formerly considered conspecific, but Slud (1964) and most subsequent works have considered them as separate species. The two groups *P. torquatus* [Collared Aracari], and *P. sanguineus* Gould, 1854 [Stripe-billed Aracari], show limited interbreeding in a narrow zone in eastern Panama and northwestern Colombia and were considered conspecific by Haffer (1974); however, they are treated as separate species by many recent authors (e.g., Hilty and Brown 1986, Sibley and Monroe 1990).

*Pteroglossus frantzii* Cabanis. Fiery-billed Aracari.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Pacific slope of Costa Rica (west to the Gulf of Nicoya) and western Panama (east to Veraguas).

**Notes.**—See comments under *P. torquatus*.

**Genus SELENIDERA** Gould


*Selenidera spectabilis* Cassin. Yellow-eared Toucanet.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Caribbean slope of Honduras (west to the Sula Valley), Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and Panama, and locally in Pacific slope foothills from Costa Rica (Guanaaste) and Panama south to western Colombia and northwestern Ecuador.

**Notes.**—All six species in the genus, which includes the South American forms *S. maculirostris* (Lichtenstein, 1823), *S. gouldii* (Natterer, 1837), *S. reinwardtii* (Wagler, 1827), *S. nattereri* (Gould, 1835), and *S. culik* (Wagler, 1827), appear to constitute a superspecies (Haffer 1974).

**Genus RAMPHASTOS** Linnaeus


*Ramphastos sulfuratus* Lesson. Keel-billed Toucan.

*Ramphastos sulfuratus* Lesson, 1830, Traité Ornithol., 3: 173. (le Mexique = Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1600 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from southeastern San Luis Potosí, Puebla, Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, and the Yucatán Peninsula south to Honduras, on both slopes (although locally distributed on the Pacific) of Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and Panama, and in northern Colombia and northwestern Venezuela.


Habitat. — Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–2000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution. — Resident in eastern Honduras (Olancho, Mosquitia), Nicaragua (Caribbean slope), Costa Rica (absent from dry northwest and most of central plateau), Panama (absent from Pacific slope from eastern Chiriquí east to western Panamá province), western and northern Colombia, and western Ecuador.

Notes. — Ramphastos swainsonii and the South American R. ambiguus Swainson, 1823, are closely related and constitute a superspecies [Yellow-breasted Toucan]; these two allo-species plus the South American R. tucanus Linnaeus, 1758, and R. cuvieri Wagler, 1827, may constitute a larger superspecies (Haffer 1974).

Family PICIDAE: Woodpeckers and Allies

Subfamily JYNGINAE: Wrynecks

Genus JYNX Linnaeus

Jynx Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 112. Type, by monotypy, Jynx torquilla Linnaeus.

Jynx torquilla Linnaeus. Eurasian Wryneck.

Jynx Torquilla Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 112. (in Europa = Sweden.)

Habitat. — Open woodland and second growth.

Distribution. — Breeds from northern Eurasia south to northwestern Africa, the Mediterranean region and central Asia, and winters from central Eurasia south to northern tropical Africa, India, Southeast Asia, southern China, and southern Japan. Accidental in Alaska (Wales, 8 September 1945; Bailey 1947) and Taiwan.

Notes. — Known in Old World literature as the Wryneck.

Subfamily PICUMNINAE: Piculets

Tribe PICUMNNINI: Typical Piculets

Genus PICUMNUS Temminck

Picumnus Temminck, 1825, Planches Color., livr. 62, text to pl. 371. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), Picus minutissimus (Gm.) = Picumnus buffoni Lafresnaye = Picus exilis Lichtenstein.

Picumnus olivaceus Lafresnaye. Olivaceous Piculet.

Picumnus olivaceus Lafresnaye, 1845, Rev. Zool. [Paris] 8: 7. (Bogotá, Colombia.)

Habitat. — Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–2300 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution. — Resident locally on the Caribbean slope of eastern Guatemala, Honduras, and southern Nicaragua, in southwestern Costa Rica (north to the Gulf of Nicoya), and Panama (Pacific slope from Chiriquí to Los Santos, and both slopes from Canal area eastward), and in northern South America from Colombia east to northwestern Venezuela and south to southwestern Peru.
Tribe NESCOCTITINI: Antillean Piculets

Genus NESCOCTITES Hargitt

Nesoctites Hargitt, 1890, Cat. Birds Br. Mus. 18: xv, 8, 552. Type, by original designation, Picumnus micromegas Sundevall.

Nesoctites micromegas (Sundevall). Antillean Piculet.

Picumnus micromegas Sundevall, 1866, Cons. Avium Picinarum, p. 95. (Brazil, error = Hispaniola.)

Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–1800 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Hispaniola (including Gonâve Island).

Subfamily PICINAE: Woodpeckers

Genus MELANERPES Swainson

Notes.—Pending a revision of the group, the classification of Peters (1948) and Short (1982) has been followed; for details see Selander and Giller (1959, 1963), Goodge (1972), Olson (1972), and Short (1974).

Melanerpes Swainson, 1832, in Swainson and Richardson, Fauna Bor.-Amer. 2 (1831): 300, 303, 310, 316. Type, by monotypy, Picus erythrocephalus Linnaeus.


Tripsurus Swainson, 1837, Class. Birds 2: 311. Type, by monotypy, T. flavifrons Vieillot, pl. 52 = Picus flavifrons Vieillot.


Melanerpes lewis (Gray). Lewis’s Woodpecker.

Picus torquatus (not Boddaert, 1783) Wilson, 1811, Amer. Ornithol. 3: 31, pl. 20, fig. 3. (No locality given = Clearwater River, about two miles north of Kamiah, Idaho County, Idaho.)


Habitat.—Open forest and woodland, often logged or burned, including oak and coniferous (primarily ponderosa pine), open riparian woodland with tall cottonwoods, orchards, less commonly in pinyon-juniper.

Distribution.—Breeds from southern British Columbia (also Vancouver Island), south-central Alberta, Montana, southwestern South Dakota, and northwestern Nebraska south to south-central California (San Luis Obispo and Kern counties), central Arizona, southern New Mexico, southern Colorado, and extreme western Oklahoma.

Winters from southern British Columbia, southern Idaho, western Montana, and northern Colorado south irregularly to northern Baja California, Sonora (including Isla Tiburón), northern Chihuahua, southern New Mexico, and western Texas.

Casual north and east to northern Alberta, central and southern Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Missouri, Arkansas, and central Texas. Accidental in Newfoundland, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Virginia; sight reports for Coahuila.
Melanerpes herminieri (Lesson). Guadeloupe Woodpecker.

Picus herminieri Lesson, 1830, Traité Ornithol., livr. 3, p. 228. (l’Amérique du nord, error = Guadeloupe, Lesser Antilles.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–700 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Guadeloupe, in the Lesser Antilles.

Melanerpes portoricensis (Daudin). Puerto Rican Woodpecker.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Puerto Rico (including Vieques Island), formerly also in the Virgin Islands on St. Thomas.

Melanerpes erythrocephalus (Linnaeus). Red-headed Woodpecker.


Habitat.—Open woodland (especially with beech or oak), open situations with scattered tall trees, open pine woods, parks, and suburbs.

Distribution.—Breeds from southern Saskatchewan (locally), southern Manitoba, western and southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec (rarely), New England (rarely), and southern New Brunswick (formerly) south to central Texas, the Gulf coast, and Florida (except the southernmost portion), extending west to central Montana, eastern Wyoming, eastern Colorado, and central New Mexico. Occurs in summer (and probably breeds) in southern Alberta.

Winters regularly through the southern two-thirds of the breeding range, rarely or casually north to the limits of the breeding range.

Casual or accidental north to southern British Columbia, southern Alberta, south-central Saskatchewan, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia, and in Idaho, Nevada, northeastern Utah, California, Arizona, and the Florida Keys (Dry Tortugas); a sight report for southeastern Oregon.

Melanerpes formicivorus (Swainson). Acorn Woodpecker.

Picus formicivorus Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 439. (Temiscalipec, Mexico = Temascaltepec, México.)

Habitat.—Oaks, either in unmixed open woodland or mixed with conifers (Subtropical to Temperate, locally also in Tropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident (mostly west of the Cascades and Sierra Nevada) from central southern Washington, southwestern Oregon south through California (including Santa Catalina and Santa Cruz islands, and locally east of the Sierra Nevada in Lassen County) to southern Baja California; from southern Utah, northern Arizona, northern New Mexico, western and central Texas, Nuevo León, and southwestern Tamaulipas south mostly through the highlands of Middle America (including also lowland southeastern Mexico, Belize, and the Mosquita of eastern Honduras and northeastern Nicaragua) to extreme western Panama (western Chiriquí); and in South America in the Andes of Colombia.

Casual in Colorado (possibly breeding near Durango) and western Wyoming.

Melanerpes chrysauchen Salvin. Golden-naped Woodpecker.

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1550 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [chrysauchen group] in southwestern Costa Rica (west to the Gulf of Nicoya) and western Panama (Pacific slope of Chiriquí and Veraguas); and [pulcher group] in northern Colombia (Magdalena Valley).

**Notes.**—Groups: *M. chrysauchen* [Golden-naped Woodpecker] and *M. pulcher* Sclater, 1870 [Beautiful Woodpecker]. *Melanerpes chrysauchen*, *M. pucherani*, and the South American *M. flavifrons* (Vieillot, 1818) and *M. cruentatus* (Boddaert, 1783) appear to constitute a superspecies (Short 1974, 1982); this complex is sometimes placed in the genus *Tripsurus* but Selander and Giller (1963) placed it in *Centurus*.

**Melanerpes pucherani** (Malherbe). Black-cheeked Woodpecker.

*Zebrapicus Pucherani* Malherbe, 1849, Rev. Mag. Zool. (2)1: 542. (Tobago, error = Colombia.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from the Gulf-Caribbean slope of southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, and Chiapas south to Costa Rica (where also rare and local on the Pacific drainage in the northwest), and in Panama (Caribbean slope throughout and on the Pacific from Veraguas eastward), Colombia (the Pacific slope and lower Cauca Valley), and western Ecuador (Pacific lowlands and foothills).

**Notes.**—Also known as Pucheran’s Woodpecker. See comments under *M. chrysauchen*.

**Melanerpes striatus** (Müller). Hispaniolan Woodpecker.

*Picus* [sic] *striatus* P. L. S. Müller, 1776, Natursyst., Suppl., p. 91. (Santo Domingo.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–2400 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Hispaniola.

**Notes.**—Sometimes placed in the monotypic genus *Chryserpes* (Olson 1972).

**Melanerpes radiolatus** (Wagler). Jamaican Woodpecker.

*Picus radiolatus* Wagler, 1827, Syst. Avium. 1 (Genus Picus): sp. 39. (Jamaica.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1800 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Jamaica.

**Notes.**—*Melanerpes radiolatus* and all following species of *Melanerpes* are sometimes placed in the genus *Centurus* (Selander and Giller 1963).

**Melanerpes chrysogenys** (Vigors). Golden-cheeked Woodpecker.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from Sinaloa south in the Pacific lowlands to Oaxaca (east to Bahía Santa Cruz), and in the interior of western Mexico to eastern Michoacán, northern Guerrero, Morelos, and extreme southwestern Puebla.

**Notes.**—See comments under *M. radiolatus*.

**Melanerpes hypopolius** (Wagler). Gray-breasted Woodpecker.

*Picus hypopolius* Wagler, 1829, Isis von Oken, col. 514. (México = Tehuacán and Tecuapán, Puebla, Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Arid Montane Scrub, Gallery Forest (900–2450 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).
**Distribution.**—Resident from northwestern Guerrero and Puebla south in the interior of Mexico to central Oaxaca (east to vicinity of San Pedro Totolapan).

**Notes.**—Although sometimes considered conspecific with *M. uropygialis* (e.g., Peters 1948), Selander and Giller (1963) provided evidence for treating *M. hypopolius* as a distinct species. See comments under *M. radiolatus*.

**Melanerpes pygmaeus** (Ridgway). Red-vented Woodpecker.


**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Tropical Deciduous Forest (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Yucatan Peninsula (including Cozumel Island), in northeastern Belize (south to the vicinity of Belize City), and on Guanaja Island (in the Bay Islands, off Honduras).

**Notes.**—Also known as Yucatan Woodpecker. *Melanerpes pygmaeus* and *M. rubricapillus* constitute a superspecies (Short 1982). See comments under *M. radiolatus*.

**Melanerpes rubricapillus** (Cabanis). Red-crowned Woodpecker.

*Centurus rubricapillus* Cabanis, 1862, J. Ornithol. 10: 328. (Barranquilla, Colombia.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–1800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southwestern Costa Rica (Cordillera de Talamanca southward) south and east through Panama (both slopes, including Isla Coiba, the Pearl Islands, and other small islets off the Pacific coast), northern Colombia, and northern Venezuela (also islands of Margarita, Patos, and Tobago) to Guyana and Surinam.

**Notes.**—See comments under *M. pygmaeus* and *M. radiolatus*.

**Melanerpes uropygialis** (Baird). Gila Woodpecker.


**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Second-growth Scrub, Secondary Forest (0–1550 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southeastern California (Imperial and lower Colorado River valleys), extreme southern Nevada (opposite Fort Mohave, Arizona), central Arizona, and southwestern New Mexico south through Baja California, Sonora (including Isla Tiburón), southwestern Chihuahua, Sinaloa, Durango, Nayarit, and Zacatecas to Jalisco and Aguascalientes.

**Notes.**—See comments under *M. radiolatus*, *M. hypopolius*, and *M. aurifrons*.

**Melanerpes hoffmannii** (Cabanis). Hoffmann’s Woodpecker.

*Centurus Hoffmannii* Cabanis, 1862, J. Ornithol. 10: 322. (Costa Rica.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–2050 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Pacific lowlands of southern Honduras (Río Pespire southeastward) and Nicaragua, and in Costa Rica in the arid northwest (Guanacaste) and central plateau (Cordillera Central area, locally on the Caribbean drainage).

**Notes.**—Hybridizes locally with *M. aurifrons* along the Río Pespire in southern Honduras (Monroe 1968, Short 1982). See comments under *M. radiolatus* and *M. aurifrons*.

**Melanerpes aurifrons** (Wagler). Golden-fronted Woodpecker.

*Picus aurifrons* "Lichtenst." Wagler, 1829, Isis von Oken, col. 512. (México = Ismiquilpam, Hidalgo.)
Habitat.—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Gallery Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Pine Forest (0–2400 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southwestern Oklahoma and north-central Texas south through central Texas (west to the Big Bend region), Mexico (west to central Chihuahua, eastern Durango, Zacatecas, southwestern Jalisco, and Michoacán, and including Cozumel Island), Guatemala, Belize (including Turneffe Islands), El Salvador, and Honduras (including Utuila, Roatán, and Barbaquera islands in the Bay Islands, but absent from northeastern Honduras and from the Pacific lowlands east of the Río Pespire) to north-central Nicaragua.

Accidental in Michigan (Cheboygan) and Florida (Pensacola), although these birds may have been xanthic individuals of M. carolinus as described by Gerber (1986); sight reports for southeastern New Mexico.

Notes.—Hybridizes locally with M. uropygialis in western Mexico (Selander and Giller 1963) and with M. carolinus in central Texas (J. Smith 1987). Melanerpes aurifrons, M. carolinus, M. hoffmannii, M. uropygialis, and M. superciliaris appear to constitute a superspecies (Short 1982). See comments under M. radiolatus and M. hoffmannii.

Melanerpes carolinus (Linnaeus). Red-bellied Woodpecker.


Habitat.—Open woodland (primarily deciduous, less commonly coniferous), riverine forest, swamps, parks, and suburbs.

Distribution.—Resident from south-central and southeastern North Dakota, eastern South Dakota, central Minnesota, central Wisconsin, central Michigan, southern Ontario, central New York, and Massachusetts south to central Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida (including the Florida Keys), and west to Iowa, central Nebraska, northeastern Colorado, western Kansas, western Oklahoma, and north-central Texas.

Casual north to Idaho, southern Saskatchewan, northeastern Montana, southeastern Wyoming, southern Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia, and west to southeastern Colorado and eastern New Mexico.

Notes.—See comments under M. radiolatus and M. aurifrons.

Melanerpes superciliaris (Temminck). West Indian Woodpecker.

Picus superciliaris Temminck, 1827, Planches Color., livr. 73, pl. 433. (Cuba.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–2000 m).

Distribution.—Resident [superciliaris group] in the Bahamas (Grand Bahama, Abaco, and San Salvador), Cuba (including offshore cays) and the Isle of Pines; and [caymanensis group] Grand Cayman.

Notes.—Also known as Great Red-bellied Woodpecker, West Indian Red-bellied Woodpecker, or Bahama Woodpecker. Groups: M. superciliaris [West Indian Woodpecker] and M. caymanensis (Cory, 1886) [Cayman Woodpecker]. See comments under M. radiolatus, M. aurifrons, and M. carolinus.

Genus Sphyrapicus Baird


Sphyrapicus thyroideus (Cassin). Williamson’s Sapsucker.

Habitat.—Montane coniferous forest, primarily fir and pine, also locally in aspen; in migration and winter, primarily pine and pine-oak woodland.

Distribution.—Breeds from extreme south-central British Columbia, Idaho, western Montana, and Wyoming south in the mountains to northern and east-central California (also locally in mountains of southern California from Mt. Pinos to Mt. San Jacinto), northern Baja California (Sierra San Pedro Mártir), central Arizona, and southern New Mexico.

Winters from California, Arizona, New Mexico, and western Texas (rarely farther north) south to northern Baja California and Michoacán, and east to Chihuahua, Durango, and Zacatecas.

Casual or accidental east to southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, South Dakota, north-central Minnesota, eastern Nebraska, Oklahoma (Cimarron County), central Texas, and southwestern Louisiana (Cameron); sight reports from Kansas, Illinois, and east-central and southeastern Texas.

Sphyrapicus varius (Linnaeus). Yellow-bellied Sapsucker.


Habitat.—Deciduous or mixed deciduous-coniferous forest; in migration and winter, also a variety of forest and open woodland habitats, orchards, parks, and wooded suburbs.

Distribution.—Breeds from extreme east-central Alaska, southwestern Yukon, southwestern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, northern Ontario, south-central Quebec (including Anticosti Island), southern Labrador, and central Newfoundland south to northeastern British Columbia, south-central Alberta, central and southeastern Saskatchewan, north-central and eastern North Dakota, eastern South Dakota, northern Iowa, northeastern Missouri (formerly), central Illinois, northern Indiana, northern Ohio, western Pennsylvania, northwestern Connecticut, western Massachusetts, and New Hampshire, and locally in the Appalachians south to eastern Tennessee and western North Carolina.

Winters from Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, the Ohio Valley, and southern New England (rarely farther north) south through Texas, the southeastern United States, Middle America (except northwestern Mexico north of Sinaloa and west of Coahuila), the Bahamas, the Cayman Islands, and the Antilles (south to Dominica, but rare east of Hispaniola and in the Lesser Antilles) to central Panama (east to the Canal area) and the Netherlands Antilles, rarely in California.

Casual or accidental in western North America from south-coastal Alaska, Montana, and Colorado south to Arizona and New Mexico, and in the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro), Bermuda, Greenland, Iceland, and the British Isles; sight reports for northern Baja California.

Notes.—Formerly S. nuchalis was considered conspecific with S. varius, with or without inclusion also of S. ruber. Limited and localized hybridization occurs among the three species (Howell 1952); changes since Howell’s work have been reported by Scott et al. (1976). Sphyrapicus varius, S. nuchalis, and S. ruber constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

Sphyrapicus nuchalis Baird. Red-naped Sapsucker.


Habitat.—Coniferous forest, especially where mixed with aspen, montane riparian woodland; in migration and winter, also a variety of forest and open woodland habitats, orchards, parks, and wooded suburbs.

Distribution.—Breeds in the Rocky Mountain region from central and southeastern British Columbia, west-central and southeastern Alberta, southwestern Saskatchewan (Cypress Hills), western and central Montana, and southwestern South Dakota (Black Hills) south, east of the Cascades and Sierra Nevada, to east-central California, southern Nevada, central Arizona, southern New Mexico, and extreme western Texas (Davis and Guadalupe mountains), and east to southwestern South Dakota.
Winters from southern California (casually from Oregon), southern Nevada, southern (casually northern) Utah, and central New Mexico south to southern Baja California, Jalisco, Durango, Coahuila, and Nuevo León.

Casual or accidental in southwestern British Columbia, Kansas, western Nebraska, Oklahoma, southeastern Louisiana, Guatemala, and Honduras. Many extralimital records lack sufficient documentation.

Notes.—Although formerly considered conspecific with S. varius, this form is a separate species (Johnson and Zink 1983, Johnson and Johnson 1985) that is genetically more closely related to S. ruber than to S. varius (Cicero and Johnson 1995). See comments under S. varius.

Sphyrapicus ruber (Gmelin). Red-breasted Sapsucker.


Habitat.—Aspen-pine association, coniferous forest, including humid coastal lowlands; in migration and winter, also open woodland and parks.

Distribution.—Breeds from southeastern Alaska, and coastal and central interior British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte and Vancouver islands) south, west of the Cascades, to central coastal California (Marin County), in the Sierra Nevada and interior mountains to south-central California (Laguna Mountains), extreme western Nevada (Lake Tahoe region), and (locally) southern Nevada. Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) in western Arizona (Mohave County).

Winters throughout the breeding range (rarely in interior British Columbia) and south through most of California (west of the deserts) to northern Baja California.

Casual in south-coastal and east-central Alaska (west to Kodiak and Middleton islands, and at Tok), Alberta, extreme southwestern Utah and southern Arizona.

Notes.—See comments under S. varius and S. nuchalis.

Genus XIPHIIDIOPICUS Bonaparte

Xiphiidiopicus Bonaparte, 1854, Ateneo Ital. 2: 126. Type, by monotypy, Picus percussus Temminck.

Xiphiidiopicus percussus (Temminck). Cuban Green Woodpecker.

Picus percussus Temminck, 1826, Planches Color., livr. 66, pl. 390, 424. (Cuba.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–2000 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Cuba (including many cays) and the Isle of Pines.

Genus DENDROCOPOS Koch

Dendrocopos C. L. Koch, 1816, Syst. Baier. Zool. 1: xxvii, 72, pl. 1A, fig. a. Type, by subsequent designation (Hargitt, 1890), D. major = Picus major Linnaeus.

Notes.—Frequently merged in Picoides, but treatment of most Old World forms in Dendrocopos seems warranted (Ouellet 1977, Shields 1982).

Dendrocopos major (Linnaeus). Great Spotted Woodpecker.

Picus major Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 114. (in Europa = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Forests and woodland.

Distribution.—Resident in Eurasia from the British Isles and Scandinavia east to eastern Siberia, and south to northwestern Africa, the Mediterranean region and southern Asia.

Genus *PICOIDES* Lacépède


*Picoides scalaris* (Wagler). Ladder-backed Woodpecker.  

**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Gallery Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, lowland pine savanna (0–2600 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).  
**Distribution.**—Resident from southern interior and southeastern California (north to Los Angeles, Kern, and southern Inyo counties), southern Nevada, southwestern Utah, north-central New Mexico, southeastern Colorado, southwestern Kansas, western Oklahoma, and Texas (except eastern) south through the southwestern United States and most of Mexico (including Baja California, islands in the Gulf of California, the Tres Marias Islands, and Holbox, Cancun, and Cozumel islands off Quintana Roo) to Chiapas, the Yucatan Peninsula, and Belize; and locally in central Guatemala, Honduras (interior valleys, Pacific lowlands, and presumably the Mosquitia in the northeast), and northeastern Nicaragua (Mosquitia).

**Notes.**—*Picoides scalaris* is closely related to *P. nuttallii*; they constitute a superspecies (Short 1968, 1982).

*Picoides nuttallii* (Gambel). Nuttall's Woodpecker.  

**Habitat.**—Oak, pine-oak, and riparian (especially willow-cottonwood) woodland.  
**Distribution.**—Resident from northern California south, west of the deserts and the Sierra divide (also in the Owens Valley), to northwestern Baja California.  
Casual or accidental in southern Oregon, western Nevada, and southeastern California (Salton Sea; a specimen from Arizona (Phoenix) is probably mislabeled.  
**Notes.**—See comments under *P. scalaris*.

*Picoides pubescens* (Linnaeus). Downy Woodpecker.  

**Habitat.**—Deciduous and mixed deciduous-coniferous woodland, riparian woodland, second growth, parks, orchards, and suburbs.  
**Distribution.**—Breeds from western and central Alaska, southern Yukon, southwestern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, south-central Quebec (including Anticosti Island), and Newfoundland south to southern California (except the southeastern deserts), central Arizona, southern New Mexico, central Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida (except the Florida Keys).  
Winters throughout the breeding range.  
Casual on the Queen Charlotte Islands (British Columbia) and in southeastern Arizona; a sight report for northern Baja California.

*Picoides villosus* (Linnaeus). Hairy Woodpecker.  
Habitat.—Deciduous or coniferous forest, open woodland, swamps, well-wooded towns and parks, and open situations with scattered trees, and in Middle America in Pine-Oak Forest and Montane Evergreen Forest (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident from western and central Alaska, central Yukon, southwestern and south-central Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, southern Quebec (including Anticosti Island), central western Labrador, and Newfoundland south throughout most of North America (including the Queen Charlotte and Vancouver islands) to northern Baja California (Sierra San Pedro Mártir), east-central California (to Clark Mountain), Arizona (except southwestern), through the highlands of Middle America (except Belize) to western Panama (Chiriquí and Bocas del Toro), and to the Gulf coast, southern Florida (except the Florida Keys), and the Bahamas (Grand Bahama, Mores Island, Abaco, New Providence, and Andros).

Winters generally throughout the breeding range, with the more northern populations partially migratory southward.

A sight report for Mona Island (off Puerto Rico).

Picoides stricklandi (Malherbe). Strickland’s Woodpecker.


Habitat.—Pine-Oak Forest, primarily in oak [arizonae group] or pine [stricklandi group] (1250–4200 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident [arizonae group] from southern Arizona and southwestern New Mexico (Peloncillo and Animas mountains) south in the Sierra Madre Occidental to Jalisco and northern and east-central Michoacán; and [stricklandi group] in eastern Michoacán, México, Distrito Federal, Morelos, Puebla, and west-central Veracruz.

Notes.—The groups have been considered (e.g., Davis 1965, Ligon 1968) as separate species, P. arizonae (Hargitt, 1886) [Arizona Woodpecker] and P. stricklandi [Strickland’s Woodpecker], but we follow Short (1982) in treating them as conspecific. Also known as Brown-backed Woodpecker, but this name is properly restricted to the African Dendrocopos obsoletus (Wagler, 1829).

Picoides borealis (Vieillot). Red-cockaded Woodpecker.

Picus borealis Vieillot, 1809, Hist. Nat. Ois. Amer. Sept., 2 (1808), livr. 21, p. 66, pl. 122. (dans le nord des états-Unis, error = southern United States.)

Habitat.—Open mature pine woodland with grassy or sparse understory, rarely in deciduous woodland near pine or in mixed woodland.

Distribution.—Resident locally from southeastern Oklahoma, southern Missouri (formerly), southern (formerly northern) Arkansas, northern Mississippi, northern Alabama, northern Georgia, southeastern Virginia, and southern Maryland (Dorchester County, formerly) south to eastern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida, and north in the Cumberland Plateau through eastern Tennessee to eastern Kentucky (Daniel Boone National Forest). Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) in central Maryland (Anne Arundel County).

Accidental in Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey.

Picoides albolarvatus (Cassin). White-headed Woodpecker.


Habitat.—Montane coniferous forest, primarily pines with large cones, occasionally fir.

Distribution.—Resident from southern interior British Columbia (Thompson-Okanagan region), north-central Washington, and northern Idaho south through Oregon (east of the Cascades) to south-central California (to mountains of San Diego County; absent from the humid coastal coniferous forest) and west-central Nevada.
Casual in the coastal and desert lowlands of California, western Montana, and northwestern Wyoming.

**Picoïdes tridactylus** (Linnaeus). Three-toed Woodpecker.

*Picus tridactylus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat (ed. 10) 1: 114. (in Svecia ad Alpes Lapponicas, Dalekarlicas... = mountains of Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Coniferous forest (primarily spruce), less frequently mixed coniferous-deciduous forest, occasionally in willow thickets along streams; favors areas with many large dead trees, such as burns and areas with outbreaks of wood-boring insects.

**Distribution.**—**Resident** in North America from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and central Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, north-central Quebec, north-central Labrador, and Newfoundland south to western and southern Alaska, southern Oregon, eastern Nevada, central Arizona, southern New Mexico, and southwestern South Dakota (Black Hills), and to southwestern and central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northeastern Minnesota, northern Michigan, central Ontario, northern New York, northern Vermont, northern New Hampshire, northern Maine, northern New Brunswick, southern Quebec (including Anticosti Island), and (rarely) Nova Scotia; and in Eurasia south of the tree line from Scandinavia and Siberia to mountains of southern Europe (locally), western China, northern Mongolia, northern Korea, and Japan.

Wanders casually or irregularly north to southwestern Keewatin, and south to northwestern Nebraska, southern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, southern Michigan, southern Ontario, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, and Nova Scotia; sight reports for northeastern California, Iowa, and Prince Edward Island.

**Notes.**—Also known as the Northern Three-toed Woodpecker. Marked genetic differences exist between North American and Asian populations in spite of minor morphological differences (Zink et al. 1995).

**Picoides arcticus** (Swainson). Black-backed Woodpecker.

*Picus (Apterinus) arcticus* Swainson, 1832, in Swainson and Richardson, Fauna Bor.-Amer. 2 (1831): 313. (near the sources of the Athabasca River, lat. "57°" [= 54° N.], on the eastern declivity of the Rocky Mountains.)

**Habitat.**—Coniferous forest (primarily spruce and fir), especially windfalls and burned areas with standing dead trees, less frequently in mixed coniferous-deciduous forest; in winter rarely in deciduous woodland.

**Distribution.**—**Resident**, often locally, from western and central Alaska, southern Yukon, west-central and southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, central Labrador, and Newfoundland south to interior British Columbia, through the Cascade, Siskiyou, and Warner mountains, and Sierra Nevada of Washington, Oregon, and California (south to Tulare County) and west-central Nevada, through Montana to northern Wyoming and southwestern South Dakota, and to southwestern and central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, central and southeastern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, central Michigan, southeastern Ontario, northern New York, northern Vermont, northern New Hampshire, and northern Maine.

Wanders irregularly south in winter to Iowa, central Illinois, northern Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, New Jersey, and Delaware.

**Notes.**—Also known as Arctic Three-toed Woodpecker, Black-backed Three-toed Woodpecker, or Arctic Woodpecker.

**Genus Veniliornis** Bonaparte

Veniliornis fumigatus (d'Orbigny). Smoky-brown Woodpecker.

*Picus fumigatus* d'Orbigny, 1840, Voy. Amer. Mérid. 4: Ois., livr. 51, pl. 65, fig. 1; 1847, livr. 89, p. 380. (Province of Corrientes, Argentina in lat. 28° S., and Santa Cruz de la Sierra and Province of Chiquitos in Bolivia = Yungas, Bolivia.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–4000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in Nayarit, Jalisco, Guerrero, México, Hidalgo, southeastern San Luis Potosí, southern Tamaulipas, northern Oaxaca, northern and southeastern Chiapas, and north-central Yucatán Peninsula, along both slopes of Middle America (no records from the Pacific slope of Nicaragua) to western Panama (east to Veraguas); and from extreme eastern Panama (eastern Darién) east through Colombia to northern Venezuela, and south along the western slope of the Andes to north-central Peru and the eastern slope to northwestern Argentina.

Veniliornis kirkii (Malherbe). Red-rumped Woodpecker.

*Picus* (Chloropicus) *Kirkii* Malherbe, 1845, Rev. Zool. [Paris] 8: 400. (Tobago.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1900 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* locally in southwestern Costa Rica (lower Térababa valley) and Panama (recorded western Chiriquí, Veraguas, eastern Panamá province, Isla Coiba, eastern San Blas, and eastern Darién), and in South America from northern Colombia east to northern Venezuela, Tobago, and Trinidad, and south, west of the Andes, to northwestern Ecuador.

**Notes.**—Veniliornis kirkii and the South American *V. affinis* (Swainson, 1821), *V. maculifrons* (Spix, 1824), and *V. cassini* (Malherbe, 1861) may constitute a superspecies (Short 1982).

Genus PICULUS Spix


**Piculus simplex** (Salvin). Rufous-winged Woodpecker.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Secondary Forest (0–900 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Caribbean slope of Honduras (east of the Sula Valley) and Nicaragua, in Costa Rica (Caribbean slope and Pacific southwest) and, at least formerly, in western Panama (east to Veraguas).

**Notes.**—See notes under *P. callopterus*.

**Piculus callopterus** (Lawrence). Stripe-cheeked Woodpecker.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on both slopes of Panama from Veraguas on the Caribbean slope and from eastern Panamá province on the Pacific east to Darién.

**Notes.**—Formerly included, along with *P. simplex*, in the South American *P. leucolaemus* (Natterer and Malherbe, 1845), but now generally recognized as distinct (e.g., Hilty and Brown 1986, Ridgely and Gwynne 1989).
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**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–650m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from eastern Panama (eastern Panamá province and eastern Darién) east across northern Colombia and northwestern and southern Venezuela to the Guianas, and south, east of the Andes, to northeastern Peru, thence east across Brazil (generally south of the Río Negro and the Amazon) and south to central Bolivia, north-central Argentina, Paraguay, and southeastern Brazil.

**Notes.**—*Piculus chrysochloros* and the South American *P. aurulentus* (Temminck, 1823) may constitute a superspecies (Short 1982).

*Piculus rubiginosus* (Swainson). Golden-olive Woodpecker.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, lowland pine savanna (0–2200 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [*aeruginosus* group] from central Nuevo León and Tamaulipas south through eastern San Luis Potosí to northeastern Puebla and northern Veracruz (reports from Guerrero and Oaxaca are erroneous); and [*rubiginosus* group] from northern and southeastern Oaxaca, eastern Veracruz, Tabasco, Chiapas, and the Yucatan Peninsula south along both slopes of Middle America, and in South America from Colombia east through Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad to the Guianas and south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and on the eastern slope of the Andes to northwestern Argentina.

**Notes.**—Groups: *P. aeruginosus* (Malherbe, 1862) [Bronze-winged Woodpecker] and *P. rubiginosus* [Golden-olive Woodpecker]. *Piculus rubiginosus* and *P. auricularis* may constitute a superspecies (Short 1982, Baptista 1978).

*Piculus auricularis* (Salvin and Godman). Gray-crowned Woodpecker.

*Chloronerpes auricularis* Salvin and Godman, 1889, Ibis, p. 381. (Xautipa, Sierra Madre del Sur in the State of Guerrero, Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (900–2000 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Pacific slope from southeastern Sonora south to Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec).

**Notes.**—See comments under *P. rubiginosus*.

**Genus COLAPTES** Vigors


*Chrysoptilus* Swainson, 1832, in Swainson and Richardson, Fauna Bor.-Amer. 2 (1831): 300. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), *C. cayanensis* (Gm.) Swainson, pl. enl. 613 = *Picus punctigula* Boddart.


*Colaptes punctigula* (Boddart). Spot-breasted Woodpecker.

*Picus punctigula* Boddart, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 37. Based on Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 613. (Cayenne.)
Habitat.—River-edge Forest, Secondary Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in Panama (locally on the Pacific slope from eastern Panamá province east to Darién), and in South America from northern Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia, and western and central Amazonian Brazil.

Notes.—Chrysoptilus punctigula and the South American C. melanochloros (Gmelin, 1788) may constitute a superspecies (Short 1982). This species is often placed in the genus Chrysoptilus.

Colaptes auratus (Linnaeus). Northern Flicker.


Habitat.—Open woodland, both deciduous and coniferous, open situations with scattered trees and snags, riparian woodland, pine-oak association, and parks (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds [auratus group] from western and central Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, north-central Quebec, south-central Labrador, and Newfoundland south through central and eastern British Columbia, west-central and southwestern Alberta, eastern Montana, and eastern North America (east of the Rocky Mountains) to central and eastern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida (including the upper Florida Keys); and [cafer group] from southeastern Alaska, coastal and southern British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte and Vancouver islands), west-central and southern Alberta, and southwestern Saskatchewan south (from the western edge of the Great Plains westward) to northern Baja California (formerly also on Guadalupe Island), southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, and western Texas, and in the interior highlands of Mexico to west-central Veracruz and Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec).

Winters [auratus group] from southern Canada (rarely to the northern limits of the breeding range) south through the remainder of the breeding range to southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida (including the Florida Keys), rarely to the Pacific states from Washington south to California, Arizona, and New Mexico; and [cafer group] generally throughout the breeding range and east to eastern Kansas, eastern Oklahoma, and eastern and southern Texas, the northern populations being largely migratory.

Resident [chrysocaulosus group] on Cuba (including Cayo Coco and Cayo Romano), the Isle of Pines, and Cayman Islands (Grand Cayman); and [mexicanoides group] in the highlands of Middle America from Chiapas south through Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua.

Casual [auratus group] north to the Arctic and Bering coasts of Alaska, islands in the Bering Sea (St. George in the Pribilofs, and Nunivak), and northern Quebec, and south to northern Mexico; and [cafer group] east to northern Alberta, southern Keewatin, Manitoba, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, and Arkansas. Accidental [auratus group] in the British Isles and Denmark; and [cafer group] in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Florida.

Notes.—Also known as Common Flicker. The two northern groups were formerly treated as separate species, C. auratus [Yellow-shafted Flicker] and C. cafer [Red-shafted Flicker] (Short 1965a, 1965b, 1982, Johnson 1969, Bock 1971, Moore and Buchanan 1985, Moore and Koenig 1986, Grudzien et al. 1987, Moore 1987, Moore et al. 1991, Moore and Price 1993); the other two groups, which are isolates, have usually been treated as races of one of the preceding, mexicanoides [Guatemalan Flicker] and chrysocaulosus [Cuban Flicker] (Short 1965b) in C. cafer and C. auratus, respectively (Short 1967a). See comments under C. chrysoides.

Colaptes chrysoides (Malherbe). Gilded Flicker.

Geopicus (Colaptes) chrysoides Malherbe, 1852, Rev. et Mag. Zool., ser 2, 4, p. 553. (l'Amérique; restricted to Cape San Lucas, Baja California, by Anthony, 1895, Auk, 12, p. 347.)
Habitat.—Stands of giant cactus (saguaro), Joshua tree, and riparian groves of cottonwoods and tree willows in warm desert lowlands and foothills.

Distribution.—from southeastern California (at least formerly), extreme northeastern Baja California (Colorado River) and central Arizona south to southern Baja California and through Sonora (including Isla Tiburón) to northern Sinaloa.

Notes.—Formerly merged with C. auratus. Interbreeding between C. chrysoides and C. auratus is extremely limited, especially compared to the massive, free interbreeding between the auratus subspecies-group and the cafer group in the Great Plains. In Arizona, auratus and chrysoides hybridize at a few sites, but most populations consist of pure parental types with no evidence of gene flow between them. Major differences exist between the two species in size, color, habitat, and clutch size despite their parapatric distributions (Johnson 1969, Koenig 1984).

Colaptes fernandinae Vigors. Fernandina’s Flicker.


Habitat.—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland and Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge.

Distribution.—Resident locally in Cuba, primarily in the Zapata Swamp area. Formerly more widespread

Notes.—Also known as Fernandina’s Woodpecker.

Genus CELEUS Boie

Celeus Boie, 1831, Isis von Oken, col. 542. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), C. flavescens (Gm.) = Picus flavescens Gmelin.

Celeus loricatus (Reichenbach). Cinnamon Woodpecker.

Meiglyptes loricatus Reichenbach, 1854, Handb. Spec. Ornithol., cont. xii, Scansoriae C. Picinae, p. 405, pl. DCLXXXI, fig. 4495, 4496. (Peru.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0-800 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident on the Caribbean slope of Nicaragua (one record, Eden) and Costa Rica, and from Panama (Caribbean slope throughout, and Pacific slope from the Canal area eastward) east through northern Colombia to the Magdalena Valley, and south along the Pacific coast to northwestern Ecuador.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0-750 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from southern Mexico (southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, and the Yucatan Peninsula) south to extreme western Panama (western Bocas del Toro).

Notes.—Celeus castaneus and the South American C. elegans (P. L. S. Müller, 1776), C. lugubris (Malherbe, 1851), and C. flavescens (Gmelin, 1788) may constitute a superspecies (Short 1972, 1982), but this treatment has been questioned (Koenig 1984).

Genus DRYOCOPUS Boie

Dryocopus Boie, 1826, Isis von Oken, col. 977. Type, by monotypy, Picus martius Linnaeus.


Dryocopus lineatus (Linnaeus). Lineated Woodpecker.

**Habitat.**—River-edge Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, lowland pine savanna (0–1550 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Sonora, southeastern Nuevo León, and central Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula and Isla Cancun), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to northern Argentina, Paraguay, and southern Brazil.

**Notes.**—Dryocopus lineatus, D. pileatus, and the South American D. schulzi (Cabanis, 1883) may constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970, Short 1982)

**Dryocopus pileatus** (Linnaeus). Pileated Woodpecker.


**Habitat.**—Deciduous and coniferous forest and woodland, swamps, also second growth and (locally) parks and wooded suburbs where tall trees present.

**Distribution.**—Resident from south-coastal and central interior British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), southwestern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, northwestern and central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec (including Gaspé Peninsula), New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island (formerly), and Nova Scotia south in the western North America through Washington and Oregon to northern and central California (the coast range to Santa Cruz County, and the Sierra Nevada to Kern County), through Alberta to south-central Idaho, western Montana, and Wyoming, and south in central and eastern North America (west to the eastern Dakotas, Iowa, Missouri, eastern Kansas, and central Oklahoma) to central and eastern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida (Key Largo).

Casual in southeastern Alberta, northwestern Wyoming, and eastern Nebraska; sight reports from east-central Alaska, coastal southern California, and southwestern New Mexico.

**Notes.**—See comments under *D. lineatus.*

**Genus CAMPEPHILUS** Gray

*Campephilus* G. R. Gray, 1840, List Genera Birds, p. 54. Type, by original designation, *Picus principalis* Linnaeus.

*Phaöeoastes* Cabanis, 1862, J. Ornithol. 10: 175, 176. Type, by original designation, *Ph. robustus* (Ill. Licht.) = *Picus robustus* Lichtenstein.

**Campephilus haematogaster** (Tschudi). Crimson-bellied Woodpecker.

*Picus haematogaster* Tschudi, 1844, Arch. Naturgesch. 10: 302. (Republica Peruana = Peru.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–2200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones, in South America also to upper Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident [splendens group] in Panama (from Bocas del Toro on the Caribbean and eastern Panamá province on the Pacific slopes) and northwestern Colombia south to western Ecuador; and [haematogaster group] in South America, on the eastern slope of the Andes, from eastern Colombia south to central Peru.

**Notes.**—Groups: *C. splendens* Hargitt, 1889 [Splendid Woodpecker] and *C. haematogaster* [Crimson-bellied Woodpecker].

**Campephilus melanoleucos** (Gmelin). Crimson-crested Woodpecker.


**Habitat.**—River-edge Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–2500 m; Tropical and Subtropical, occasionally lower Temperate zones).
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**Distribution.**—*Resident* in Panama (from central Bocas del Toro and eastern Chiriquí eastward), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northern Argentina, Paraguay, and southeastern Brazil.

**Notes.**—Campephilus melanoleucus, *C. guatemalensis*, and the South American *C. gayaquilensis* (Lesson, 1845) may constitute a superspecies (Short 1982).

**Campephilus guatemalensis** (Hartlaub). Pale-billed Woodpecker.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0-1550 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones, locally or occasionally to upper Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Sonora, San Luis Potosi and southern Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America to extreme western Panama (western Bocas del Toro and western Chiriquí).

**Notes.**—Also known as Flint-billed Woodpecker. See comments under *C. melanoleucus*.

**Campephilus principalis** (Linnaeus). Ivory-billed Woodpecker.


**Habitat.**—[principalis group] Largely mature lowland deciduous forest, especially swamps, and less frequently in pines; [bairdii group] in both montane and lower forest (pine and deciduous). More recently both groups reported from secondary deciduous woodland and partially cleared pinelands.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* formerly [principalis group] from eastern Texas, southeastern Oklahoma, eastern Arkansas, eastern Missouri, southern Illinois, Kentucky, and southeastern North Carolina south to the Gulf coast and southern Florida; and [bairdii group] formerly Cuba.

Nearing extinction, if not already extinct, with unverified reports in recent years [principalis group] from eastern Texas (Big Thicket region), Louisiana (Atchafalaya basin), South Carolina, southern Georgia, central Florida; although recently rediscovered [bairdii group] in eastern Cuba (Sierra de Moa), probably now extinct (Lammertink and Estrada 1995).

**Notes.**—Groups: *C. principalis* [Northern Ivory-billed Woodpecker] and *C. bairdii* Cassin, 1863 [Cuban Ivory-billed Woodpecker]. *Campephilus principalis* and *C. imperialis* may constitute a superspecies (Short 1982).

**Campephilus imperialis** (Gould). Imperial Woodpecker.


**Habitat.**—Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (2200-3150 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* formerly from northeastern Sonora and western Chihuahua south through the Sierra Madre Occidental to western and western Durango, west-central Zacatecas (possibly), northeastern Nayarit (once), central Jalisco, and northern Michoacán.

Unreported since 1956-1957 (sight reports) and possibly extinct, but some may survive in remote areas of Chihuahua and western Durango.

**Notes.**—See comments under *C. principalis*.

**Order Passeriformes:** Passerine Birds

**Suborder Tyranni:** Suboscines

**Family Furnariidae:** Ovenbirds

**Notes.**—See comments under Dendrocolaptidae.
Genus *SYNALLAXIS* Vieillot


**Synallaxis albescens** Temminck. Pale-breasted Spinetail.

*Synallaxis albescens* Temminck, 1823, Planches Colon, livr. 38, pl. 227, fig. 2. (Brazil = Cimiterio do Lambari, near Sorocaba, São Paulo.)

**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Pastures/Agricultural Lands (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* locally in southwestern Costa Rica (Térraba region and Osa Peninsula), on the Pacific slope of Panama (Chiriquí east to eastern Panamá province), and in South America from northern Colombia east through Venezuela (including Margarita Island) and Trinidad to the Guianas and south, east of the Andes (except forested Amazonia), to central Argentina and southeastern Brazil.

**Synallaxis brachyura** Lafresnaye. Slaty Spinetail.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Riparian Thickets, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–2000 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Caribbean slope of Honduras (east of the Sula Valley) and Nicaragua, and locally on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from dry northwest) and Panama (east to Darién), to western Colombia and the Magdalena Valley, western Ecuador, and extreme northwestern Peru.

**Synallaxis erythrothorax** Sclater. Rufous-breasted Spinetail.

*Synalaxis* *erythrothorax* Sclater, 1855, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, p. 75, pl. 86. (in America Centraí: Coban et Honduras = Honduras.)

**Habitat.**—Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the Gulf-Caribbean lowlands from Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, northern Chiapas, and the Yucatan Peninsula south through Guatemala and Belize to northern Honduras (east to Tela and south to Lake Yojoa); and in the Pacific lowlands from southwestern Chiapas south through Guatemala to El Salvador.

Genus *CRANIOLEUCA* Reichenbach


**Notes.**—Vaurie (1980) merged *Cranioleuca* into *Certhiaxis* Lesson, 1844.

**Cranioleuca erythrops** (Sclater). Red-faced Spinetail.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (700–2300 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the highlands of Costa Rica (from the central highlands southward), Panama (recorded Chiriquí, Veraguas, and eastern Darién), and the western slope of the Western Andes in Colombia and Ecuador, western slope of the Central Andes of Colombia, and the coastal mountains of southern Ecuador.
Cranioleuca vulpina (Pelzeln). Rusty-backed Spinetail.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest (on Isla Coiba); in South America in reedbeds, tangled undergrowth, brushy areas and savanna, often near watercourses (Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident [dissita group] on Isla Coiba, Panama; and [vulpina group] in South America from eastern Colombia and Venezuela south, east of the Andes, to northern Bolivia, and central Brazil.

Notes.—The two widely disjunct groups likely represent distinct species, C. vulpina [Rusty-backed Spinetail] and C. dissita Wetmore, 1957 [Coiba Spinetail], and were treated as separate species by Ridgely and Gwynne (1989) and Ridgely and Tudor (1994).

Genus XENERPESTES Berlepsch

Xenerpestes Berlepsch, 1886, Ibis, pp. 53, 54. Type, by monotypy, Xenerpestes minlosi Berlepsch.

Notes.—The relationships of this peculiar genus are uncertain.

Xenerpestes minlosi Berlepsch. Double-banded Graytail.

Xenerpestes minlosi Berlepsch, 1886, Ibis, pp. 53, 54, pl. 4. (near Bucaramanga, Colombia.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in eastern Panama (Darién; one sight report from eastern Panamá province), and western and northern Colombia.

Notes.—Also known as Double-banded Softtail.

Genus PREMNOPLEX Cherrie


Notes.—Vaurie (1980) merged Premnoplex into Margarornis.

Premnoplex brunnescens (Sclater). Spotted Barbtail.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (600–2500 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the highlands of Costa Rica (north to the Cordillera de Tilarán) and western Panama (recorded Chiriquí, Bocas del Toro, Veraguas, western Panamá province, western San Blas, and Darién), and in South America in the mountains of northern Venezuela (east to Miranda) and in the Andes of Colombia, on the western slope south to southern Ecuador, and on the eastern slope south to central Bolivia.

Notes.—Premnoplex tatei (Chapman, 1925) [White-throated Barbtail], of northeastern Venezuela (west to Anzoátegui), and P. brunnescens probably constitute a superspecies; they were treated as conspecific by Peters (1951) and Vaurie (1980).

Genus MARGARORNIS Reichenbach


Notes.—See comments under Premnoplex.
Margarornis bellulus Nelson. Beautiful Treerunner.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Elfin Forest (1350–1600 m; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in eastern Panama (Cerro Pirre and Cerro Mali, eastern Darién).

**Notes.**—*Margarornis bellulus* and the South American *M. squamiger* (d’Orbigny and Lafresnaye, 1838) [Pearled Treerunner] constitute a superspecies. Some authors (e.g., Vaurie 1980) treat *bellulus* as a subspecies of *squamiger*, and others question whether *bellulus* should be maintained as a species. In the absence of an analysis, particularly of vocalizations, we reluctantly maintain the traditional treatment of *bellulus* as a species.

Margarornis rubiginosus Lawrence. Ruddy Treerunner.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (1200–3000 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands of Costa Rica (north to Cordillera de Guanacaste) and western Panama (eastern Chiriquí and Veraguas).

Genus *PSEUDOCOLAPTES* Reichenbach


*Pseudocolaptes lawrencii* Ridgway. Buffy Tuftedcheek.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest; epiphyte-laden forest (1200–3100 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [lawrencii group] in the highlands of Costa Rica (from the central highlands southward) and western Panama (Chiriquí, western Bocas del Toro, and Veraguas), and [johnsoni group] in the Western Andes of Colombia and Ecuador.

**Notes.**—Groups: *P. lawrencii* [Buffy Tuftedcheek] and *P. johnsoni* Lönnberg and Rendahl, 1922 [Pacific Tuftedcheek]. *Pseudocolaptes lawrencii* and the South American *P. boissonneautii* (Lafresnaye, 1840) constitute a superspecies, and *johnsoni* may merit species rank (Robbins and Ridgely 1990, Ridgely and Tudor 1994).

Genus *HYLOCTISTES* Ridgway


**Notes.**—See comments under *Philydor*.

*Hyloctistes subulatus* (Spix). Striped Woodhaunter.

*Sphenura subulata* Spix, 1824, Avium Spec. Nov. Bras. 1: 26, pl. 36, fig. 1. (No locality given = Rio Solimões, Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1300 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in eastern Nicaragua (Caribbean lowlands), Costa Rica (absent from dry northwest), Panama (locally throughout), and in South America from Colombia and southern Venezuela south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to northern Bolivia and central Amazonian Brazil.
Notes.—Ridgely and Tudor (1994) suggested that Central American and trans-Andean populations might be a separate species from cis-Andean populations based on vocal differences.

Genus SYNDACTYLA Reichenbach


*Xenicopsis* Cabanis and Heine, 1859, Mus. Heineanum 2: 32. Type, by original designation, *Xenops rufosuperciliatus* Lafresnaye.


Notes.—See comments under *Philydor*.

*Syndactyla subalaris* (Sclater). Lineated Foliage-gleaner.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (600–2300 m; Subtropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in Costa Rica (central highlands southward) and western Panama (locally, recorded Chiriquí, Veraguas, and Darién), and in South America from Colombia and northwestern Venezuela south in the Andes on the western slope to southern Ecuador and on the eastern slope to central Peru.

Genus ANABACERTHIA Lafresnaye


Notes.—See comments under *Philydor*.

*Anabazerthia variegaticeps* (Sclater). Scaly-throated Foliage-gleaner.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (400–2500 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [variegaticeps group] locally in the highlands of Guerrero, western Veracruz, Oaxaca, Chiapas, Guatemala, southern Belize, El Salvador, Honduras, Costa Rica, and western Panama (western Chiriquí); and [temporalis group] on the west slope of the Western Andes in Colombia and Ecuador.

Notes.—Also known as Spectacled Foliage-gleaner; see Remsen (1997) for use of Scaly-throated Foliage-gleaner. Groups: *A. variegaticeps* [Scaly-throated Foliage-gleaner] and *A. temporalis* (Sclater, 1859) [Spot-breasted Foliage-gleaner]. *Anabacerthia variegaticeps* and the South American *A. striaticollis* Lafresnaye, 1842, constitute a superspecies; they have been treated as conspecific by some authors (Cory and Hellmayr 1925, Peters 1951).

Genus PHILYDOR Spix


Notes.—Vaurie (1980) merged the genera *Hyloctistes*, *Syndactyla*, and *Anabacerthia* into *Philydor*.

*Philydor fuscipennis* (Salvin). Slaty-winged Foliage-gleaner.

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1050 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [fuscipennis group] in Panama (Veraguas, Coclé, eastern Colón, Canal area); and [erythronotus group] in eastern Panama (west to San Blas and eastern Panamá province), western and central Colombia, and western Ecuador.

**Notes.**—Groups: *P. fuscipennis* [Dusky-winged Foliage-gleaner] and *P. erythronotus* Sclater and Salvin, 1873 [Rufous-backed Foliage-gleaner]. Although *fuscipennis* and *erythronotus* were treated as species by Cory and Hellmayr (1925), Zimmer (1935) considered them subspecies of *P. erythrocerus* (Pelzeln, 1859) [Rufous-rumped Foliage-gleaner] because of similarities in plumage and measurements. That treatment has been followed by most authors (e.g., Peters 1951, Vaurie 1980, A.O.U. 1983). However, Hilty and Brown (1986) and Ridgely and Gwynne (1989) treated *fuscipennis* (including *erythronotus*) as a separate species, suggesting a closer relationship to *P. pyrrhodes* than to *erythrocerus* because of behavioral and ecological similarities. That treatment was followed by Sibley and Monroe (1990) and Ridgely and Tudor (1994). We return to the earlier treatment of *fuscipennis* as a species although we consider the situation unresolved by a true analysis of data.

**Philydor rufus** (Vieillot). Buff-fronted Foliage-gleaner.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (800–2500 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in Costa Rica (primarily the central highlands and Dota Mountains) and western Panama (western Chiriquí and Bocas del Toro), and disjunctly in South America in the coastal mountains of northern Venezuela, the tepui region of southern Venezuela, and locally in the foothills of the Andes on the west slope to southern Ecuador and on the east slope to central Bolivia, ranging into the lowlands in southeastern Peru, also in south-central and southeastern Brazil, eastern Paraguay, and northeastern Argentina.

**Genus AUTOMOLUS** Reichenbach


**Automolus ochrolaemus** (Tschudi). Buff-throated Foliage-gleaner.

*Anabates ochrolaeus* Tschudi, 1844, Arch. Naturgesch. 10: 295. (Republica Peruana = Peru.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Oaxaca, Veracruz, Tabasco, Chiapas, Guatemala, Belize, Honduras, and Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from dry northwestern) and Panama, and in South America west of the Andes from northern Colombia to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes from central Colombia, central Venezuela, and the Guianas south to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

**Automolus rubiginosus** (Sclater). Ruddy Foliage-gleaner.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (500–2500 m; Subtropical and upper Tropical zones, in South America in Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the highlands of Mexico (recorded Guerrero, southeastern San Luis Potosí, Hidalgo, Puebla, Veracruz, Oaxaca, and Chiapas), Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, north-central Nicaragua, southwestern Costa Rica (Coto Brus Valley), and Panama (recorded Chiriquí, western San Blas, and eastern Darién); and in South America west of
the Andes in Colombia and Ecuador, and east of the Andes in southern Venezuela, the Guianas, and northeastern Brazil, and along the base of the Eastern Andes locally from Colombia to northern Bolivia.

Notes.—This species may consist of several separate species. Ridgway (1911), for example, recognized four species within Middle America alone. Descriptions of call notes from different parts of the Neotropics (Ridgely and Tudor 1994, Howell and Webb 1995) also suggest that more than one species is involved.

Genus **THRIPADECTES** Sclater


**Thripadectes rufobrunneus** (Lawrence). Streak-breasted Treehunter.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, especially in deep ravines (700–3000 m; upper Tropical, Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands of Costa Rica (primarily on the Caribbean slope, also on the Pacific slope in the Dota Mountains and Cordillera de Talamanca) and western Panama (Chiriquí, Bocas del Toro, and Veraguas).

Genus **XENOPS** Illiger

*Xenops* Illiger, 1811, Prodromus, p. 213. Type, by monotypy, *Xenops genibarbis* Illiger = *Turdus minutus* Sparrman.

**Xenops minutus** (Sparrman). Plain Xenops.

*Turdus minutus* Sparrman, 1788, Mus. Carlson., fasc. 3, pl. 68.

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from southern Mexico (southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, Campeche, and Quintana Roo) south to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (rare in dry northwest) and Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil, and southeastern Brazil, eastern Paraguay, and northeastern Argentina.

**Xenops rutilans** Temminck. Streaked Xenops.

*Xenops rutilans* Temminck, 1821, Planches Color., livr. 12, pl. 72, fig. 2. (Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (540–1800 m; Subtropical Zone, in South America also Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands of Costa Rica (central highlands southward) and Panama (western Chiriquí and eastern Darién); and in South America in Trinidad, northern Venezuela, Andean foothills from northern Colombia to northwestern Argentina (ranging locally into lowlands, especially western Ecuador and northwestern Peru), and in lowlands of eastern Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil south of the Amazon to Paraguay, northeastern Argentina, and southeastern Brazil.

Genus **SCLERURUS** Swainson


**Notes.**—Members of this genus were formerly known by the group name Leafscraper.
Sclerurus mexicanus Sclater. Tawny-throated Leaftosser.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1850 m; Subtropical and Tropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in Hidalgo, eastern Puebla, Veracruz, northern and southeastern Oaxaca, Chiapas, Guatemala, Honduras, Costa Rica, and Panama, and in South America from northern Colombia and northwestern Venezuela south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and southwestern Amazonian Brazil, and in Trinidad and Tobago, eastern Venezuela, the Guianas, and eastern Amazonian Brazil, and in coastal eastern Brazil.

Sclerurus albigularis Sclater and Salvin. Gray-throated Leaftosser.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (600–2100 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in Costa Rica (cordilleras de Guanacaste, de Tilarán and Central) and western Panama (western Chiriqui); and in South America in northeastern Colombia, northern Venezuela, Tobago, and Trinidad, in eastern Andean foothills from central Colombia south to central Bolivia, and in Amazonian lowlands of eastern Peru (Ucayali), extreme eastern Bolivia (Santa Cruz), and western Brazil (Rondônia).

Sclerurus guatemalensis (Hartlaub). Scaly-throated Leaftosser.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1250 m; Tropical, rarely lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from southern Mexico (southeastern Veracruz, Tabasco, Oaxaca, Chiapas, southern Campeche, and southern Quintana Roo) south to Nicaragua, both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from dry northwest), Panama, Colombia (east to the Magdalena Valley and south to the Baudó mountains), and western Ecuador.

Genus LOCHMIAS Swainson


**Lochmias nematura** (Lichtenstein). Sharp-tailed Streamcreeper.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest; stream edges (900–1580 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Locally in eastern Panama (eastern Darién), in the mountains of northern and extreme southern Venezuela, and from the Andes of Colombia south on the eastern slope to northwestern Argentina; and in lowlands of south-central and southeastern Brazil, eastern Paraguay, northeastern Argentina, and Uruguay.

**Notes.**—Also known as Streamside Lochmias.

**Family DENDROCOLAPTIDAE: Woodcreepers**

**Notes.**—Sometimes treated as the subfamily Dendrocolaptinae of the Furnariidae (e.g., Sibley and Monroe 1990), but see Clench (1995). Monophyly of the Dendrocolaptidae is supported by genetic (Sibley and Ahlquist 1990) and morphological characters (Feduccia...
1973, Raikow 1994, Clench 1995). Raikow (1994) found that anatomical characters support the monophyly of genera in the A.O.U. Check-list area except Deconychura. The group name Woodhewer was formerly used for members of this family.

Genus **DENDROCINCLA** Gray


**Dendrocincla fuliginosa** (Vieillot). Plain-brown Woodcreeper.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [*meruloides* group] from southeastern Honduras (Olancho), Nicaragua, and Costa Rica (locally also on Pacific drainage in northwest), on both slopes of Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (except southeastern), Tobago, and Trinidad south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to Bolivia and western Amazonian Brazil; [*fuliginosa* group] in southeastern Venezuela, the Guianas, and central Amazonian Brazil; [*atrirostris* group] in northern and eastern Bolivia and extreme southwestern Brazil (Rondônia); and [*turdina* group] in eastern and southeastern Brazil, eastern Paraguay, and northeastern Argentina.

**Notes.**—Groups: *D. turdina* (Lichtenstein, 1820) [Plain-winged Woodcreeper], *D. meruloides* (Lafresnaye, 1851) [Plain-brown Woodcreeper], *D. fuliginosa* [Line-throated Woodcreeper], and *D. atrirostris* (d’Orbigny and Lafresnaye, 1838) [d’Orbigny’s Woodcreeper]. Willis (1983a) treated *turdina* of southeastern South America as a separate species based on calls and plumage. This treatment was followed by Sibley and Monroe (1990) and Ridgely and Tudor (1994). Because no analysis of the complex variation in this group of taxa has been published, especially with respect to vocal characters, we think that, although probably correct, acceptance of this taxonomy is premature.

**Dendrocincla anabatina** Sclater. Tawny-winged Woodcreeper.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from southeastern Mexico (southeastern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, and the Yucatan Peninsula) south to Nicaragua; and on the Pacific slope of southwestern Costa Rica (north to the Gulf of Nicoya) and extreme western Panama (western Chiriquí).

**Dendrocincla homochroa** (Sclater). Ruddy Woodcreeper.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1500 m; mainly upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally on both slopes from northern and southeastern Oaxaca, Chiapas, and the Yucatan Peninsula (including Cozumel and Mujeres islands) south through Middle America to eastern Panama and northwestern Colombia (Chocó); also locally in extreme northern Colombia and northwestern Venezuela

Genus **SITTASOMUS** Swainson

Sittasomus griseicapillus (Vieillot). Olivaceous Woodcreeper.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–2000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [griseicapillus group] from Jalisco, San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America to Panama (where local, primarily on the Pacific drainage), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (also Tobago), and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northern Argentina and central Brazil; [aequatorialis group] western Ecuador and northwestern Peru; [reiseri group] northeastern Brazil; and [sylviellus group] southeastern Brazil, eastern Paraguay, and northeastern Argentina.

Notes.—Groups: S. griseicapillus [Grayish Woodcreeper], S. aequatorialis Ridgway, 1891 [Pacific Woodcreeper], S. reiseri Hellmayr, 1917 [Reiser’s Woodcreeper], and S. sylviellus (Temminck, 1821) [Olivaceous Woodcreeper]. Vocal differences among groups, as well as marked plumage differences, suggest that this species actually consists of several species (Hardy et al. 1991, Ridgely and Tudor 1994, Parker et al. 1995).

Genus Deconychura Cherrie


Deconychura longicauda (Pelzeln). Long-tailed Woodcreeper.

Dendrocincla longicauda “Natterer” Pelzeln, 1868, Ornithol. Bras. 1: 42, 60. (Borba, Marabitanas, Barre do Rio Negro = Manaus, Brazil.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1300 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [typica group] locally in southeastern Honduras (Olancho), Costa Rica (Caribbean slope of Cordillera Central, and southwestern region from the Gulf of Nicoya southward) to Panama (Chiriquí, and from eastern Panamá province east through Darién) and northern Colombia, and [longicauda group] in South America from southeastern Colombia, southern Venezuela, and the Guianas south to northern Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

Notes.—Groups: D. typica Cherrie, 1891 [Cherrie’s Woodcreeper] and D. longicauda [Long-tailed Woodcreeper]. Vocal differences between Middle American and South American populations east of the Andes (see Hardy et al. 1991) suggest that at least two species are involved (Ridgely and Tudor 1994).

Genus Glyphorynchus Wied


Notes.—This genus has been misspelled frequently in the literature as “Glyphorrhynchus” (e.g., Meyer de Schauensee 1966).

 Glyphorynchus spirurus (Vieillot). Wedge-billed Woodcreeper.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from Veracruz,
northern Oaxaca, and Chiapas south to Nicaragua, in Costa Rica (primarily Caribbean slope, less commonly in the Pacific southwest) and Panama (mostly Caribbean slope, locally on Pacific), and in South America west of the Andes in western Colombia and Ecuador, and east of the Andes from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil, and in coastal eastern Brazil.

Genus *XIPHOCOLAPTES* Lesson


*Xiphocolaptes promeropirhynchus* (Lesson). Strong-billed Woodcreeper.

*Dendrocolaptes* promeropirhynchus Lesson, 1840, Rev. Zool. [Paris] 3: 270. (No locality given = Bogotá, Colombia.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (700–3100 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones, occasionally to Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident [promeropirhynchus group] in the highlands of Guerrero, and from southeastern San Luis Potosí, Hidalgo, and Veracruz south through northern Oaxaca, Chiapas, and northern Central America to north-central Nicaragua, locally in Costa Rica (Caribbean slope of cordilleras Central and Talamanca) and western Panama (Chiriquí and Veraguas), and in South America from northern Colombia east across northern Venezuela to Guyana, and south in the Andes to northern Bolivia; and [orenocensis group] in South America, east of the Andes, from southeastern Venezuela south to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

**Notes.**—Groups: *X. promeropirhynchus* [Strong-billed Woodcreeper] and *X. orenocensis* Berlepsch and Hartert, 1902 [Great-billed Woodcreeper]. Cory and Hellmayr (1925) treated the two groups as separate species, and Ridgely and Tudor (1994) suspected that this treatment was correct. Sibley and Monroe (1990) considered *X. promeropirhynchus* and the South American *X. albicollis* (Vieillot, 1818) to constitute a superspecies.

Genus *DENDROCOLAPTES* Hermann


*Dendrocolaptes sanctithomae* (Lafresnaye). Northern Barred-Woodcreeper.

*Dendrocops Sancti-Thomae* Lafresnaye, 1852, Rev. et Mag. Zool. (2) 4, p. 466. ("In Sancti-Thomae Insula," error = Santo Tomás, near Omoa, Honduras.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1300 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, southern Campeche, northeastern Yucatán, and Quintana Roo south primarily on the Gulf-Caribbean slope (locally also on the Pacific slope of Guerrero, Oaxaca, and Central America) to Costa Rica (Caribbean slope and Pacific southwest, rare in dry northwest), Panama (absent from dry Pacific region), western and northern Colombia, western Venezuela, and northwestern Ecuador.

**Notes.**—*D. sanctithomae* was previously treated as a subspecies of *D. certhia* (Boddaert, 1783) [Amazonian Barred-Woodcreeper], but they differ in behavior and voice (Willis 1992) and plumage (Marantz 1997).


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (Subtropical and lower Temperate zones, 900–3000 m; in South America to Tropical Zone).
Distribution.—Resident [picumnus group] in the highlands of Middle America from Chiapas south through Guatemala and Honduras, and locally in Costa Rica (primarily Cordillera Central, Cordillera Talamanca, and the Dota Mountains) and western Panama (western Chiriquí and Veraguas), and in South America from southeastern Colombia, southern Venezuela, and the Guianas south, primarily east of the Andes, to northern Bolivia and northern Amazonian Brazil; [multistrigatus group] highlands of Colombia and northern and western Venezuela; [transfasciatus group] in central Amazonian Brazil; and [pallescens group] in eastern Bolivia, southwestern Brazil, Paraguay, and northwestern Argentina.


Genus XIPHORHYNCHUS Swainson

Xiphorhynchus Swainson, June 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 440. Type, by subsequent designation (Oberholser, 1905), Xiphorhynchus fiavigaster Swainson.


Xiphorhynchus picus (Gmelin). Straight-billed Woodcreeper.


Habitat.—Mangrove Forest, Secondary Forest (0-300 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in Panama (on the Pacific slope from the Azuero Peninsula eastward, locally on the Caribbean slope in the Canal area), and in South America from northern Colombia east to Venezuela (including Margarita Island), Trinidad, and the Guianas, and south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia and Amazonian and coastal eastern Brazil.

Xiphorhynchus susurrans (Jardine). Cocoa Woodcreeper.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest, Secondary Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–900 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on both slopes of Middle America from central and southern Sinaloa, western Durango, southeastern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south to Honduras, then largely confined to the Pacific slope in Nicaragua and northwestern Costa Rica (south to the Nicoya Peninsula).

Notes.—Formerly (A.O.U. 1983) treated as a subspecies of X. guttatus (Lichtenstein, 1822) [Buff-throated Woodcreeper]. Willis (1983b) considered the two as separate species based on song and body size differences; this treatment was followed by Ridgely and Tudor (1994). Although no quantitative, geographically comprehensive analysis has been published, no rationale was provided by Peters (1951) for the treatment of these taxa as one species.

Xiphorhynchus flavigaster Swainson. Ivory-billed Woodcreeper.

Xiphorhynchus flavigaster Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 440. (Temiscalitpec, Mexico = Temascaltepec, México.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (0–2400 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on both slopes of Middle America from central and southern Sinaloa, western Durango, southeastern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south to Honduras, then largely confined to the Pacific slope in Nicaragua and northwestern Costa Rica (south to the Nicoya Peninsula).

Notes.—The unique type of Xiphorhynchus striatigularis (Richmond, 1900) [Stripe-throat-
ed Woodcreeper], from Tamaulipas, is regarded as an aberrant individual of *X. flavigaster* (Winker 1995).

**Xiphorhynchus lachrymosus** (Lawrence). Black-striped Woodcreeper.

*Dendrornis lachrymosus* Lawrence, 1862, Ann. Lyc. Nat. Hist. N. Y. 7: 467. (Atlantic side of the Isthmus of Panama, along the line of the Panama Railroad = Lion Hill, Canal Zone.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from eastern Nicaragua south through Costa Rica (except dry northwest) and Panama (more widespread on Caribbean coast) to western Colombia and northwestern Ecuador.

**Xiphorhynchus erythropygius** (Sclater). Spotted Woodcreeper.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (100–2200 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones, from Nicaragua southward also in Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [*erythropygius* group] in the highlands from Guerrero, Oaxaca, southeastern San Luis Potosí, Hidalgo, Veracruz, and Chiapas south through northern Central America to north-central Nicaragua; and [*aequatorialis* group] in lowlands as well as highlands from eastern Nicaragua south through Costa Rica, Panama, and western Colombia to western Ecuador.

**Notes.**—Groups: *X. erythropygius* [Spotted Woodcreeper] and *X. aequatorialis* (Berlepsch and Taczanowski, 1884) [Spot-throated Woodcreeper]. Because *X. triangularis* (Lafresnaye, 1842) is very similar in plumage to *X. erythropygius*, they have been regarded as conspecific by some authors (e.g., Cory and Hellmayr 1925); however, they are separated by elevation in the Western Andes of Colombia and Ecuador, with *X. triangularis* occurring at higher elevations (Wetmore 1972, Hilty and Brown 1986), and no hybrids between the two taxa are known; they constitute a superspecies (Fjeldsa and Krabbe 1990, Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Genus LEPIDOCOLAPTES** Reichenbach


**Lepidocolaptes leucogaster** (Swainson). White-striped Woodcreeper.

*Xiphorhynchus leucogaster* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 440. (Temiscaltipec, Mexico = Temascaltepec, México.)

**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Pine Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (900–3500 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southeastern Sonora, southern Chihuahua, Durango, Zacatecas, and western San Luis Potosí south to Oaxaca (west of Isthmus of Tehuantepec), Puebla, and western Veracruz.

**Lepidocolaptes souleyetii** (Des Murs). Streak-headed Woodcreeper.

*Dendrocolaptes Souleyetii* (Lafresnaye MS) Des Murs, 1849, Iconogr. Ornithol., livr. 12, pl. 70 and text. (Perú = Payta, Peru.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from Guerrero, Oaxaca, Veracruz, Tabasco, Chiapas, and south-
ern Campeche south through Central America, and in South America in northern and eastern Colombia, northern Venezuela, and Trinidad (locally also in southeastern Venezuela and northern Brazil), and west of the Andes from southwestern Colombia to northwestern Peru.

**Lepidocolaptes affinis** (Lafresnaye). Spot-crowned Woodcreeper.

*Dendrocolaptes affinis* Lafresnaye, 1839, Rev. Zool. [Paris] 2: 100. (Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (1000–3100 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [affinis group] in the highlands from Guerrero, México, Hidalgo, southeastern San Luis Potosí and southwestern Tamaulipas south through Middle America (except the Yucatan Peninsula and Belize) to northern Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and western Panama (Chiriquí); and [lacrymiger group] in South America from the mountains of Colombia and northern Venezuela south in the Andes on the western slope to southern Ecuador and on the eastern slope to central Bolivia.

**Notes.**—Although most recent authors have treated South American populations of *L. lacrymiger* (Des Murs, 1849) [Montane Woodcreeper] as conspecific with *L. affinis*, Cory and Hellmayr (1925), Eisenmann (1955), and Ridgely and Tudor (1994) treated South American populations as a species, separate from *L. affinis* [Spot-crowned Woodcreeper]. The plumage patterns of the two groups differ strongly, more so than do those of some other pairs of woodcreepers with similar distributions (e.g., *Xiphorhynchus erythropygius* and *X. triangularis*). Although Ridgely and Tudor (1994) stated that the vocalizations of the two groups differ strongly, no analysis of these characters has been published.

**Genus CAMPYLORHAMPHUS** Bertoni


**Campylorhamphus trochilirostris** (Lichtenstein). Red-billed Scythebill.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1050 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in eastern Panama (from northern Coclé and eastern Panamá province eastward), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to northern Argentina, Paraguay, and central and eastern Brazil.

**Notes.**—Peters (1951) considered *C. falcularius* (Vieillot, 1823) of southeastern South America to be a subspecies of *C. trochilirostris*; Sibley and Monroe (1990) considered *C. falcularius* and *C. trochilirostris* to form a superspecies.

**Campylorhamphus pusillus** (Sclater). Brown-billed Scythebill.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (600–17000 m; upper Tropical to Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in Costa Rica (Caribbean slope of highlands from Cordillera de Tilarán southward, and in lowlands of Pacific southwest) and Panama (Chiriquí, Veraguas, eastern Panamá province, eastern Darién), and in South America mainly in the Andes locally from northern Colombia and western Venezuela south to extreme northern Peru.
Family THAMNOPHILIDAE: Antbirds

Notes.—We follow Sibley and Monroe (1990), Harshman (1994), and Ridgely and Tudor (1994) in treating the antbirds as a separate family from the antthrushes and antpittas (Formicariidae).

Genus CYMBILAIMUS Gray

Cymbilaimus G. R. Gray, 1840, List Genera Birds, p. 36. Type, by original designation, C. lineatus (Leach) = Lanius lineatus Leach.

Cymbilaimus lineatus (Leach). Fasciated Antshrike.

Lanius lineatus Leach, 1814, Zool. Misc. 1: 20, pl. 6. (Berbice, British Guiana.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest; primarily dense vine tangles at mid-levels at forest edge (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Caribbean slope of extreme southeastern Honduras (Olancho), Nicaragua, and Costa Rica, throughout Panama (except the Azuero Peninsula), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Ecuador, and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

Genus TARABA Lesson

Taraba Lesson, 1831, Traité Ornithol., livr. 5 (1830), p. 375. Type, by subsequent designation (Sherborn, 1931), Thamnophilus [sic] magnus Wied = Thamnophilus major Vieillot.

Taraba major (Vieillot). Great Antshrike.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest, Riparian Thickets, Second-growth Scrub; primarily in very dense vegetation (0–1400 m; Tropical, rarely Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, and Chiapas south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope through northern Central America to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (rare in dry northwest) and Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to northern Argentina, Paraguay, and south-central Brazil.

Genus THAMNOPHILUS Vieillot

Thamnophilus Vieillot, 1816, Analyse, p. 40. Type, by subsequent designation (Swainson, 1824), Lanius doliatus Linnaeus.

Erionotus Cabanis and Heine, 1859, Mus. Heineanum 2: 15. Type, by original designation, Thamnophilus caerulescens Vieillot.

Abalius Cabanis, 1861, J. Ornithol. 9: 242. Type, by original designation, Thamnophilus punctatus Sclater = Thamnophilus bridgesi Sclater

Thamnophilus doliatus (Linnaeus). Barred Antshrike.

Lanius doliatus Linnaeus, 1764, Mus. Adolphi Friderici 2 (Prodr.): 12. (No locality given = Surinam.)

Habitat.—Second-growth Scrub, Riparian Thickets, (Isla Coiba only) Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–2000 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident [doliatus group] from southeastern San Luis Potosí, southern Tamaulipas, Veracruz, eastern Puebla, and northern and southeastern Oaxaca south on both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to Panama (including Isla Coiba and the Pearl Islands), and in South America from northern and eastern Colombia, Venezuela
(including Margarita Island), Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northern Argentina and southern Brazil; and [zarurnae group] in southwestern Ecuador and northwestern Peru.

**Notes.**—Groups: *T. doliatus* [Barred Antshrike] and *T. zarurnae* Chapman, 1921 [Chapman’s Antshrike].

**Thamnophilus nigriceps** Sclater. Black Antshrike.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–600 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in eastern Panama (eastern Panamá province and Darién) and northern and north-central Colombia (east to the Santa Marta Mountains).

**Notes.**—*Thamnophilus nigriceps* and *T. praecox* Zimmer, 1937, of eastern Ecuador, constitute a superspecies and may be conspecific (Ridgely and Tudor 1994).

**Thamnophilus bridgesi** Sclater. Black-hooded Antshrike.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–1150 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Pacific slope of southwestern Costa Rica (locally north to southern Guanacaste) and western Panama (east to the Azuero Peninsula).

**Thamnophilus atrinucha** Salvin and Godman. Western Slaty-Antshrike.

*Thamnophilus atrinucha* Salvin and Godman, 1892, Biol. Centrali-Amer., Aves, 2, p. 200. (Central America = Panamá.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Caribbean slope from southern Belize and eastern Guatemala south to Costa Rica, and in Panama (entire Caribbean slope, and Pacific slope from Coclé eastward), western Colombia (including Gorgona Island), and western Ecuador; and in northern Colombia in Cauca and Magdalena valleys.

**Notes.**—We follow Isler et al. (1997) in considering *atrinucha* as one of several species-level taxa, all differing in voice and plumage, that have been treated as subspecies of *T. punctatus* (Shaw, 1809).

Genus **XENORNIS** Chapman


**Xenornis setifrons** Chapman. Spiny-faced Antshrike.

*Xenornis setifrons* Chapman, 1924, Amer. Mus. Novit., no. 123, p. 1. (Tacarcuna, 2050 feet, eastern Panama.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–600 m; upper Tropical zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in eastern Panama in San Blas and eastern Darién (Cerro Tacarcuna foothills), and in northwestern Colombia in Chocó (Río Baudó).

**Notes.**—Also known as Speckled Antshrike, Speckle-breasted Antshrike, or Gray-faced Antbird (but see Remsen 1997). Appears to be the ecological counterpart of, if not closely related to, South American species of the genus *Thamnomanes* (Whitney and Rosenberg 1993).
Genus **THAMNISTES** Sclater and Salvin


**Thamnistes anabatinus** Sclater and Salvin. Russet Antshrike.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1700 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [anabatinus group] on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from Oaxaca, Tabasco, and Chiapas south through northern Central America to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from dry northwest) and Panama, and in Colombia, Venezuela, and Ecuador; and [rufescens group] in Andean foothills of Peru and Bolivia.

**Notes.**—Also known as Tawny Antshrike. Groups: *T. anabatinus* [Russet Antshrike] and *T. rufescens* Cabanis, 1873 [Peruvian Antshrike].

Genus **DYSITHAMNUS** Cabanis


*Dysithamnus mentalis* (Temminck). Plain Antvireo.

*Myothera mentalis* Temminck, 1823, Planches Color., livr. 30, pl. 179, fig. 3. (Brazil = Curytiba, Paraná, Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–2500 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones). Elevational range shifts from lowlands at northern edge of range (e.g., 0–350 in Guatemala), to foothills in middle portion of range (e.g., 400–1200 m in Honduras), to foothill and lower montane forests at southern end (e.g., 700–2200 m, in Costa Rica).

**Distribution.**—Resident in Middle America locally from eastern Tabasco, Campeche, northern Guatemala, and Belize south, mostly on the Caribbean slope, through Honduras and Costa Rica (not recorded Nicaragua) to Panama (throughout on both slopes), and in South America west of the Andes to northwestern Peru, in lowlands of northern Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, and Trinidad, along the eastern slope of the Andes to east-central Bolivia, in the tepuis of Venezuela, and in lowlands from central eastern Bolivia and central Brazil south to Paraguay and northeastern Argentina.

*Dysithamnus striaticeps* Lawrence. Streak-crowned Antvireo.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Caribbean slope of extreme southeastern Honduras (Arsenal), Nicaragua, and Costa Rica, occurring locally also on the Pacific slope along the Cordillera de Guanacaste in northwestern Costa Rica.

A report from western Panama (Río Sixaola) is erroneous, being based on a specimen of *D. puncticeps*.

**Notes.**—*Dysithamnus striaticeps* and *D. puncticeps* are closely related and appear to constitute a superspecies.

*Dysithamnus puncticeps* Salvin. Spot-crowned Antvireo.

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–800 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in extreme southeastern Costa Rica (Caribbean lowlands), Panama (entire Caribbean lowlands, and the Pacific lowlands in Darién), northern and western Colombia, and northwestern Ecuador.

Notes.—See comments under D. striaticeps.

Genus MYRMOTHERULA Sclater


Notes.—Hackett and Rosenberg (1990) presented evidence that this genus is not a monophyletic group.

Myrmotherula brachyura (Hermann). Pygmy Antwren.

Muscicapae brachyurae [nom. pl.] Hermann, 1783, Tabula Affinit. Anim., p. 229. Based on "Le petit Gobe-mouche tacheté, de Cayenne" Buffon, Hist. Nat. Ois. 4: 554, and Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 831, fig. 2. (Cayenne.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–600 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident [ignota group] in central and eastern Panama (Canal area eastward on both slopes), and western Colombia; and [brachyura group] in South America from eastern Colombia, southern Venezuela, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

Notes.—The two groups are distinctive and may prove to be separate species (Hilty and Brown 1986), M. ignota Griscom, 1929 [Griscom’s Antwren] and M. brachyura [Pygmy Antwren]. Meyer de Schauensee (1966) suggested that ignota may be more closely related to M. obscura Zimmer, 1932 [Short-billed Antwren] than to M. brachyura.

Myrmotherula surinamensis (Gmelin). Streaked Antwren.


Habitat.—River-edge Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–600 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident from Panama (entire Caribbean slope, and Pacific drainage west to western Panamá province) east across Colombia and southern Venezuela to the Guianas, and south, west of the Andes, to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to northern Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.


Myrmotherula fulviventris Lawrence. Checker-throated Antwren.

Myrmotherula [sic] fulviventris Lawrence, 1862, Ann. Lyc. Nat. Hist. N. Y. 7: 468. (on the Atlantic side of the Isthmus of Panama, along the line of the Panama Railroad = Lion Hill, Canal Zone.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1100 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Caribbean slope of eastern Honduras (Olancho, Gracias a Dios), Nicaragua, and Costa Rica, in Panama (both slopes, the Pacific from Veraguas eastward), and in South America from central and western Colombia south to southwestern Ecuador.
Myrmotherula axillaris (Vieillot). White-flanked Antwren.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1100 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident on the Caribbean slope of southern Mexico (Chiapas; one record), northeastern Honduras (Gracias a Dios), Nicaragua, and Costa Rica, in Panama (both slopes, the Pacific from western Panamá province eastward), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and Amazonian and southeastern Brazil.

A single specimen from Chiapas, Mexico, presumably represents a previously undetected population there (Marín 1993).

Myrmotherula schisticolor (Lawrence). Slaty Antwren.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (600–2200 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from Chiapas south through Guatemala, Belize, and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua; in lowlands and foothills of eastern Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and Panama, and in South America in the Andes from Colombia and northern Venezuela south to southern Peru.

Genus HERPSILOCHMUS Cabanis


Herpsilochmus rufimarginatus (Temminck). Rufous-winged Antwren.

Myiothera rufimarginata Temminck, 1822, Planches Color., livr. 22, pl. 132, figs. 1–2. (Brazil = Rio de Janeiro.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest; primarily dense vine tangles at forest edge (0–1050 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident locally in eastern Panama (recorded in eastern Panamá province and Darién), and in South America, west of the Andes from northern Colombia to northwestern Ecuador, in foothills of Eastern Andes from Venezuela to central Bolivia, and locally in lowlands east of Andes, mainly in southern Venezuela, eastern Bolivia, and southwestern, eastern, and southeastern Brazil.

Genus MICRORHOPIAS Sclater

Microrhopias Sclater, 1862, Cat. Collect. Amer. Birds, p. 182. Type, by subsequent designation (Sclater, 1890), F. quixensis = Thamnophilus quixensis Cornalia.

Microrhopias quixensis (Cornalia). Dot-winged Antwren.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Second-growth Forest (0–1100 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident [boucardi group] on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, southern Campeche, and southern Quintana Roo south through northern Central America to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from the dry northwest) and Panama (mainly Caribbean slope), and in western Colombia and western Ecuador; and [quixensis group] in South America, east of the Andes,
in southeastern Colombia, Peru, Amazonian Brazil (mainly south of Amazon), the Guianas, and northern Bolivia.

Notes.—Groups: *M. boucardi* (Sclater, 1858) [Boucard's Antwren] and *M. quixensis* [Amazonian Antwren]; there may be other recognizable groups within the latter (Meyer de Schauensee 1966).

Genus **FORMICIVORA** Swainson


**Formicivora grisea** (Boddaert). White-fringed Antwren.

*Turdus griseus* [sic] Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 39. Based on "Le Grisin, de Cayenne" Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 643, fig. 1. (Cayenne.)

Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–200 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in the Pearl Islands, off Pacific Panama; and in South America in northern Colombia, northern Venezuela (also Margarita and Chacachacare islands, and Tobago) and the Guianas, Amazonian Brazil, and extreme eastern Bolivia; and southeastern Brazil.

Notes.—Also known as Black-breasted Antwren.

Genus **TERENURA** Cabanis and Heine


**Terenura callinota** (Sclater). Rufous-rumped Antwren.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (750–1200 m; Subtropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident (callinota group) locally in the highlands of Costa Rica (Caribbean slope of Cordillera Central) and Panama (recorded Chiriquí, Bocas del Toro, Veraguas, and eastern Darién), and in South America in Guyana (Acary Mountains) and Surinam, and in the Andes from Colombia south on the western slope to southern Ecuador and on the eastern slope to southern Peru; and (venezuelana group) in northwestern Venezuela (Sierra de Perijá).

Notes.—Groups: *T. callinota* [Rufous-rumped Antwren] and *T. venezuelana* Phelps and Phelps 1954 [Perija Antwren]. *Terenura callinota* probably forms a superspecies with South American *T. spodioptila* Sclater and Salvin, 1881 [Ash-winged Antwren], *T. humeralis* Sclater and Salvin [Chestnut-shouldered Antwren], 1881, and *T. sharpei* Berlepsch, 1901 [Yellow-rumped Antwren].

Genus **CERCOMACRA** Sclater


**Cercomacra tyrannina** (Sclater). Dusky Antbird.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from southeastern Veracruz, north-
ern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, southern Campeche, and southern Quintana Roo south on
the Gulf-Caribbean slope to Honduras, on both slopes of Nicaragua (also in Pacific south-
west), Costa Rica (rare in Pacific northwest), and Panama, and in South America from
Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and
east of the Andes to northern Amazonian and eastern Brazil.

Notes.—Also known as Tyrannine Antbird.

*Cercomacra nigricans* Sclater. Jet Antbird.

S. Martha; Bogota = Santa Marta, Colombia.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge; often near streams (0–1500 m; Trop-
ical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in Panama (on the Caribbean slope from western Colón east to
western San Blas, on the Pacific from Veraguas east to Darién, and in the Pearl Islands),
and in South America, west of the Andes south to southwestern Ecuador and in northern
and eastern Colombia and northern Venezuela.

**Genus GYMNOCICHLA** Sclater

*Myiothera nudiceps* Cassin.

Notes.—Ridgely and Tudor (1994) suggested that this genus should be merged into *Myr-
meciza*.

*Gymnocichla nudiceps* (Cassin). Bare-crowned Antbird.

(Panama.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (Tropical and lower Subtropical
zones). 0–200 m in north (Guatemala, Honduras) to 0–1200 m in south (Costa Rica, Panama).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Caribbean slope of eastern Guatemala, Belize, Honduras,
and Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from dry northwest) and Panama, and
in northern Colombia.

**Genus MYRMECIZA** Gray

*Myrmeciza* G. R. Gray, 1841, List Genera Birds, ed. 2, p. 34. Type, by original des-
ignation, *Drymophila longipes* Swainson.

*Myrmeciza longipes* (Swainson). White-bellied Antbird.

*Drymophila longipes* Swainson, 1825, Zool. J. 2: 152. (“some part of Brazil,” error
= Trinidad.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Gallery Forest
(0–1700 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in central and eastern Panama (from Cocle to Darién on the
Pacific slope, and mainly near the Río Chagres on the Caribbean slope), and in South America
east across northern Colombia to Venezuela, Trinidad, and Guyana, and northern Brazil
(north of the Amazon).


ragua.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Second-growth Forest; especially
in dense thickets along streams, tree-fall gaps, bamboo (0–900 m; Tropical and lower Sub-
tropical zones).
**Distribution.**—Resident [exsul group] in Nicaragua (Caribbean slope), Costa Rica (absent from dry northwest), Panama (both slopes, except southeastern Darién); and [maculifer group] in extreme eastern Panama (southeastern Darién), northern and western Colombia, and western Ecuador.

**Notes.**—Groups: *M. exsul* [Chestnut-backed Antbird] and *M. maculifer* (Hellmayr, 1906) [Wing-spotted Antbird]; intergradation between the two reportedly occurs in eastern Panamá province and western Darién (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

*Myrmeciza laemosticta* Salvin. Dull-mantled Antbird.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest; especially near streams and in shady ravines (300–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in Costa Rica (Caribbean slope, from the Cordillera de Guanacaste southward) and Panama (mainly on Caribbean slope, locally on Pacific slope), and in South America from northern Colombia east to southwestern Venezuela.

**Notes.**—Robbins and Ridgely (1991) provided evidence for elevation of the taxon *nigriceps* to species rank. This form, found in the Pacific lowlands of Colombia and northwestern Ecuador, was treated (A.O.U. 1983) as conspecific with *M. laemosticta*. Therefore, the South American distribution of the latter extends only from northern Colombia east to extreme western Venezuela.

*Myrmeciza immaculata* (Lafresnaye). Immaculate Antbird.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (300–1700 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Caribbean slope of Costa Rica (Cordillera de Talamanca, Cordillera Central, and Dota Mountains), Panama (recorded Bocas del Toro, Chiriquí, Veraguas, and eastern Darién), and in South America from northern Colombia and northwestern Venezuela south, west of the Andes to southwestern Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Colombia.

Genus *HYLOPHYLAX* Ridgway


*Hylophylax naevioides* (Lafresnaye). Spotted Antbird.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–900 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in eastern Honduras (west to La Ceiba), eastern Nicaragua, Costa Rica (primarily Caribbean slope), Panama (both slopes), northern and western Colombia, and western Ecuador.

**Notes.**—*Hylophylax naevioides* and the South American *H. naevia* (Gmelin, 1789), found east of the Andes, probably constitute a superspecies.

Genus *MYRMORNIS* Hermann

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**Myrmornis torquata** (Boddaert). Wing-banded Antbird.

*Formicarius torquatus* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 43. Based on Dau-benton, Planches Enlum., pl. 700, fig. 1. (Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident [stictoptera group] locally in eastern Nicaragua (Caribbean low-lands), Panama (Caribbean slope in the Canal area and San Blas; Pacific slope in eastern Panamá province and Darién), and northern and western Colombia; and [torquata group] in South America east of the Andes from eastern Colombia, southern Venezuela, and the Guianas south locally to northeastern Peru and Amazonian Brazil.

**Notes.**—Also known as Wing-banded Antpitta or Wing-banded Anthrush. Groups: *M. stictoptera* (Salvin, 1893) [Buff-banded Antbird] and *M. torquata* [Wing-banded Antbird].

**Genus GYMNPITHYS** Bonaparte


**Gymnopithys leucaspis** (Sclater). Bicolored Antbird.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident [bicolor group] in northern and eastern Honduras (west to the Sula Valley), Nicaragua (Caribbean lowlands), Costa Rica (absent from dry northwest), Panama (both slopes), north-central and western Colombia, and western Ecuador; and [leu-caspis group] in South America east of the Andes in eastern Colombia, eastern Ecuador, northeastern Peru, and northwestern Brazil (east to Rio Negro).

**Notes.**—Some authors (e.g., Hilty and Brown 1986, Wetmore 1972, Sibley and Monroe 1990) recognize the two groups as distinct species, *G. bicolor* (Lawrence, 1863) [Bicolored Antbird] and *G. leucaspis* [White-cheeked Antbird]. This is based on Willis' (1967) opinion that if South American *G. rufigula* [Rufous-throated Antbird] is ranked at the species level, then *bicolor* and *leucaspis* must also be ranked as species. Willis (1967), however, found no differences in ecology or vocalizations between *bicolor* and *leucaspis*, and Hackett (1993) found only weak genetic differentiation between them, despite their disjunct distributions; see also Zimmer (1937) and Ridgely and Tudor (1994).

**Genus PHAENOSTICTUS** Ridgway


**Phaenostictus macleannani** (Lawrence). Ocellated Antbird.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in eastern Honduras (Olancho, Gracias a Dios), eastern Nicaragua (Caribbean slope), Costa Rica (primarily Caribbean slope), Panama (both slopes, but local
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Notes.—See comments under Thamnophilidae.

Genus FORMICARIUS Boddaert

*Formicarius* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., pp. 43, 44, 50. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), *Formicarius cayanensis* Boddaert = *Formicarius colma* Boddaert.

*Formicarius analis* (d’Orbigny and Lafresnaye). Black-faced Antthrush.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [moniliger group] on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, and eastern and southern Yucatan Peninsula south to northern Honduras; [hoffmanni group] on the Caribbean slope of eastern Honduras (Olancho) and Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (rare in dry northwest) and Panama, and Colombia (except southeastern), northern Venezuela, and Trinidad; and [analis group] in South America from southeastern Colombia, southern Venezuela, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

**Notes.**—Groups: *F. moniliger* Sclater, 1857 [Mexican Antthrush], *F. hoffmanni* (Cabanis, 1861) [Hoffmann’s Antthrush], and *F. analis* [Black-faced Antthrush]. The moniliger and hoffmanni groups differ in voice, plumage, and elevational distribution, and probably deserve to be considered as distinct species (Howell 1994). The relationships among populations farther south, including those in South America, are complex (Howell 1994, Ridgely and Tudor 1994).


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (400–1500 m; upper Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in Costa Rica (primarily on the Caribbean slope of the Guanacaste, Central and Talamanca cordilleras) and Panama (mainly Caribbean slope), and along the Pacific slope of northwestern South America south to western Ecuador.

*Formicarius rufipectus* Salvin. Rufous-breasted Antthrush.

*Formicarius rufipectus* Salvin, 1866, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, p. 73, pl. 8. (Santiago de Veraguas, Panamá.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest; especially *Heliconia* thickets (750–1500 m; upper Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in the highlands of Costa Rica (Caribbean slope of Cordillera Tilarán south), Panama (Bocas del Toro, Chiriquí, Veraguas, eastern Darién), and in South America on the western slope of the Andes from Colombia to southern Ecuador and the eastern slope (locally) in northwestern Venezuela and from northern Ecuador to southern Peru.

Genus PITASOMA Cassin

**Pittasorna michleri** Cassin. Black-crowned Antpitta.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (300–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in Costa Rica (Caribbean slope from the Cordillera Tilaránsoutheastward), Panama (both slopes, but only locally on Pacific slope), and extreme northwestern Colombia (Chocó).

Genus **GRALLARIA** Vieillot

*Grallaria Vieillot*, 1816, Analyse, p. 43. Type, by monotypy, “Roi des Fourmilliers”

**Buffon = Fornicarius varius** Boddaert.

**Notes.**—See comments under *Hylopezus*.

**Grallaria guatimalensis** Prévost and Des Murs. Scaled Antpitta.

*Grallaria guatimalensis* Prévost and Des Murs, 1846, Voy. Venus, Atlas, Zool., Ois. (1842), pl. 4. (Guatemala.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (575–3000 m; upper Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands and on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from Jalisco, Guerrero, Michoacán, México, Morelos, Hidalgo, Veracruz, and Tabasco south through Oaxaca, Chiapas, and northern Central America (except Belize) to north-central Nicaragua; in the highlands of Costa Rica (primarily on Caribbean drainage) and Panama (recorded Bocas del Toro, Chiriquí, Veraguas, and eastern Darién); and in Trinidad, South America in southern Venezuela and adjacent northern Brazil (Tepui region), and from northern Colombia south, on the western slope of the Andes to northwestern Peru and on the eastern slope to northern Bolivia.

Genus **HYLOPEZUS** Ridgway


**Notes.**—For recognition of this genus as distinct from *Grallaria*, see Lowery and O’Neill (1969).

**Hylopezus perspicillatus** (Lawrence). Streak-chested Antpitta.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1250 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Caribbean slope in northeastern Honduras (Gracias a Dios), Nicaragua (Caribbean slope), Costa Rica (absent from dry northwest), Panama (more local on Pacific slope), north-central and western Colombia, and western Ecuador.

**Notes.**—Also known as Spectacled Antpitta.

**Hylopezus dives** (Salvin). Thicket Antpitta.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest; especially in very dense undergrowth (0–900 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Caribbean slope of northeastern Honduras (Olancho), Nicaragua, and Costa Rica, and in Panama (locally in Bocas del Toro and eastern Darién) and western Colombia.

**Notes.**—We follow Ridgely and Gwynne (1989) and Ridgely and Tudor (1994) in treating
H. dives as a separate species from H. fulviventris [White-lored Antpitta], but not in using the translation of the latter’s scientific name for the English name of the former.

Genus **GRALLARICULA** Sclater


**Grallaricula flavirostris** (Sclater). Ochre-breasted Antpitta.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest; especially in tree-fall gaps (750–1850 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in the highlands of Costa Rica (in the Dota Mountains and on the Caribbean slope of the Cordillera Central) and Panama (Chiriquí, Bocas del Toro, Veraguas, and eastern Darién), and in South America in the Andes from Colombia south, on the western slope to southern Ecuador and on the eastern slope to northern Bolivia.

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Genus **SCYTALOPUS** Gould


**Scytalopus panamensis** Chapman. Tacarcuna Tapaculo.

**Scytalopus panamensis** Chapman, 1915, Auk 32: 420. (Tacarcuna, 3,600 ft., eastern Panama.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (1020–1380 m; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in extreme eastern Panama (Cerro Tacarcuna and Cerro Malfí, eastern Darién).

**Notes.**—See comments under S. chocoensis.

**Scytalopus chocoensis** Krabbe and Schulenberg. Choco Tapaculo.

**Scytalopus chocoensis** Krabbe and Schulenberg, 1997, Ornithol. Monogr., no. 48, p. 75. (El Placer, ca. 670 m, prov. Esmeraldas, Ecuador.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (1340–1465 m; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in extreme eastern Panama (Cerro Pirre, eastern Darién), and in the Western Andes from Colombia south to northwestern Ecuador.

**Notes.**—Populations of this species were formerly treated under *Scytalopus vicinior* Zimmer, 1939 or *S. panamensis vicinior*, but Krabbe and Schulenberg (1997) found that chocoensis differs from vicinior in voice, measurements, and elevational distribution.

**Scytalopus argentifrons** Ridgway. Silvery-fronted Tapaculo.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest; especially in dense, shady undergrowth along streams (1000–3100 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands of [argentifrons group] Costa Rica (northwest to Cordillera de Guanacaste); and [chiriquensis group] western Panama (Chiriquí, Bocas del Toro, and Veraguas).

**Notes.**—Groups: *S. argentifrons* [Silvery-fronted Tapaculo] and *S. chiriquensis* Griscom, 1924 [Chiriqui Tapaculo]; see Wetmore (1972) for treatment as one species.
Superfamily TYRANNOIDEA: Tyrant Flycatchers, Cotingas, Manakins, and Allies

Family TYRANNIDAE: Tyrant Flycatchers

Notes.—Limits of the families and subfamilies in this superfamily are difficult to define. Sequence and placement of genera here are modified from those of Traylor (in Traylor 1979b), principally on the basis of morphological studies by W.E. Lanyon (1984, 1985, 1986, 1988a, 1988b), Prum and Lanyon (1989), Prum (1990, 1992), and McKitrick (1985). Many of the assemblages recognized here also are corroborated by DNA hybridization data of Sibley and Ahlquist (1990). However, we follow Lanyon (1988a) in not recognizing Sibley and Ahlquist’s “Pipromorphinae” because of conflicts with morphological data and the absence of key genera from the DNA studies.

Subfamily ELAENIINAE: Tyrannulets, Elaenias and Allies

Genus ORNITHION Hartlaub

Ornithion Hartlaub, 1853, J. Ornithol. 1: 35. Type, by monotypy, Ornithion inerme Hartlaub.


Ornithion semifiavum (Sclater and Salvin). Yellow-bellied Tyrannulet.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1250 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in the Gulf-Caribbean lowlands of Middle America from northern Oaxaca, southern Veracruz, Tabasco, and northern Chiapas south to Nicaragua, and in Costa Rica (primarily Pacific slope southward, locally on Caribbean slope in Alajuela province).

Notes.—O. semifiavum and O. brunneicapillum are closely related and have been considered conspecific, but they are vocally distinct and apparently sympatric in northern Costa Rica (Stiles and Skutch 1989: 339); they constitute a superspecies.

Ornithion brunneicapillum (Lawrence). Brown-capped Tyrannulet.

Tyrannulus brunneicapillus Lawrence, 1862, Ibis, p. 12. (Isthmus of Panama = Lion Hill, Canal Zone.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–900 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in Costa Rica (Caribbean slope north to Alajuela province) and Panama (Caribbean slope throughout, Pacific from Canal area eastward), and in South America from northern Colombia south to western Ecuador and east to northern Venezuela.

Notes.—See comments under O. semifiavum.

Genus CAMPTOSTOMA Sclater


Camptostoma imberbe Sclater. Northern Beardless-Tyrannulet.

Habitat.—Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Riparian Thickets (0–2100 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Breeds from southeastern Arizona, southwestern New Mexico (Guadalupe Canyon), Durango, Zacatecas, Nuevo León, and southern Texas (north to Kenedy County) south along both slopes of Middle America (including Cozumel Island) to Nicaragua (primarily Pacific slope, also San Francisco on Río San Juan), and northern Costa Rica (primarily Guanacaste, locally on the Caribbean slope in the Río Frío region).

Winters from northern Mexico (casually southern Arizona) south throughout the remainder of the breeding range.

Notes.—Also known as Northern Beardless Flycatcher. C. imberbe and C. obsoletum are closely related and have been considered conspecific, but both breed sympatrically in the Tempisque region of Costa Rica (Stiles and Skutch 1989: 337); they constitute a superspecies.

Camptostoma obsoletum (Temminck). Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet.

Muscicapa obsoleta (Natterer MS) Temminck, 1824, Planches Color., livr. 46, pl. 275, fig. 1. (Brazil = Curitiba, Paraná, Brazil.)

Habitat.—Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest, Riparian Thickets, Second-growth Scrub (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in southwestern Costa Rica (Pacific slope north to the Tempisque Valley) and Panama (Pacific slope throughout, including Coiba, Cébaco, and the Pearl islands, locally on the Caribbean slope in Colón, Canal area, and San Blas), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to central Peru, and east of the Andes throughout to central Argentina, Uruguay, and southern Brazil.

Notes.—Also known as Southern Beardless Flycatcher. See comments under C. imberbe.

Genus PHAEOMYIAS Berlepsch


Phaeomyias murina (Spix). Mouse-colored Tyrannulet.

Platyrhynchus murinus Spix, 1825, Avium Spec. Nov. Bras. 2: 14, pl. 16, fig. 2. (Brazil = Rio São Francisco, northern Bahia.)

Habitat.—Arid Lowland Scrub, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Second-growth Scrub, Gallery Forest (0–1750 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in western and central Panama (Pacific slope from Chiriquí east to eastern Panamá province), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including Monos Island), Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to eastern Peru, northern and eastern Bolivia, northwestern Argentina, Paraguay, and central and eastern Brazil.

Genus NESOTRICCUS Townsend


Nesotriccus ridgwayi Townsend. Cocos Flycatcher.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–500 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident on Cocos Island, off Costa Rica.
Genus **CAPSIEMPIS** Cabanis and Heine


*Capsiempis flaveola* (Lichtenstein). Yellow Tyrannulet.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, often associated with bamboo (0–1250 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in Nicaragua (Caribbean slope north to Rio Escondido), Costa Rica (Caribbean slope and Pacific southwest) and Panama (locally east to eastern Colón and eastern Panamá province, also Isla Coiba), and in South America west of the Andes in western Ecuador, and east of the Andes locally from southeastern Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south to southeastern Peru, northern and eastern Bolivia, central and southeastern Brazil, Paraguay, and extreme northeastern Argentina.

Genus **TYRANNULUS** Vieillot


*Sylvia elata* Latham, 1790, Index Ornithol. 2: 549. Based on “Le Roitelet Mesange” Buffon, Hist. Nat. Ois. 5: 375, and “Mesange huppé de Cayenne” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 708, fig. 2. (in Cayana uliginosis = Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—River-edge Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in southwestern Costa Rica (Golfo Dulce region) and Panama (Pacific slope throughout, Caribbean slope from Cocle eastward), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to eastern Peru, northern Bolivia, and Amazonian Brazil.

Genus **MYIOPAGIS** Salvin and Godman


*Myiopagis gaimardii* (d’Orbigny). Forest Elaenia.

*Muscicapara Gaimardii* d’Orbigny, 1840, Voy. Am. Mérid. 4 (Ois.) (3): 326. (Yuracares, Bolivia.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident from central Panama (west on the Caribbean slope to Cocle, on Pacific slope to the Canal area) east across northern Colombia, Venezuela (including Chacachacare Island), and Trinidad to the Guianas, and south, east of the Andes, to eastern Peru, northern Bolivia, and Amazonian and central Brazil.

*Myiopagis caniceps* (Swainson). Gray Elaenia.

*Tyrannula caniceps* Swainson, 1835, Ornithol. Drawings, pt. 4, pl. 49. (Brazil = Santo Amaro, Reconcavo de Baía, Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–900 m; Tropical and Lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in central and eastern Panama (Canal area, eastern Da-
rién), western Colombia, and western Ecuador; also in northwestern Venezuela, and from southeastern Colombia and southern Venezuela south, east of the Andes, to eastern Peru, Paraguay, extreme northeastern Argentina, and central and eastern Brazil.

**Myiopagis cotta** (Gosse). Jamaican Elaenia.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Jamaica.

**Notes.**—Known as Jamaican Yellow-crowned Elaenia in Bond (1971).

**Myiopagis viridicata** (Vieillot). Greenish Elaenia.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1700 m; Tropical and Lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from Sinaloa, Durango, southeastern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Mexico (including the Yucatan Peninsula, and Tres Marias and Cozumel islands, but a record from Isla Mujeres is unverified) and Central America (throughout, including Utila in the Bay Islands off Honduras, but in Costa Rica confined primarily to the Pacific slope) to Panama (Pacific slope throughout, including Coiba and the Pearl islands, locally on the Caribbean slope in Colón and the Canal area), and in South America from western Colombia south, west of the Andes, to western Ecuador (including Puna Island), and locally from Venezuela and southeastern Colombia south, east of the Andes, to southeastern Peru, central Bolivia, northern Argentina, Paraguay, and south-central and eastern Brazil.

Accidental in Texas (High Island; 1984, Amer. Birds 38:934).

**Genus ELAENIA** Sundevall


**Elaenia martinica** (Linnaeus). Caribbean Elaenia.

_Muscicapa martinica_ Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 325. Based on “Le Gobe-mouche hupé de la Martinique” Brisson, Ornithologie 2: 362, pl. 36, fig. 2. (in Martinica = Martinique.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–700 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident [martinica group] in the Cayman, Providencia and San Andrés islands in the Caribbean Sea, on islands off the Yucatan Peninsula (Cozumel, Mujeres and Cayo Culebra, probably also Holbox) and Belize (Ambergris Cay), and from Puerto Rico (including Vieques, Culebra and Culebrita islands), and the Virgin Islands south through the Lesser Antilles to Grenada (apparently absent from the Grenadines) and the Netherlands Antilles; and [chinchorroensis group] Banco Chinchorro (off Quintana Roo), and (formerly) Half Moon Cay, and Glover’s Reef (off Belize).

_Ranges_ in winter [martinica group] to the Yucatan Peninsula.

Casual [chinchorroensis group] on the mainland of Belize (Belize City); a report from northwestern Florida (near Pensacola), based on photographs (not definitive) and descriptions of vocalizations, very likely pertains to this species [martinica group].

**Notes.**—Groups: _E. martinica_ [Caribbean Elaenia] and _E. chinchorroensis_ Griscom, 1926 [Chinchorro Elaenia].
**Elaenia flavogaster** (Thunberg). Yellow-bellied Elaenia.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Riparian Thickets, Secondary Forest (0–1700 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from central Veracruz, northern Oaxaca and Chiapas south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula, islas Mujeres and Holbox off Quintana Roo, Ambergris Cay off Belize, and the Pearl, Taboga, Coiba and smaller islands off Panama), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (also Margarita and Patos islands), and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru, and east of the Andes (absent from southeastern Colombia, eastern Ecuador and central Amazonian Brazil) to southeastern Peru, northern and eastern Bolivia, northwestern and northeastern Argentina, Paraguay, and southern Brazil; also the southern Lesser Antilles (Grenada, the Grenadines and St. Vincent), Tobago and Trinidad. Populations north of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec migrate southward in winter.

**Elaenia chiriquensis** Lawrence. Lesser Elaenia.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub (0–1800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in northern (Volcan Miravalles), central (Cartago and Paraíso), and southwestern Costa Rica (El General-Térraba and Coto Brus valleys), in Panama (Caribbean slope in Colón and the Canal area, Pacific slope from Chiriquí east to eastern Panamá province, and on Coiba, Cébaco and the Pearl islands), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes locally to northwestern Ecuador, and east of the Andes to eastern Peru, central and eastern Bolivia, northern Argentina, eastern Paraguay, and central and southeastern Brazil.

Accidental on Bonaire, in the Netherlands Antilles. Rare in Costa Rica between September and January, suggesting migration to Panama or South America (Stiles and Skutch 1989).

**Elaenia frantzii** Lawrence. Mountain Elaenia.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (900–3600 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the mountains of central Guatemala, northern and western El Salvador, Honduras, north-central and southwestern Nicaragua, Costa Rica, western Panama (Chiriquí, Veraguas and western Herrera), Colombia, and western and northern Venezuela.

**Elaenia fallax** Sclater. Greater Antillean Elaenia.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine Forest, upper elevations of Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (500–2000 m; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Jamaica (primarily in Blue Mountains, less frequently in hills of St. Ann and Trelawny) and Hispaniola (high elevations).

**Genus SERPHAGA** Gould

Serpophaga cinerea (Tschudi). Torrent Tyrannulet.

*Leptopogon cinereus* Tschudi, 1844, Arch. Naturgesch. 10: 276. (Republica Peruana = vicinity of Tarma, depto. Junín, Peru.)

**Habitat.**—Along rocky torrents in humid montane regions (750–2000 m, to 3200 m in South America; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands of Costa Rica (Cordillera de Tilarán southward) and western Panama (east to Veraguas); and in South America in the Andes from Colombia and northwestern Venezuela south to Peru and northern Bolivia.

Genus *MIONECTES* Cabanis


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in Costa Rica (on both slopes of highlands, most descend below 1200 m during nonbreeding season) and Panama (both slopes), and in South America from Colombia, northern Venezuela, and Trinidad south, west of the Andes to southwestern Ecuador, and east of the Andes to northern Bolivia.

*Mionectes oleagineus* (Lichtenstein). Ochre-bellied Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from eastern Puebla, central Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas and the Yucatán Peninsula (including Isla Mujeres, probably vagrant only) south along both slopes of Central America to Panama (including Coiba, Cébaco and the Pearl islands), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to eastern Peru, Bolivia, and Amazonian and extreme eastern Brazil.

**Notes.**—Formerly placed in the genus *Pipromorpha*.

Genus *LEPTOPOGON* Cabanis


*Leptopogon amaura cephalus* Tschudi. Sepia-capped Flycatcher.

*Leptopogon amaura cephalus* (Cabanis MS) Tschudi, 1846, Unters. Fauna Peru, lief. 6, Ornithol., p. 162 (footnote). (São Paulo, Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1300 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from northern Oaxaca, southern Veracruz, Tabasco, Chiapas, southern Campeche and southern Quintana Roo south to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (rare, mainly in northern foothills south to Cordillera Central, also in Terraba and Coto Brus region of southern Pacific slope), and in western and central Panama (Pacific slope east to eastern Panamá province, including
Isla Coiba, several records from the Caribbean slope in the Canal area); in South America from northern and eastern Colombia east across Venezuela to French Guiana, and northeastern Brazil, and from eastern Ecuador, eastern Peru and southern Amazonian Brazil south to central Bolivia, northern and northeastern Argentina, and Paraguay.

**Leptopogon superciliaris** Tschudi. Slaty-capped Flycatcher.

*Leptopogon superciliaris* Tschudi, 1844, Arch. Naturgesch. 10: 275. (Republica Peruana = Montaña de Vitoc, Peru.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (600–2100 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the highlands of Costa Rica (Caribbean slope from Cordillera de Tilarán southward, and Pacific slope on Cordillera de Talamanca and coastal ranges) and Panama (western Chiriquí east to western Cocle, and in eastern Darién), and in South America from the Andes of Colombia east across northern Venezuela to Trinidad, south on the western Andean slope to northwestern Peru, and on the eastern slope to eastern Peru and northern Bolivia; a record from extreme southern Venezuela (Amazonas) was from a misidentified specimen.

**Genus PHYLLOSCARTE S** Cabanis and Heine


**Phylloscartes flavovirens** (Lawrence). Yellow-green Tyrannulet.

*Leptopogon flavovirens* Lawrence, 1862, Ann. Lyc. Nat. Hist. N. Y. 7: 472. (Atlantic side of the Isthmus of Panama, along the line of the Panama Railroad = Atlantic slope, Canal Zone.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–500 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* locally in Panama (Pacific lowlands from the Canal area east to eastern Darién, Caribbean slope in the Canal area).

**Phylloscartes superciliaris** (Sclater and Salvin). Rufous-browed Tyrannulet.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (600–1200 m, to 1700 in South America; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* locally in Costa Rica (Cordillera de Guanacaste south at least to Cordillera Central), Panama (Bocas del Toro and Chiriquí east to Cocle, and in eastern Darién), Colombia (Rio Violin), northwestern Venezuela (Sierra de Perija), southeastern Ecuador (Cordillera de Cutucu, Cordillera del Condor), and extreme northern Peru (Cordillera del Condor).

**Genus PHYLLOMYIAS** Cabanis and Heine

*Phyllomyias* Cabanis and Heine, 1859, Mus. Heineanum 2: 57. Type, by subsequent designation (Sclater, 1888), "*P. brevirostris*" = *Platyrhynchus brevirostris* Spix = * Pipra fasciata* Thunberg.

**Tyranniscus** Cabanis and Heine, 1859, Mus. Heineanum 2: 57. Type, by monotypy, *Tyrannulus nigricapillus* [sic] Lafresnaye.


**Phyllomyias burmeisteri** Cabanis and Heine. Rough-legged Tyrannulet.

*Phyllomyias Burmeisteri* Cabanis and Heine, 1859, Mus. Heineanum 2: 57. (Brasilien = Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.)
Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (900–1850 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [zeledoni group] in the highlands of central Costa Rica (Caribbean slope from Cordillera de Tilarán southward, and Pacific slope of Cordillera de Talamanca) and western Panama (Chiriquí); [leucogonys group] locally in the mountains from eastern Colombia and northern Venezuela south along the eastern slope of the Andes to southeastern Peru; and [burmeisteri group] in eastern Bolivia and northwestern Argentina, and from eastern Paraguay across extreme northeastern Argentina to southeastern Brazil.

Notes.—The zeledoni and leucogonys groups are treated by many authors together as a separate species, P. zeledoni (Lawrence, 1869) [White-fronted Tyrannulet] (e.g., Wetmore 1972, Ridgley and Tudor 1994), but careful study is lacking. Formerly treated in the genus Acrochordopus but merged into Phyllomyias by Traylor (1977).

Phyllomyias griseiceps (Sclater and Salvin). Sooty-headed Tyrannulet.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1300 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident locally in extreme eastern Panama (eastern Darién, also a single report from eastern Panamá province), and in South America from Colombia and Venezuela south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to central Peru, and locally along the lower Amazon River in Brazil.

Notes.—Also known as Crested Tyrannulet (e.g., Wetmore 1972).

Genus ZIMMERIUS Traylor


Zimmerius vilissimus (Sclater and Salvin). Paltry Tyrannulet.

Elainia vilissima Sclater and Salvin, 1859, Ibis, p. 122, pl. 4, fig. 1. (Central America = Cobán, Alta Verapaz, Guatemala.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–3000 m; Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident [vilissimus group] in the highlands of eastern Chiapas, Guatemala (rare in Petén) and central El Salvador (Sierra de Balsamo); and [parvus group] in the lowlands of Honduras, Nicaragua (except Pacific slope), Costa Rica (throughout, except dry northwest), Panama and northwestern Colombia; and [improbus group] northeastern Colombia and northern Venezuela.

Notes.—Formerly placed in the genus Tyranniscus Cabanis and Heine, 1859. The two Middle American groups, Z. vilissimus [Paltry Tyrannulet] and Z. parvus (Lawrence, 1862) [Mistletoe Tyrannulet] differ in habitat (especially elevation) and in size, and may represent distinct species. Sibley and Monroe (1990) and Ridgley and Tudor (1994) recognize Z. improbus (Sclater and Salvin, 1871) [Venezuelan Tyrannulet], of the highlands of northeastern Colombia and northern Venezuela, as a distinct species.

Genus SUBLEGATUS Sclater and Salvin


Sublegatus arenarum (Salvin). Northern Scrub-Flycatcher.

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Mangrove Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–250 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident \([arenarum\) group\)] in the Pacific lowlands of south-central Costa Rica (around Gulf of Nicoya) and Panama (including Coiba, Cébaco, Taboga and the Pearl islands); and \([glaber\) group\)] in South America from northern Colombia eastward through northern Venezuela (including islands from Netherlands Antilles east to Trinidad) to French Guiana.

**Notes.**—Species limits confusing. We follow Traylor (1982) in excluding the wide-ranging interior South American form \(S. modestus\) (Wied, 1831) \[Southern Scrub-Flycatcher\] from this species. The two groups recognized here may constitute two species: \(S. arenarum\) \[Northern Scrub-Flycatcher\], and \(S. glaber\) Sclater and Salvin, 1868 \[Smooth Scrub-Flycatcher\]. Ridgley and Tudor (1994) also treated the Amazonian form, \(S. obscurior\) Todd, 1920, as a distinct species \[Amazonian Scrub-Flycatcher\].

**Genus PSEUDOTRICCUS** Taczanowski and Berlepsch


*Pseudotriccus pelzelni* Taczanowski and Berlepsch. Bronze-olive Pygmy-Tyrant.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (700–2000 m; Subtropical, less frequently upper Tropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands of extreme eastern Panama (cerros Pirre and Tacarcuna, eastern Darién), and in South America from Colombia south, in the western Andes to southwestern Ecuador, and in the eastern Andes to central Peru.

**Subfamily PLATYRINCHINAE: Tody-Tyrants and Flatbills**

**Genus MYIORNIS** Bertoni


**Notes.**—This genus was merged with *Hemitriccus* Cabanis and Heine, 1859, by W. E. Lanyon (1988b), on the basis of syringeal characters. We retain the genus because of the unique external morphology and flight behavior of its species (Traylor and Fitzpatrick 1982).

*Myiornis atricapillus* (Lawrence). Black-capped Pygmy-Tyrant.

*Orchilus atricapillus* Lawrence, 1875, Ibis, p. 385. (Angostura and Volcan de Irazu, Costa Rica = Talamanca, Costa Rica.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–700 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in Costa Rica (Caribbean lowlands), Panama (Caribbean slope, locally also on Pacific slope in eastern Panamá province and eastern Darién), western Colombia, and western Ecuador.

**Notes.**—*M. atricapillus* and the South American *M. ecaudatus* (Lafresnaye and d’Orbigny, 1837) are closely related and constitute a superspecies.

**Genus LOPHOTRICCUS** Berlepsch


**Lophotriccus pileatus** (Tschudi). Scale-crested Pygmy-Tyrant.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (750–1700 m; to 2100 m in South America; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the foothills and highlands on both slopes of Costa Rica and Panama, and in South America from Colombia and northern Venezuela south, in the western Andes to western Ecuador, and in the eastern Andes to southeastern Peru.

Sight report exists for eastern Honduras.

**Lophotriccus pilaris** (Cabanis). Pale-eyed Pygmy-Tyrant.

*Colopterus pilaris* Cabanis, 1847, Arch. Naturgesch. 13: 253, pl. 5, fig. 4. (environ of Cartagena, Bolívar, Colombia.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–800 m; Tropical, occasionally lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Pacific slope of western and central Panama (western Chiriquí east to eastern Panamá province), and in South America in northern Colombia, northern Venezuela, and Guyana.

**Notes.**—Formerly placed in the monotypic genus *Atalotriccus*, which was merged with *Lophotriccus* by Lanyon (1988b).

Genus **ONYCOSTOMA** Sclater


**Oncostoma cinereigulare** (Sclater). Northern Bentbill.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southern Veracruz and northern and southeastern Oaxaca south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to western Panama (western Bocas del Toro and western Chiriquí; an old specimen from “Canal Zone” is probably mislabeled).

**Notes.**—*O. cinereigulare* and *O. olivaceum* constitute a superspecies. With treatment as a single species, the English name would be Bentbill.

**Oncostoma olivaceum** (Lawrence). Southern Bentbill.

*Todirostrum olivaceum* Lawrence, 1862, Ibis, p. 12. (Isthmus of Panama = Lion Hill, Canal Zone.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in eastern Panama (west on the Caribbean slope to Coclé and west on the Pacific slope to the Canal area) and northern Colombia.

**Notes.**—See comments under *O. cinereigulare*.

Genus **POECILOTRICCUS** Berlepsch

Poecilotriccus sylvia (Desmarest). Slate-headed Tody-Flycatcher.

_Todus sylvia_ Desmarest, 1806, Hist. Nat. Tangaras, Manakins, Todiers, livr. 10, pl. 71. (No locality given = probably Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–1100 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, northern Chiapas, southern Campeche and Quintana Roo south through northern Central America to Honduras, on both slopes of Nicaragua, Costa Rica (most common on Pacific slope from Gulf of Nicoya southward), and Panama (Pacific slope east to eastern Panamá province, on Caribbean slope east to the Canal area), and in South America from northern Colombia locally across northwestern and southern Venezuela, and Guyana to French Guiana, and in extreme northern and northeastern Brazil.

**Notes.** Long placed in the genus _Todirostrum_, but transferred to _Poecilotriccus_ by Lanyon (1988b).

**Genus TODIROSTRUM Lesson**


_Todirostrum cinereum_ (Linnaeus). Common Tody-Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest Edge (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on both slopes of Middle America from central Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, northern and southeastern Chiapas, and the Yucatan Peninsula (a specimen from Isla Mujeres is suspect) south to Panama (including Isla Coiba), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru, and east of the Andes to eastern Peru, northern and eastern Bolivia, and southern Brazil.

**Notes.**—_T. cinereum_ and the distinct form from northwestern Venezuela, _T. viridanum_ Hellmayr, 1927, constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

_Todirostrum nigriceps_ Sclater. Black-headed Tody-Flycatcher.

_Todirostrum nigriceps_ Sclater, 1855, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, p. 66, pl. 84, fig. 1. (Santa Martha in Nov. Grenada = Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta, Colombia.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1100 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in Costa Rica (primarily Caribbean lowlands, locally on Pacific drainage of Cordillera de Guanacaste) and Panama (Caribbean slope generally throughout, Pacific slope from the Canal area eastward), and in South America in northern and eastern Andean Colombia, northwestern Venezuela, and western Ecuador.

**Notes.**—_T. nigriceps_ and the South American _T. chrysocrotaphum_ Strickland, 1850 [Yellow-browed Tody-Flycatcher] constitute a superspecies.

**Genus CNIPODECTES Sclater and Salvin**


_Cnipodectes subbrunneus_ (Sclater). Brownish Flycatcher.

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).
Distribution.—Resident in Panama (eastward from the Valiente Peninsula, Bocas del Toro, on the Caribbean slope, and from the Canal area on the Pacific slope), and in South America from Colombia south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to northeastern Peru and western Brazil.
Notes.—Also known as Brownish Twistwing (Ridgely and Tudor 1994).

Genus **RHYNCHOCLYCLUS** Cabanis and Heine


*Rhynchocyclus* Cabanis and Heine, 1859, Mus. Heineanum 2: 56. New name for *Cyclorhynchus* Sundevall.

**Rhynchocyclus brevirostris** (Cabanis). Eye-ringed Flatbill.

*Cyclorhynchus brevirostris* Cabanis, 1847, Arch. Naturgesch. 13: 249. (Xalapa, Mexico = Jalapa, Veracruz.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1800, rarely to 2100 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).
Distribution.—Resident on both slopes of Middle America from Guerrero, Puebla, central Veracruz, Chiapas and the Yucatan Peninsula (north to central Campeche and northern Quintana Roo) south to Nicaragua (not recorded Pacific slope of Guatemala or Nicaragua), both slopes of Costa Rica (locally on northern cordilleras) and Panama (locally on both slopes to Darién).
Notes.—*R. brevirostris* and *R. pacificus* (Chapman, 1914), of northwestern South America, constitute a superspecies.

**Rhynchocyclus olivaceus** (Temminck). Olivaceous Flatbill.

*Platyrhynchos olivaceus* Temminck, 1820, Planches Color., livr. 2, pl. 12, fig. 1. (Brésil = Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest (0–600 m, to 1000 m in South America; Tropical Zone).
Distribution.—Resident in Panama (on Caribbean slope west to western Colón, on Pacific slope west to the Canal area, one old record from “Veragua” in western Panama), and in South America from northern Colombia, Venezuela and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to eastern Peru, northern Bolivia, and Amazonian and southeastern Brazil.

Genus **TOLMOMYIAS** Hellmayr


**Tolmomyias sulphurescens** (Spix). Yellow-olive Flycatcher.

*Platyrhynchus sulphurescens* Spix, 1825, Avium Spec. Nov. Bras. 2: 10, pl. 12, fig. 1. (Río de Janeiro and Piau, Brazil = Rio de Janeiro.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, River-edge Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1650 m, to 2100 m in South America; Tropical and Subtropical zones).
Distribution.—Resident from northern and southeastern Oaxaca and central Veracruz south through Middle America (both slopes, including the Yucatan Peninsula) to eastern Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru, and east of the Andes to northern Argentina and southern Brazil (not recorded Uruguay).
Notes.—Considerable geographic variation in plumage and vocalizations suggest that this widespread taxon contains more than one species.

_Tolmomyias assimilis_ (Pelzeln). Yellow-margined Flycatcher.

_Rhynchocyclus assimilis_ Pelzeln, 1868, Ornithol. Bras. 2: 110, 181. (Engenho do Gama, S. Vicente, Borba, Rio Negro, and Barra do Rio Negro, n. Brazil = Borba, Rio Madeira.)

_Habitat._—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

_Distribution._—Resident in Costa Rica (Caribbean slope throughout) and Panama (both slopes, but seemingly absent on the Pacific slope between western Chiriquí and the Canal area), and in South America from Colombia, southern Venezuela and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to eastern Peru, northern Bolivia, and Amazonian Brazil.

Genus _PLATYRINCHUS_ Desmarest


_Platyrrinchus cancrominus_ Sclater and Salvin. Stub-tailed Spadebill.


_Habitat._—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

_Distribution._—Resident from southern Veracruz, northern and southeastern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, Campeche and Quintana Roo south along both slopes of Central America to Nicaragua, in northwestern Costa Rica (Pacific slope south to Parrita), and in Panama (known only from numerous islands off Bocas del Toro, and from one specimen on the nearby mainland).

_Notes._—_P. cancrominus_ and _P. mystaceus_ are closely related, and constitute a superspecies. Olson (1993a) discussed the apparently relict population of _cancrominus_ in Panama.

_Platyrrinchus mystaceus_ Vieillot. White-throated Spadebill.


_Habitat._—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (700–2150 m, rarely to sea level; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

_Distribution._—Resident [albogularis group] in Costa Rica (Caribbean slope throughout, and Pacific slope of central highlands from the Dota Mountains eastward) and highlands of Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad, the Guianas and adjacent northern Brazil south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru, and on eastern Andean slopes to northern Bolivia; and [mystaceus group] in southern and eastern Brazil, eastern Paraguay, and extreme northeastern Argentina.

_Notes._—The two groups differ considerably from one another ecologically and in plumage and soft-part coloration, and have been treated as separate species (e.g., Olson 1993a): _P. albogularis_ Sclater, 1860 [White-throated Spadebill] and _P. mystaceus_ [Yellow-crested Spadebill]. See comments under _P. cancrominus_.

_Platyrrinchus coronatus_ Sclater. Golden-crowned Spadebill.

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Caribbean slope of Honduras (west to the Sula Valley) and Nicaragua, in Costa Rica (Caribbean slope, southern Pacific slope, and in northern Pacific on the Cordillera de Guanacaste) and Panama (both slopes, but rare and local on Pacific slope), and in South America west of the Andes in western Colombia and western Ecuador, and east of the Andes from southeastern Colombia, southern Venezuela, and the Guianas south to eastern Peru, northern Bolivia, and Amazonian Brazil.

Genus **ONYCHORHYNCHUS** Fischer von Waldheim


**Onychorhynchus coronatus** (Müller). Royal Flycatcher.

*Muscicap*a *coronata* P. L. S. Müller, 1776, Natursyst., Suppl., p. 168. Based on Dab-benton, Planches Enlum., pl. 289. (Cayenne.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1100 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [mexicanus group] from southern Veracruz and northern and southeastern Oaxaca south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula north to northern Campeche and northern Quintana Roo), most common on the Gulf-Caribbean slope south through Nicaragua to northern Costa Rica (east to Rio Frio region), and on the Pacific slope in Costa Rica and Panama west of Azuero Peninsula, to northern Colombia and northwestern Venezuela; [occidentalis group] in South America west of the Andes in western Ecuador and northwestern Peru; [coronatus group] in South America east of the Andes from eastern Colombia, southern Venezuela, and the Guianas south to northern Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil; and [swainsoni group] in southeastern Brazil.

Notes.—Groups may represent separate species: *O. mexicanus* (Sclater, 1857) [Northern Royal-Flycatcher], *O. occidentalis* (Sclater, 1860) [Western Royal-Flycatcher], *O. coronatus* [Amazonian Royal-Flycatcher] and *O. swainsoni* (Pelzeln, 1858) [Swainson’s Royal-Flycatcher].

Subfamily **FLUVICOLINAE**: Fluvicoline Flycatchers

Genus **TERENOTRICCUS** Ridgway


Notes.—Mobely and Prum (1995) followed Lanyon (1988c) in merging the monotypic genus *Terenotriccus* into *Myiobius*, but we consider the numerous structural, behavioral, and plumage differences between *T. erythrurus* and the otherwise homogeneous *Myiobius* species to be recognizable at the generic level.

**Terenotriccus erythrurus** (Cabanis). Ruddy-tailed Flycatcher.

*Myiobius erythrurus* Cabanis, 1847, Arch. Naturgesch. 13: 249, pl. 5, fig. 1. (Guiana, Cayenne = Cayenne.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Chiapas, Tabasco, southern Campeche, Guatemala, southern Belize, Honduras and Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from the dry northwest) and Panama, and in South America from northern Colombia, Venezuela and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to eastern Peru, northern Bolivia, and Amazonian and central Brazil.
Genus MYIOBIUS Darwin


(Myiobius villosus) Sclater. Tawny-breasted Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (1200–1440 m in Panama, 800–2100 m in South America; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from extreme eastern Panama (two specimens from Cerro Tacarcuna in eastern Darién), Colombia and northwestern Venezuela south, in the western Andes to northwestern Ecuador, and in the eastern Andes to eastern Peru and northern Bolivia.

(Myiobius sulphureipygius) (Sclater). Sulphur-rumped Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, northern Chiapas, southern Campeche and Quintana Roo south on the Caribbean slope of northern Central America to Nicaragua, both slopes of Costa Rica (south of Carara on the Pacific slope) and Panama (local on Pacific slope), and in South America in the Pacific lowlands of western Colombia and western Ecuador.

**Notes.**—_M. sulphureipygius_ and the South American _M. barbatus_ (Gmelin, 1789) were treated as conspecific by Sibley and Monroe (1990) and Ridgely and Tudor (1994). We treat the two as members of a superspecies.

(Myiobius atricaudus) Lawrence. Black-tailed Flycatcher.

**Myiobius atricaudus** Lawrence, 1863, Ibis, p. 183. (Isthmus of Panama = Lion Hill, Canal Zone.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident [atriciaudus group] in Costa Rica (local on the Pacific slope south of the Tempisque Basin), Panama (both slopes, but local in the west and absent between Azuero Peninsula and western Panama province), northern and western Colombia, western Ecuador, and extreme northwestern Peru; also in South America east of the Andes in eastern Venezuela, and from southeastern Ecuador and eastern Peru east through Amazonian and eastern Brazil; and [ridgwayi group] in southeastern Brazil.

**Notes.**—Groups: _M. atricaudus_ [Black-tailed Flycatcher] and _M. ridgwayi_ Berlepsch, 1888 [Buff-rumped Flycatcher].

Genus MYIOPHOBUS Reichenbach


(Myiophobus fasciatus) (Müller). Bran-colored Flycatcher.

_Muscicapa fasciata_ P. L. S. Müller, 1776, Natursyst., Suppl., p. 172. Based on Dau-benton, Planches Enlum., pl. 574, fig. 3. (Cayenne.)
Habitat.—Second-growth Scrub, Riparian Thickets, River-edge Forest (0–1200 m, to 2000 m in South America; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [fasciatus group] in southwestern Costa Rica (El General-Térraba region), western and central Panama (Pacific slope east to eastern Panamá province, Caribbean slope in the Canal area and adjacent Colón, and in the Pearl Islands), and in South America from northern Colombia south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru, and east of the Andes in northern Venezuela (including Chacachacare Island), Trinidad and the Guianas, and from central and eastern Peru east across central and eastern Brazil (but absent from much of the Amazon basin), thence southward through Paraguay and Uruguay to central Argentina; and [rufescens group] western Peru south from La Libertad to northern Chile.

Notes.—Groups: M. fasciams [Bran-colored Flycatcher] and M. rufescens (Salvadori, 1864) [Rufescent Flycatcher].

Genus LATHROTRICCUS Lanyon and Lanyon

Lathrotriccus Lanyon and Lanyon, 1986, Auk 103: 347. Type, by original designation, Empidochanes euleri Cabanis.

Notes.—For evidence that the species euleri should not be placed in the genus Empidonax, see Zink and Johnson (1984). For recognition of Lathrotriccus for euleri, and its placement within the Tyrannidae, see Lanyon and Lanyon (1986) and Lanyon (1986).

Lathrotriccus euleri (Cabanis). Euler’s Flycatcher.

Empidochanes Eulcri Cabanis, 1868, J. Ornithol. 16: 195. (Cantagallo, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1350 m in South America; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [flaviventris group] in the southern Lesser Antilles (on Grenada, where possibly extirpated), and in South America from eastern Colombia across northern Venezuela and Trinidad to Surinam, and south, east of the Andes, to Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil; and [euleri group] in South America in southeastern Bolivia, eastern and southeastern Brazil, Paraguay, northern Argentina and Uruguay. Southernmost breeding populations [euleri group] migrate northward to Peru, Colombia and Venezuela.

Notes.—Secies limits within this form are not clear, and at least two species may be involved. Groups: L. flaviventris (Lawrence, 1887) [Lawrence’s Flycatcher], and L. euleri [Euler’s Flycatcher]. With treatment of euleri in Lathrotriccus, Blacicus flaviventris Lawrence, 1887 is no longer preoccupied by Tyrannula flaviventris Baird, 1843 [= Empidonax flaviventris], and the name flaviventris antedates L. lawrencei (Allen, 1889).

Genus APHANOTRICCUS Ridgway


Aphanotriccus capitalis (Salvin). Tawny-chested Flycatcher.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Caribbean slope of eastern Nicaragua and northern Costa Rica south to Turrialba and Puerto Limón.
**Aphanotriccus audax** (Nelson). Black-billed Flycatcher.

*Praedo audax* Nelson, 1912, Smithsonian. Misc. Collect. 60(3): 15. (Cana, at 2,000 feet altitude, eastern Panamá.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–600 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in eastern Panamá (near Puerto San Antonio and Majé in eastern Panamá province, and near Cana and on Cerro Pirre in eastern Darién), and locally in northwestern and northern Colombia.

Genus **XENOTRICCUS** Dwight and Griscom


**Xenotriccus callizonus** Dwight and Griscom. Belted Flycatcher.

*Xenotriccus callizonus* Dwight and Griscom, 1927, Amer. Mus. Novit., no. 254, p. 2. (Panajachel, 5,500 ft., Lake Atitlán, Guatemala.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, especially with oaks (1200–2000 m; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in Chiapas (El Sumidero, Ocozocoautla, Chichimá), Guatemala (Lake Atitlán, Baja Verapaz), and El Salvador (south to El Encinal).

**Xenotriccus mexicanus** (Zimmer). Pileated Flycatcher.

*Aechmolophus mexicanus* Zimmer, 1938, Auk 55: 664. (Cuernavaca, altitude 5000 feet, [Guerrero,] Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Arid Montane Scrub, especially mesquite or oak-thorn (900–2000 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from eastern Michoacán south through the interior of Guerrero, Morelos and southwestern Puebla to central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec).

**Notes.**—Formerly placed in the monotypic genus *Aechmolophus*, which was merged with *Xenotriccus* by Traylor (1977).

Genus **MITREPHANES** Coues


**Mitrephanes phaeocercus** (Sclater). Tufted Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (600–3600 m; upper Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [phaeocercus group] in the highlands from northeastern Sonora, western Chihuahua, Sinaloa, Durango, western Zacatecas, southeastern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south through Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua, both slopes of Costa Rica south locally through Panama (Bocas del Toro, Chiriquí, Veraguas, Coclé and eastern Darién), and western Colombia to northwestern Ecuador; and [olivaceus group] in South America from northern Peru south along the Andes to northern Bolivia.

Accidental in Texas (Big Bend; Zimmer and Bryan 1993; DeBenedictis 1994a).

**Notes.**—Many authors, including Wetmore (1972), Sibley and Monroe (1990) and Ridgely
and Tudor (1994), treat the two groups as separate species: *M. olivaceus* Berlepsch and Stolzmann, 1894 [Olive Tufted-Flycatcher] and *M. phaeocercus* (Sclater, 1859) [Common Tufted-Flycatcher].

Genus *CONTOPUS* Cabanis


*Blacicus* Cabanis, 1855, J. Ornithol. 3: 480. Type, by original designation, *Muscipeta caribaea* d'Orbigny.


*Myiochanes* Cabanis and Heine, 1859, Mus. Heineanum 2: 71. New name for *Syrichtha* Bonaparte.


*Contopus cooperi* (Nuttall). Olive-sided Flycatcher.


*Tyrannus borealis* Swainson, 1832, in Swainson and Richardson, Fauna Bor.-Amer. 2 (1831): 141, pl. 35. (Cumberland House [= Carlton House], lat. 54ø, banks of the Saskatchewan [Canada].)

**Habitat.**—Taiga, subalpine coniferous forest, spruce bogs, burns, and mixed coniferous-deciduous forest with standing dead trees; in migration and winter in a variety of forest habitats, especially with emergent dead limbs.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from western and central Alaska, central Yukon, west-central and southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, north-central Manitoba, northern Ontario, south-central Quebec; south-central Labrador and central Newfoundland south along humid coast to central California, and in interior mountains to northern Baja California (Sierra San Pedro Mártir), southern Nevada, northern Arizona, southern New Mexico and western Texas, and, east of the Rocky Mountains, to central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, northeastern Ohio (formerly) and western Massachusetts, also locally in the Appalachians south through New York, Pennsylvania, eastern West Virginia, and southwestern Virginia to eastern Tennessee and western North Carolina.

Winters mainly in mountains of South America from Colombia, Venezuela and Trinidad south through Ecuador and Peru to Bolivia and southeastern Brazil, rarely in Middle America as far north as southern Mexico in Jalisco, Oaxaca and Chiapas; casual in southern California.

Migrates regularly through most of the western United States and Middle America, less commonly throughout eastern United States south to the Gulf coast, and casually along the southern Atlantic coast to peninsular Florida.

Casual or accidental in northern Alaska (Point Barrow), St. Lawrence Island in the Bering Sea, Greenland, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles, Surinam, and Amazonian Brazil.

**Notes.**—Formerly placed in the monotypic genus *Nuttallornis*. For the use of *cooperi* rather than *borealis*, see Banks and Browning (1995: 636).

*Contopus pertinax* Cabanis and Heine. Greater Pewee.

*Contopus pertinax* (Lichtenstein MS) Cabanis and Heine, 1859, Mus. Heineanum 2: 72. (Xalapa = Jalapa, Veracruz.)
Habitat.—Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (900–3400 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds from central Arizona, southwestern New Mexico, central Chihuahua, southern Coahuila, central Nuevo León, and southern Tamaulipas south in the highlands of Mexico and northern Central America (including Belize) to north-central Nicaragua.

Winters from northern Mexico (casually southern Arizona and southern Texas) south through the breeding range in Middle America.

Migrates casually through western and south-central Texas.

Casual (primarily in winter) in central coastal and southern California (north to Alameda County); a record from Colorado is erroneous.

Notes.—Formerly known as Coues's Flycatcher. C. pertinax, C. lugubris and the South American C. fumigatus (Lafresnaye and d'Orbigny, 1837) are closely related and constitute a superspecies. C. pertinax is sometimes replaced with C. musicus (Swainson), based on *Tyrannula musica* Swainson, 1827, a name generally regarded as unidentifiable (see Banks and Browning 1995: 636).

Contopus lugubris Lawrence. Dark Pewee.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (1200–2200 m; Subtropical zone).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica (from the Cordillera de Tilarán southward) and extreme western Panama (western and central Chiriquí).

Notes.—See comments under *C. pertinax*.

Contopus ochraceus Sclater and Salvin. Ochraceous Pewee.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (2100–3000 m; Temperate Zone).

Distribution.—Resident locally at high elevations in Costa Rica (Irazú and Turrialba volcanoes, and Cordillera de Talamanca) and extreme western Panama in Chiriquí (one nineteenth century specimen known from “Chiriquí”, plus sight records and photographs from Cerro Punta).

Contopus sordidulus Sclater. Western Wood-Pewee.


Habitat.—Coniferous or mixed coniferous-deciduous forest, riparian woodland (Subtropical and Temperate zones, in nonbreeding season also Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Breeds from east-central Alaska, southern Yukon, southern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, northwestern and central Saskatchewan, south-central Manitoba, and northwestern Minnesota (Roseau County) south to southern Baja California, and in the interior highlands of Mexico and Guatemala to Honduras and (possibly) north-central Nicaragua, and east to central North Dakota, western South Dakota, western Nebraska, western Kansas, western Texas, and southern Tamaulipas. Breeding reports from Costa Rica and Panama are unverified; one from Colombia is erroneous (pertaining to *C. cinereus*).

Winters in forested mountains from Colombia and Venezuela south to Peru and Bolivia, and (possibly) northern Argentina, casually north to Costa Rica. One record (specimen) for southern Texas.

Migrates regularly east to western Kansas, and south through Middle America, occurring in lowlands on both slopes as well as in highlands.

Casual or accidental in northern Alaska (Point Barrow, Umiat), central Ontario, Massachusetts, Maryland, southern and southeastern Texas, southwestern Louisiana, Mississippi, Florida (one verified record, following late spring hurricane), Cuba and Jamaica, with reports
of vagrants (based on identification by call) from Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana and southern Ontario; a report from Belize is considered uncertain.

Notes.—See comments under C. virens. This species was formerly known as C. richardsonii, based on Tyrannula richardsonii Swainson, 1832, now regarded as a synonym of Sayornis phoebe (see Phillips and Parkes 1955). Called Western Pewee in Howell and Webb (1995).

**Contopus virens** (Linnæus). Eastern Wood-Pewee.


**Habitat.**—Deciduous or mixed deciduous-coniferous forest, forest edge, open woodland, and parks; in migration and winter, a variety of open forest and forest edge habitats.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southeastern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, northern Maine, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia (including Cape Breton Island) south to Texas, the Gulf coast and central Florida, and west to central North Dakota, eastern South Dakota, western Nebraska, eastern Kansas, central Oklahoma, and south-central Texas.

Winters from Colombia and Venezuela south to Bolivia and western Brazil, casually north to Costa Rica.

Migrates through the eastern United States, Gulf-Caribbean lowlands of Mexico, and along both slopes from southeastern Oaxaca, Chiapas, Guatemala and Belize south through Middle America (more abundantly on the Caribbean slope, including most offshore islands), casually through the western Bahamas (New Providence, Grand Bahama, Eleuthera, Mayaguana), western Cuba, the Isle of Pines, Jamaica, Cayman Islands, and islands of the western Caribbean (Swan, Providencia and San Andrés islands, and Albuquerque Cay).

Casual or accidental off Labrador (200 miles at sea), and in Clipperton Island, California, Arizona, eastern Montana, eastern Wyoming, eastern Colorado, New Mexico, Newfoundland, St. Pierre et Miquelon, Bermuda and Barbados.

Notes.—C. virens, C. sordidulus, and C. cinereus constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Contopus cinereus** (Spix). Tropical Pewee.

*Platyrhynchus cinereus* Spix, 1825, Avium Spec. Nov. Bras. 2: 11, pl. 13, fig. 2. ("in sylvis flum. Amazonum," error = Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m, to 2200 m in South America; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones, locally in South America to lower Temperate Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident [brachytarsus group] from northern Oaxaca, southern Veracruz, southern Chiapas, and southwestern Guatemala south along both slopes of Middle America (including the entire Yucatan Peninsula, Cozumel and Cancun islands) to Panama (including Isla Coiba); and [cinereus group] in South America from northern Colombia, northern Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south in the Andes to Peru, locally in arid southwestern Ecuador, extreme southern Venezuela, and adjacent northern Brazil, and from central and eastern Brazil south to eastern Bolivia, northern and northeastern Argentina, Paraguay and southern Brazil. Populations in southern Mexico migrate southward in the winter.

Notes.—Groups: C. brachytarsus (Sclater, 1859) [Short-legged Pewee] and C. cinereus [Tropical Pewee].

**Contopus caribaeus** (d’Orbigny). Cuban Pewee.

*Muscipeta caribaea* d’Orbigny, 1839, in La Sagra, Hist. Fis. Pol. Nat. Cuba, Ois., p. 92. (Cuba = Holguin, Oriente Prov., Cuba.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Pine Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and Upper Tropical Zone).
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**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the northern Bahama Islands (Grand Bahama, Abaco, New Providence, Eleuthera and Cat islands) and Cuba (including cays off the coast of both Cuba and the Isle of Pines).

**Notes.**—*C. pallidus, C. hispaniolensis* and *C. caribaeus* formerly were considered a single species, *C. caribaeus* [Greater Antillean Pewee], but differ in vocalization, plumage, and measurements (Reynard et al. 1993). They are treated here as members of a superspecies.

**Contopus pallidus** (Gosse). Jamaican Pewee.

*Myiobius pallidus* Gosse, 1847, *Birds Jamaica*, p. 166. (Jamaica.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and Upper Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in Jamaica

**Notes.**—See notes under *C. caribaeus*.

**Contopus hispaniolensis** (Bryant). Hispaniolan Pewee.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine Forest, Secondary Forest (0–2000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Hispaniola (including Gonâve Island). Accidental on Mona Island (off Puerto Rico); a sight report for the Caicos Islands.

**Notes.**—See notes under *C. caribaeus*.

**Contopus latirostris** (Verreaux). Lesser Antillean Pewee.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–900 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Puerto Rico (primarily western and central portions) and in the northern Lesser Antilles (St. Lucia, Martinique, Dominica, and Guadeloupe).

Genus *EMPIDONAX* Cabanis


**Empidonax flaviventris** (Baird and Baird). Yellow-bellied Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Breeds in boreal coniferous forest, especially spruce bogs, but also fir, jack pine and tamarack; winters in Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, and forest edges.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from central and northeastern British Columbia, west-central and southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, south-central Labrador, and Newfoundland south to central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, northeastern Pennsylvania, north-central New York, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia, with isolated breeding also in West Virginia, and western Virginia (Mt. Rogers, at least formerly).

*Winters* in Middle America from southern Tamaulipas, southeastern San Luis Potosí and Puebla on the Gulf-Caribbean slope and southern Oaxaca on the Pacific slope south to western Panama (casually east to the Canal area and Darién).
Migrates regularly through the eastern United States west to the central Great Plains and central Texas, uncommonly through the Gulf and South Atlantic states from South Carolina and Florida to eastern Louisiana, and casually through eastern New Mexico and western Texas.

Casual in east-central Alaska, California and Montana. Accidental in Arizona (Tucson), Nayarit (San Blas), Cuba and Greenland; a sight report from the Bahama Islands (Eleuthera).

**Empidonax virescens** (Vieillot). Acadian Flycatcher.

*Muscicapa querula* (not Vieillot, 1807) Wilson, 1810, Amer. Ornithol. 2: 77, pl. 13, fig. 3. (No locality given = near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.)


**Habitat.**—Breeds in humid deciduous forest; northerly populations prefer moist ravines, often with hemlocks; winters in Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, and Tropical Deciduous Forest.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southeastern South Dakota, southern and eastern Iowa, southeastern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, southern Michigan, extreme southern Ontario, northeastern Pennsylvania, central New York, Massachusetts, Vermont, and (probably) southern New Hampshire south to central and southern Texas (west to Tom Greene County), the Gulf coast and central Florida, and west to eastern Nebraska, central Kansas, and central Oklahoma.

Winters on the Caribbean slope of Nicaragua, on both slopes (more commonly on the Caribbean) of Costa Rica and Panama (including Taboguilla and the Pearl islands), and in northern and western Venezuela, northern and western Colombia, northwestern Venezuela, and western Ecuador.

Migrates regularly (but uncommonly recorded) on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from northeastern Mexico south to Costa Rica, casually west to western South Dakota (at least formerly) and western Nebraska, and through the Bahamas (recorded from Grand Bahama, New Providence, Eleuthera and Cay Lobos), and western Cuba.

Casual or accidental in southeastern British Columbia, Arizona, North Dakota, Quebec and New Brunswick.

**Empidonax alnorum** Brewster. Alder Flycatcher.

**Empidonax traillii alnorum** Brewster, 1895, Auk 12: 161. (Upton, Maine.)

**Habitat.**—Breeds in damp, brushy thickets, alder swamps, open second growth, forested swamps, and brushy margins of lakes and streams; winters in Riparian Thickets, Second Growth Forest, and Second Growth Scrub.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from central Alaska, central Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, central and eastern Quebec, southern Labrador and southern Newfoundland south to southern Alaska, south-central British Columbia, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, northern North Dakota, south-central Minnesota, central Wisconsin, southern Michigan, southern Ontario, northern Ohio, western Maryland, eastern Pennsylvania, northern New Jersey and Connecticut; and in the Appalachians south to eastern Tennessee, western Virginia and western North Carolina. Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) in northern Indiana.

Winters apparently exclusively in South America, where definitely recorded on the basis of call in eastern Ecuador, eastern Peru and northern and eastern Bolivia; individuals of the "*traillii complex*" reported in South America from Colombia and northwestern Venezuela south, east of the Andes, to eastern Peru, Bolivia and northern Argentina probably belong to this species.

Migrates through the eastern United States, west to central Montana (casually to south-central Oregon and eastern Colorado), and through Middle America (mostly Caribbean slope, reported from southern Mexico, where found on both slopes, southward); few records of the complex exist for the West Indies.

Casual or accidental in northern Alaska, California, Cuba, the Isles of Pines (possibly referable to *E. traillii*) and Bermuda.
Notes.—Formerly recognized as a single species, *E. traillii* [Traill’s Flycatcher]. *E. alnorum* and *E. traillii* are closely related and nearly indistinguishable morphologically, but differ in vocalizations, ecology (Stein 1958, 1963), and winter distribution.

**Empidonax traillii** (Audubon). Willow Flycatcher.

Muscieca Traillii Audubon, 1828, Birds Amer. (folio) 1: pl. 45 (1831, Ornithol. Biogr. 1: 236). (woods along the prairie lands of the Arkansas River = Fort of Arkansas [Arkansas Post], Arkansas.)

Habitat.—Breeds in moist, brushy thickets, open second growth, and riparian woodland, especially with willow and buttonbush; winters in Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Second Growth Forest, and Second Growth Scrub.

Distribution.—Breeds from central British Columbia, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southwestern Manitoba, northern North Dakota, western and southern Minnesota, central Wisconsin, Michigan, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, central Maine, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia (possibly) south to southern California (local, formerly widespread), northern Baja California and northern Sonora (at least formerly), southern Arizona (locally), southern New Mexico, northeastern Oklahoma, Arkansas (rarely), northeastern Louisiana, central Tennessee, northern Georgia, western South Carolina, western North Carolina, and central and eastern Virginia.

Winters in Middle America from Nayarit and southwestern Oaxaca south to Panama and possibly extreme northwestern Colombia.

Migrates widely through the southern United States, presumably occurring as a regular migrant through Middle America south to the limits of the wintering range.

Casual north to western, south-coastal and southeastern Alaska, and to central Ontario.

Notes.—Sometimes treated as *E. brewsteri* Oberholser, 1918, but *traillii* clearly pertains to this species and has priority (Eisenmann 1970). See comments under *E. alnorum*.

**Empidonax albigularis** Sclater and Salvin. White-throated Flycatcher.

Empidonax albigularis Sclater and Salvin, 1859, Ibis, p. 122. (Dueñas [Sacatepéquez, Guatemala].)

Habitat.—Breeds in Riparian Thickets and Second-growth Scrub (900–1800 m; Sub-tropical and lower Temperate zones, in winter also to Tropical Zone); winters mainly in marshes with scrubby edges.

Distribution.—Breeds in the highlands from southwestern Chihuahua, Durango, Zacatecas, San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south through interior Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua; and in central Costa Rica (vicinity of Cartago) and western Panama (Chiriquí).

Winters from Jalisco, Guanajuato and Hidalgo south through the breeding range, descending mostly to lowlands (recorded near sea level in Nayarit, Colima, Veracruz, Oaxaca, Campeche, Belize, Guatemala and Honduras), casually to Costa Rica and central Panama (recorded Bocas del Toro and the Canal area).

**Empidonax minimus** (Baird and Baird). Least Flycatcher.


Habitat.—Breeds in open deciduous woodland, poplar stands, forest edge, and parks; winters in Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub, and Arid Montane Scrub.

Distribution.—Breeds from southern Yukon, west-central and southern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, northern Saskatchewan, north-central Manitoba, northern Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south to western Washington, eastern Oregon, northeastern California, Montana, northeastern Colorado, central and southeastern South Dakota, eastern Nebraska (formerly), Missouri, central Illinois, northern Indiana, central Ohio, Pennsylvania, central New Jersey, and in the Appalachians, through
West Virginia, western Maryland, western Virginia, eastern Tennessee, and western North Carolina to northwestern Georgia. Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) in east-central and southeastern Alaska, northern Utah, and eastern Kentucky.

**Winters** from southern Sonora (at least casually) and southern Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America to Honduras and northern Nicaragua, casually to Costa Rica and central Panama (east to the Canal area); also casually in central and southern California, southern Texas, southern Louisiana, and southern Florida.

**Migrates** commonly through the south-central United States from the Rockies east to the Mississippi Valley and Gulf states, and through most of Mexico (except the northwestern portion), casually, primarily in the fall, from southwestern British Columbia south through California (including the Farallon Islands), southern Nevada, Arizona, Baja California and Sonora, and in the southeastern United States.

Casual in south-coastal Alaska (Anchorage, Middleton Island), Newfoundland and St. Pierre et Miquelon; accidental in Cuba and the Cayman Islands (Grand Cayman).

**Notes.**—For comments on the preferable use of the name *E. minimus* over *E. pusillus* (Swainson, 1827), see Banks and Browning (1995: 637).

**Empidonax hammondii** (Xántus de Vesey). Hammond’s Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Breeds primarily in dense fir forest and associated coniferous woodland; winters primarily in Pine-oak Forest, Pine Forest, and Arid Montane Scrub.


**Winters** from southeastern Arizona (casually central and southern California), southwestern New Mexico, western Chihuahua, southern Coahuila, central Nuevo León and central Tamaulipas south through the highlands of Mexico, Guatemala and El Salvador to Honduras, and (probably) north-central Nicaragua; reports from Peru are unfounded.

**Migrates** regularly through the southwestern United States (east to western Texas) and northern Mexico, casually east to western Nebraska, west-central Kansas, western Oklahoma and central Texas.

Casual on the Queen Charlotte Islands, and in northern Alaska, central Texas, Louisiana, southern Alabama, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Maryland and Delaware; a photograph from Panama (western Chiriquí), although not absolutely definitive, is probably of this species.

**Empidonax wrightii** Baird. Gray Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Breeds in arid habitats, especially sagebrush, pinyon-juniper woodland and, less frequently, open pine-oak association; winters in Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, and Riparian Thickets.

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** from extreme southern British Columbia, central and eastern Washington, eastern Oregon, south-central Idaho, southern Wyoming and central Colorado south to south-central California (San Bernardino County), southern Nevada, central Arizona, southern New Mexico, and western Texas (Davis Mountains).

**Winters** from southern California (rarely), central Arizona, southern Coahuila, western Texas and central Tamaulipas south to southern Baja California, Jalisco, northern Michoacán, Mexico, Puebla and northwestern Oaxaca.

**Migrates** regularly through the southwestern United States east to eastern New Mexico (casually to southwestern Kansas), and through northern Mexico.

Casual in northern Wyoming, western Washington, western Oregon and central Texas. Accidental in Ontario (Toronto), Ohio (Lucas County), and Massachusetts (Littleton).
Notes.—Formerly known as *E. griseus* Brewster, 1889. See comments under *E. oberholseri*. For comments on the preferable use of the name *E. wrightii* over *E. obscurus* (Swainson, 1827), see Banks and Browning (1995: 636).

**Empidonax oberholseri** Phillips. Dusky Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Breeds in aspen groves, willow thickets, scrub, open coniferous and mixed coniferous-deciduous forest, and mountain chaparral; winters in similar habitats, also Pine-Oak Forest and Gallery Forest.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southwestern Yukon south through northeastern and central British Columbia to north-central Washington, thence eastward through south-central Alberta to southwestern Saskatchewan, and south (except in coastal areas of Washington and Oregon) to mountains of southern California, northern Baja California (probably), southern Nevada, southwestern Utah, central Arizona, and central and northeastern New Mexico, and east to eastern Montana, western South Dakota (Black Hills), and central Colorado.

Winters from southern California (casually), southern Arizona, southwestern New Mexico, Sonora, northwestern Durango, southern Coahuila, western Texas, central Nuevo León and central Tamaulipas south, mostly in the highlands, to Guerrero and Oaxaca; a report from northwestern Guatemala is unverified.

Migrates regularly through the southwestern United States (east to southwestern Kansas and western Texas), casually through the coastal areas of Washington and Oregon, to northern Baja California, and east to central and southern Texas.

Accidental in northern and southeastern Alaska (Icy Cape, Sergief Island), southern Ontario and Pennsylvania (Kutztown); a sight report for Delaware.

Notes.—Formerly known as *E. wrightii* [Wright's Flycatcher]; all records of *E. wrightii* prior to 1939 and most prior to 1957 pertain to *E. oberholseri* (Johnson 1963).

**Empidonax affinis** (Swainson). Pine Flycatcher.

*Empidonax affinis* Swainson, 1827, *Philos. Mag.* (n.s.) 1: 367. (Maritime parts of Mexico = Temascaltepec, México.)

**Habitat.**—Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (1600–3500 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from northern Sinaloa, central Chihuahua, southern Coahuila, Zacatecas and San Luis Potosí south in the Mexican highlands to central Oaxaca, Puebla and west-central Veracruz, also (apparently resident) in Chiapas, and Guatemala.

Notes.—Vocal differences on either side of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec suggest that two species may be involved (Howell and Webb 1995: 500).

**Empidonax difficilis** Baird. Pacific-slope Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Breeds in humid coniferous forest (mostly coastal), pine-oak forest, and dense second-growth woodland; winters in Montane Evergreen Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, and Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest.

**Distribution.**—Breeds [difficilis group] from southeastern Alaska and central British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte and Vancouver islands) south to southwestern California (generally west of the Sierra Nevada), and the mountains of northern Baja California; and in southern Baja California (Victoria Mountains in the Sierra de la Laguna); and [insulicola group] in the Channel Islands, off southern California.

Winters [difficilis group] from southern California (rarely), southern Baja California, and northwestern Mexico (casually north to northern California) south to the Isthmus of Tehuantepec (Oaxaca); winter range of the *insulicola* group is unknown.

Migrates through Arizona, western and southern New Mexico, and western Texas.
Casual *[difficilis group]* in southern Louisiana and accidental *[difficilis group]* in Pennsylvania (southern Lancaster County).

**Notes.**—*E. difficilis* and *E. occidentalis* until recently were considered conspecific [Western Flycatcher], but they differ in vocalizations and allozymes and are sympatric in the Siskiyou region of northern California (Johnson 1980, Johnson and Marten 1988, Johnson 1994). The form *insulicola* Oberholser, 1897 [Channel Islands Flycatcher] may also be a distinct species but is currently regarded as a race of *difficilis*. *E. difficilis*, *E. occidentalis* and *E. flavescens* are all closely related and constitute a superspecies.

**Empidonax occidentalis** Nelson. Cordilleran Flycatcher.

*Empidonax bairdi occidentalis* Nelson, 1897, Auk 14: 53. (Pluma, Oaxaca, Mexico = Pluma Hidalgo, Oaxaca; Binford, 1989, Ornithol. Monogr. 43, p. 341.)

**Habitat.**—Breeds in humid coniferous forest, dense second-growth woodland, and pine-oak forest (1000–3500 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones); winters in Pine-oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Gallery Forest, Deciduous Forest, and Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from west-central Alberta, northern Idaho, central Montana, Wyoming and western South Dakota south to northeastern California, central Nevada, and central and southeastern Arizona, in the mountains of Mexico to central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec), Puebla and west-central Veracruz, and east to northwestern Nebraska, central Colorado, central New Mexico, and western Texas.

Winters in the mountains of Mexico south to Oaxaca; reports from Chiapas, Guatemala and Honduras are based on *E. flavescens*.

**Migration** casually through eastern New Mexico, southwestern Kansas, South Dakota, and the Tres Marias Islands (off Nayarit).

**Notes.**—See comments under *E. difficilis*.

**Empidonax flavescens** Lawrence. Yellowish Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (900–3000 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands of southeastern Veracruz (Sierra de los Tuxtla), southeastern Oaxaca (Sierra Madre de Chiapas), Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, north-central Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and western Panama (Chiriquí and Veraguas).

**Notes.**—See comments under *E. difficilis*.

**Empidonax fulvifrons** (Giraud). Buff-breasted Flycatcher.

*Muscicapa fulvifrons* Giraud, 1841, Descr. Sixteen New Spec. N. Amer. Birds, pl. 4, fig. 2. (Texas, error = Miquiahuana, Tamaulipas.)

**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Pine Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Montane Scrub (1000–3500 m, descends to 600 m in winter; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones, in winter casually to Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from east-central and southeastern Arizona (formerly north to Prescott and the White Mountains), west-central and southwestern New Mexico (formerly), northeastern Sonora, Chihuahua, Durango, Zacatecas, San Luis Potosí, and western Nuevo León south locally through the highlands of Mexico, Guatemala, and El Salvador to central Honduras.

Winters from Sonora and Chihuahua south through the breeding range, occurring also in adjacent lowlands.

**Empidonax atriceps** Salvin. Black-capped Flycatcher.

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (2100–3300 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica (Cordillera Central, Dota Mountains and Cordillera de Talamanca) and western Panama (western Chiriquí and adjacent Bocas del Toro).

Genus SAYORNIS Bonaparte


Sayornis nigricans (Swainson). Black Phoebe.

Tyrannula nigricans Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 367. (Table land of Mexico = Valley of Mexico.)

Habitat.—Usually along streams or lake margins in open to wooded country; nests in rocky canyon walls, in coastal cliffs, and under bridges or on other man-made structures (Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds [nigricans group] from southwestern Oregon, California, southern Nevada, southern Utah, southern Arizona, southeastern Colorado, central New Mexico, and western and west-central Texas (east to Crockett, Val Verde and Uvalde counties) south to southern Baja California and, mostly in the highlands, through Middle America (except the Yucatan Peninsula) to western Panama (Chiriquí, Bocas del Toro); and [latirostris group] in highlands from central and eastern Panama (west to eastern Colón and eastern Panamá province) east to northern Venezuela, and south in the Andes from Colombia to northwestern Argentina.

Partially migratory, northern populations [nigricans group] wandering after the breeding season and tropical ones [nigricans and latirostris groups] descending locally to lower elevations.

Casual [nigricans group] north to southern British Columbia (Vancouver) and western Washington, and east to southeastern Texas and Florida; sight reports for Idaho and Minnesota.

Notes.—Groups: S. nigricans [Black Phoebe] and S. latirostris (Cabanis and Heine, 1859) [White-winged Phoebe].

Sayornis phoebe (Latham). Eastern Phoebe.


Habitat.—Breeds in open deciduous woodland and farmland with scattered trees; nests on cliffs, under eaves, and sometimes inside buildings. Winters in a variety of open forest habitats.

Distribution.—Breeds from northeastern British Columbia, west-central and southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, western and central Ontario, southwestern Quebec, central New Brunswick and southern Nova Scotia south to southern Alberta, northeastern Wyoming, southwestern South Dakota, southeastern Colorado, northeastern New Mexico, central and northeastern Texas, northwestern Louisiana, Arkansas, southwestern Tennessee, northeastern Mississippi, central Alabama, northwestern Florida, northern Georgia, and western and northeastern South Carolina.

Winters from California (rarely), southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, central Texas, Arkansas, Tennessee, and Virginia (casually from Oklahoma, southern Missouri, the Ohio Valley, southern Ontario and New England) south to southern Florida, northern Oaxaca, and southern Veracruz.

Casual in northern Alaska, west to the Pacific region from southeastern Alaska, southwestern Yukon, southern British Columbia and Montana south to Baja California, and to Quintana Roo, Florida keys, Cuba, the Bahamas (Grand Bahama, Bimini, Eleuthera) and...
Bermuda; accidental in the British Isles; sight reports for Sonora, Sinaloa, Newfoundland, and St. Pierre et Miquelon.

**Sayornis saya** (Bonaparte). Say's Phoebe.

*Muscicapa saya* Bonaparte, 1825, Amer. Ornithol. 1: 20, pl. 11, fig. 3. (Arkansaw River, about twenty miles from the Rocky Mountains = near Pueblo, Colorado.)

**Habitat.**—Breeds in arid scrub and desert; nests frequently on cliffs and in abandoned mine and ranch buildings; winters in similar habitats, and in more humid open country.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from western and northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and central Mackenzie, central Alberta, central Saskatchewan and southwestern Manitoba south to southern California (absent or very rare west of the coastal ranges from southern Alaska to central California), northern Baja California, Michoacán, Guanajuato, Hidalgo, and northwestern Oaxaca (possibly), and east to North Dakota, central South Dakota, northwestern Iowa, east-central Nebraska, central Kansas, western Oklahoma, western and northeastern Texas, Nuevo León, and San Luis Potosí.

**Winters** from southern Oregon, California, southern Utah, central (rarely northern) New Mexico and central Texas south (including islands off southern California) to southern Baja California and Veracruz.

**Migrates** rarely through the coastal areas of southeastern Alaska, British Columbia, Washington and Oregon, and casually east to western Minnesota, western Iowa, western Missouri, Arkansas and eastern Texas.

Casual or accidental in south-coastal Alaska and the Queen Charlotte Islands; east across the northern United States (south to Illinois and Tennessee), central and southern Ontario, and southern Quebec to Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, New England, Pennsylvania and New Jersey; east along the Gulf states to east-central Florida and Georgia; and in Chiapas.

**Genus Pyrocephalus** Gould


*Pyrocephalus rubinus* (Boddaert). Vermilion Flycatcher.

*Muscicapa rubinus* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 42. Based on Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 675, fig. 2. (riviere des Amazones = Teffé, Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Open country, often near water; Pastures and Agricultural Lands, Riparian Thickets, Second-growth Scrub, Gallery Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest Edge, and lowland pine savanna (0–2600 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds [rubinus group] from southern California (north to Santa Barbara and Kern counties), southern Nevada, extreme southwestern Utah, northern Arizona, central (rarely northeastern) New Mexico, northeastern Colorado (once), western Oklahoma, and western and central Texas south through Mexico (including Baja California and the Yucatan Peninsula) to northern Guatemala (Petén) and Belize, in the Mosquitia of eastern Honduras and northeastern Nicaragua, and in South America from northern Colombia east across northern Venezuela to Guyana and south, west of the Andes, to extreme northern Chile, and east of the Andes in north-central Brazil, and from eastern Bolivia and east-central Brazil south to central Argentina and Uruguay.

**Winters** [rubinus group] from southern California, southern Nevada, northern Arizona, southern New Mexico, central Texas, southern Arkansas (rarely) and the Gulf coast (east to southern Florida) south through the breeding range in Middle America, casually to central Guatemala and northern Honduras; and in South America, where more northern populations are essentially resident while the southern ones migrate northward, east of the Andes, to eastern Peru, eastern Colombia, and Amazonian Brazil.

**Resident** [nanus group] in the Galapagos Islands.

Casual [rubinus group] in North America north and east to west-central Washington, Wyoming, South Dakota, northern Minnesota, Wisconsin, southern Ontario, New York (in-
including Long Island), Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Maryland, Kentucky, Tennessee and Georgia, also in Panama (western Panamá province and the Canal area); sight reports for Oregon, North Dakota, northern Michigan and Nova Scotia.

**Notes.**—Groups: *P. rubinus* [Vermilion Flycatcher] and *P. nanus* Gould, 1839 [Galapagos Flycatcher].

Genus **FLUVICOLA** Swainson


**Fluvicola pica** (Boddaert). Pied Water-Tyrant.

*Muscicapa Pica* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 42. Based on Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 675, fig. 1. (Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Freshwater Marshes, Riparian Thickets (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident (*pica* group) locally in Panama (eastern Panamá province and Canal area), and in South America from northern and eastern Colombia east across northern and central Venezuela to Trinidad and extreme northern Brazil; and [*albiventer* group] from eastern Bolivia east to eastern Brazil, and south to central Argentina and Uruguay; migrant [*albiventer* group] in austral winter north to eastern Peru and western Amazonian Brazil.

**Notes.**—The two groups, *F. pica* and the South American *F. albiventer* (Spix, 1825) [Black-backed Water-Tyrant] were treated as separate species by Sibley and Monroe (1990) and Ridgely and Tudor (1994).

Genus **COLONIA** Gray


**Colonia colonus** (Vieillot). Long-tailed Tyrant.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–900 m, to 1800 m in South America; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Caribbean slope of northeastern Honduras (Olancho, Gracias a Dios), Nicaragua and Costa Rica, on both slopes of Panama (local on Pacific slope), and in South America from Colombia, southern Venezuela and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to eastern Peru, central Bolivia, Paraguay, extreme northeastern Argentina and southern Brazil (absent from central Amazonia).

Genus **MACHETORNIS** Gray


**Machetornis rixosus** (Vieillot). Cattle Tyrant.


**Habitat.**—Pastures/Agricultural Lands, Second-growth Scrub (0–1000 m in South America, Tropical Zone).
**Distribution.**—*Resident* in northern and eastern Colombia and northern Venezuela, and from central Bolivia, Paraguay and central Brazil south to northern Argentina and Uruguay, with the southernmost populations migratory northward in winter. Accidental in Panama near Colón, Panamá (16 September 1991, D. Engleman, photographs deposited in VIREO) and at Cana, Darién (sight report, 18 June 1981; Ridgely and Gwynne 1989: 307).

Subfamily TYRANNINAE: Tyrannine Flycatchers

Genus *ATTILA* Lesson


**Notes.**—The genus *Attila* was formerly placed in the Cotingidae, but cranial and syringeal morphology confirm its position within the Tyrannidae and suggest a close relationship to the genus *Myiarchus* (Lanyon 1985).

*Attila spadiceus* (Gmelin). Bright-rumped Attila.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0-1850 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from extreme southern Sonora, Sinaloa, western Durango, Nayarit, Jalisco, Colima, Michoacán, México and southern Veracruz south along both slopes of Middle America to Panama (including the Yucatan Peninsula, Cozumel and other islands off Quintana Roo, and Coiba and Parida islands off Panama), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to eastern Peru, northern and eastern Bolivia, and Amazonian and southeastern Brazil.

Genus *SIRYSTES* Cabanis and Heine


**Notes.**—Relationships of this genus to *Rhytipterna* and the *Myiarchus* assemblage are discussed in Lanyon and Fitzpatrick (1983) and Lanyon (1985).

*Sirystes sibilator* (Vieillot). Sirystes.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Gallery Forest (0-1250 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [*albogriseus* group] in Panama (eastern Panama province, and from the Canal area eastward; early specimens from “Veragua” may be mislabeled), and in South America in northwestern Colombia, western Ecuador, and east of the Andes from southeastern Colombia, western Venezuela, and Surinam south to northern Bolivia and southern Amazonian Brazil; and [*sibilator* group] from central and eastern Brazil south to eastern Paraguay and northeastern Argentina.

**Notes.**—Groups: *S. albogriseus* (Lawrence, 1863) [White-rumped Sirystes] and *S. sibilator* [Sibilant Sirystes].

Genus *RHYTIPTERNA* Reichenbach

Notes.—See comments under *Attila* and *Sirystes*.

*Rhytipterna holerythra* (Sclater and Salvin). Rufous Mourner.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southeastern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca and Chiapas south on the Caribbean slope of northern Central America to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from dry northwest) and Panama (more widespread on Caribbean slope), and in northern and western Colombia, and northwestern Ecuador.

**Genus MYIARCHUS** Cabanis


Notes.—We follow Lanyon (1967, 1978; literature summarized in Lanyon 1985) for specific and generic limits in *Myiarchus* and its relatives.

*Myiarchus yucatanensis* Lawrence. Yucatan Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–250 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Yucatan Peninsula (Campeche, Yucatan, and Quintana Roo), Cozumel Island, northern Guatemala (Peten), and northern Belize (Gallon Jug, Ambergris Cay).

*Myiarchus barbirostris* (Swainson). Sad Flycatcher.

*Tyrannula barbirostris* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n. s.) 1: 367. (Mexico, error = Jamaica.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–2000 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Jamaica.

Notes.—See comments under *M. tuberculifer*.

*Myiarchus tuberculifer* (d'Orbigny and Lafresnaye). Dusky-capped Flycatcher.

*Tyrannus tuberculifer* d'Orbigny and Lafresnaye, 1837, Mag. Zool. [Paris] 7(2): pl. 77–79, p. 43. (Guarayos, [Santa Cruz], Bolivia.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Secondary Forest (0–3400 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* [*tuberculifer* group] from southeastern Arizona, southwestern New Mexico, northern Sonora, Chihuahua, Coahuila, western Texas (possibly), central Nuevo Leon and central Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Tres Marias Islands off Nayarit, the Yucatan Peninsula and Cozumel Island, and most islands off the Pacific coast of Panama), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to southern Ecuador, and east of the Andes to northern Bolivia and Amazonian and southeastern Brazil.

*Winters* [*tuberculifer* group] from southern Sonora, Durango, southern Nuevo Leon and southern Tamaulipas south through the breeding range; the populations in the southwestern United States, extreme northern Mexico, and the Yucatan Peninsula migrate southward in
winter; southernmost populations in South America range somewhat northward in austral
winter.

*Resident* [atriceps group] along eastern slope of the Andes from southern Ecuador south through Peru and Bolivia to northwestern Argentina.

Casual or accidental [*tuberculifer group*] in California (north to Humboldt County), central Arizona (north to Gila County and west to Yuma County), southeastern Colorado, Baja California (Sierra Laguna), and on Isla Isabela (off Nayarit).

**Notes.**—Also known as Olivaceous Flycatcher. Groups: *M. tuberculifer* [Dusky-capped Flycatcher] and *M. atriceps* Cabanis, 1883 [Dark-capped Flycatcher]. *M. tuberculifer* and *M. barbirostris* are closely related and constitute a superspecies.

**Myiarchus panamensis** Lawrence. Panama Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Mangrove Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–1400 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in Costa Rica (Pacific coast only, from the Gulf of Nicoya southward, primarily in mangroves), Panama (both slopes, including Coiba, Taboga and the Pearl islands), northern and northwestern Colombia, and northwestern Venezuela.

**Notes.**—Closely related to the widespread South American *M. ferox* (Gmelin, 1789), from which it differs primarily in vocalizations. *M. panamensis* and *M. ferox* constitute a superspecies.

**Myiarchus cinerascens** (Lawrence). Ash-throated Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Breeds in desert scrub, pinyon-juniper and oak woodland, chaparral, thorn scrub, and riparian woodland; winters in similar habitats, also open deciduous woodland.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from northwestern Oregon, eastern Washington, southern Idaho, southern Wyoming, western and southern Colorado, western Kansas, western Oklahoma, and northern and central Texas south to southern Baja California, southern Sonora, and in the Mexican highlands to northern Jalisco, northern Michoacán (at least formerly), northern Guanajuato, southern San Luis Potosí, and southern Tamaulipas.

*Winters* from southern California (rarely), central Arizona, Chihuahua, Nuevo León and southern Tamaulipas (casually farther north in the breeding range) south throughout most of western and interior Mexico and interior Guatemala, and on the Pacific slope to Honduras, casually to Nicaragua and northern Costa Rica (San Carlos).

Casual north to southern British Columbia and Montana; east to Minnesota, Illinois, West Virginia and the northeastern Atlantic region (recorded southern Ontario, New York, Massachusetts, and New Brunswick south to Maryland and South Carolina; sight reports for Quebec, Maine, Tennessee, Virginia, North Carolina and Bermuda); and southeast along the Gulf coast to southern Alabama and Florida.

**Notes.**—*M. cinerascens* and *M. nuttingi* constitute a superspecies.

**Myiarchus nuttingi** Ridgway. Nutting’s Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub, Second-growth Scrub (0–1800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from central Sonora and southwestern Chihuahua south along the Pacific slope of Mexico (also through the interior in México, Morelos and Puebla, and to the Gulf drainage in southern San Luis Potosí and Hidalgo), and in the Pacific lowlands and interior valleys of Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, and northwestern Costa Rica (arid zone, south to Canas).
Casual in Arizona (Roosevelt Lake, Elgin); a report from Baja California pertains to *M. cinerascens*.

**Notes.**—Also known as Pale-throated Flycatcher. See comments under *M. cinerascens*.

*Myiarchus crinitus* (Linnaeus). Great Crested Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Breeds in deciduous and evergreen broadleaf forest, including open woodland, parks and orchards; winters in lowland forest and woodland.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from east-central Alberta, central and southeastern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, western and southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, northern Maine, central New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and southern Nova Scotia south to northeastern Coahuila (probably), central and southeastern Texas, the Gulf coast and the Florida Keys, and west to central North Dakota, eastern South Dakota, northeastern Colorado, western Kansas, and west-central Oklahoma.

*Winters* in central and southern Florida, and from southern Veracruz, southwestern Oaxaca and the Yucatan Peninsula south along both slopes of Middle America (more commonly on the Gulf-Caribbean) to Colombia and northern Venezuela.

*Migrates* through eastern New Mexico (rarely) and eastern Mexico (west at least to Nuevo León and Guanajuato), casually west to Montana, Wyoming, Colorado and Arizona.

Casual or accidental in south-central Alaska (Middleton Island), northern Mackenzie (Coppermine), California (primarily coastal areas), southern Arizona (Huachuca Mountains), Montana, Newfoundland and Cuba; sight reports from the Bahamas (New Providence, Eleuthera), Puerto Rico and Ecuador (Napo).


*Muscicapa tyrannulus* P. L. S. Müller, 1776, Natursyst., Suppl., p. 169. Based on Dau-benton, Planches Enlum., pl. 571, fig. 1. (Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub, Mangrove Forest (0–1700 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds [magister group] from southeastern California (north to San Bernardo and Kern counties), extreme southern Nevada, extreme southwestern Utah, Arizona and southwestern New Mexico south along the Pacific slope of Mexico (including the Tres Marías Islands) to Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec), and east to western Durango, Zacatecas, Morelos and southwestern Puebla, and from eastern Coahuila and southern Texas (north to Bexar County) south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope (including the Yucatan Peninsula and Cozumel and Cancun islands) to northern Honduras (also the Bay Islands), thence across the Sula Valley of Honduras to the Pacific lowlands of El Salvador and Honduras.

*Winters* [magister group] from northern Mexico south through the breeding range (wandering outside this range in Mexico and Guatemala), and casually in southern Florida.

*Resident* [brachyurus group] on the Pacific slope of Nicaragua (including Isla Ometepe in Lago de Nicaragua) and northwestern Costa Rica; and [tyrannulus group] in South America from northern Colombia, Venezuela (including islands from Aruba east to Tobago and Trinidad) and the Guianas southeast to the lower Amazon basin and eastern Brazil, thence south and west across central and southeastern Brazil to southeastern Peru, Bolivia and northern Argentina.

Casual or accidental [magister group] in British Columbia (Vancouver), coastal California (north to the Farallon Islands), coastal Texas and southern Louisiana.

**Notes.**—Also known as Wied's Crested Flycatcher. The Middle American group may represent a species, *M. magister* Ridgway, 1884 [Wied's Flycatcher], distinct from the South American *M. tyrannulus* [Brown-crested Flycatcher]; populations from the Pacific slope of northern Central America have sometimes been regarded as a species, *M. brachyurus* Ridgway, 1887 [Ometepe Flycatcher], but intergradation with tyrannulus occurs in El Salvador and Honduras. The Lesser Antillean *M. nugator* and *M. tyrannulus* [sensu lato] constitute a superspecies.
**Myiarchus nugator** Riley. Grenada Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–900 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the southern Lesser Antilles (Grenada, the Grenadines, and St. Vincent).

**Notes.**—See comments under *M. tyrannulus*.

**Myiarchus validus** Cabanis. Rufous-tailed Flycatcher.

*Myiarchus validus* Cabanis, 1847, Arch. Naturgesch. 13:351. ("one of the West Indian islands" = Jamaica.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–2000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Jamaica.

**Myiarchus sagrae** (Gundlach). La Sagra’s Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Pine Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the Bahama Islands (common throughout the northern islands, irregularly in the southern ones, absent from Turks and Caicos), and on Cuba (including offshore cays), the Isle of Pines, and Grand Cayman.

Casual in southern Florida (north to Boca Raton), accidental in Alabama (Oroville, Dallas County).

**Notes.**—*M. stolidus, M. sagrae, M. antillarum* and *M. oberti* constitute a superspecies.

**Myiarchus stolidus** (Gosse). Stolid Flycatcher.

*Myiobius stolidus* Gosse, 1847, Birds Jamaica, p. 168 (footnote). (Jamaica.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Mangrove Forest (0–1800 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Jamaica and Hispaniola (including Gonâve, Tortue, Grande Cayemite and Beata islands).

**Notes.**—See comments under *M. sagrae*.

**Myiarchus antillarum** (Bryant). Puerto Rican Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub, Mangrove Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–800 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Puerto Rico (including Vieques and Culebra islands), and in the Virgin Islands (St. Thomas, St. John, Tortola and Virgin Gorda).

**Notes.**—See comments under *M. sagrae*.

**Myiarchus oberti** Lawrence. Lesser Antillean Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–900 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the Lesser Antilles (St. Kitts, Nevis, Barbuda, Guadeloupe, Dominica, Martinique and St. Lucia).

**Notes.**—See comments under *M. sagrae*. 
Genus **DELTARHYNCHUS** Ridgway


**Notes.**—See comments under *Myiarchus*.

*Deltarhynchus flammulatus* (Lawrence). Flammulated Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the Pacific lowlands of Mexico from Sinaloa south to western Chiapas.

Genus **PITANGUS** Swainson


*Pitangus lictor* (Lichtenstein). Lesser Kiskadee.


**Habitat.**—Riparian Thickets, Freshwater Marshes (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in eastern Panama (west to the Canal area), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to eastern Peru, northern Bolivia, and southern Brazil.

**Notes.**—Placed in a new, monotypic genus, *Philohydor*, by Lanyon (1984) on the basis of differences in the syrinx and nest structure between *lictor* and *P. sulphuratus*. Lanyon showed that the two species are closely related, however, and we recognize their close relationship by maintaining them in a single genus.

*Pitangus sulphuratus* (Linnaeus). Great Kiskadee.

*Lanius sulphuratus* Linnaeus, 1766, Sysi. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 137. Based on “La Pie-griesche jaune de Cayenne” Brisson, Ornithologie 2: 176, pl. 16, fig. 4. (in Cayania = Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Secondary Forest, Riparian Thickets, Gallery Forest, Second-growth Scrub, most common near water (0–1600 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southern Sonora, Sinaloa, Durango, Zacatecas, Nuevo León and southern Texas (north to Webb County and the Corpus Christi area) south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula and Isla Cancun), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Argentina.

Introduced and established (from Trinidad stock) on Bermuda.

Casual north to southern Arizona, southeastern New Mexico, west-central, central and southeastern Texas, western Oklahoma and southern Louisiana, also in Chile; sight reports for Baja California and New Jersey, which may be escaped individuals; a bird remaining from 1957 to 1959 in northern California is regarded as an escape; the single Florida record (Fort Lauderdale, winter of 1960–61) was photographed, but its origin was suspect.

**Notes.**—Also known as Kiskadee Flycatcher.

Genus **MEGARYNCHUS** Thunberg

Notes.—This genus is often misspelled; “Megarhynchus” is incorrect.

**Megarynchus pitangua** (Linnaeus). Boat-billed Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest, River-edge Forest (0–1850 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southern Sinaloa, southeastern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatán Peninsula and Isla Cébaco, off Panama), and in South America west of the Andes to northwestern Peru, and east of the Andes in Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south to eastern Bolivia, Paraguay, northeastern Argentina and southern Brazil. Casual on Isla Cancun, off Quintana Roo.

Genus **MYIOZETETES** Sclater


*Myiozetetes cayanensis* (Linnaeus). Rusty-margined Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, usually near water (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in Panama (west on the Caribbean slope to the Canal area, and on the Pacific to eastern Chiriquí), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to southwestern Ecuador, and east of the Andes across eastern and southern Amazonian Brazil to eastern Bolivia and central and southeastern Brazil.

*Myiozetetes similis* (Spix). Social Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest; abundant around settlements (0–1800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [*texensis* group] from southern Sonora, Sinaloa, western Durango, Zacatecas, southeastern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatán Peninsula and Isla Cancun) to Costa Rica (except southwestern portion); and [*similis* group] from southwestern Costa Rica (Golfo Dulce region southward) to central Panama (east to eastern Colón and eastern Panamá province), and in South America from Colombia and Venezuela south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to eastern Peru, northern Bolivia, eastern Paraguay, extreme northeastern Argentina and southern Brazil; the southernmost populations in South America migrate northward in nonbreeding season.

**Notes.**—The two groups differ somewhat in vocalizations and may be distinct species, *M. texensis* (Giraud, 1841) [*Vermilion-crowned Flycatcher*] and *M. similis* [*Social Flycatcher*].


*Myiozetetes granadensis* Lawrence, 1862, *Ibis*, p. 11. (Isthmus of Panama = Lion Hill, Canal Zone.)
Habitat.—River-edge Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1650 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Caribbean slope of eastern Honduras (Olancho, Gracias a Dios) and Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (on Pacific slope south of the Central Highlands) and Panama (more commonly on the Caribbean), and in South America west of the Andes from northern Colombia south to northwestern Ecuador and northwestern Peru, and east of the Andes from southern Colombia, and southern Venezuela south to eastern Peru, northern Bolivia, and western Amazonian Brazil.

Genus **CONOPIAS** Cabanis and Heine


*Conopias albovittata* (Lawrence). White-ringed Flycatcher.

*Pitangus albovittatus* Lawrence, 1862, Ibis, p. 11. (Isthmus of Panama = Canal Zone.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [*albovittata* group] in eastern Honduras (Olancho, Gracias a Dios), Costa Rica (Caribbean slope), central and eastern Panama (west to the Canal area and eastern Panamá province), western Colombia and northwestern Ecuador; and [*parva* group] in South America locally east of the Andes in southeastern Colombia, eastern Ecuador, northeastern Peru, southern Venezuela, the Guianas, and northern and western Amazonian Brazil.

Notes.—Called *C. parva* by Traylot (in Traylot 1979b), but *albovittata* has priority; this also overlooked by other authors (e.g. Wetmore 1972) who placed this species in the genus *Coryphotriccus* Ridgway, 1906. *Coryphotriccus* was merged into *Conopias* without comment by Traylot (1977) and by Lanyon (1984). The groups, *C. albovittata* [*White-ringed Flycatcher*] and *C. parva* (Pelzeln, 1868) [*Yellow-throated Flycatcher*], are recognized as two species by Sibley and Monroe (1990) and Ridgely and Tudor (1994).

Genus **MYIODYNASTES** Bonaparte


*Myiodynastes hemichrysus* (Cabanis). Golden-bellied Flycatcher.

*Hypermitres hemichrysus* Cabanis, 1862, J. Ornithol. 9 (1861): 247. (Los Frailes, Costa Rica.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (700–1850 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on both slopes in the highlands of Costa Rica (from Cordillera de Guanacaste southward, more common on Caribbean slope) and western Panama (east to Veraguas).

Notes.—*M. hemichrysus* and *M. chrysocephalus* constitute a superspecies.


*Scaphorhynchus chrysocephalus* Tschudi, 1844, Arch. Naturgesch. 10: 272. (Republica Peruana = Chanchamayo, depto. de Junín, Peru.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (800–2400 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in extreme eastern Panama (cerros Pirre, Tacarcuna, and Malfi in
eastern Darién), and in South America from Colombia and northern Venezuela south, in the western Andes to western Ecuador, and in the eastern Andes to eastern Peru and northern Bolivia (also a sight report in northern Argentina).

Notes.—See comments under *M. hemichrysus*.

**Myiodynastes maculatus** (Müller). Streaked Flycatcher.

*Muscicapa maculata* P. L. S. Müller, 1776, Natursyst., Suppl., p. 169. Based on "Gobemouche tachetée de Cayenne" Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 453, fig. 2. (Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest, River-edge Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds [maculatus group] on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from southern San Luis Potosí, southern Tamaulipas, Puebla, northern Oaxaca, the Yucatan Peninsula (except the northwest), northern Guatemala, and Belize to northern Honduras, and in Costa Rica (Pacific slope from Gulf of Nicoya southward) and Panama (both slopes, and Coiba, Cébaco and the Pearl islands), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including Margarita Island), Tobago, Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru, and east of the Andes to northeastern Peru and Amazonian Brazil; and [solitarius group] in central Bolivia, central and southern Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay, and northern Argentina.

Winters [maculatus group] from northern Costa Rica and Panama south through the breeding range in South America to Peru, Bolivia and southern Brazil; the southernmost breeding populations [solitarius group] migrate north to northern South America.

Accidental [solitarius group] in Chile.

Notes.—Groups: *M. maculatus* [Streaked Flycatcher] and *M. solitarius* (Vieillot, 1819) [Solitary Flycatcher].

**Myiodynastes luteiventris** Sclater. Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1850 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southeastern Arizona, eastern Sonora, western Chihuahua, Nuevo León and Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to central Costa Rica (south to the Central Valley and Reventazon drainage).

Winters in South America east of the Andes from eastern Ecuador to northern Bolivia and (probably) extreme western Amazonian Brazil.

Migrates regularly through all of Middle America and northern and eastern Colombia.

Casual north to southern California (north to Santa Barbara County), central Arizona, southwestern New Mexico, western and southern Texas, and the Gulf coast of Texas, Louisiana, and Alabama. Accidental in Ontario and New Brunswick.

Genus **LEGATUS** Sclater


**Legatus leuccephalus** (Vieillot). Piratic Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from southern
San Luis Potosí, Veracruz, Puebla, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas (also Pacific slope) and southern Quintana Roo south to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica and Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to northern Argentina, Paraguay and southern Brazil.

**Winters** generally throughout the breeding range in South America, recorded only casually anywhere in Middle America between October and March. Movements of populations within South America are poorly understood.

Possibly accidental in southern Florida (Dry Tortugas; see *Empidononimus varius*).

**Genus EMPIDONONUS** Cabanis and Heine


*Empidononimus varius* (Vieillot). Variegated Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest Edge, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident throughout most of South America east of the Andes, the southernmost populations migrating northward in winter as far as the northern South American coast and Trinidad.

Accidental in Maine (Biddeford Pool, 5–11 November 1977, photograph; Abbott and Finch 1978), Tennessee (Reelfoot Lake, May 1983, photograph; Nicholson and Steadman 1988: 3), and southern Florida (Garden Key, Dry Tortugas, 15 March 1991; Bradbury 1992); the Florida record is debated, and may represent *Legatus leucophaius*.

**Genus TYRANNUS** Lacépède


*Tyrannus melancholicus* Vieillot. Tropical Kingbird.


**Habitat.**—Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub, River-edge Forest Edge, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge; common around settlements with scattered trees (0–1800 m, to 2200 m in winter; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southeastern (rarely central) Arizona, Sonora, eastern San Luis Potosí and rarely southern Texas (Brownsville) south on both slopes of Middle America (including the Tres Marias Islands, Yucatan Peninsula, and most islands off the Middle American coast), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (also Netherlands Antilles east to Tobago, Trinidad and probably Grenada), and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to central Peru, and east of the Andes to central Argentina.

**Winters** from Baja California, Sonora, and northeastern Mexico (north at least to central Tamaulipas) south through the Middle American and South American breeding range; southernmost populations in South America migrate north to Amazonia.

Casual (mostly in fall and winter) along the Pacific coast from southern British Columbia (including Vancouver Island) south through California, and in Cuba; accidental in Maine (Scarborough), Connecticut (New Haven), North Carolina (Fairfield) and Louisiana. Sight
reports or photographic records for southern Nevada, southwestern New Mexico, the Gulf coast east to southern Florida, the Florida Keys, Quebec, Nova Scotia and Massachusetts cannot be verified as to species, and may represent _T. couchii_.

**Notes.**—Populations in Arizona and western Mexico (south to Guerrero) were formerly regarded as a separate species, _T. occidentalis_ Hartert and Goodson, 1917 [West Mexican Kingbird]. _T. melancholicus_ and _T. couchii_ long were believed to be conspecific, but these forms are widely sympatric (possibly with limited hybridization) in eastern and southern Mexico (Traylor 1979a).

**Tyrannus couchii** Baird. Couch’s Kingbird.


**Habitat.**—Gallery Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Riparian Thickets (0–800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southern Texas (north to Val Verde, Webb, Jim Wells and southern Nueces counties), Nuevo León and Tamaulipas south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of eastern and southeastern Mexico (including the Yucatan Peninsula and most islands off the coast) to northern Guatemala (Petén) and Belize. Populations in southern Texas and northern Mexico migrate casually southward, but seasonal movements within central and southern Mexico unclear.

Casual in central New Mexico, central and southeastern Texas, Louisiana, and Florida.

**Notes.**—See comments under _T. melancholicus_.

**Tyrannus vociferans** Swainson. Cassin’s Kingbird.


**Habitat.**—Breeds in dry savanna, scrub, riparian woodland, and pinyon-juniper-oak woodland; winters in similar habitats, and in highland pine-oak woodland (0–2500 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from central California, southern Nevada, northern Arizona, southern Utah, central and eastern Wyoming, southeastern Montana, southwestern South Dakota, northwestern Nebraska (probably), extreme western Oklahoma, and western Texas south to northwestern Baja California, and through the Mexican highlands to Michoacán, Oaxaca, Puebla, and central Tamaulipas.

*Winter* from central California (irregularly), southern Baja California, southern Arizona (casually) and northern Mexico south to central Guatemala, casually to Honduras (Comayagüela).

*Migrates* casually east to western South Dakota, southwestern Kansas, Arkansas and southwestern Louisiana.

Accidental in Oregon, northern California, Ontario, Massachusetts and Florida; sight reports for Idaho, Arkansas, Wisconsin and Virginia.

**Tyrannus crassirostris** Swainson. Thick-billed Kingbird.


**Habitat.**—Gallery Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest Edge (0–1850 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southeastern Arizona (Patagonia, Guadalupe Mountains), southwestern New Mexico (Guadalupe Canyon), Sonora, southwestern Chihuahua, western Texas (Big Bend), Sinaloa, and western Durango south to Guerrero, México, Morelos, southern Puebla and western Oaxaca.

*Winter* from Sonora south through the breeding range to Chiapas, casually to south-central Guatemala (Escuintla).
Casual or accidental in southwestern British Columbia (Vancouver Island), California (north to San Francisco), Baja California and south-central and southern Arizona (north to Pinal County); a sight report for central Colorado (Jefferson County).

**Tyrannus verticalis** Say. Western Kingbird.

*Tyrannus verticalis* Say, 1823, in Long, Exped. Rocky Mount. 2: 60. (Ash River, near Rocky Mts. = near La Junta, Colorado.)

**Habitat.**—Breeds in open country with scattered trees, especially savanna and agricultural lands. Winters in similar habitats, also Tropical Deciduous Forest and Second Growth Scrub, often flocking at fruiting trees (0–1800 m).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from western Washington, southern interior British Columbia, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, and western Minnesota south to northern Baja California, Sonora, northwestern Chihuahua, southern New Mexico, and southern and south-central Texas, rarely or sporadically eastward to east-central Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, Illinois, southern Michigan, western and southern Ontario, western Missouri, and southwestern Louisiana.

*Winters* from Guerrero and southern Mexico (except the Yucatan Peninsula) south, primarily along the Pacific slope, through Middle America (except Belize and northern Guatemala) to central and southwestern Costa Rica, and in small numbers along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts from South Carolina to southern Florida and west to southern Louisiana.

*Migrates* regularly in small numbers (chiefly in fall) through northeastern North America from the Great Lakes region, southern Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia south to North Carolina, casually in the Bahamas, Swan Islands (western Caribbean Sea) and Cuba (sight report).

Casual in summer north to central Alaska and the northern portions of the Canadian provinces (east to Ontario and Newfoundland). Accidental on Bathurst Island. In winter, casual north to central California, northern Mexico and southern Texas; a sight report for central Panama.

**Tyrannus tyrannus** (Linnaeus). Eastern Kingbird.


**Habitat.**—Breeds in open country with scattered trees and shrubs, including cultivated land with hedgerows; winters in tropical forest and forest-edge habitats, where large flocks visit fruiting trees.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southwestern and northeastern British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, central (casually northern) Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and southwestern Newfoundland south to western Washington, Oregon (east of the Cascades), northeastern California (casually), northern Nevada (at least formerly), northern Utah, Colorado, northwestern and central New Mexico, west-central and eastern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida. Occurs rarely in summer (and possibly has bred) in southeastern Alaska.

*Winters* primarily in western Amazonia, from eastern Ecuador and eastern Peru to western Brazil, but moves southward casually through winter to northern Chile and northern Argentina.

*Migrates* through northeastern Mexico, and from Oaxaca (Isthmus of Tehuantepec) and the Yucatan Peninsula south on both slopes of Middle America (including most islands) to northwestern South America, rarely through California, and casually to southern Baja California, Arizona, Chihuahua, Clipperton Island, Bermuda, the Bahamas, Cuba, the Isle of Pines, the Cayman Islands, Puerto Rico, and the Swan, Providencia and San Andrés islands in the Caribbean Sea.

Casual north to northern and western Alaska (including Nunivak and the Pribilof islands), southern Yukon, the northern Hudson Bay region, central Quebec, Labrador, Newfoundland...
and southern Greenland, and in South America to eastern Venezuela, Guyana, Surinam, central Brazil, and northeastern Argentina. Accidental on South Georgia Island.

**Tyrannus dominicensis** (Gmelin). Gray Kingbird.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Mangrove Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–900 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts from South Carolina (formerly) south to the Florida Keys, and west to southern Alabama and islands off the coast of Mississippi; rare but increasing as a breeder in interior Florida peninsula; throughout the West Indies, and on islands off South America from the Netherlands Antilles east to Tobago and Trinidad; and locally in northern Colombia, and northern Venezuela.

**Winters** from Hispaniola and Puerto Rico (casually from southern Florida) south through the Lesser Antilles and on islands off northern Venezuela, and from central Panama east across Colombia and Venezuela to the Guianas, and extreme northern Brazil.

**Migrates** throughout the West Indies, and rarely but regularly through the Swan Islands, islands off the Yucatan Peninsula and Belize, and along the Caribbean coast of Nicaragua and Costa Rica.

Casual along the Atlantic coast north to Massachusetts (sight reports to New Brunswick and Nova Scotia), west along the Gulf coast to southeastern Texas. Accidental in British Columbia (Vancouver Island), southern Wisconsin, Michigan, southern Ontario, central New York and Bermuda.

**Tyrannus caudifasciatus** d’Orbigny. Loggerhead Kingbird.

* Tyrannus caudifasciatus* d’Orbigny, 1839, in La Sagra, Hist. Fis. Pol. Nat. Cuba, Ois., p. 70 [p. 82 in French ed.], pl. 12. (Cuba.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Pine Forest (0–2000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the northern Bahama Islands (Grand Bahama, Abaco, Andros and New Providence) and Greater Antilles (east to Puerto Rico, including Vieques and the Cayman islands).

Casual winter visitant to southern Florida (Monroe and Dade counties, also sight reports for Merritt and Hypoluxo islands); a sight report for the central Bahamas (Long Island).

**Notes.**—Formerly placed in the monotypic genus Tolmarchus.

**Tyrannus forficatus** (Gmelin). Giant Kingbird.


**Tyrannus cubensis** Richmond, 1898, Auk 15: 330. New name for *Tyrannus magnirostris* d’Orbigny, preoccupied.

**Habitat.**—Pine Forest (0–1100 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones)

**Distribution.**—Resident on Cuba and the Isle of Pines, formerly in the southern Bahamas (Great Inagua and Caicos islands).

A nineteenth century record from Isla Mujeres (off Quintana Roo) is questionable.

**Tyrannus forficatus** (Gmelin). Scissor-tailed Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Breeds in open country, especially dry grasslands, cultivated lands, scrub and
savanna; winters in similar habitats, but often roosts in large flocks in trees in marshes, mangroves, and towns.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from eastern New Mexico, southeastern Colorado, southern Nebraska, central Missouri, central Arkansas, and western Louisiana south to northern Nuevo León and southern Texas; also isolated breeding reports from southeastern California (San Bernardino County), central Iowa (Ames), southwestern Indiana (Daviess County), Mississippi (three locations), central Tennessee (Murfreesboro), northwestern Alabama (Florence), Georgia (Cartersville) and South Carolina (Laurens County).

Winters in central and southern Florida, and in Middle America from southern Veracruz and Oaxaca south (primarily on the Pacific slope) to central Costa Rica, rarely to western Panama (east to the Canal area); casual in winter north to central California and southern Louisiana.

Migrates through most of Mexico (mainly in the east, rare or absent in the northwest and Baja California) and sparingly along the Gulf coast from Louisiana to southern Florida.

Casual throughout most of North America outside the breeding range from central British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Minnesota, Wisconsin, northern Michigan, central Ontario, central Quebec, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia south to Baja California, Arizona, the Gulf states, Bahamas (Grand Bahama, San Salvador, Great Abaco), Cuba and Puerto Rico; sight reports for southeastern Alaska.

**Notes.**—This and the following species were formerly placed in the genus *Muscivora."

**Tyrannus savana** Vieillot. Fork-tailed Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Low, Seasonally Wet Grassland, Second-growth Scrub, Pastures/Agricultural Lands, and lowland pine savanna (0–1600 m, to 2400 in nonbreeding season; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident (but nomadic) locally, mostly on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from Veracruz and Tabasco (possibly also northern Oaxaca, northern Chiapas, Campeche and Quintana Roo), central Belize, northern and central Guatemala, and central Honduras south to central Panama (eastern Panamá province and the Canal area). Also breeds in South America in northern and central Colombia and northern Venezuela, and locally from Surinam, eastern Amazonia and central Brazil, and eastern Bolivia south to southern Argentina and Uruguay, and in the Falkland Islands.

Winters widely in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including Curaçao), Tobago, Trinidad and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to Peru, Bolivia, northern Argentina and southern Brazil; and casually in the southern Lesser Antilles (Barbados, Grenada and the Grenadines).

Patterns of migration and local movement across entire range, including within Middle America, are poorly understood.

Casual in North America north to California, Idaho, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia (with most reports from the east); also in central and southern Texas, Florida, Bermuda, Cuba, and, in the Lesser Antilles, in St. Martin and St. Lucia (sight report), and elsewhere in Panama (Taboga and Coiba islands, and San Blas); a sight report from southern Alabama.

**Notes.**—Formerly known as *Muscivora tyrannus* (Linnaeus, 1766). One New Jersey specimen (possibly mislabeled) has been referred to the race breeding in Venezuela and Colombia, *T. s. sanctaemartae* (Zimmer, 1937); all other specimens taken north of Mexico, as well as those in the southern Lesser Antilles, have been referred to *T. s. savana*, the subspecies breeding in southern South America, whereas photographs of two individuals from southern Texas have been identified as the Middle American race, *T. s. monachus* Hartlaub, 1844.
Genera INCERTAE SEDIS

Notes.—The seven genera to follow have presented taxonomic challenges for more than a century. Allozyme and DNA hybridization data suggest that the enigmatic genus Sapayoa is an outgroup to all other Tyrannoidea (S. M. Lanyon 1985, Sibley and Ahlquist 1990), whereas syringeal characters suggest that Sapayoa is allied as a sister group to, or within, the Tyrannidae (Prum 1990). Summarizing numerous morphological characters, Prum and Lanyon (1989) hypothesized that Schiffornis, Laniocera, and Pachyramphus, along with three South American genera, constitute a monophyletic assemblage. This “Schiffornis group” appears to be allied to Piprites, Lipaugus, and Tityra, but cannot be placed within the otherwise rather well-defined, monophyletic assemblages here referred to as the families Tyrannidae, Cotingidae, and Pipridae (see also Prum 1990). We list these seven genera as a group, incertae sedis, to acknowledge that they are unequivocally tyrannoid but of uncertain affinity within the superfamily.

Genus SAPAYOA Hartert


Sapayoa aenigma Hartert. Sapayoa.

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1350 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Pacific slope of eastern Panama (west to the Canal area), western Colombia (upper Sinú valley, Cúcuta), and northwestern Ecuador (Esmeraldas).

Notes.—Formerly known as Broad-billed Manakin; called Broad-billed Sapayoa by Sibley and Monroe (1990) and Ridgely and Tudor (1994).

Genus SCHIFFORNIS Bonaparte

Schiffornis Bonaparte, 1854, Ateneo Ital. 2: 314. Type, by monotypy, Muscicapa turdina Wied.

Heteropelma “Schiff” (not Wesmaël, 1849) Bonaparte, 1854, Conspp. Voluc. Anisod., p. 4. Type, by monotypy, Muscicapa turdina Wied.


Schiffornis turdinus (Wied). Thrush-like Schiffornis.

Muscicapa turdina Wied, 1831, Beitr. Naturgesch. Bras. 3(2): 817. (eastern Brazil = Bahia.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [veraepacis group] on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, northern Chiapas, Campeche and Quintana Roo south to Nicaragua, and on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from the dry northwest) and Panama (east to Cocle and western Panamá province, and on Cerro Tacarcuna and Cerro Pire in eastern Darién); and [turdinus group] in central and eastern Panama (west to the Canal area), and in South America from Colombia, southern Venezuela and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to northern Bolivia and central and southeastern Brazil.

Notes.—Groups: S. veraepacis (Sclater and Salvin, 1860) [Brown Schiffornis] and S. turdinus [Thrush-like Schiffornis]. Vocal and plumage differences exist between these groups, including between the highland and lowland forms that approach one another in eastern Panama. Similar differences also exist between highland and lowland forms in South America. It is certain that two or more species are involved, but the complex requires careful
study across its entire range, including attention to the relationships of these groups to the form *S. virescens* from southeastern Brazil. We choose to retain the groups under a single name until the taxonomy and biogeography of the complex are clarified.

Genus **PIPRITES** Cabanis


**Piprites griseiceps** Salvin. Gray-headed Piprites.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–800 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Caribbean slope of eastern Guatemala (near Izabal), eastern Honduras (Olancho), Nicaragua and Costa Rica (south to Suretka).

**Notes.**—*P. griseiceps* and *P. chloris* (Temminck, 1822) [Wing-barred Piprites], a widespread polytypic species in South America, constitute a superspecies.

Genus **LIPAUGUS** Boie


**Lipaugus unirufus** Sclater. Rufous Piha.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco and Chiapas south on the Caribbean slope of Central America to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from dry northwest) and Panama (more common on Caribbean slope), and in western Colombia and northwestern Ecuador.

Genus **LANIOCERA** Lesson


**Laniocera rufescens** (Sclater). Speckled Mourner.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–750 m, to 1350 m in eastern Panama and South America; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from southern Mexico (northern Oaxaca, Chiapas) south through Central America to Costa Rica (also Gulfo Dulce region on Pacific slope, north to Quepos) and Panama (Caribbean slope throughout, and rarely on Pacific slope from the Canal area eastward), and in northern and western Colombia and northwestern Ecuador.

**Notes.**—*L. rufescens* and the South American *L. hypopyrra* (Vieillot, 1817) [Cinereous Mourner] constitute a superspecies.

Genus **PACHYRAMPHUS** Gray


**Pachyrhynchus versicolor** (Hartlaub). Barred Becard.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Elfin Forest (1500–3000 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica (Cordillera Central, Cordillera de Talamanca, Dota Mountains, rare in Cordillera de Tilarán), western Panama (western Chiriquí), and in South America from Colombia and northwestern Venezuela south, in the western Andes to northern Peru, and in the eastern Andes to northern Bolivia.

**Pachyrhynchus rufus** (Boddaert). Cinereous Becard.

*Muscicapa rufa* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 27. Based on “Le Gobemouche roux, de Cayenne” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 453, fig. 1. (Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—River-edge Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in central and eastern Panama (from the Canal area, at least formerly, and eastern Panamá province and Darién, also a doubtful record from “Veragua”), and in South America from central and northern Colombia east across northern Venezuela to the Guianas, and south, east of the Andes, to northeastern Peru, thence eastward across Amazonian Brazil to Pará (including Marajó and Mexican islands).

**Notes.**—*P. rufus* and *P. spodiurus* Sclater, 1860 [Slaty Becard], of western Ecuador and northwestern Peru, constitute a superspecies.

**Pachyrhynchus cinnamomeus** Lawrence. Cinnamon Becard.

*Pachyrhynchus cinnamomeus* Lawrence, 1861, Ann. Lyc. Nat. Hist. N. Y. 7: 295. (on the Atlantic side of the Isthmus of Panama, along the line of Panama Railroad = Lion Hill, Canal Zone.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest and edge, Secondary Forest (0–750, to 1200 m in eastern Panama and South America; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from northeastern Oaxaca, Tabasco and Chiapas south to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from the dry northwest) and Panama (more commonly on the Caribbean slope), and in South America west of the Andes south to southwestern Ecuador, and in northern Colombia and northwestern Venezuela.

**Notes.**—*P. cinnamomeus* and the South American *P. castaneus* (Jardine and Selby, 1827) constitute a superspecies.

**Pachyrhynchus polychopterus** (Vieillot). White-winged Becard.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, River-edge Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m, to 1800 m in South America; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Caribbean slope of eastern Guatemala, southern Belize and Honduras, on both slopes of Nicaragua, Costa Rica (less common in the dry northwest) and Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad and the Guianas south, mostly east of the Andes, to eastern Peru, northern and eastern Bolivia, northern Argentina, Uruguay and southern Brazil. Southernmost populations in South America move northward in nonbreeding season. Reported but not verified from extreme southeastern Mexico (Chiapas).
**Pachyramphus albogriseus** Sclater. Black-and-white Becard.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (800–2100 m; 500–3000 m in South America; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in Costa Rica (mainly on Caribbean slope from Cordillera de Tilarán southward) and western Panama (Chiriquí and Veraguas, records elsewhere are unverified); and locally in South America in northern Colombia and northern Venezuela, and on both slopes of the Andes from extreme southern Colombia south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru, and east of the Andes to central Peru. The old record of this species from Nicaragua pertains to *P. polychopterus*.

**Pachyramphus major** (Cabanis). Gray-collared Becard.

*Bathmidurus major* Cabanis, 1847, Arch. Naturgesch. 13: 246. (Xalapa [= Jalapa], Veracruz, Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–2500 m; Subtropical Zone, and Tropical Zone in drier habitats).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southern Sonora, Sinaloa, western Durango, San Luis Potosí, Nuevo León and Tamaulipas south through the interior highlands of central and southern Mexico, and on both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to El Salvador, Honduras, and north-central Nicaragua. Appears to descend to lower elevations in winter.

**Pachyramphus aglaiae** (Lafresnaye). Rose-throated Becard.


**Habitat.**—Gallery Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1250 m, locally to 2700 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southeastern Arizona (locally), northeastern Sonora, western Chihuahua, northeastern Coahuila, Nuevo León and southern Texas (Cameron and Hidalgo counties) south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Tres Marias Islands and Yucatan Peninsula) to Costa Rica, where primarily in the dry northwest south to the Gulf of Nicoya; records from the Caribbean slope are probably migrants; sight reports for southwestern New Mexico and western Panama (Chiriqui) presumably are vagrants.

**Winters** from northern Mexico south throughout the remainder of the breeding range.

**Notes.**—*P. aglaiae, P. homochrous, P. niger,* and two South American species, *P. validus* (Lichtenstein, 1823) [= *P. rufus* (Vieillot, 1816)] and *P. minor* ( Lesson, 1830), were placed in the genus *Platypsaris* until the generic merger by Snow (1973).

**Pachyramphus homochrous** Sclater. One-colored Becard.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–900 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* locally from central Panama (the Caribbean slope in the Canal area, both slopes of eastern Panamá province, and in the Pacific lowlands of Darién) east across northern Colombia to northwestern Venezuela and south, west of the Andes, to northwestern Peru.

**Notes.**—See comments under *P. aglaiae*. 
Pachyramphus niger (Gmelin), Jamaican Becard.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Jamaica.

**Notes.**—See comments under _P. aglaiae._

Genus _TITYRA_ Vieillot


_Tityra semifasciata_ (Spix), Masked Tityra.

_Pachyrhynchus semifasciatus_ Spix, 1825, Avium Spec. Nov. Bras. 2: 32, pl. 44, fig. 2. (Pará, Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m, locally to 2500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Sonora, Sinaloa, western Durango, southern Tamaulipas and San Luis Potosí south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to Panama (including Cébaco and Coiba islands), and in South America from northern Colombia, northern Venezuela, and Trinidad south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes from southeastern Colombia and eastern Ecuador south to northern Bolivia, thence eastward over southern Amazonian Brazil to Amapá, Pará, and northern Maranhão, and in French Guiana. Accidental in southern Texas (Bentsen-Rio Grande State Park, Hidalgo County; T.O.S. 1995).

_Tityra inquisitor_ (Lichtenstein), Black-crowned Tityra.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from southeastern San Luis Potosí, Veracruz, eastern Puebla, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas and the Yucatan Peninsula south to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica and Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to eastern Peru, northern and eastern Bolivia, eastern Paraguay, northeastern Argentina, and southern Brazil.

**Notes.**—Formerly placed in the genus _Erator._

Family _COTINGIDAE:_ Cotingas

Genus _COTINGA_ Brisson

_Cotinga_ Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 2: 339. Type, by tautonymy, _Cotinga_ Brisson = _Ampelis cotinga_ Linnaeus.

_Cotinga amabilis_ Gould, Lovely Cotinga.

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1700 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident from southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca and northern Chiapas south along the Caribbean slope through northern Guatemala, southern Belize, northern Honduras and Nicaragua to southeastern Costa Rica; a sight report from western Panama (Bocas del Toro); may move seasonally.

Notes.—C. amabilis, C. ridgwayi and C. nattereri constitute a superspecies.

Cotinga ridgwayi Ridgway. Turquoise Cotinga.

Cotinga ridgwayi (Zeledón MS) Ridgway, 1887, Proc. U. S. Natl. Mus. 10: 1, pl. 6, fig. 3. (Pozo Azul, Costa Rica.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident on the Pacific slope from southwestern Costa Rica (south end of Gulf of Nicoya) south to western Panama in western Chiriquí (Bugaba, El Volcán).

Notes.—See comments under C. amabilis.

Cotinga nattereri (Boissonneau). Blue Cotinga.

Ampelis Nattereri Boissonneau, 1840, Rev. Zool. [Paris] 3: 2. (Santa-Fé de Bogota [Colombia].)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1250 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident on both slopes of Panama from western Colon and the Canal area east through Darién and San Blas, and in South America in northern and western Colombia south to northwestern Ecuador, and in northwestern Venezuela.

Notes.—See comments under C. amabilis.

Genus CARPODECTES Salvin


Carpodectes hopkei Berlepsch. Black-tipped Cotinga.

Carpodectes hopkei Berlepsch, 1897, Ornithol. Monatsber. 5: 174. (San José, Rio Dagua, Colombia.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–900 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in extreme eastern Panama (eastern Darién), and in South America west of the Andes from northwestern Colombia south to northwestern Ecuador. May move seasonally.

Notes.—The three allopatric forms of Carpodectes (hopkei, antoniae, and nitidus) were treated as conspecific by Hellmayr (1929), but as separate species by Ridgway (1907) and by most recent authors (e.g., Wetmore 1972, Snow in Traylor 1979b, Snow 1982). We consider these forms as members of a superspecies.

Carpodectes antoniae Ridgway. Yellow-billed Cotinga.

Carpodectes antoniae (Zeledón MS) Ridgway, 1884, Ibis, p. 27, pl. 2. (Pirris, Southwestern Costa Rica.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–800 m; Tropical Zone, near sea level).

Distribution.—Resident and local in the Pacific coastal forests of southwestern Costa Rica from the southern Golfo de Nicoya region (Pigres) south to the Osa Peninsula, and rare in extreme western Panama in western Chiriquí (Pedregal, Puerto Armuelles), possibly east as far as Cocle (Aguadulce; specimen lost). Appears to move seasonally in Costa Rica.
Notes.—Also known as Antonia’s Cotinga. See notes under *C. hopkei*.

*Carpodectes nitidus* Salvin. Snowy Cotinga.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–750 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the Gulf-Caribbean lowlands from northern Honduras (La Ceiba) south through Nicaragua and Costa Rica to extreme western Panama (western Bocas del Toro). Appears to move seasonally in Costa Rica.

Notes.—See notes under *C. hopkei*.

Genus *QUERULA* Vieillot


*Querula purpurata* (Müller). Purple-throated Fruitcrow.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–600 m; to 1050 m in South America; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in Costa Rica (entire Caribbean lowlands) and Panama (entire Caribbean slope, and Pacific slope from Canal area eastward), and in South America from northern Colombia south, west of the Andes to northwestern Ecuador, and east of the Andes from eastern Colombia, southern Venezuela, and the Guianas south to northern Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

Genus *CEPHALOPTERUS* Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire


*Cephalopterus glabricollis* Gould. Bare-necked Umbrellabird.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (breeds 800–2500 m; 0–500 m in nonbreeding season; Subtropical Zone, seasonally to Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in Caribbean slope of Costa Rica (from Cordillera de Guanacaste southward) and western Panama (highlands of Chiriquí, Bocas del Toro, and Veraguas); descends to the Caribbean lowlands in nonbreeding season.

Notes.—*C. glabricollis* and the South American *C. penduliger* Sclater, 1859 [Long-wattled Umbrellabird] were treated as races of *C. ornatus* Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1809 [Amazonian Umbrellabird] by Hellmayr (1929). Most authors before and since have recognized three allopatric species (e.g., Ridgway 1907, Wetmore 1972, Snow in Traylor 1979b, Snow 1982). The three constitute a superspecies.

Genus *PROCNIAS* Illiger

**Procias tricarunculata** (Verreaux and Verreaux). Three-wattled Bellbird.

*Casmarhynchus tricarunculatus* J. and E. Verreaux, 1853, Rev. Mag. Zool. (2) 5: 193. (Bocos del toro (Nouvelle-Grenade) = Bocas del Toro, western Panama.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (breeds 900–2300 m; 0–3000 m during nonbreeding seasons; Subtropical Zone, seasonally to sea level).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds in the highlands of Nicaragua (including Isla de Ometepe in Lago de Nicaragua)*, Costa Rica (Cordillera de Guanacaste and Peninsula de Nicoya south through the Cordillera de Talamanca) and western Panama (Bocas del Toro, Chiriqui and Veraguas, possibly also to the Azuero Peninsula); highly mobile while not breeding, both ascending and descending to adjacent forested habitats, especially the Caribbean lowlands (also Pacific lowlands in Panama, and ranging east rarely to the Canal area). Casual in eastern Honduras (Olancho).

**Family PIPRIDAE: Manakins**

Notes.—Based on an exhaustive phylogenetic analysis of syringeal characters, Prum (1992) proposed new generic limits within the Pipridae, and discussed the evolution of manakin social behavior based on his proposed phylogeny (Prum 1990, 1994). The biggest changes from existing classifications involved creation of two new genera for certain species within the genus Pipra, which Prum concluded to be polyphyletic. Studies are under way to test Prum’s phylogenetic hypotheses based on other characters, especially using biochemical techniques. For the present we continue to recognize the traditional generic limits of Snow (1975), excluding those removed to a position *Incertae Sedis*, above, but acknowledge the likelihood that some, perhaps all, of Prum’s proposed changes will prevail. Prum’s alternative treatments are provided under the respective species below.

**Genus CHLOROPIPO** Cabanis and Heine

*Clastropipo* Cabanis and Heine, 1859, Mus. Heineanum 2: 90 (note 2). Type, by original designation, *Clastropipo flavicollis* Cabanis and Heine = *Pipra flavicapilla* Sclater.

*Clastropipo holochlora* Sclater. Green Manakin.

*Clastropipo holochlora* Sclater, 1888, Cat. Birds Br. Mus. 14: xvi, 281, 287. (Colombia and Amazonia = Bogotá, Colombia.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (600–1300 m; upper Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident in eastern Panama (eastern San Blas and eastern Darién), and in South America south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to eastern Peru.*

Notes.—*Merged into the genus Xenopipo Cabanis, 1847 by Prum (1992).*

**Genus MANACUS** Brisson


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–950 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, southern Campeche, southern Quintana Roo, and Belize south to western Panama (Bocas del Toro).*

Notes.—Traylor (1979b), treated this and all other forms in the genus *Manacus* as sub-
species of *M. manacus* (Linnaeus, 1766), citing Haffer's (1967) summary of limited hybridization between parapatric forms as evidence for incomplete speciation. Eisenmann (in litt., cited by Haffer) speculated that *M. candei* has intergraded with *M. vitellinus* in northwestern Panama, causing an intermediate population to occur there (*M. [v.] cerritus* Peters, 1927 [Almirante Manakin]). We treat *M. candei* and all other well-differentiated, allopatric or parapatric forms (*M. aurantiacus*, *M. vitellinus*, *M. manacus*) as members of a superspecies. If *candei* is merged with *vitellinus*, Collared Manakin may be used for the species; if these forms are merged into *M. manacus*, Bearded Manakin applies to the single widespread species. See comments under *M. aurantiacus*.

*M. aurantiacus* (Salvin). Orange-collared Manakin.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [aurantiacus group] on Pacific slope of southern Costa Rica (entrance of the Gulf de Nicoya) and western Panama (east to the Azuero Peninsula); and [viridiventris group] in western and northern Colombia and northwestern Ecuador.

**Notes.**—Groups: *M. aurantiacus* [Orange-collared Manakin] and *M. viridiventris* Griscom, 1929 [Greenish-bellied Manakin]. *M. aurantiacus* often is merged with *M. vitellinus*, its closest relative within the superspecies. No evidence of contact or intergradation exists between the two in western Panama, however. Because of differences in size, plumage, and leg color, *M. aurantiacus* is recognizable at the same level as *vitellinus*. See notes under *M. candei*.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in Panama (the entire Caribbean lowlands, including Bastimentos and Escuelo de Veraguas islands, and the Pacific coast from eastern Veraguas eastward), and in northwestern Colombia.

**Notes.**—See comments under *M. aurantiacus* and *M. candei*.

Genus *CORAPIPO* Bonaparte


*Corapipo altera* Hellmayr. White-ruffed Manakin.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1500 m, breeds above 400 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in foothills and highlands from eastern Honduras (Olancho) south through eastern Nicaragua, Costa Rica and Panama to northwestern Colombia (west of the Atrato Valley and south to the Serranía de Baudó).

**Notes.**—Snow in Trylor (1979b) follows many previous authors in merging *C. altera* with the South American *C. leucorrhoo* (Sclater, 1863) [White-bibbed Manakin]. Conspicuously different wing formulae of these two forms, presumably reflecting differences in display, prompt other authors (e.g. Wetmore 1972) to recognize both as species. Together with *C. gutturalis* (Linnaeus, 1766) [White-throated Manakin] of northern South America, *C. altera* and *C. leucorrhoo* constitute a superspecies.
Genus **CHIROXIPHIA** Cabanis


**Notes.**—The genus *Chiroxiphia* consists of five similar, entirely allopatric forms. Four of them, namely, *C. linearis*, *C. lanceolata*, *C. pareola* (Linnaeus, 1766) [*Blue-backed Manakin*], and *C. boliviana* Allen, 1889 [*Yungas Manakin*; see Parker and Remsen 1987], differ from one another only slightly in plumage ornamentation and display behavior; these four forms constitute a superspecies.

**Chiroxiphia lanceolata** (Wagler). Lance-tailed Manakin.

*Pipra lanceolata* Wagler, 1830, Isis von Oken, col. 931. (Guiane sive Cajenna, error = Cerro Turumiquire, Sucre, Venezuela.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in extreme southwestern Costa Rica (Golfo Dulce region and Cañas Gordas), on the Pacific slope of Panama east to western Darién (locally also on the Caribbean slope in the Canal area, and on Cébaco and Coiba islands), and in South America in northern Colombia (east of the Río Sinú), and northern Venezuela north of the Orinoco River east to Sucre (including Margarita Island) and south to Santander.

**Chiroxiphia linearis** (Bonaparte). Long-tailed Manakin.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical Zone)

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Pacific slope from Oaxaca (west to Chivela) south to northwestern Costa Rica (east to the Dota Mountains), and on the Caribbean slope of Costa Rica from Ochomogo to (formerly?) Juan Vinas.

Genus **PIPRA** Linnaeus


**Notes.**—Prum (1992) concluded from syringeal characters that the genus *Pipra*, as here construed, is polyphyletic. See comments under *Pipra pipra* and *Pipra coronata*.

*Pipra pipra* (Linnaeus). White-crowned Manakin.

*Parus Pipra* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 190. Based mainly on the “Cacototol” Seba, Thes. 2: 102, pl. 96, fig. 5. (in Indiis, error = Surinam.)


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (475 to 1500 m; in South America, also sea level to 600 m; upper Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [*anthracina* group] locally in the highlands of central Costa Rica (primarily on Caribbean slope of Cordillera Talamanca and Cordillera Central) and western Panama (eastern Chiriquí, both slopes of Veraguas, and the Caribbean slope of Coelé); and [*pipra* group] in South America from northern Colombia, southern Venezuela, and the Guianas south to central Peru and Amazonian and coastal southeastern Brazil.

**Notes.**—Placed in the monotypic genus *Dixphia* by Prum (1992). Groups: *P. anthracina* Ridgway, 1906 [*Zeledon’s Manakin*] and *P. pipra* [*White-crowned Manakin*]. Several species probably are involved in this complex, as highland and lowland forms approach one another in eastern Peru, and vocal differences exist among several forms.
 Pipra coronata Spix. Blue-crowned Manakin.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1350 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [velutina group] locally in Costa Rica (northwest to the Gulf of Nicoya on the Pacific slope, and in the Sixaola region in the southeast), adjacent western Panama (western Chiriquí, Bocas del Toro, northern Veraguas), eastern Panama (both slopes from the Canal area eastward), western and northern Colombia, and northwestern Ecuador; [coronata group] in South America from southeastern Colombia and southern Venezuela south, east of the Andes, to northern Peru and extreme western Amazonian Brazil; and [exquisita group] in central and southern Peru, northern Bolivia, and western and central Amazonian Brazil.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in eastern Panama (from eastern San Blas and eastern Panamá province eastward), and in South America from northwestern and northern Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south to northeastern Peru and Amazonian Brazil north of the Amazon.

Notes.—P. erythrocephala, P. mentalis, and P. rubrocappilla Temminck, 1821 [Red-headed Manakin] constitute a superspecies; erythrocephala and mentalis overlap narrowly on the Pacific slope of Panama (e.g., near Maje), and a hybrid has been reported (Ridgely and Tudor 1989).


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1050 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from southern Veracruz, Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas and the Yucatan Peninsula (except the northwest) south to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from the dry northwest), and Panama (east on the Caribbean slope to western San Blas, and on the Pacific to eastern Panamá province), and in South America west of the Andes in western Colombia and northwestern Ecuador.

Notes.—Also known as Yellow-thighed Manakin. See comments under P. erythrocephala.

Family OXYRUNCIDAE: Sharpbills

Notes.—Oxyruncus cristatus has a unique mosaic of conflicting characters that prohibit classifying it as a member of any of the larger tyrannoid families. Sibley et al. (1984) and Sibley and Ahlquist (1990) placed it within the Cotingidae based on DNA-DNA hybridization data. S.M. Lanyon (1985; a coauthor of Sibley et al., 1984) later questioned this conclusion, and also provided allozyme data suggesting that Oxyruncus clustered with tyrant flycatchers, titiras, and becards. Prum (1990) found syringeal similarities with the becards, but excluded it from the well-defined “Schiffornis group” to which becards belong (Prum and Lanyon 1989) on other, compelling morphological grounds. Prum recommended incertae sedis status. Presumably, Oxyruncus was an early offshoot during the radiation of the Tyrannoidea, and we acknowledge its uniqueness by retaining its family status.
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Genus OXYRUNCUS Temminck

*Oxyruncus* Temminck, 1820, Man. Ornithol. (ed. 2) 1: lxxx [generic characters only, no type species indicated]. Type, by monotypy, *Oxyrhyncus cristatus* Swainson.

*Oxyruncus cristatus* Swainson. Sharpbill.

*Oxyrhyncus* [sic] cristatus Swainson, 1821, Zool. Illus. (1)1(9): pl. 49. (Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (700–1400 m; 0–1800 m in South America; Subtropical Zone, in South America also Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident (with disjunct distribution) in Costa Rica (mainly Caribbean slope, from Cordillera de Guanacaste south, and, perhaps formerly, in Dota Mountains), Panama (recorded Bocas del Toro, western Chiriqui, Veraguas and the cerros of eastern Darién), and in South America locally in southern Venezuela, Guyana, Surinam, eastern Peru, northwestern Bolivia, eastern Amazonian and southeastern Brazil, and eastern Paraguay.

Suborder PASSERI: Oscines

**Notes.**—See Sibley and Ahlquist (1990) and Sheldon and Gill (1996) for hypotheses on relationships among families in this Suborder. The arrangement of families here follows Sibley and Ahlquist (1990) in recognizing the close relationships of the Meliphagidae, Laniidae, Vireonidae, and Monarchidae to the Corvidae, i.e., the parvorder Corvida of Sibley and Ahlquist (1990); see also A.O.U. (1997).

Family MELIPHAGIDAE: Honeyeaters

Genus MOHO Lesson


**Habitat.**—Thick, undisturbed native forest.

**Distribution.**—Resident on Kauai, in the Hawaiian Islands (possibly extinct, the last known male surviving at least to 1988 in the Alakai Swamp region).

**Notes.**—Known also as the Ooa.

†*Moho apicalis* Gould. Oahu Oo.


**Habitat.**—Presumably forest.

**Distribution.**—EXTINCT. Formerly resident on Oahu, in the Hawaiian Islands (disappeared in a short period after 1837).

**Notes.**—*Moho apicalis, M. bishopi,* and *M. nobilis* may constitute a superspecies.

†*Moho bishopi* (Rothschild). Bishop's Oo.


**Habitat.**—Forest, primarily ohia.

**Distribution.**—EXTINCT. Formerly resident on Molokai, in the Hawaiian Islands (last reported in 1904). Reports of oos on Maui from 1901 to 1981 may refer to this species (Sabo 1982).
Notes.—Also known as Molokai Oo. See comments under *M. apicalis*.

†*Moho nobilis* (Merrem). Hawaii Oo.

*Gracula nobilis* Merrem, 1786, *Avium Rar. Icones Descr.* 1(1): 7, pl. 2. (Insulæ San-
duicenses = island of Hawaii.)

**Habitat.**—Heavy forest.

**Distribution.**—EXTINCT. Formerly resident on Hawaii, in the Hawaiian Islands (last
definite record in 1898; one reported heard in 1934).

Notes.—See comments under *M. apicalis*.

**Genus CHAETOPTILA** Sclater

*Chaetoptila* Sclater, 1871, *Ibis*, p. 358. Type, by original designation, *Entomyza an-
gustipluma* Cassin [= Peale].

†*Chaetoptila angustipluma* (Peale). Kioea.


**Habitat.**—Forest.

**Distribution.**—EXTINCT. Formerly resident on Hawaii, in the Hawaiian Islands (last
reported in 1859).

**Family LANIIDAE: Shrikes**

**Genus LANIUS** Linnaeus

*Lanius* Linnaeus, 1758, *Syst. Nat.* (ed. 10) 1: 93. Type, by subsequent designation
(Swainson, 1824), *Lanius excubitor* Linnaeus.


*Lanius cristatus* Linnaeus, 1758, *Syst. Nat.* (ed. 10) 1: 93. (in Benghala = Bengal.)

**Habitat.**—Deciduous and coniferous woodland.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from northern Siberia south to Mongolia, Manchuria, and Japan.
Winters from India east to eastern China, and south to southeastern Asia and the East Indies.
Casual or accidental in the western Aleutians (Attu, Shemya), on St. Lawrence Island, in
south-coastal Alaska (Anchorage), and in California (Farallon Islands, and Olema marsh,
Marin County).

Notes.—Also known as Red-tailed Shrike. Sibley and Monroe (1990) considered *L. cris-
tatus* to form a superspecies with *L. collurio* Linnaeus, 1758 [Red-backed Shrike] and *L.
isabellinus* Ehrenberg, 1833 [Rufous-tailed Shrike].


*Lanius ludovicianus* Linnaeus, 1766, *Syst. Nat.* (ed. 12) 1: 134. Based on “La Pie-
grieche de la Louisiane” Brisson, *Ornithologie* 2: 162, pl. 15, fig. 2. (in Ludovicia
= Louisiana.)

**Habitat.**—Open country with scattered trees and shrubs, agricultural fields, savanna, desert
scrub, and, occasionally, open woodland; habitat always has fences, low trees, brush, or
other hunting perches with at least some bare ground or very short grass (Tropical to
Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from California (except the northwestern portion, but including
the Channel Islands), eastern Oregon, eastern Washington, central Alberta, central Saskatch-
ewan, southern Manitoba, Minnesota (except northeastern), southern Ontario, southwestern
Quebec, and Pennsylvania (formerly from central New York, central Maine, southwestern
New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia) south to southern Baja California (including Cedros
Island), through central Mexico (not in coastal lowlands) to central Oaxaca and Veracruz,
and to the Gulf coast and southern Florida; in recent years scarce and local in the northeastern
part of the breeding range.

Winters from central Washington, eastern Oregon, California, southern Nevada, Utah,
southern Colorado, southern Kansas, central Missouri, Illinois, central Ohio, and Virginia
(casually north to the Canadian border) south to the southern limits of the breeding range,
rarely to Chiapas.

Casual from southern British Columbia south (west of the Cascades) to southwestern
Oregon, and in northwestern Guatemala and the Bahama Islands (Andros). Accidental on
Bermuda.

Notes. — See comments under *L. excubitor*.

**Lanius excubitor** Linnaeus. Northern Shrike.

*Lanius Excubitor* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 94. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.** — Open deciduous or coniferous woodland, taiga, thickets, bogs, and scrub; in
migration and winter, also open situations with scattered trees, savanna, semi-desert, and
cultivated lands.

**Distribution.** — Breeds [excubitor group] in North America from western and northern
Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, and southwestern Keewatin
south to southern Alaska (west to the Alaska Peninsula), northwestern British Columbia,
northern Alberta, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northern and central Quebec, and
southern Labrador, and in the Old World from northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, and
northern Siberia south to central Europe, central Russia, central Asia, and the Kuril Islands;
and [meridionalis group] from southern Europe, the Canary Islands, and northern Africa
(north of the Sahara) east to India.

Winters [excubitor group] in North America from central Alaska and the southern portions
of the breeding range in Canada, Minnesota, and northwestern Wisconsin south (irregularly)
to northern California, central Nevada, northern Arizona, central New Mexico, northern
Texas, northwestern Oklahoma, Kansas, central Missouri, northern Illinois, central Indiana,
northern Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey, casually to the central Aleutians, south to the
southern parts of California, Arizona, and New Mexico, to northern Texas, northern Ten-
nessee, North Carolina, and Bermuda, and in Eurasia throughout the breeding range, the
northern populations being mostly migratory; and [meridionalis group] generally within the
breeding range, but eastern populations winter south to northern India and west to north-
eastern Africa.

Resident [leucopygos group] across north-central Africa in the southern portions of the
Sahara.

Notes. — Also known as Great Gray Shrike. Groups: *L. excubitor* [Northern Shrike], *L.
meridionalis* Temminck, 1820 [Southern Gray Shrike], and *L. leucopygos* Ehrenberg, 1833
[Saharan Shrike]. *Lanius excubitor* and *L. ludovicianus*, along with the Asiatic *L. sphen-
cercus* Cabanis, 1873 [Chinese Gray Shrike], constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short
1970).

Family VIREONIDAE: Vireos

Notes. — The systematic position of the Vireonidae has always been controversial; see
Sibley and Ahlquist (1982b) for a review. We follow Johnson et al. (1988), Sibley and
Ahlquist (1990), and Sheldon and Gill (1996) in placing the vireos within the “Corvida”
assemblage. There seems to be no evidence for their traditional placement within the nine-
primaried oscines (e.g., see Raikow 1978). For relationships within the Vireonidae and lack
of justification for subfamilies and subgenera in this family, see Johnson et al. (1988). The
formerly recognized subfamilies Vireolaniinae and Cyclarhininae have often been given
family status, but see Zimmer (1942), Barlow and James (1975), Raikow (1978), Orenstein
and Barlow (1981), and Sibley and Ahlquist (1982a) for reasons for their inclusion within
the Vireonidae.
Genus **VIREO** Vieillot


**Melodivireo** Oberholser, 1974, Bird Life Tex., p. 998. Type, by original designation, *Muscicapa gilva* Vieillot.

**Vireo brevipennis** (Sclater). Slaty Vireo.


**Habitat.**—Arid Montane Scrub, Pine-Oak Forest (1200-2100 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands of southern Jalisco, Colima, Guerrero, Morelos, Oaxaca, and western Veracruz.

**Notes.**—Sometimes placed in the monotypic genus *Neochloe*.

**Vireo griseus** (Boddaert). White-eyed Vireo.

*Tanagra grisea* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 45. Based on “Tanagra olive, de la Louisiane” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 714, fig. 1. (Louisiana = New Orleans.)

**Habitat.**—Dense undergrowth at deciduous forest edge and treefalls; more widespread in migration and winter, but primarily in dense thickets (Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds [griseus group] from central Iowa, southeastern Minnesota (rarely), southern Wisconsin, southern Michigan, extreme southern Ontario, southern New York, and southern Massachusetts south to eastern San Luis Potosi, northern Hidalgo, extreme northern Veracruz, Tamaulipas, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, southern Florida (including the Florida Keys), and Bermuda, and west to eastern Nebraska (formerly), eastern Kansas, central Oklahoma, west-central Texas, and Coahuila; and [perquisitor group] in northeastern Puebla and north-central Veracruz.

**Winters** [griseus group] from central Texas, the Gulf states, extreme southeastern Virginia (Dismal Swamp), the Bahama Islands (east to San Salvador), and Bermuda south along the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Mexico (including the Yucatan Peninsula, also on the Pacific slope in southeastern Oaxaca), Belize, Guatemala, Honduras, and (rarely) northern Nicaragua, on Cuba and the Isle of Pines, and in the Cayman and Swan islands; and [perquisitor group] presumably in the breeding range.

Casual [griseus group] north to North Dakota, southern Manitoba, southern Minnesota, northern Michigan, southern Quebec, Maine, and Nova Scotia, west to California, Utah, Arizona, Colorado, southern New Mexico, Chihuahua, and south to Costa Rica, Panama, Puerto Rico (including Mona Island), and the Virgin Islands (St. John); a sight report for the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro).

**Notes.**—Although *V. griseus* [White-eyed Vireo] and *V. perquisitor* Nelson, 1900 [Veracruz Vireo] were regarded by Eisenmann (1955) as distinct species, they are similar in many respects. Species and superspecies boundaries in the “white-eyed vireo” complex (all species from *V. griseus* through *V. nanus*) are poorly understood and their accurate definition awaits further research.
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**Vireo crassirostris** (Bryant). Thick-billed Vireo.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub, Mangrove Forest.

**Distribution.**—Resident [crassirostris group] in the Bahamas (virtually throughout, even small islands), northern cays off Cuban mainland, including Cayo Coco and Cayo Paredones (rare winter resident), Cayman Islands, and Tortue Island (off Hispaniola); and [approximans group] on Providencia and adjacent Santa Catalina islands (in the western Caribbean Sea).

Casual [crassirostris group] in southern Florida (Hypoluxo Island, Lantana, Dry Tortugas, and Flamingo).

**Notes.**—Groups: *V. crassirostris* [Thick-billed Vireo] and *V. approximans* Ridgway, 1884 [Old Providence Vireo]. See comments under *V. griseus* and *V. pallens*.

**Vireo pallens** Salvin. Mangrove Vireo.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Mangrove Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident [pallens group] along the Pacific coast from southwestern Sonora south to Nayarit, and from Oaxaca south to Costa Rica (to the Gulf of Nicoya); and [semiflavus group] on the Gulf-Caribbean coast and many islands from the Yucatan Peninsula (including Holbox and Mujeres islands) and eastern Guatemala (Petén) south through Belize (including Soldier Cay) and Honduras (including the Bay Islands) to Nicaragua (Bluefields area).

**Notes.**—Groups: *V. pallens* [Mangrove Vireo] and *V. semiflavus* Salvin, 1863 [Maya Vireo]. Considered by Hellmayr (1935) to be conspecific with *V. griseus*. Mayr and Short (1970) considered *V. pallens* and *V. griseus* to constitute a superspecies. Sibley and Monroe (1990) considered *V. pallens*, *V. bairdi*, *V. gundlachii*, *V. crassirostris*, and *V. caribaeus* to be members of a superspecies. See comments under *V. griseus*.

**Vireo bairdi** Ridgway. Cozumel Vireo.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Cozumel Island, off Quintana Roo.

**Notes.**—See comments under *V. griseus* and *V. pallens*.

**Vireo caribaeus** Bond and Meyer de Schauensee. St. Andrew Vireo.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0-1500 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Isla San Andrés, in the western Caribbean Sea.

**Notes.**—Sometimes regarded as a race of *V. pallens* or *V. modestus*; for a discussion of relationships, see Barlow and Nash (1985). See comments under *V. griseus* and *V. pallens*.

**Vireo modestus** Sclater. Jamaican Vireo.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0-1500 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Jamaica.

**Notes.**—Also known as Jamaican White-eyed Vireo. See comments under *V. griseus* and *V. caribaeus*. 
Vireo gundlachii Lembeye. Cuban Vireo.

Vireo gundlachii Lembeye, 1850, Aves Isla Cuba, p. 29, pl. 5, fig. 1. (Cuba = Cienfuegos, Cuba.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub, Secondary Forest (0-700 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Cuba (including many cays) and the Isle of Pines.

Notes.—See comments under V. griseus and V. pallens.

Vireo latimeri Baird. Puerto Rican Vireo.

Vireo latimeri Baird, 1866, Rev. Amer. Birds 1: 364. (north side of Puerto Rico.)

Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0-900 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Puerto Rico (except the eastern portion).

Notes.—See comments under V. griseus.

Vireo nanus (Lawrence). Flat-billed Vireo.

Empidonax nanus Lawrence, 1875, Ibis, p. 386. (St. Domingo = Dominican Republic.)

Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest (0-1200 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Hispaniola (including Gonâve Island).

Notes.—See comments under V. griseus.

Vireo bellii Audubon. Bell’s Vireo.

Vireo bellii Audubon, 1844, Birds Amer. (octavo ed.) 7: 333, pl. 485. (short distance below Black Snake Hills = near St. Joseph, Missouri.)

Habitat.—Dense brush, willow thickets, mesquite, streamside thickets, and scrub oak; in arid regions usually near water; in migration and winter, primarily in dense scrub (Tropical, Subtropical, and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds from coastal southern and interior California (north to Santa Barbara and Inyo counties, now scarce and local; formerly also in the interior to Tehama County), southern Nevada, southwestern Utah, northwestern and east-central Arizona, southern New Mexico, northeastern Colorado, Nebraska, South Dakota, western North Dakota, southeastern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, northeastern Illinois, northwestern and central Indiana, and southwestern Michigan south to northern Baja California, southern Sonora, southern Durango, Zacatecas, southern Tamaulipas, southern and eastern Texas, north-central Louisiana, Arkansas, southwestern Tennessee, southwestern Kentucky, southern Indiana, and western Ohio.

Winters from southern Baja California and southern Sonora (casually north to central California, southern Arizona, southern Texas, Louisiana, and southern Florida) south, primarily on the Pacific slope and in the interior of Middle America, to Honduras, casually to north-central Nicaragua.

Migrates regularly through northern Mexico, casually (mostly in fall) through the Gulf states east to Florida.

Casual or accidental north to Montana, Wyoming, and southern Ontario, and east to New York (Long Island), New Hampshire, New Jersey, and South Carolina.

Vireo atricapillus Woodhouse. Black-capped Vireo.


Habitat.—Dense low thickets and scrub oak, with many openings, and mostly on rocky hillsides; in winter, also semi-arid tropical scrub.
**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from south-central Kansas (Comanche County, formerly) south through west-central Oklahoma and western and central Texas (east to Dallas, Waco, Austin, and San Antonio areas, and west to Abilene, San Angelo, and Big Bend) to central Coahuila. *Winters* from Sinaloa and Durango south to southern Oaxaca. *Migrates* through western and southern Texas and central Mexico (east to México and Tamaulipas). Casual north to eastern Nebraska and northeastern Kansas. Accidental in Arizona (Tucson) and southern Ontario (Long Point). A sight report from Mississippi is questionable. **Notes.**—Sibley and Monroe (1990) considered *V. atricapillus* and *V. nelsoni* to constitute a superspecies.

**Vireo nelsoni** Bond. Dwarf Vireo.


**Habitat.**—Arid Montane Scrub (1500-2400 m; Subtropical Zone, to lower Temperate Zone in winter).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* locally in the highlands from Guanajuato and Michoacán to northem Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec). *Winters* presumably mostly in the breeding range (ascending in migration to higher elevations); a report from Sinaloa is questionable.

**Vireo vicinior** Coues. Gray Vireo.


**Habitat.**—Dry oak-juniper and pinyon-juniper woodlands, dry chaparral, and thorn scrub; in migration and winter, also desert and arid scrub.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* locally from southern California (north to Inyo County), southern Nevada, southern Utah, western and southeastern Colorado, and northwestern and central New Mexico south to northwestern Baja California, central and southeastern Arizona, southem New Mexico, western Texas (east to Kinney, Colorado, and Kerr counties), and northwestern Coahuila (Sierra del Carmen).

*Winters* locally in central and in southern Baja California, southwestern Arizona (rarely), Sonora (including Tiburón and San Esteban islands), and (rarely) western Texas (Big Bend region).

*Migrates* through Baja California and Durango. Casual to the Channel Islands off California. Accidental in Oklahoma (Cimmaron County), Wisconsin (Sheboygan County), and San Luis Potosí. Sight reports from Texas Panhandle are unsubstantiated.

**Vireo osburni** (Sclater). Blue Mountain Vireo.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (600-2000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the hills and mountains of Jamaica (most commonly in the Blue Mountains).

**Vireo flavifrons** Vieillot. Yellow-throated Vireo.

*Vireo flavifrons* Vieillot, 1808, Hist. Nat. Ois. Amer. Sept. 1 (livr. 9): 85, pl. 54. (États Unis = eastern United States.)

**Habitat.**—Primarily tall open deciduous forest and woodland, tall riparian woodland, and,
less frequently, mixed deciduous-coniferous woodland with tall trees; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southeastern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, northern New Hampshire, and southwestern Maine south to eastern Texas, the Gulf coast, and central Florida, and west to central North Dakota, eastern South Dakota, eastern Nebraska, eastern Kansas, eastern Oklahoma, and west-central Texas.

*Winters* from northern and south-central Oaxaca and southern Veracruz south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula and Cozumel Island), and from extreme southern Florida through the Bahama Islands, Cuba, the Isle of Pines, and the Cayman Islands to central Colombia and northern Venezuela, casually in southern California and the Virgin Islands (St. Thomas, St. John). No documented winter records in the eastern United States north of southern Florida.

*Migrates* regularly through eastern North America east of the Rockies, Bermuda (rare), and eastern Mexico, casually through western North America from northern California, Nevada, eastern Colorado, and western Texas southward.

Casual or accidental north to central Saskatchewan, western Ontario, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland. Accidental in the Lesser Antilles (St. Vincent, Barbados), Tobago, Chacachacare Island (off Trinidad), and the British Isles; sight reports for Idaho and Nayarit.

**Vireo plumbeus** Coues. Plumbeous Vireo.


**Habitat.**—Open yellow pine forest, pine-oak association, oak scrub, pinyon-juniper woodland, and riparian woodland; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from west-central Nevada, extreme south-central Idaho, northeastern Utah, central and southeastern Montana, southwestern South Dakota, and northwestern Nebraska south through the western United States (from mountains of east-central California east of crest of Sierra Nevada and southern California) east to western Texas and Mexico to Belize, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras.

*Winters* from the southwestern United States and northwestern Mexico south to Guatemala. Casual in northwestern California.

Casual or accidental in south-central Oregon (Harney County), northwestern Nevada, eastern Colorado, and southwestern Louisiana. Sight records from eastern North America are unsubstantiated.

**Notes.**—*Vireo solitarius, V. cassinii,* and *V. plumbeus* were formerly regarded as subspecies of *V. solitarius* [Solitary Vireo]; they constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990). Specific status of the three forms is based upon differences in morphology, coloration, vocalizations (Borror 1972, James 1981), and genetics (Murray et al. 1994, Johnson 1995). Assignment of populations from Central America to *V. plumbeus* is tentative.

**Vireo cassinii** Xantus de Vesey. Cassin’s Vireo.


**Habitat**—Open coniferous or mixed coniferous-deciduous woodland, pine-oak association, oak woodland; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats (Temperate Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southern British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), southwestern Alberta, and western Montana south to central Idaho and east-central Oregon, through northern California and extreme west-central Nevada, thence west of the axis of the Sierra Nevada to the coastal slopes of the mountains of southern California and northern Baja California (Sierra San Pedro Martir) and in the Cape district of southern Baja California.

*Winters* from the southwestern United States (rare) and northwestern Mexico south to Guatemala. Casual in northwestern California.
Migrates through the Pacific coastal states, Idaho, western Montana, the Great Basin, Utah, Arizona, and eastward in the Rocky Mountain region through Colorado, New Mexico, and western Texas.

Casual or accidental in southeastern Alaska, Oklahoma (Cimmaron County), New York, and New Jersey.

Notes.—See comments under V. plumbeus.

**Vireo solitarius** (Wilson). Blue-headed Vireo.

*Muscicapa solitaria* Wilson, 1810, Amer. Ornithol. 2: 143, pl. 17, fig. 6. (Bartram’s woods, near Philadelphia [Pennsylvania].)

**Habitat.**—Open coniferous or mixed coniferous-deciduous woodland; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats, but favors tall woodland with live oaks and pines (Temperate Zone).


Winters from central Texas, southern Arkansas, the northern portions of the Gulf states, and southern Virginia south to southern Florida, Cuba, the Isle of Pines, and (probably) Jamaica, and through eastern and southern Mexico and Central America (mostly Gulf-Caribbean slope) to Costa Rica.

Migrates through the central and eastern United States, mostly east of the Rockies (rarely eastern New Mexico and western Texas) and casually through Bermuda and the northern Bahamas Islands.

Casual or accidental in California, southern Arizona, eastern Colorado, and Greenland. Sight reports from Panama.

Notes.—See comments under *V. plumbeus*.

**Vireo earmioli** Baird. Yellow-winged Vireo.

**Vireo carmioli** Baird, 1866, Rev. Amer. Birds 1: 356. (Dota [= Santa María de Dota], San José, Costa Rica.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (2000-3300 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica (Cordillera Central, Dota Mountains, and Cordillera de Talamanca) and western Panama (western Chiriqui).

Notes.—Genetic evidence supports a sister relationship between *V. carmioli* and *V. huttoni* (Johnson et al. 1988). Also known as Carmiol’s Vireo.

**Vireo huttoni** Cassin. Hutton’s Vireo.


**Habitat.**—Pine-oak association, oak woodland, riparian woodland, and locally in tall chaparral and dense undergrowth at edge of humid coniferous forest (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southwestern British Columbia (including Vancouver Island) south through western Washington, western Oregon, and California (west of the Sierra Nevada divide, including the Channel Islands) to northwestern Baja California; in the Cape district of southern Baja California; from central Arizona, southwestern New Mexico, and western Texas (also casually in Real County) south through the highlands of Mexico to central and southern Oaxaca; and from Chiapas to western Guatemala.
Casual in the desert region of southeastern California and southwestern Arizona; a sight report for eastern Oregon.

Notes.—An allozyme study (Cicero and Johnson 1992) showed a pronounced difference between populations in California and Arizona. See comments under V. carmelioli.

**Vireo hypochryseus** Sclater. Golden Vireo.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest (0-2000 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope of Mexico from southern Sonora south to Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec); in interior from Jalisco to Morelos; also in the Tres Marias Islands, off Nayarit.

**Vireo gilvus** (Vieillot). Warbling Vireo.


**Habitat.**—Open deciduous and mixed deciduous-coniferous woodland, riparian forest and thickets (commonly in association with cottonwoods, aspen, and tree willows; often near water), pine-oak association, orchards, and parks; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds [swainsonii group] from southeastern Alaska, northern British Columbia, west-central and southwestern Mackenzie, northern and southeastern Alberta, southwestern Saskatchewan, central Wyoming, southwestern South Dakota, and western Nebraska south to northern Baja California (also in the Victoria Mountains of southern Baja California), southern Nevada, central and southeastern Arizona, the highlands of Mexico (Sierra Madre Occidental to México, Morelos, and central Oaxaca), southern New Mexico, and western Texas; and [gilvus group] from central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, western and southern Ontario, extreme southwestern Quebec, Maine, New Brunswick, and southern Nova Scotia (probably) south to southeastern Texas (casually), southern Louisiana (formerly), central Mississippi, northern Alabama, southeastern Tennessee, western North Carolina, central South Carolina, and Virginia, and west to southeastern Montana, northern and eastern North Dakota, eastern South Dakota, eastern Nebraska, Kansas, and southeastern Colorado.

Winters [swainsonii group] in Mexico (mostly Pacific slope and interior) from southern Sonora south to Oaxaca, and east to Hidalgo and southeastern Veracruz, casually north to southern California and southern Arizona; and [gilvus group] from Oaxaca (rarely), southern Veracruz, and Chiapas south through Guatemala to El Salvador, rarely to Honduras and Nicaragua; Accidental in Bermuda (late December).

Migrates [swainsonii group] through southwestern Canada and the western United States; and [gilvus group] regularly through the south-central United States and eastern Mexico, rarely (or casually) through the southeastern states east to southern Florida and Bermuda.

Casual [swainsonii group] in south-coastal Alaska (Anchorage, Middleton Island), southern Louisiana, and northern Florida; and [gilvus group] in Nova Scotia (Seal Island), Newfoundland (Great Codroy), and western Cuba. A sight report [group uncertain] from northeastern Costa Rica.

Notes.—The two groups differ morphologically, vocally, genetically, and ecologically, and possibly represent distinct species, *V. swainsonii* Baird, 1858 [Western Warbling-Vireo] and *V. gilvus* [Eastern Warbling-Vireo] (J. C. Barlow, pers. comm.); they were treated as species by Sibley and Monroe (1990) and Phillips (1991). Relationships between *V. gilvus* and *V. leucophrys* remain uncertain; some authors (e.g., Blake in Paynter 1968, Mayr and Short 1970) treat them as conspecific; herein they are treated as sister species (Johnson et al. 1988) that form a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Vireo leucophrys** (Lafresnaye). Brown-capped Vireo.

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (1200-2600 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident locally in the highlands from eastern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south through Hidalgo and Puebla to Veracruz; from southeastern Oaxaca through Chiapas and Guatemala to Honduras; and in the mountains of Costa Rica and western Panama (east to Veraguas), and from eastern Panama (Darién), Colombia, and northern Venezuela south in the Andes to central Bolivia.

Notes.—See comments under V. gilvus.

Vireo philadelphicus (Cassin). Philadelphia Vireo.

(Bingham’s woods, near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.)

Habitat.—Open deciduous or mixed deciduous-coniferous woodland, forest edge, second growth, and alder and willow thickets, especially near streams; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats.


Winters from Chiapas (rarely north to southern Veracruz and the Yucatan Peninsula) south to the western highlands of Panama, rarely to northern Colombia. Casual in coastal southern California, and accidental in southern Louisiana.

Migrates primarily east of the Rockies and west of the Appalachians, rarely through California in fall (casually in spring in central and southern regions of the state), and less commonly through the southeastern United States south to the Gulf coast, southern Florida, and Cuba.


Vireo olivaceus (Linnaeus). Red-eyed Vireo.


Habitat.—[olivaceus group] Deciduous and mixed coniferous forest, second-growth woodland, riparian woodland; in migration and winter, a variety of open forest, woodland, and scrub habitats; [chivi group] Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest (0-1500 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones.)

Distribution.—Breeds [olivaceus group] from southeastern Alaska (probably), southwestern and northeastern British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), west-central and southwestern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, northwestern and central Saskatchewan, north-central Manitoba, northern Ontario, south-central Quebec (including Anticosti and Magdalen islands), New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and southern Newfoundland south to northern Oregon, northern Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, eastern Colorado, western Oklahoma, northeastern Coahuila (probably), south-central (Edwards Plateau) and eastern Texas (south to Nueces River), the Gulf coast, and southern Florida; and [chivi group] in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including Margarita Island), Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to central Argentina.

Winters [olivaceus group] in South America east of the Andes in the Amazon basin of eastern Colombia, southern Venezuela, eastern Ecuador, eastern Peru, and western Brazil; and [chivi group] in the northern part of the breeding range south to the Amazon basin.
Migrates [olivaceus group] through eastern North America (east of the Rockies), the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Mexico, Bermuda, the Bahama Islands, the Greater Antilles, the Cayman Islands, along both slopes of Middle America (from Chiapas southward) and northern South America, rarely but regularly through California (more frequent in fall), rarely elsewhere in western North America south of the breeding range.

Casual or accidental [olivaceus group] in central and south-coastal Alaska (Fairbanks, Anchorage, Middleton Island), Chile, Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles (almost annually), the Netherlands, Germany, France, and Malta; sight reports for southern Yukon and northern Baja California.

Notes.—The two groups are sometimes regarded as separate species because of a wide hiatus in distribution, but recent biochemical studies (Johnson and Zink 1985) indicate that chivi (Vieillot, 1817) [Chivi Vireo] and olivaceus [Red-eyed Vireo] are closely related and presumably conspecific, whereas V. flavoviridis is distinct at the species level; the approach of the breeding ranges (with no suggestion of any intergradation) of the chivi group and flavoviridis in eastern Panama and northwestern Colombia also supports recognition of flavoviridis at the species level. The resident population on Fernando de Noronha, formerly considered to be conspecific with the chivi group, is recognized as a species, V. gracilirostris Sharpe, 1890, by Olson (1994). Vireo olivaceus, V. gracilirostris, V. flavoviridis, V. alti- loquus, and V. magister are also closely related and may constitute a superspecies (Blake in Paynter 1968, Mayr and Short 1970, Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Vireo flavoviridis (Cassin). Yellow-green Vireo.

Vireosylvia flavoviridis Cassin, 1851, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia 5: 162, pl. 11. (Panama and San Juan de Nicaragua = San Juan del Sur, Nicaragua.)

Habitat.—Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0-1700 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Breeds from central Sonora, northern Nuevo León (to Sierra Picachos, Sierra de los Lampazos), and (rarely) southern Texas (lower Rio Grande Valley) south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Tres Marias Islands, off Nayarit) to Costa Rica and Panama (Pacific slope east to eastern Panamá province, including Coiba and the Pearl islands).

Winters in South America in the western Amazon Basin from eastern Ecuador south to central Bolivia.

Migrates through Middle America (including islas Providencia and San Andrés) and Colombia. Recorded annually in fall in California.

Casual or accidental in southern Arizona, southeastern New Mexico, southwestern, central and southeastern Texas, southwestern Louisiana, Bermuda, Florida, the Lesser Antilles (Barbados), and Venezuela.

Notes.—See comments under V. olivaceus.


Muscicap a alti- loqua Vieillot, 1808, Hist. Nat. Ois. Amer. Sept. 1 (livr. 7): 67, pl. 38. (Jamaica, Saine-Domingue, etc. = St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.)

Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Mangrove Forest (0-900 m).

Distribution.—Breeds in central and southern Florida (Cedar Keys and New Smyrna Beach southward, mainly coastal), the Bahama Islands, throughout the Greater and Lesser Antilles (where permanent resident), Little Cayman, and Cayman Brac in the Cayman Islands, islands of the western Caribbean Sea (Providencia and San Andrés), and islands off the north coast of Venezuela (Netherlands Antilles east to Margarita Island).

Winters apparently in South America from eastern Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northeastern Peru and Amazonian Brazil (but many of these records within this range may pertain to transients), rarely on Hispaniola, Puerto Rico, and in the northern Lesser Antilles and Providencia and San Andrés islands.

Migrates (mostly in spring) along the Gulf coast from western Florida to southeastern
Louisiana (where summer reports suggest possible breeding), on Trinidad, and casually on the Caribbean slope of Panama.

Casual in Texas, southwestern Louisiana, North Carolina, Virginia, Bermuda, Belize, Costa Rica, and Tobago; a sight report for Quintana Roo. An old record from Honduras is without basis (Monroe 1968).

Notes.—See comments under V. olivaceus.

**Vireo magister** (Lawrence). Yucatan Vireo.


(Belize, Br. Honduras.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Mangrove Forest (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Cayman Islands (Grand Cayman), on the Yucatan Peninsula (including Mujeres and Cozumel islands) south to Belize (including small cays offshore), and on the Bay and Hog islands off the Caribbean coast of Honduras.

Accidental in southeastern Texas (photos, 29 April - 27 May 1984, Bolivar Peninsula; Morgan et al. 1985).

Notes.—See comments under V. olivaceus. Also known as Belize Vireo.

**Genus HYLOPHILUS** Temminck

*Hylophilus* Temminck, 1822, Planches Color., livr. 29, pl. 173. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), *Hylophilus poicilotis* Temminck.

Notes.—This genus may be paraphyletic (Johnson et al. 1988).

*Hylophilus fiavipes* Lafresnaye. Scrub Greenlet.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Mangrove Forest (0-1000 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident [viridifiavus group] on the Pacific slope of southwestern Costa Rica (north to Gulf of Nicoya area) to central Panama (also Isla Coiba, and the Caribbean slope in the Canal area); and [fiavipes group] in South America from northern and eastern Colombia east through Venezuela (also Margarita Island and Tobago).

Notes.—Groups: H. viridifiavus Lawrence, 1861 [Yellow-green Greenlet] and H. fiavipes [Scrub Greenlet]. *Hylophilus fiavipes* and *H. olivaceus* Tschudi, 1844 [Olivaceous Greenlet], of eastern Ecuador and Peru, may constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

*Hylophilus ochraceiceps* Sclater. Tawny-crowned Greenlet.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0-1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [ochraceiceps group] from northeastern Oaxaca and southern Veracruz south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope (except Yucatán) to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from the dry northwest) and Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil (north of the Amazon); and [rubrifrons group] in Amazonian Brazil south of the Amazon.

Notes.—Groups: H. ochraceiceps [Tawny-crowned Greenlet] and H. rubrifrons Sclater and Salvin 1867 [Red-fronted Greenlet].


*Hylophilus aurantiifrons* Lawrence, 1861, Ann. Lyc. Nat. Hist. N. Y. 7: 324. (Atlantic slope, along the line of the Panama Railroad = Canal Zone.)
Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0-1300 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident from eastern Panama (west to western Panamá province on the Pacific slope, and in the Canal area on the Caribbean slope) east across northern Colombia to northern Venezuela and Trinidad.

Notes.—Sibley and Monroe (1990) considered H. aurantiifrons and South American H. semibrunneus Lafresnaye, 1845 [Rufous-naped Greenlet], to constitute a superspecies.

Hylophilus decurtatus (Bonaparte). Lesser Greenlet


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0-1400 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident [decurtatus group] from southeastern San Luis Potosí, Veracruz, northeastern Puebla, northern and southeastern Oaxaca, Chiapas, and northern Quintana Roo south along both slopes of Middle America (except Yucatán) to central Panama (east to the Canal area); and [minor group] from eastern Panama (west to the Canal area) south through northern and western Colombia to western Ecuador.

Notes.—Although the two groups are often recognized as separate species, H. decurtatus [Gray-headed Greenlet] and H. minor Berlepsch and Taczanowski, 1884 [Lesser Greenlet], they intergrade through eastern Panamá province and the Canal area (Wetmore et al. 1984).

Genus VIREOLANIUS Bonaparte


Vireolanius melitophrys Bonaparte. Chestnut-sided Shrike-Vireo.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (1350-3000 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the highlands from Jalisco, southeastern San Luis Potosí and Veracruz south to western Guatemala.

Vireolanius pulchellus Sclater and Salvin. Green Shrike-Vireo.

Vireolanius pulchellus Sclater and Salvin, 1859, Ibis, p. 12. (Guatemala.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0-1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, and Chiapas south to Nicaragua, on the Pacific slope of Chiapas, Guatemala, and El Salvador, on both slopes of Costa Rica (except the dry northwest), and mainly on the Caribbean slope of Panama (east to western San Blas and eastern Panamá province).

Notes.—Vireolanius pulchellus and V. eximius constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990) and are perhaps conspecific (Hellmayr 1935). These two species are frequently placed in the genus Smaragdolanius (Eisenmann 1955).


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0-1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).
Distribution.—Resident in extreme eastern Panama (eastern Darién), northern Colombia and western Venezuela.

Notes.—See comments under V. pulchellus.

Genus CYCLARHIS Swainson


*Cyclarhis gujanensis* (Gmelin). Rufous-browed Peppershrike.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (0-2800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [*gujanensis* group] from southeastern San Luis Potosí, southern Tamaulipas, Veracruz, Hidalgo, Puebla, northern Oaxaca, and Chiapas south on both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula, and Cancun and Cozumel islands) to Panama (including Isla Coiba), and in South America from northern and eastern Colombia, Venezuela (including Margarita Island), Trinidad, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northwestern Argentina and southern Brazil; [*virenticeps* group] in western Ecuador and northwestern Peru; [*viridis* group] in north-central Argentina and northern Paraguay and [*ochrocephala* group] southeastern Brazil, southern Paraguay, Uruguay, and northeastern Argentina.

Notes.—Groups: *C. gujanensis* [Rufous-browed Peppershrike], *C. virenticeps* Sclater, 1860 [Yellow-backed Peppershrike], *C. viridis* (Vieillot, 1822) [Chaco Peppershrike], and *C. ochrocephala* Tschudi, 1845 [Ochre-crowned Peppershrike].

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Notes.—For information on relationships among genera, see Peters (1962), Hardy (1969), Mayr and Short (1970), Goodwin (1976), Sibley and Ahlquist (1990), Sibley and Monroe (1990) and Espinosa de los Monteros (1997).

Genus PERISOREUS Bonaparte


*Perisoreus canadensis* (Linnaeus). Gray Jay.

*Corvus canadensis* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 158. Based on “Le Geay brun de Canada” Brisson, Ornithologie 2: 54, pl. 4, fig. 2. (in Canada = Quebec.)

Habitat.—Coniferous and mixed coniferous-deciduous forest (primarily spruce), including open and partly open woodland and around bogs.

Distribution.—Resident [*canadensis* group] (partly migratory in northern parts of breeding range) from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, southwestern Kee-watim, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northern Quebec, northern Labrador, and Newfoundland south to southern Alaska (west to the Alaska Peninsula, but absent from humid coastal forests of south-coastal and southeastern Alaska), British Columbia (except southwestern), eastern Washington, northeastern and east-central Oregon, Idaho, Utah, east-central Arizona (White Mountains), north-central New Mexico, central Colorado, and southwestern South Dakota (Black Hills), and (east of the Rocky Mountains) to central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, northern New York, northern New England, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia; and [*obscurus* group] in the coastal ranges and Cascades from southwestern British Columbia (including Vancouver Island) south through western and central Washington and western and central Oregon to northern California (to Trinity, Siskiyou, and Modoc counties).

Wanders [*canadensis* group] north of breeding range, and south in winter irregularly to

Notes.—The two groups may be separate species, *P. canadensis* [Canada Jay] and *P. obscurus* Ridgway, 1873 [Oregon Jay] (Phillips 1986). *Perisoreus canadensis* and the Old World *P. infaustus* (Linnaeus, 1758) [Siberian Jay] and *P. internigrans* (Thayer and Bangs, 1912) [Sichuan Jay] may constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

Genus **CYANOCITTA** Strickland


*Cyanocitta stelleri* (Gmelin). Steller’s Jay.


Habitat.—Primarily coniferous and mixed coniferous-deciduous forest, including humid coniferous forest in northwestern North America and arid pine-oak association in the Middle American highlands (upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska (west to the Kenai Peninsula), coastal and central British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte and Vancouver islands), southwestern Alberta, western Montana, Wyoming, and Colorado south to southern California, Arizona, through the highlands of Middle America (except Belize) to north-central Nicaragua, and east to east-central Colorado, central New Mexico, and western Texas (Davis and Guadalupe mountains).

Casual north to northern British Columbia, east to west-central and southern Saskatchewan, southwestern South Dakota, northwestern Nebraska, southwestern Kansas, western Oklahoma, and central Texas, and south to extreme northwestern Baja California. Accidental in southern Quebec (Cap Rouge); a sight report for Vermont.

Notes.—*Cyanocitta stelleri* and *C. cristata* hybridize occasionally in central Colorado; they may constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

*Cyanocitta cristata* (Linnaeus). Blue Jay.


Habitat.—Primarily forest (deciduous or mixed deciduous-coniferous), open woodland, parks, and residential areas, especially where oaks and beech are common.

Distribution.—Resident from east-central British Columbia, northern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south to central and southeastern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida (including the upper Florida Keys), and west to Montana, northern and eastern Wyoming, eastern Colorado, and east-central New Mexico.

Northern populations are partly (and variably) migratory to the southern parts of the breeding range, and irregular or casual west to southern British Columbia, western Washington, western and central Oregon, California (mostly northern), west-central Nevada, Idaho, Utah, Montana, Arizona, and western New Mexico.

Accidental on Bermuda.

Notes.—See comments under *C. stelleri*.

Genus **CALOCITTA** Gray

**Calocitta colliei** (Vigors). Black-throated Magpie-Jay.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0-1100 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Pacific slope from southern Sonora and western Chihuahua south to Nayarit, Jalisco, and (possibly) northern Colima.

A report from southeastern Arizona (Douglas) is almost certainly based on an escaped individual.

**Notes.**—*Calocitta colliei* and *C. formosa* constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990), and have been considered conspecific (e.g., Phillips 1986). If treated as a single species, Magpie Jay is the appropriate English name.

**Calocitta formosa** (Swainson). White-throated Magpie-Jay.

*Pica formosa* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 437. (Temiscaltipec, Mexico = Temascaltepec, México.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0-1250 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Pacific slope from Colima, Michoacán, and western Puebla south to northwestern Costa Rica (Gulf of Nicoya region), also in arid interior valleys on the Gulf-Caribbean drainage in Chiapas, Guatemala (Motagua Valley), and Honduras.

**Genus CYANOCORAX** Boie


*Cyanocorax dickeyi* Moore. Tufted Jay.

*Cyanocorax dickeyi* Moore, 1935, Auk 52: 275, pl. 13. (Rancho Batel, 5 miles N.E. of Santa Lucia, altitude 5200 ft., Sinaloa, Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (1500-2200 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the mountains of southeastern Sinaloa, northeastern Nayarit, and southwestern Durango.

*Cyanocorax affinis* Pelzeln. Black-chested Jay.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest (0-1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in southeastern Costa Rica (Sixaola region), Panama (both slopes), northern and eastern Colombia, and northwestern Venezuela.

*Cyanocorax yncas* (Boddaert). Green Jay.

*Corvus yncas* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 38. Based on Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 625. (Peru = Chilipes, depto. de Junín.)
**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0-2800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [luxuosus group] from Nayarit, Nuevo León, and southern Texas south in Middle America on the Pacific slope to western Guatemala, and on the Gulf-Caribbean slope to Belize, eastern Guatemala, and north-central Honduras (to the Tela region and Valle del Aguan); and [yncas group] in South America from northern Colombia and northern Venezuela south, primarily on east slope of the Andes, to central Bolivia.

Casual [luxuosus group] north to southeastern Texas (College Station).

**Notes.**—Groups: *C. luxuosus* (Lesson, 1839) [Green Jay] and *C. yncas* [Inca Jay].


*Pica morio* Wagler, 1829. Isis von Oken, col. 751. (Mexico = Alvarado, Veracruz.)

**Habitat.**—Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0-1500 m; Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from extreme southern Texas (Starr County), Nuevo León, and Tamaulipas south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America to western Panama (recorded Bocas del Toro and western Colón), locally also on the Pacific drainage in central Costa Rica.

**Notes.**—Two distinct color morphs were formerly regarded as separate species (Miller et al. 1957), *C. morio* [Plain-tipped Brown-Jay] and *C. mexicanus* (Rüppell, 1837) [White-tipped Brown-Jay], the former occurring south to Tabasco, the latter north to central Veracruz.

*Cyanocorax melanocyaneus* (Hartlaub). Bushy-crested Jay.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Secondary Forest (600-2400 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones, occasionally Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands (rarely lowlands) of Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, and western Nicaragua.

**Notes.**—Also known as Hartlaub's Jay. *Cyanocorax melanocyaneus* is closely allied to the *C. sanblasianus-yucatanicus* complex; a reasonable treatment might be to consider these three species and *C. beecheii* as a superspecies.

*Cyanocorax sanblasianus* (Lafresnaye). San Blas Jay.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest (0-1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope from Nayarit south to central coastal Guerrero.

A flock of eight individuals recorded in Arizona (1937-1939, Tucson) is generally regarded as an escaped group because this species is entirely sedentary as far as is known.

**Notes.**—Also known as Black-and-blue Jay. *Cyanocorax sanblasianus* and *C. yucatanicus* constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990). See comments under *C. melanocyaneus*.

*Cyanocorax yucatanicus* (Dubois). Yucatan Jay.

*Cyanocitta yucatanica* Dubois, 1875, Bull. Acad. R. Sci. Lett. Beaux-Arts Belg. (2)40: 797. (Yucatan.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in Tabasco, northern Chiapas, the Yucatan Peninsula, northern Guatemala (Petén), and northern Belize.

**Notes.**—See comments under *C. melanocyaneus* and *C. sanblasianus*. 

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**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest (0-700 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope from southern Sonora to northern Nayarit. Records from California and western Texas are regarded as escaped cage-birds.

**Notes.**—Also known as Beechey’s Jay. See comments under C. melanocyaneus.

Genus CYANOLYCA Cabanis


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (800-2100 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in the mountains, primarily on the Gulf-Caribbean slope, in eastern Mexico (southeastern San Luis Potosí, Hidalgo, Veracruz, Puebla, northern and southeastern Oaxaca, and interior Chiapas), Guatemala, western Honduras (east to the Sula Valley), Costa Rica, and western Panama (east to Veraguas).

**Notes.**—Cyanolyca cucullata and the South American C. pulchra (Lawrence, 1876) appear to constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Cyanolyca pumilo (Strickland). Black-throated Jay.


(Guatemala = mountains above Antigua, depto. Sacatepéquez.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (1900-3000 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of Chiapas, Guatemala, northern El Salvador (at least formerly), and Honduras; reports from Belize and Nicaragua are unsatisfactory.

**Notes.**—Also known as Strickland’s Jay.

Cyanolyca nana (Du Bus de Gisignies). Dwarf Jay.


**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Pine Forest (1600-3200 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident, at least formerly, in the mountains of Veracruz, Puebla, and Oaxaca, now possibly restricted to the latter state; reports from México are open to question.

Cyanolyca argentigula (Lawrence). Silvery-throated Jay.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (2000-3200 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica (Cordillera Central on slopes of Irazú and Turrialba volcanoes, and the Cordillera de Talamanca) and western Panama (western Chiriquí).
**Cyanolyca mirabilis** Nelson. White-throated Jay.


**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (1800-3500 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the mountains of Guerrero (Sierra Madre del Sur) and Oaxaca (Sierra de Miahuatlán and Sierra de Yucuyacua).

**Notes.**—Also known as Omiltemi Jay.

**Genus APHELOCOMA** Cabanis

*Aphelocoma* Cabanis, 1851, Mus. Heineanum 1: 221. Type, by subsequent designation (Baird, 1858), *Garrulus californicus* Vigors.

*Sieberocitta* [subgenus] Coues, 1903, Key N. Amer. Birds (ed. 5) 1: 497. Type, by original designation, *Cyanocitta ultramarina arizonae* Ridgway = *Corvus ultramarinus* Bonaparte.

**Aphelocoma coerulescens** (Bosc). Florida Scrub-Jay.


**Habitat.**—Oak scrub with widely scattered pines, especially where low-growing and periodically burned.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* locally in the Florida peninsula, especially on central and coastal sand ridges; formerly more widespread throughout the peninsula north of the Everglades (north to Gilchrist, Clay, and Duval counties).

**Notes.**—*Aphelocoma coerulescens*, *A. californica*, and *A. insularis* were previously treated as a single species, *A. coerulescens* [Scrub Jay], following Hellmayr (1934) and Pitelka (1945, 1951). Species-level differentiation of the widely disjunct *coerulescens* and the Santa Cruz Island endemic *insularis* is confirmed by genetic, morphologic, behavioral, and fossil data (Peterson 1992, Pitelka 1951, Woolfenden and Fitzpatrick 1984, Haemig 1989, Emslie 1996).

**Aphelocoma insularis** Henshaw. Island Scrub-Jay.

*Aphelocoma insularis* Henshaw, 1886, Auk 3: 452. (Santa Cruz Island, California.)

**Habitat.**—Open oak woodland.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Santa Cruz Island in the Channel Islands, California.

**Notes.**—Also known as Santa Cruz Jay. See notes under *A. coerulescens*.

**Aphelocoma californica** (Vigors). Western Scrub-Jay.


**Habitat.**—Scrub (especially oak, pinyon, and juniper), brush, chaparral, pine-oak association; also gardens, orchards, riparian woodland, mangroves (southern Baja California), and tropical deciduous forest (southern Mexico) (Subtropical and Temperate zones, upper Tropical Zone in southern Mexico).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [*californica* group] from southwestern Washington south through western and central Oregon, California (except eastern mountains), and northwestern and west-central Nevada to southern Baja California; [*woodhouseii* group] from southeastern Oregon, southern Idaho, southern Wyoming, western and southern Colorado, and extreme western Oklahoma south to eastern California (from White Mountains to Providence Mountains), southern Arizona, in the Mexican highlands to northeastern Sonora, Jalisco, central Guanajuato, México, Distrito Federal, and Hidalgo, and east to western and central Texas; and [*sumichrasti* group] from Tlaxcala south to Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec), Puebla, and west-central Veracruz.

Notes.—See notes under A. coerulescens. Genetic and behavioral data (Peterson 1991, 1992, Peterson and Burt 1992) suggest that the three groups may be separate species: A. californica [California Scrub-Jay], A. woodhouseii (Baird, 1858) [Woodhouse’s Scrub-Jay], and A. sumichrasti (Baird and Ridgway, 1874) [Sumichrast's Scrub-Jay].

Aphelocoma ultramarina (Bonaparte). Mexican Jay.


Habitat.—Pine-Oak Forest, Gallery Forest, Pine Forest (1200-3400 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident [ultramarina group] from central Arizona and southwestern New Mexico south to Colima, northern Michoacán, México, northern Morelos, Puebla and west-central Veracruz, and [couchii group] from western Texas (Brewster County), northern Chihuahua, and northern Coahuila south through west-central Nuevo León, western Tamaulipas, and San Luis Potosí to western Jalisco (Aguas Calientes, Ceretaras), and Hidalgo.

A record of a specimen, evidently now lost, supposedly collected in 1906 in southern Kansas (Keith 1940) requires verification.

Notes.—Also known as Gray-breasted Jay and Arizona Jay. Isozyme analyses suggest that the two groups treated together constitute a paraphyletic species (Peterson 1992). The ultramarina group, A. ultramarina (Bonaparte, 1825) [Ultramarine Jay] exhibits delayed maturation in bill color, whereas the couchii group, A. couchii (Baird, 1858) [Couch’s Jay] does not, but a broad intermediate area exists where the groups meet in central Mexico (Peterson 1991). Differences in vocal and social behavior also exist between northerly populations of the two groups (Brown and Horvath 1989), but many populations remain un-studied. The couchii group is hypothesized to have arisen through hybridization with A. californica (Brown and Li 1995), but evidence remains weak. Although suggestive, these studies are insufficient to merit recognition of two species and to delineate which populations would belong to each.

Aphelocoma unicolor (Du Bus de Gisignies). Unicolored Jay.


Habitat.—Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine Forest (1300-3300 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident locally in mountains of south-central Guerrero (Sierra Madre del Sur), México (formerly), Hidalgo, western Puebla, Oaxaca (Sierra de Juárez and Sierra de Zempoaltepec), Chiapas, Guatemala, northern El Salvador, and Honduras.

Genus GYMNORHINUS Wied

Gymnorhirus Wied, 1841, Reise N.-Amer. 2: 21. Type, by monotypy, Gymnorhirus cyanocephalus Wied.

Gymnorhirus cyanocephalus Wied. Pinyon Jay.

Gymnorhirus cyanocephalus Wied, 1841, Reise N.-Amer. 2: 22. (am Maria-River = between the Marias and Yellowstone rivers, Montana.)

Habitat.—Pinyon-juniper woodland; in nonbreeding season also scrub oak and sagebrush.

Distribution.—Breeds from central Oregon, southern Idaho, central Montana, western South Dakota, and northwestern Nebraska south through California (primarily the eastern and southern mountains) to northern Baja California (Sierra Juárez and Sierra San Pedro Mártir), southern Nevada, northwestern and east-central Arizona, central (probably also southern) New Mexico and western Oklahoma.
Winters throughout the breeding range and irregularly from northwestern Oregon, southern Washington, northern Idaho, and central Montana south to southeastern California, south- eastern Arizona, northern Chihuahua, and western and central Texas, and east to western Nebraska and western Kansas, casually to North Dakota and to coastal California (including the Channel Islands).

Casual in Iowa; a sight report for southwestern Saskatchewan.

Notes.—Hardy (1969) did not consider the genus Gymnorhinus to be part of the New World jays but instead closer to the genus Nucifraga. Ligon (1974) treated Gymnorhinus as a specialized, early offshoot of the New World jays.

Genus NUCIFRAGA Brisson

Nucifraga Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 30; 2: 58. Type, by tautonymy, Nucifraga Brisson = Corvus caryocatactes Linnaeus.


Corvus columbianus Wilson, 1811, Amer. Ornithol. 3: xv, 29, pl. 20, fig. 2. (shores of the Columbia = Clearwater River, about two miles north of Kamiah, Idaho County, Idaho.)

Habitat.—Open coniferous forest, forest edge, and clearings, exposed ridges, primarily at high elevations of mountains, ranging to lower limits of alpine tundra; in winter also irregularly in lowlands.

Distribution.—Resident from south-central British Columbia, southwestern Alberta, western and central Montana, western and southeastern Wyoming, and southwestern South Dakota south through the mountains of central and eastern Washington, eastern Oregon, central and eastern California, and Nevada, and in the Rockies to east-central Arizona and southern New Mexico; isolated populations in northern Baja California (Sierra San Pedro Mártir) and southern Nuevo León (Cerro Potosí).

Wanders irregularly north to western, central and southeastern Alaska, southern Yukon, central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, and southern Manitoba, west to coastal Oregon and coastal central (casually southern) California (including the Channel Islands), and south to southeastern California (casual), southern Arizona, northern Sonora (Sierra de la Madera), and western Texas, and east to southwestern South Dakota, Nebraska, and Kansas.

Casual or accidental east to Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, western Ontario, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Arkansas, west-central Louisiana, central and northern Texas, and Guadalupe Island; a sight report for Michigan.

Genus PICA Brisson

Pica Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 20; 2: 35. Type, by tautonymy, Pica Brisson = Corvus pica Linnaeus.

Pica pica (Linnaeus). Black-billed Magpie.

Corvus Pica Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 106. (in Europa = Uppsala, Sweden.)

Habitat.—Open country with scattered trees, riparian and open woodland, forest edge, and farmlands, in either arid or humid habitats.

Distribution.—Resident in North America from south-coastal Alaska (west to the Alaska Peninsula and Shumagin Islands), southern Yukon, northern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, extreme southwestern Ontario, and northern Minnesota south (absent from coastal areas and regions west of the Cascade and Sierra Nevada ranges from southeastern Alaska southward) to northeastern and east-central California (to Inyo County), south-central Nevada, Utah, extreme northeastern Arizona (Apache County, formerly more widespread), northern New Mexico, western (casually northeastern) Oklahoma, central Kansas, and Nebraska (except southeastern); and in the Old World from the British Isles, Scandinavia, northern Russia, and central Siberia south to the Mediterranean region, northwestern Africa, the Near East, Iran, the Himalayas, Southeast Asia, eastern China, Taiwan, and Japan.
Wanders casually or irregularly from northern (Umiat) and west-central Alaska, central Yukon, southern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, central Ontario, and southern Quebec, and south to southwestern British Columbia, western Washington, western Oregon, northwestern and west-central California (southern California reports probably pertain to escaped individuals), southern Nevada, northern Arizona, southern New Mexico, western Texas, northern Missouri, and western Iowa; accidental on Banks Island. Also occurs casually or accidentally farther east, but no doubt many records pertain to escaped individuals; recorded from Wisconsin, Michigan, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, and New Brunswick south to Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia (breeding reported in the Canaan Valley), and Pennsylvania (breeding reported in Pittsburgh area), also in Florida (breeding reported in Collier County).

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as the Magpie. Pica pica and P. nuttalli are closely related and constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970); they are considered conspecific by Phillips (1986). North American populations differ morphologically from Eurasian populations (Vaurie 1959), and genetic data suggest that more than one species may exist (Zink et al. 1995).

**Pica nuttalli** (Audubon). Yellow-billed Magpie.

*Corvus Nutalli* [sic] Audubon, 1837, Birds Amer. (folio) 4: pl. 362, fig. 1. (Upper California, around the village of Sta. Barbara.)

**Habitat.**—Open oak woodland interspersed with grasslands or cultivated lands, open riparian woodland, and savanna.

**Distribution.**—**Resident** in California in the Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys (from Shasta County south to Kern County), and in valleys of the coast ranges from San Francisco Bay south to Santa Barbara County (formerly to Ventura County).

Casual north to near the Oregon border in northern California (Siskiyou County).

Notes.—See comments under *P. pica* and Verbeek (1972).

**Genus CORVUS** Linnaeus


**Corvus monedula** Linnaeus. Eurasian Jackdaw.

*Corvus Monedula* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 105. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Open woodland and around towns.

**Distribution.**—**Resident** throughout most of the Palearctic.

Casual (beginning in 1983) in northeastern North America in southern Ontario, southeastern Quebec, Nova Scotia, Miquelon Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Rhode Island (P. W. Smith 1985); also in Pennsylvania (Lewisburg), where a pair was apparently breeding (1985, Amer. Birds 39: 300, 913). Many (if not all) North American records may be the result of ship-assisted individuals.

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as the Jackdaw.

**Corvus brachyrhynchos** Brehm. American Crow.

*Corvus brachyrhynchos* C. L. Brehm, 1822, Beitr. Vögelkd. 2: 56. (Nordlichen Amerika = Boston, Massachusetts.)

**Habitat.**—Open forest and woodland for nesting and roosting, increasing in urban and suburban areas, open and partly open country for foraging, including agricultural lands, urban areas, orchards, and tidal flats; restricted mostly to riparian woodland and adjacent areas in arid regions.

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** from extreme southeastern Alaska (east of *C. caurinus*), north-central British Columbia, southwestern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, south-central Quebec, and Newfoundland south (except in Pacific coastal areas south to northwestern Washington) to extreme northwestern Baja California
(to lat. 32° S.), central Arizona, southern New Mexico, central and southeastern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida (except the Florida Keys). Winters from southern Canada (British Columbia east to Newfoundland) south throughout the breeding range, occasionally to the Florida Keys, and casually to southern Arizona. Introduced and established on Bermuda.

Casual in eastern Keewatin, northwestern Sonora and western Chihuahua.

Notes.—Also known as Common Crow. *Corvus brachyrhynchos* and *C. caurinus* are closely related and may be conspecific (Johnston 1961, Phillips 1986); they constitute a superspecies. Although a few authors consider *C. brachyrhynchos* and the Old World *C. corone* to be closely related (or even conspecific) (Meise 1928, Dorst 1947, Dement’ev and Gladkov 1954), the relationships of the latter appear to be with other Old World species (Goodwin 1976). Mayr and Short (1970) considered *C. brachyrhynchos* and *C. nasicus* to constitute a superspecies, but see Goodwin (1976).


Habitat.—Coastal tidelands near coniferous woodland or forest edge, foraging also in adjacent croplands and around human habitation.

Distribution.—Resident along the Pacific coast from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska (west to Kodiak Island) south through western British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte and Vancouver islands) to northwestern Washington (Puget Sound area).

Reports from northwestern Oregon (Portland area) are questionable.

Notes.—See comments under *C. brachyrhynchos*.

*Corvus palmarum* Württemberg. Palm Crow.

*Corvus palmarum* Württemberg, 1835, Erste Reise N. Amer.: 68. (vicinity of Cibao Mountains, Dominican Republic.)

Habitat.—Pine Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0-2000 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Cuba (locally in Pinar del Río and Camagüey provinces, formerly more widespread) and Hispaniola (mostly in the mountains).

Notes.—See comments under *C. sinaloae*.

*Corvus nasicus* Temminck. Cuban Crow.

*Corvus nasicus* Temminck, 1826, Planches Color., livr. 70: 413. (Cuba.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Pine Forest (0-1500 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Cuba (including the Isle of Pines) and in the southern Bahama Islands (Providenciales, North Caicos, and Grand Caicos).

Notes.—*Corvus nasicus*, *C. jamaicensis*, and *C. leucognaphalus* are closely related and may constitute a superspecies (Johnston 1961, Goodwin 1976). See comments under *C. brachyrhynchos*.

*Corvus leucognaphalus* Daudin. White-necked Crow.

*Corvus leucognaphalus* Daudin, 1800, Traité Ornithol. 2: 231. (Puerto Rico.)

Habitat.—Pine Forest, Secondary Forest, Mangrove Forest (0-1500 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Hispaniola and, formerly, Puerto Rico (where extirpated, not recorded since 1963).

Casual on Gonâve and Saona islands.

Notes.—See comments under *C. nasicus*. Appears to be more closely related to ravens than crows (Rea, in Phillips 1986).


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0-1200 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Jamaica.

**Notes.**—See comments under *C. nasicus*.

Corvus imparatus Peters. Tamaulipas Crow.


**Habitat.**—Pastures/Agricultural Lands, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Pastures/Agricultural Lands (0-900 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Gulf coast from Nuevo León, Tamaulipas, and southern Texas (Brownsville) south to San Luis Potosí and northern Veracruz. Regular postbreeding vagrant in southern Texas north to Starr and Kenedy counties.

**Notes.**—See comments under *C. sinaloae*. Formerly known as Mexican Crow.

Corvus sinaloae Davis. Sinaloa Crow.

*Corvus sinaloae* Davis, 1958, Wilson Bull. 70: 163. (Escunapa [= Escuinapa], Sinaloa, Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Gallery Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Pastures/Agricultural Lands (0-700 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific coast of Mexico from southern Sonora south to southwestern Nayarit.

**Notes.**—Differs from *C. imparatus* in vocalizations and appears to represent a distinct species (Davis 1958, Webber and Hardy 1985, Hardy 1990a, 1990b); they constitute a superspecies [Mexican Crow], which may or may not also include *C. ossifragus* (Mayr and Short 1970) and *C. palmarum* (Mayr and Short 1970; but see Goodwin 1976).

Corvus ossifragus Wilson. Fish Crow.

*Corvus ossifragus* Wilson, 1812, Amer. Ornithol. 5: 27, pl. 37, fig. 2. (Great Egg-Harbor = Beasley's Point, New Jersey.)

**Habitat.**—Beaches, bays, inlets, lagoons, swamps, and, less frequently, deciduous or coniferous woodland, in inland situations primarily in bald-cypress swamps and along major watercourses, locally also in urban and suburban areas.

**Distribution.**—Resident locally from New York (northwest to Ithaca) and Massachusetts south along the Atlantic-Gulf coast to southern Florida, and west to southern Texas; inland along major river systems to northwestern Louisiana, eastern Oklahoma, southeastern Kansas, southeastern Missouri, southern Illinois, southwestern Kentucky, western Tennessee, central Georgia, western South Carolina, northwestern North Carolina, central Virginia, central Maryland, extreme eastern West Virginia, and central Pennsylvania. Casual in southern Maine (Portland); sight reports for southwestern Indiana, southern Ontario, and Nova Scotia.

**Notes.**—See comments under *C. brachyrhynchos* and *C. sinaloae*.

Corvus hawaiiensis Peale. Hawaiian Crow.

*Corvus hawaiiensis* Peale, 1848, U. S. Explor. Exped. 8: 106. (a few miles inland from the village of Kaawaloa, Hawaii.)

**Habitat.**—Upland forest and forest edge, and grazed lands.
Corvus cryptoleucus Couch. Chihuahuan Raven.


Habitat.—Northern Temperate Grassland, Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub (0-2400 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident (mostly) from northern Sonora, south-central and southeastern Arizona, central and northeastern New Mexico and southeastern (formerly northeastern) Colorado south to Michoacán, Guanajuato, Querétaro, San Luis Potosí and Tamaulipas, and east to western Kansas, western Oklahoma, and central and southern Texas. Northeastern populations, especially those in Kansas, are migratory southward in winter.

Notes.—Also known as White-necked Raven, a name now restricted to the African C. albicollis Latham, 1790. See comments under C. corax.

Corvus corax Linnaeus. Common Raven.

Corvus Corax Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 105. (in Europa = Sweden.)

Habitat.—A wide variety of situations from lowlands to mountains, open country to forested regions, and humid regions to desert, but most frequently in mountainous or hilly areas, especially in vicinity of cliffs, a preferred nesting site (Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in North America from western and northern Alaska (including islands in the Bering Sea) and northern Canada (throughout, including Arctic islands north to Prince Patrick and southern Ellesmere) south to the Aleutians (west to Attu), California (including the Channel Islands), southern Baja California (including the Revillagigedo Islands, and islands in the Gulf of California), through Mexico and the highlands of Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua, east to the eastern edge of the Rockies, extreme western Oklahoma, and western and central Texas, and, east of the Rockies, south to central and eastern Montana, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, central Michigan, southern Ontario, New York, northern Connecticut, western Massachusetts, southeastern Maine, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland, also locally in the Appalachians of western Pennsylvania, West Virginia, western Maryland, eastern Kentucky, western Virginia, eastern Tennessee, western North Carolina, northwestern South Carolina, and northwestern Georgia; formerly bred locally south to northern Arkansas and northeastern Alabama; and in the Palearctic from Greenland, Iceland, and Scandinavia east across the Arctic coasts to northern Siberia, and south to the Canary Islands, northwestern Africa, the Mediterranean region, Near East, Iran, the Himalayas, Manchuria, and Japan.

Wanders sporadically or casually south throughout the Great Plains and to the southern shores of the Great Lakes, New Jersey, and southern New England, also to lower elevations in the Appalachians in central (formerly coastal) Virginia and western South Carolina.

Notes.—Also known as Northern Raven or Holarctic Raven, and, in Old World literature, as the Raven. Mayr and Short (1970) suggested that Corvus corax and the Old World C. ruficollis Lesson, 1830 [Brown-necked Raven], constitute a superspecies.

Family MONARCHIDAE: Monarchs

Genus CHASIEMPIS Cabanis

Chasiempis Cabanis, 1847, Arch. Naturgesch. 13: 207. Type, by monotypy, Muscicapa sandwichensis Latham = Muscicapa sandwichensis Gmelin.

Chasiempis sandwichensis (Gmelin). Elepaio.

FAMILY ALAUDIDAE


**Habitat.**—Forsted areas, especially in regions of high rainfall.

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Hawaiian Islands (Kauai, Oahu, and Hawaii).

**Family ALAUDIDAE:** Larks

Notes.—Placement of the Alaudidae here in the linear sequence is based largely on historical inertia, not data. Sibley and Ahlquist's (1990) DNA-DNA hybridization suggest that the Alaudidae are a basal group in a lineage (superfamily Passeroidea) that includes the families Peucedramidae through Estrildidae in our current linear sequence. Sheldon and Gill (1996), however, found that the Alaudidae are best retained near their traditional place in linear sequences.

Genus *ALAUDA* Linnaeus

*Alauda* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 165. Type, by subsequent designation (Selby, 1825), *Alauda arvensis* Linnaeus.

*Alauda arvensis* Linnaeus. Sky Lark.

*Alauda arvensis* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 165. (in Europa apricis = Uppsala, Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Fields with tall grass; in Palearctic region, open country, grasslands, tundra, marshy and sandy areas, and large clearings.

**Distribution.**—Breeds *arvensis group* from the British Isles, Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to northwestern Africa, the northern Mediterranean region, Asia Minor, northern China, and Korea, and (once) on the Pribilof Islands (1995; St. Paul Is.); and *japonica group* in Japan.

Winters *arvensis group* from the breeding range (except the northern portions) south to northern Africa, the Persian Gulf and eastern China; and *japonica group* in the Ryukyu Islands.

Migrates *arvensis group* regularly through the western Aleutians (Near Islands), and casually as far east as the Pribilofs (St. George, where possibly has bred) and as far north as St. Lawrence Island.

Introduced and established *arvensis group* in the Hawaiian Islands (main islands from Niihau eastward), British Columbia (southern Vancouver Island, with recent spread to San Juan Island, Washington), New York (Brooklyn in 1887, where extirpated by 1913), Australia, and New Zealand; and *japonica group* in the Hawaiian Islands (in 1934). Birds introduced elsewhere in North America did not become established.

Accidental *arvensis group* in the northwestern Hawaiian Islands (Kure), Bermuda, Madeira, and the Canary Islands. An individual, which was photographed and extensively studied, wintered for seven successive years (1978-1985) at Point Reyes, California; this bird *arvensis group* was probably one of the Asiatic races (Morlan and Erickson 1983).

Notes.—Also known as European Skylark, Eurasian Skylark, or Common Skylark, and, in Old World literature, as the Skylark. North American introductions, those in the Hawaiian Islands (with one exception), and the vagrant individual reported from Bermuda pertain to the European race, *A. a. arvensis*; transients through Alaska, the report from Kure, and probably the California individual, are referable to the Siberian *A. a. pekinensis* Swinhoe, 1863, a subspecies of the *arvensis group*. One Hawaiian introduction (in 1934) was of the Japanese form *japonica group*, the relationships of which are uncertain; it may be a full species, *A. japonica* Temminck and Schlegel, 1848 [Japanese Skylark], a subspecies of the Asiatic species *A. gulgula* Franklin, 1831, or, as here regarded, a subspecies of *A. arvensis*.

Genus *EREMOPHILA* Boie

*Eremophila* Boie, 1828, Isis von Oken, col. 322. Type, by subsequent designation (Sharpe, 1874), *O. alpestris* = *Alauda alpestris* Linnaeus.

Eremophila alpestris (Linnaeus). Horned Lark.

Alauda alpestris Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 166. Based mainly on “The Lark” Catesby, Nat. Hist. Carolina 1: 32, pl. 32. (in America septentrionali = coast of South Carolina.)

Habitat.—Short-grass prairies, tundra, sandy regions, desert playas, grazed pastures, stubble fields, and open cultivated areas; favors habitats with at least some areas of bare soil (Tropical [locally], Subtropical, Temperate, and Boreal zones).

Distribution.—Breeds [alpestris group] in North America from western and northern Alaska, the Arctic coast of northern Canada, Banks, Prince Patrick, Devon, and northern Baffin islands, northern Quebec, northern Labrador, and Newfoundland south to southern Baja California (including many islands), central Sonora, in the Central Plateau region of Mexico to western Veracruz and Oaxaca (to sea level in the Isthmus of Tehuantepec), and to the Gulf coast (from northwestern Tamaulipas to southeastern Texas, formerly to southwestern Louisiana), northern Louisiana, southern Missouri, southern Tennessee, northwestern Mississippi, northern Alabama, and South Carolina; and in Eurasia from the Arctic coast south to extreme northern Africa, Asia Minor, the Himalayas, and Japan.

Winters [alpestris group] in North America from southern Canada (British Columbia east to Newfoundland) south throughout the breeding range, and, locally or irregularly, to the Gulf coast and southern Florida; in Colombia; and in Eurasia in the breeding range except for the more northern portions.

Resident [alpestris group] in the Eastern Andes of Colombia (near Bogotá); and [teleschowi group] in west-central China.

Accidental [alpestris group] in Greenland, Iceland, the western Aleutians (Shemya), and Bermuda.

Notes.—Known in the Old World as Shore Lark. Groups: E. alpestris [Horned Lark] and E. teleschowi (Przewalski, 1887) [Przewalski’s Lark]. Eremophila alpestris and the North African E. bilopha (Temminck, 1823) [Temminck’s Lark] may constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

Family HIRUNDINIDAE: Swallows

Subfamily HIRUNDININAE: Typical Swallows

Genus PROGNE Boie

Progne Boie, 1826, Isis von Oken, col. 971. Type, by monotypy, Hirundo purpurea “Gm. Wils. pl. 39, fig. 2” = Hirundo subis Linnaeus.

Phaeoprogne Baird, 1865, Rev. Amer. Birds 1: 272, 283. Type, by subsequent designation (Sharpe, 1885), Hirundo tapera Linnaeus.

Notes.—Molecular data (Sheldon and Winkler 1993) indicate that Phaeoprogne should not be separated from Progne.

Progne subis (Linnaeus). Purple Martin.


Habitat.—In eastern North America, restricted to areas with artificial nest boxes, largely in towns, farmlands, and other open areas, nesting also in manmade structures; in western North America, locally in open pine and pine-oak associations, and saguaro desert (Subtropical and Temperate zones; in winter also Tropical Zone).
**Distribution.**—Breeds locally from southwestern British Columbia (southern Vancouver Island), western Washington, western Oregon, and eastern Idaho south to southern Baja California, Isla Tiburón (off Sonora), northern Arizona, central Utah, western Colorado, New Mexico, and western Texas), and in the Mexican highlands to Michoacán, Guanajuato, and San Luis Potosí; and from central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, western and southern Ontario, southern Quebec, southern New Brunswick, and central Nova Scotia south (east of the Rockies) to southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida (except the Florida Keys).

Winters, presumably, mainly in Amazonia and south-central Brazil, but winter range not well known; records from elsewhere in South America, if valid, may refer to migrants only. No documented winter records for anywhere in North America or Middle America.

Migrates regularly through Middle America (both slopes, rarely on the Pacific slope south of Nicaragua) and the Florida Keys, and casually through the Bahamas, Cuba, and Grand Cayman.


**Notes.**—Species limits in this complex are uncertain. Progne subis, P. cryptoleuca, P. dominicensis, P. sinaloae, and P. chalybea, along with the South American P. modesta complex (including P. elegans) [Southern Martin], constitute a superspecies (Peters in Mayr and Greenway 1960, Mayr and Short 1970). See comments under these other species.

**Progne cryptoleuca** Baird. Cuban Martin.

*Progne cryptoleuca* Baird, 1865, Rev. Amer. Birds 1: 277. (Cuba and Florida Keys? = Remedios, Cuba.)

**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Pastures/Agricultural Lands, Second-growth Scrub, Pine Forest (0–1500 m).

**Distribution.**—Breeds on Cuba, including the Isle of Pines.

*Winter* range unknown. Three specimens taken at Quiriguá and one from Gualán, in the Caribbean lowlands of Guatemala, and reported as *P. cryptoleuca* are referable to *P. chalybea*; another individual from Belize is referable to *P. subis*; possibly in Brazil.

*Migrates* through Jamaica and Curaçao.

**Notes.**—Variously treated as a full species, a race of *P. dominicensis* (Peters in Mayr and Greenway 1960, Phillips 1986), or a race of *P. subis* (Mayr and Short 1970); see further comments under these species.

**Progne dominicensis** (Gmelin). Caribbean Martin.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Pastures/Agricultural Lands (0–1500 m).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in the Greater Antilles (from Jamaica and Hispaniola eastward, absent from Cuba and the Isle of Pines), Lesser Antilles, Tobago, and Curaçao.

*Winter* range unknown, but presumably in South America (no West Indian records in November or December).

Casual or accidental in the Bahamas (Mayaguana, Great Inagua, and Grand Turk), the Cayman Islands, and on Cozumel Island.

**Notes.**—*Progne dominicensis* and *P. sinaloae* are often considered conspecific (Phillips 1986) [Snowy-bellied Martin]. See comments under *P. subis*.

**Progne sinaloae** Nelson. Sinaloa Martin.


**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest (1100–2800 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).
Distribution.—Breeds in the Sierra Madre Occidental of western Mexico from central Sonora and southwestern Chihuahua south through Sinaloa, northern Nayarit, and northwestern Jalisco to central Michoacán.

Winter range unknown, but presumably in South America.


Notes.—See comments under P. subis and P. dominicensis.

Progne chalybea (Gmelin). Gray-breasted Martin.


Habitat.—Second-growth Scrub, Pastures/Agricultural Lands (0–1700 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Breeds from Nayarit, northeastern Coahuila, Nuevo León, and Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America (including Isla Cobia off Panama), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to central Argentina and southern Brazil.

Winters from Nayarit and Belize south along both slopes of Middle America and South America to northern Bolivia and central Brazil (southernmost breeding populations also migratory, ranging north as far as Venezuela and Amazonian Brazil).

Casual in southern Texas (Rio Grande City, Hidalgo County) and Tobago.

Notes.—See comments under P. subis.

Progne elegans Baird. Southern Martin.

Progne elegans Baird, 1865, Rev. Amer. Birds 1: 275, note. (Rio Bermejo, Argentina.)

Habitat.—Second-growth Scrub, Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, (0–500 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Breeds from eastern Bolivia, Paraguay, and Uruguay south to central Argentina.

Winters north to eastern Peru, Colombia, and Amazonian Brazil, possibly eastern Panama (Puerto Olbadia, San Blas; summer sight reports of dark martins in eastern Panamá province and the Canal area may pertain to this species).

Accidental in southern Florida (Key West) and the Falkland Islands.

Notes.—Resident South American species P. modesta Gould, 1838, from the Galapagos Islands, and P. murphyi Chapman, 1925, from the coast of Peru and Chile, may be conspecific with P. elegans (as P. modesta [Southern Martin]) (Eisenmann 1959b, Mayr and Short 1970, Short 1975). See comments under P. subis.


Hirundo Tapera Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 345. Based on “L’Hirondelle d’Amérique” Brisson, Ornithologie 2: 502, pl. 45, fig. 3. (in America = Pernambuco, eastern Brazil.)

Habitat.—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Pastures/Agricultural Lands, Rivers; in migration and winter in a wide variety of open and partly open situations in lowland areas (Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Breeds from northern Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northern Argentina and southern Brazil; also west of the Andes in southwestern Ecuador and northwestern Peru.

Winters from southern Bolivia and southern Brazil northward to northern South America and Panama (both slopes, irregularly westward to western Bocas del Toro and western Chiriquí); a sight report from central Costa Rica.

Accidental in Massachusetts (specimen, Monomoy; Petersen et al. 1986); a sight report for Florida.

Notes.—Formerly placed in the monotypic genus Phaeoprogne, but genetic data (Sheldon
and Winkler 1993) support earlier treatments (e.g., Peters in Mayr and Greenway 1960) that merged Phaeoprogne into Progne.

Genus **TACHYCINETA** Cabanis


*Callichelidon* (Bryant MS) Baird, 1865, Rev. Amer. Birds 1: 271 [in key, as “*Callichelidon*”], 303. Type, by original designation, *Hirundo cyanoeviridis* Bryant.


**Tachycineta bicolor** (Vieillot). Tree Swallow.


**Habitat.**—Open situations usually near water, including streams, lakes, ponds, marshes, and coastal regions; in migration and winter, may forage over any habitat, but favors marshes and lakes.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from western and central Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, north-central Quebec, central Labrador, and Newfoundland south to southwestern Alaska (Cold Bay), along the Pacific coast to southern California, central Nevada, northern Arizona, northern (rarely southwestern) New Mexico, southwestern, south-central, and northeastern Texas, northeastern Louisiana (casual), Mississippi (casual), northern Alabama, northern Georgia, southern Tennessee, and western North Carolina, generally sporadic or irregular as a breeder east of the Rocky Mountain states and south of the upper Mississippi and Ohio valleys, or along the Atlantic coast south of North Carolina. Nonbreeding individuals occur in summer in northern Alaska.

*Winters* from northern California, southwestern Arizona, northern Mexico, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and the Atlantic coast from southern New Jersey (casually farther north) south along the Pacific coast of Mexico at least to southern Baja California and Colima, in the interior and along the Gulf-Caribbean coast of Middle America to western Panama and on the northern coast of South America, and to southern Florida (also irregularly the Florida Keys), the northern Bahamas, Greater Antilles, Cayman Islands, and Swan Islands.

Casual or accidental on Wrangel and St. Lawrence islands, in the Pribilof and Aleutian islands, on the Arctic islands (Seymour and Banks islands), in Keewatin and on Boothia Peninsula), and on Clipperton Island (sight report), in Bermuda, southwestern Colombia, Greenland, and the British Isles.

**Tachycineta albilinea** (Lawrence). Mangrove Swallow.

*Petrochelidon albilinea* Lawrence, 1863, Ann. Lyc. Nat. Hist. N. Y. 8: 2. (on the Atlantic side of the Isthmus of Panama, along the line of Panama Railroad = Canal Zone.)

**Habitat.**—Mangrove Forest, Freshwater Lakes and Ponds, Rivers, Pastures/Agricultural Lands (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from central Sonora, southeastern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula and most islands nearby) to eastern Panama (east on the Caribbean coast to eastern Colón, and on the Pacific to eastern Darién, including Isla Coiba).
Tachycineta euchrysea (Gosse). Golden Swallow.

_Hirundo euchrysea_ Gosse, 1847, _Birds Jamaica_, p. 68 (footnote). (higher mountains in the very centre of Jamaica, as in Manchester, and St. Ann’s.)

**Habitat.**—Pine Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–2000 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally on Jamaica (where very rare) and Hispaniola.

Tachycineta thalassina (Swainson). Violet-green Swallow.

_Hirundo thalassinus_ Swainson, 1827, _Philos. Mag. (n.s.)_ 1: 366. (Real del Monte, Hidalgo, Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Open coniferous, deciduous, or mixed and woodland, primarily in highlands, but also locally in deserts and prairies near suitable nest sites (holes in trees, crevices in canyons); in migration and winter, may be found anywhere but favors marshes, rivers, and lakes.

**Distribution.**—_Breeds_ from central Alaska, northern Yukon, extreme southwestern Mackenzie, northern British Columbia, west-central Alberta, extreme southwestern Saskatchewan, Montana, western North Dakota, western South Dakota, northwestern Nebraska, and western Kansas (once) south to southern Alaska (west to the Alaska Peninsula), southern Baja California, coastal Sonora, in the Mexican highlands to Jalisco, Veracruz, and (possibly) Oaxaca, and to western Texas.

_Winters_ from central coastal and southern (casually northwestern) California, central Arizona (casually), southern Sonora, Sinaloa, southern Chihuahua, southern Coahuila, Querétaro, and Puebla south in the interior of Middle America to Honduras, casually or irregularly to Costa Rica, western Panama (Chiriquí and western Panamá province).

Casual or accidental in the Aleutian Islands (Shemya, Unalaska), east to Manitoba, western Ontario, Ohio, central Texas, New Jersey, Zacatecas, Yucatán, and south to northern Colombia; sight reports from Minnesota, Missouri, Nova Scotia, New Hampshire, and Oklahoma.

Tachycineta cyaneoviridis (Bryant). Bahama Swallow.


**Habitat.**—Pine Forest.

**Distribution.**—_Breeds_ on the northern Bahama Islands (Grand Bahama, Great Abaco, Andros, and New Providence).

_Winters_, at least sparingly, throughout the Bahama Islands and in eastern Cuba.

_Migrates_ irregularly through southern Florida and the lower Florida Keys (including Dry Tortugas).

Genus PYGOCHELIDON Baird


Pygochelidon cyanoleuca (Vieillot). Blue-and-white Swallow.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Pastures/Agricultural Lands (0–3600 m; Tropical to Temperate zones, mostly Subtropical Zone in Middle America).

**Distribution.**—_Breeds_ [patagonica group] from central Chile and central (possibly north-central) Argentina south to Tierra del Fuego. Resident (disjunctly) in coastal Peru.

_Winters_ [patagonica group] from northern Chile and northern Argentina north regularly to northern South America and central Panama (west to the Canal area), casually to Nicaragua, Guatemala (sight report), and Chiapas.
Resident [cyanoleuca group] in the foothills and highlands of Costa Rica (northwest to the Cordillera de Guanacaste) and western Panama (Chiriquí, Veraguas, and western Panamá province); and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south (except in central Amazonia) to northwestern Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay, and southern Brazil.

Notes.—Groups: *P. cyanoleuca* [Blue-and-white Swallow] and *P. patagonica* (d’Orbigny and Lafresnaye, 1837) [Patagonian Swallow]. This species is sometimes treated in the genus *Notiochelidon* Baird, 1865 (Peters in Mayr and Greenway 1960, Meyer de Schauensee 1966) or in the South American genus *Atticora* Boie, 1844 (Phillips 1986), but genetic data support its placement in the genus *Pygochelidon* (Sheldon and Winkler 1993).

Genus *NOTIOCHELIDON* Baird


*Notiochelidon pileata* (Gould). Black-capped Swallow.


Habitat.—Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (1600–3100 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of Chiapas, Guatemala, northern El Salvador, and western Honduras (probably breeding).

Notes.—Also known as Coban Swallow. This species is sometimes treated in the genus *Atticora* (Phillips 1986).

Genus *NEOCHELIDON* Sclater


*Neochelidon tibialis* (Cassin). White-thighed Swallow.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in Panama (west to Cochlé, the Canal area and western Panamá province), and in South America locally from Colombia, southern Venezuela, and Surinam south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to northern Bolivia, Amazonia, and southeastern Brazil.

Genus *STELGIDOPTERYX* Baird


*Stelgidopteryx serripennis* (Audubon). Northern Rough-winged Swallow.

*Hirundo serripennis* Audubon, 1838, Ornithol. Biogr., 4, p. 593. (Charleston, South Carolina.)

Habitat.—Open and partly open situations, especially along or near watercourses with steep banks, and roadside cuts (for its nest burrows; also locally [ridgwayi group] in caves and old buildings); in migration and winter, forages primarily over open country and wetlands.

Distribution.—Breeds [serripennis group] from mainland southeastern Alaska, central British Columbia, central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, western and
southern Ontario, southern Quebec, southwestern New Brunswick, and southwestern Nova Scotia south to southern Baja California, and through Middle America (except the Yucatan Peninsula) to Costa Rica, and to southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and south-central and southwestern Florida.

**Winters** [serripennis group] from southern California, southern Arizona, northern Mexico, southern Texas, southern Louisiana, coastal Alabama, and southern Florida (casually north to central California and South Carolina) south through the breeding range in Mexico and Central America, and lowlands to Panama; breeding populations from the lowlands and central interior of Mexico southwest are generally sedentary. Whether individuals seen in winter months in the United States are winter residents or late/early migrants is unknown.

**Migrates** [serripennis group] through the northwestern Bahama Islands, Cuba, Jamaica, and the Cayman and Swan islands, ranging irregularly (or casually) to southwestern and south-coastal Alaska, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland, southern Veracruz, and Tabasco.

**Resident** [ridgwayi group] in the Yucatan Peninsula (west to southern Veracruz), Belize, and northern Guatemala.

Casual or accidental [serripennis group] in northern Alaska (Barrow) and southern Yukon; sight reports from the Revillagigedo (Socorro), northern Bahama, and Virgin islands (St. John, St. Croix).

**Notes.**—Phillips (1986) treated the two groups as distinct species, *S. serripennis* [Northern Rough-winged Swallow] and *S. ridgwayi* Nelson, 1901 [Ridgway's Rough-winged Swallow]. *Stelgidopteryx serripennis* and *S. ruficollis* were formerly considered conspecific [Rough-winged Swallow], but sympatric breeding has been discovered in Costa Rica (Stiles 1981).

**Stelgidopteryx ruficollis** (Vieillot). Southern Rough-winged Swallow.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Pastures/Agricultural Lands, Rivers, Streams; nests in burrows (0–2000 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—**Resident** in the lowlands from eastern Honduras (Olancho) south through Nicaragua (Caribbean slope), Costa Rica (both slopes, on the Pacific northwest to the Gulf of Nicoya) and Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to central Argentina.

**Notes.**—See comments under *S. serripennis*.

**Genus RIPARIA Forster**


*Hirundo riparia* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 192. (in Europæ collibus arenosis abruptis = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Open and partly open situations, near vertical river banks that provide nestsites (burrows); in migration and winter, forages primarily over wetlands and fields.

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** in North America from western and central Alaska, northern Yukon, northwest and south-central Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, south-central Quebec, southern Labrador, and southwestern Newfoundland south to southern Alaska (west to the eastern Aleutians), central (formerly southern) California (but rare west of the coast ranges from British Columbia to Oregon), western Nevada, Utah, northern New Mexico, Kansas, northeastern Oklahoma, Arkansas (formerly), Tennessee, northern Alabama, central West Virginia, eastern Virginia, and (casually) northwestern North Carolina and south-central South Carolina; also disjunctly in central New Mexico, south-central Texas, northern Tamaulipas, and northern Nuevo León; and in Eurasia from the Hebrides, Orkneys, northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, and Siberia south to the Mediterranean region, Palestine, Iran, Afghanistan, northern India, southeastern China, and Japan.
Winters largely in South America, but limits of winter range (versus areas where only a transient) not studied. Some winter records for central and eastern Panama (casually, locally north to southern California; numerous December sight reports from southern United States and western Mexico require confirmation), but evidently mainly a transient in northern South America (Colombia, Venezuela, the Guianas). Ranges south to northern Argentina and Paraguay, and northern Chile. Also in the Old World from the Mediterranean region, near East, northern India, and eastern China south to tropical and eastern Africa, Madagascar, Arabia, southern India, Southeast Asia, Borneo, and the Philippines.

Migrates in the Americas widely through the southern United States, Middle America, the West Indies (rare in the Lesser Antilles), and northern South America (including the Netherlands Antilles east to Tobago and Trinidad); and in the Old World through the eastern Atlantic islands in addition to the region between breeding and wintering ranges.

Casual or accidental in western Aleutian and Commander islands, in northern Alaska (Barrow), on Jenny Lind, Victoria, and Melville islands, and on Clipperton Island (sight reports), Bermuda, and Barbados.

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as Sand Martin.

Genus PETROCHELIDON Cabanis

Petrochelidon Cabanis, 1850, Mus. Heineanum 1: 47. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1855), Hirundo melanogaster Swainson = Hirundo pyrrhonota Vieillot.

Petrochelidon pyrrhonota Vieillot. Cliff Swallow.


Habitat.—Open country, less frequently partly open situations, most frequently in the vicinity of water; requires cliffs, bridges, dams, buildings, culverts, or occasionally caves for nest sites; in migration and winter, widespread over open country and wetlands.

Distribution.—Breeds from western and central Alaska, northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, central Keewatin, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, southern Quebec (including Anticosti Island), New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south to southcoastal Alaska, northern Baja California, central Oaxaca, Veracruz, the Gulf coast (east to southern Alabama), northern Georgia, central South Carolina, also in the Lake Okeechobee region of southern Florida (1975–1982).

Winters in South America from Paraguay, and central and southeastern Brazil south to central Argentina, casually north to southern California.

Migrates regularly through the southeastern United States, northern Middle America and western South America north of the winter range, rarely through the northwestern Bahama Islands, Cuba, the Cayman Islands, and the Virgin Islands.

Casual or accidental on Wrangel Island, and in northern Alaska, the Aleutians, St. Lawrence Island, northern Manitoba, Newfoundland, Clipperton Island (sight report), St. Kitts (sight report), and Barbados, and in Chile, Tierra del Fuego, southern Greenland, and the British Isles.

Notes.—Mayr and Short (1970) considered P. pyrrhonota and P. fulva to constitute a superspecies, but their breeding distributions overlap broadly in Mexico.

Petrochelidon fulva Vieillot. Cave Swallow.


Habitat.—Northern Temperate Grassland, Pastures/Agricultural Lands, Second-growth Scrub, Arid Lowland Scrub; nests in caves, sinkholes, culverts, and beneath bridges (0–1500 m).

Distribution.—Breeds [pelodoma group] from northern Arizona, southeastern New Mexico (Carlsbad Caverns), and Texas (except northern) south to southern Chihuahua, eastern Durango, Zacatecas, San Luis Potosí and western Tamaulipas; and [fulva group] in central Chiapas, the Yucatan Peninsula, southern Florida, and from the Greater Antilles east to
Puerto Rico (including Guanáve, Tortue, and Vieques islands, and Île-à-Vache). Breeding ranges [pelodoma group] in the south-central United States are expanding rapidly northward.

Winter range of northern populations unknown, except there is a sizable and increasing winter population in southern Texas and northern Mexico [pelodoma group]; breeding populations [fulva group] in southern Mexico and the Greater Antilles are essentially resident, with vagrants recorded regularly in southern (casually northern) Florida, along the eastern Gulf coast, and casually north along the Atlantic coast to Nova Scotia (Seal Island, Sable Island).

Casual or accidental [pelodoma group] in southeastern California, elsewhere in Arizona, southeastern Louisiana, Nebraska, and Baja California; and [fulva group] in Bermuda and the Cayman and Virgin islands. An old specimen record from Costa Rica has been questioned; sight reports from Panama (eastern Panamá province) and Ontario.

Notes.—The two groups, *P. pelodoma* Brooke, 1974, Cave Swallow], and *P. fulva* [Cinnamon-throated Swallow], may represent separate species (Smith et al. 1988). The name *P. pallida* (Nelson, 1902), formerly used for *pelodoma*, is preoccupied. *Petrochelidon fulva* and the closely related *P. rufocollaris* Peale, 1848 [Chestnut-collared Swallow], of southwestern Ecuador and western Peru, constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990); they have usually been treated as conspecific (e.g., Peters in Mayr and Greenway 1960, Mayr and Short 1970, A.O.U. 1983). See comments under *P. pyrrhonota*.

Genus **Hirundo** Linnaeus


**Hirundo rustica** Linnaeus. Barn Swallow.

*Hirundo rustica* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 191. (in Europa domibus intra tectum = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Open situations, less frequently in partly open habitats, frequently near water; nests in sheltered areas in buildings, under bridges, or in caves.

Distribution.—Breeds [erythrogaster group] in North America from south-coastal and southeastern (formerly southwestern) Alaska, southern Yukon, central-western Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, south-central Quebec, and southern Newfoundland south to extreme northwestern Baja California, Jalisco, Colima, Michoacán, México, Distrito Federal, southern Nuevo Léon (disjunctly in Chiapas), the Gulf coast, north-central (casually southern) Florida, and southern North Carolina (casually south-eastern Georgia), and in northeastern Argentina (Buenos Aires); and [rustica group] in Eurasia from Iceland, the British Isles, Faeroe Islands, Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to the Mediterranean region, northern Africa, the Near East, Arabia, Iran, the Himalayas, China, Taiwan, and Japan.

Winters [erythrogaster group] in the Americas from the Pacific slope of central Mexico and western Panama (casually north to central California, the southwestern United States, northern Mexico, and southern Florida), Puerto Rico, and the Lesser Antilles south throughout South America to Tierra del Fuego; and [rustica group] in the Old World south to tropical Africa, the East Indies, northern Australia, and Micronesia; late fall records until December and early spring migrants complicate delineation of winter range.

Migrates [erythrogaster group] through Middle America, the West Indies, and islands of the eastern Atlantic and western Pacific oceans and along continental coasts, as well as throughout continental areas between the breeding and wintering ranges; and [rustica group] casually through the western Aleutians, Pribilofs, St. Lawrence Island, and on the coast of mainland Alaska from Barrow to the Yukon Delta.

Casual or accidental [erythrogaster group] in the western Hawaiian Islands (also on Hawaii); north to northern Alaska, to St. Lawrence, Pribilof, Aleutian, Banks, Victoria, Cornwallis, and Mansel islands, and to northern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, and southern Labrador; Revillagigedo Islands and Clipperton Island (sight reports), southern Greenland, the Falkland Islands, South Georgia, and Tristan da Cunha.

Notes.—Groups: *H. erythrogaster* Boddaert, 1783 [Barn Swallow] and *H. rustica* [Eu-
ropean Swallow]. Genetic data suggest that two or more species may be involved and that North American and Siberian populations may be sister taxa (Zink et al. 1995). *Hirundo rustica* may form a superspecies with several Old World taxa (*H. lucida* Hartlaub, 1858; *H. aethiopica* Blanford, 1869; *H. angolensis* Barboza du Bocage, 1868; *H. albigularis* Strickland, 1849; *H. dumicolia* Jerdon, 1844; *H. tahitica* Gmelin, 1789; and *H. neoxena* Gould, 1843) (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Genus **DELICHON** Horsfield and Moore


*Delichon urbica* (Linnaeus). Common House-Martin.

*Hirundo urbica* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 192. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Human settlements, farmland, towns, nesting in colonies on buildings, cliffs, and bridges.


**Notes.**—Known in Old World literature as the House Martin.

Family **PARIDAE**: Chickadees and Titmice

**Notes.**—We follow Slikas et al. (1996) for generic-level taxonomy and linear sequence of species. Sheldon and Gill (1996) provided molecular evidence for why the Paridae may not be closely related to some families (Aegithalidae, Certhiidae, and Sittidae) placed close to them in traditional classifications. See comments under *Auriparus* and *Aegithalidae*.

Genus **POECILE** Kaup


*Parus carolinensis* Audubon, 1834, Ornithol. Biogr. 2: 341. (Charleston in South Carolina [and] not far from New Orleans = Charleston, South Carolina.)

**Habitat.**—Deciduous, mixed, and pine woodland, and parks and suburbs.

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Kansas, central Missouri, central Illinois, central Indiana, northern Ohio, southern Pennsylvania, and central New Jersey south to central and southeastern Texas, the Gulf coast, and central peninsular Florida. Wanders casually northward to northern Illinois, southeastern Michigan (formerly), and southern Ontario.

**Notes.**—See comments under *P. atricapillus*.

*Poecile atricapillus* (Linnaeus). Black-capped Chickadee.

*Parus atricapillus* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 341. Based on "La Mésange a teste noire de Canada" Brisson, Ornithologie 3: 553, pl. 29, fig. 1. (in Canada = Quebec City, Quebec.)

**Habitat.**—Deciduous or mixed deciduous-coniferous woodland, riparian woodland (especially cottonwood-willow in western portion of range), and parks and suburbs.

**Distribution.**—Resident from western and central Alaska, southern Yukon, southwestern
Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, north-central Manitoba, northern Ontario, south-central Quebec (including Anticosti Island), and Newfoundland south to southern Alaska (west to the Alaska Peninsula, and the Shumagin and Kodiak islands), northwestern California, southern Oregon, northeastern Nevada, southeastern Utah, central New Mexico, southern Kansas, southwestern and central Missouri, central Illinois, northern Indiana, northern Ohio, southern Pennsylvania, and northern New Jersey, and in the Appalachians at higher and western Virginia to eastern Tennessee and western North Carolina.

Wanderers irregularly south in winter to northern Arizona, south-central New Mexico, Oklahoma, southeastern Missouri, eastern Virginia, and Maryland.

Casual in Alaska on Nunivak Island, Wales, and Point Barrow.

Notes. — Poecile atricapillus and P. carolinensis hybridize on a limited basis in the zone of contact in the midwestern states (Kansas east to Ohio) (Rising 1968, Braun and Robbins 1986) and in the southern Appalachians (Rising 1968, 1983a; Johnston 1971, Tanner 1952), and have been viewed as conspecific (Braun and Robbins 1986, Robbins et al. 1986). Mayr and Short (1970) considered the two to represent a superspecies. However, P. atricapillus is genetically closer to P. sclateri and P. gambeli than to P. carolinensis (Gill et al. 1989). The Old World P. montanus Conrad von Baldenstein, 1827 [Willow Tit], may also belong in this superspecies (Vaurie and Snow 1957, Vaurie 1959, Desfayes 1964, Mayr and Short 1970), but see Gill et al. (1989).

Poecile gambeli (Ridgway). Mountain Chickadee.


Habitat. — Montane coniferous forest, primarily pine, spruce-fir, and locally pinyon-juniper and desert riparian woodland, also aspen; in nonbreeding season, also pine-oak association, riparian woodland, and suburbs (locally).

Distribution. — Resident from northwestern and central British Columbia, west-central Alberta, central Montana south (except for most of the coast ranges) to northern Baja California (Sierra Juárez and Sierra San Pedro Mártir), southern California, southern Nevada, central and southeastern Arizona (except mountains along the Mexican border), southern New Mexico, and extreme western Texas (Davis and Guadalupe mountains). Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) in southeastern Alaska (Warm Pass Valley) and southern Yukon.

Casual (mostly in winter) elsewhere in southeastern Alaska, southwestern British Columbia, Washington, Oregon, and California, and east to southwestern Saskatchewan, southwestern South Dakota, southwestern Kansas, and the Panhandles of northern Texas and western Oklahoma.

Notes. — See comments under P. atricapillus.

Poecile sclateri (Kleinschmidt). Mexican Chickadee.


Parus sclateri Kleinschmidt, 1897, J. Ornithol. 45: 133. New name for Parus meridionalis Sclater, preoccupied.

Habitat. — Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, spruce and fir forest (1500–3900 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution. — Resident from northeastern Sonora, extreme southeastern Arizona (Chiricahua Mountains), southwestern New Mexico (Animas Mountains, casually Peloncillo Mountains), and Chihuahua south through mountains of western and southern Mexico to central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec) and western Veracruz. Also southern Coahuila and west-central Nuevo Leon. Some movement to lower elevations in winter in northern portions of range.

Notes. — See comments under P. atricapillus.
Poecile rufescens (Townsend). Chestnut-backed Chickadee.


**Habitat.**—Coniferous and mixed coniferous-deciduous forest, primarily in humid regions; in southern and drier portions of range, also in pine forest, oak woodland, pine-oak woodland, and locally in riparian woodland.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska (west to the Prince William Sound region), western and south-central British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte and Vancouver islands), northern Idaho, and northwestern Montana south through the coast ranges to southern California (San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara counties), and through the interior ranges to central California (Mariposa County).

Wanders inland to northern British Columbia. Casual in southern California (Ventura County) and southwestern Alberta.

**Notes.**—See comments under *P. cinctus.*

Poecile hudsonicus (Forster). Boreal Chickadee.

*Parus Hudsonicus* J. R. Forster, 1772, Philos. Trans. R. Soc. London 62: 408, 430. (Severn River [west coast of Hudson Bay, Canada].)

**Habitat.**—Boreal coniferous (primarily spruce) and mixed coniferous-deciduous woodland, ranging rarely to deciduous woodland.


Wanders irregularly after the breeding season north to southwestern Keewatin, and south to southwestern British Columbia, South Dakota, Iowa, northern Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia, northern Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, and New Jersey.

**Notes.**—Also known as Brown-capped Chickadee. *Poecile hudsonicus* and *P. rufescens* are each other's closest relatives (Gill et al. 1989, Slikas et al. 1996). See also comments under *P. cinctus.*

Poecile cinctus (Boddart). Grey-headed Chickadee.

*Parus cinctus* Boddart, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 44. Based on "Mésange de Sibérie" Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 708, fig. 3. (Sibérie = Siberia.)

**Habitat.**—Patches of boreal coniferous forest, primarily spruce, most commonly in stream basins, also locally in willow and aspen thickets.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from northern Alaska east across northern Yukon (Old Crow) to northwestern Mackenzie (Aklavik, Fort Anderson), and south locally to western and central Alaska (Nulato, central Alaska Range); and in Eurasia from Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to northern Mongolia, Transbaicalia, northern Amurland, Kamchatka, and Anadyrland.

**Notes.**—Also known as Siberian Tit or Siberian Chickadee. *Poecile cinctus,* *P. hudsonicus,* and *P. rufescens* may constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970, Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Genus Baeolophus Cabanis

Baeolophus wollweberi (Bonaparte). Bridled Titmouse.


**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Gallery Forest (1200–2700 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from north-central Sonora, central and southeastern Arizona (north to the Mogollon Plateau), southwestern and south-central New Mexico, northwestern and central Chihuahua, northern Durango, Zacatecas, central Nuevo León, and western Tamaulipas south in the Mexican highlands to central Oaxaca (west of the Istmus of Tehuantepec) and western Veracruz. Some movement to lower elevations in winter in northern portions of range.

Accidental in central Arizona (Bill Williams Delta).

**Notes.**—*Baeolophus wollweberi* and the other crested North American titmice represent a different lineage and are distantly related to other parids (Gill et al. 1989, Sheldon and Gill 1996).

Baeolophus inornatus (Gambel). Oak Titmouse.


**Habitat**—Oak and pine-oak woodland, arborescent chaparral, oak-riparian associations.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southwestern Oregon south (west of the Sierra Nevada) to southwestern Baja California (absent from most of central Baja California).

**Notes.**—*Baeolophus griseus* was formerly considered conspecific with _B. inornatus_, with the name Plain Titmouse, but they are genetically distinct at a level equivalent to that in other species-pairs in the genus (Gill and Slikas 1992, Cicero 1996), and they differ in voice, morphology, coloration, and ecology (Cicero 1996). *Baeolophus inornatus* and _B. griseus_ constitute a superspecies. See comments under _B. wollweberi._

Baeolophus griseus (Ridgway). Juniper Titmouse.

_Lophophanes inornatus griseus_ Ridgway, 1882, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. 5: 344. (Middle Province of United States = Iron City, Utah.)


**Habitat**—Primarily pinyon-juniper woodland.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southeastern Oregon, northeastern Nevada, southeastern Idaho, southern Wyoming, central Colorado, and extreme western Oklahoma south (east of the Sierra Nevada) to southeastern California, central and southeastern Arizona, extreme northeastern Sonora, southern New Mexico, and extreme western Texas (El Paso to Guadalupe Mountains).

**Notes.**—See comments under _B. wollweberi._

Baeolophus bicolor (Linnaeus). Tufted Titmouse.


**Habitat.**—[bicolor group] Forest, woodland, from deciduous and mixed deciduous-coniferous woodland in the northeast to oak-juniper scrub, mesquite, and riparian woodland in the southwest, also in parks and suburbs where tall trees present; [atricristatus group] Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest (0–2300 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [bicolor group] from northeastern Nebraska, central and eastern Iowa, southeastern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, central Michigan, southern Ontario, northern Ohio, northwestern Pennsylvania, central New York, central Vermont, central New Hampshire, and central Maine south to eastern Texas (formerly to San Angelo, San Antonio,
and Corpus Christi areas), the Gulf coast, and southern Florida, and west to central Kansas and west-central Oklahoma; and [atricristatus group] from southwestern Oklahoma and western and northern Texas (north to Randall and Armstrong counties, and east to Grimes, Lavaca, and Calhoun counties) south through central Coahuila, Nuevo León, Tamaulipas, and eastern San Luis Potosí to central-eastern Hidalgo and central Veracruz, also disjunctly in southern Veracruz (Sierra de los Tuxtlas).

Wanders [bicolor group] irregularly northward to South Dakota, central Minnesota, southern Quebec, Rhode Island, and New Brunswick.

Accidental [atricristatus group] in Massachusetts (Weymouth); a sight report from North Dakota.

Notes.—Groups: B. bicolor [Tufted Titmouse] and B. atricristatus Cassin, 1850 [Black-crested Titmouse]. Although the two groups are genetically distinct (Braun et al. 1984, Avise and Zink 1988, Sheldon et al. 1992), they interbreed freely in a narrow zone through east-central Texas (Dixon 1989, 1990). See comments under B. wollweberi.

Family REMIZIDAE: Penduline Tits and Verdins

Genus AURIPARUS Baird

Auriparus Baird, 1864, Rev. Amer. Birds 1: 85. Type, by original designation, Aegithalus flaviceps Sundevall.

Notes.—Auriparus is considered close to the Polioptilinae by Sibley and Monroe (1990), but see Sheldon and Gill (1996) for molecular data that confirm relationships to the Paridae.

Auriparus flaviceps (Sundevall). Verdin.

Aegithalus flaviceps Sundevall, 1850, Kongl. Svensk. Vet.-Akad. Forh. 7: 129 (note). (e Sitka in America bor. occid., vel e California = probably near Loreto, lat. 26° N., Baja California.)

Habitat.—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Gallery Forest; locally in residential areas of desert towns (0–2375 m).

Distribution.—Resident from northeastern Baja California, southeastern California (north to northeastern Los Angeles, Kern, and Inyo counties), southern Nevada, southwestern Utah, northwestern Arizona, southern New Mexico, southwestern Oklahoma (Jackson County), and central Texas (east to Callahan, Williamson, and Calhoun counties) south to southern Baja California (including Magdalena, Margarita, and many Gulf coastal islands), Jalisco, Guanajuato, Querétaro, Hidalgo, and Tamaulipas.

Casual in southwestern California (northern San Diego County) and southwestern Oklahoma (Jackson County).

Family AEGITHALIDAE: Long-tailed Tits and Bushtits

Notes.—This family is probably more closely related to the Sylviidae and relatives (Sheldon and Gill 1996) than to the Remizidae and Paridae, where traditionally placed.

Genus PSALTRIPARUS Bonaparte


Notes.—Phillips (1986) merged Psaltriparus into Aegithalos.
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association, wooded suburbs; in winter, also locally in riparian woodland (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—**Resident [minimus group]** from extreme southwestern British Columbia (southeastern Vancouver Island and lower Fraser River Valley), central Washington, and western and south-central Oregon south through California (west of the Sierra Nevada) to southern Baja California (absent from most of central Baja California); **[plumbeus group]** from southeastern Oregon, southwestern Idaho, northern Nevada, north-central Utah, southwestern Wyoming, north-central Colorado, western Oklahoma (Kenton), and central Texas (east to Bosque and Travis counties) south to eastern California, central and southeastern Arizona, central Sonora, southern New Mexico, and central Texas; and **[melanotis group]** from northeastern Sonora, extreme southwestern New Mexico, and western Texas south through the highlands of Mexico to central Guatemala. Some movement to lower elevations in winter in northern portions of range.

Casual **[plumbeus group]** in central Kansas (Hays).

**Notes.**—Populations of the **melanotis** group were formerly regarded as a species, *P. melanotis* (Hartlaub, 1844) [Black-eared Bushtit], distinct from the other populations in the species, *P. minimus* [Common Bushtit]; that the difference in the two groups is primarily a case of polymorphism is now well established (Raitt 1967).

Family SITTIDAE: Nuthatches

**Notes.**—See comments under Paridae and Troglodytidae.

Subfamily SITTINAE: Nuthatches

**Genus SITTA** Linnaeus


*Sitta canadensis* Linnaeus. Red-breasted Nuthatch.

*Sitta canadensis* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 177. Based on "Le Torchepot de Canada" Brisson, Ornithologie 3: 592, pl. 29, fig. 4. (in Canada.)

**Habitat.**—Mature coniferous (mostly spruce and fir) and mixed coniferous deciduous forest; in migration and winter, also deciduous forest, open woodland, parks, and riparian woodland, but prefers conifers wherever available.

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska (west to the Kenai Peninsula and Kodiak Island), southern Yukon, southwestern Mackenzie, northwestern Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, northern Ontario, south-central Quebec, southern Labrador, and Newfoundland south (mostly in mountains) to southern California, central and southeastern Arizona, and southern New Mexico, east of the Rockies to northwestern and north-central Nebraska, North Dakota, north-central and eastern Minnesota, northern Illinois, southern Michigan, southern Ontario, northern Ohio, in the Appalachians to eastern Tennessee and western North Carolina, and to southeastern Pennsylvania, north-central Maryland, Delaware, southern New Jersey, and southern New York (including Long Island); also on Guadalupe Island, off Baja California (at least formerly). Isolated cases of breeding have been reported from Kansas (Geary and Sedgwick counties), Oklahoma (Ponce City), Iowa (Des Moines), Missouri (Kansas City), and Indiana (Terre Haute).

**Winters** throughout most of the breeding range except at higher latitudes and elevations, and an irruptive migrant south in some years to northern Baja California, southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and central Florida.

Casual north to western and central Alaska and northern Manitoba, and to Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro) and Bermuda; accidental in Iceland and the British Isles; sight reports for Sinaloa and Nuevo León.

**Notes.**—*Sitta canadensis* and the Asiatic *S. villosa* Verreaux, 1865 [Snowy-browed Nuthatch], appear to constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970); possibly they are conspecific. The treatment by some authors (e.g., Mayr and Short 1970, Sibley and Monroe
1990) of *S. canadensis* and the Old World *S. whiteheadi* Sharpe, 1884 [Corsican Nuthatch], *S. ledanti* Vieilliard, 1976 [Kabylie Nuthatch], *S. kreuperi* Pelzeln, 1863 [Krueper's Nuthatch], and *S. yunnanensis* Ogilvie-Grant, 1900 [Yunnan Nuthatch], as closely related has been questioned because of differences in nesting behavior and their fragmented distribution (Vouos 1977).

**Sitta carolinensis** Latham. White-breasted Nuthatch.

*Sitta carolinensis* Latham, 1790, Index Ornithol. 1: 262. Based mainly on "Le Torchepot de la Caroline" Brisson, Ornithologie 3: 596. (in America, Jamaica; Europaea minor = South Carolina.)

**Habitat.**—Mature deciduous (especially oak) and mixed forest and woodland, riparian woodland, Ponderosa pine woodland, (locally) pinyon-juniper woodland (upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southwestern and eastern Washington, southern interior and northeastern British Columbia, central Alberta, central and eastern Montana, southern Saskatchewan (rarely), southern Manitoba, south-central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south to southern Baja California (absent from most of central Baja California), southern Nevada, central and southeastern Arizona, in the highlands of Mexico to central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec), Puebla, and central Veracruz, and to western and east-central Texas, northern Louisiana, central Mississipi, central and southeastern Alabama, and northern and central (at least formerly) Florida; absent in breeding season from most of the Great Plains from southern Alberta south through the western portions of the plains states to northern and west-central Texas. Some northern birds may migrate south.

Casual in southwestern and central British Columbia and on Vancouver Island, and in the Great Plains region, southern Texas, and southern Florida.

**Notes.**—Vocal, morphological, and ecological differences among Pacific coast, interior montane, and eastern populations merit further investigation with respect to species limits. A few authors regard *S. carolinensis* and the Old World *S. leucopsis* Gould, 1850 to be closely related, but see Mayr and Short (1970).

**Sitta pygmaea** Vigors. Pygmy Nuthatch.


**Habitat.**—Yellow pine forest and woodland in interior, Monterey pine woodland on coast; less frequently bristlecone pine and pinyon-juniper.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southern interior British Columbia, northern Idaho, western Montana, central Wyoming, southwestern South Dakota, and northwestern Nebraska south to California (south in the coastal ranges locally to San Luis Obispo County and in interior ranges to the Laguna and New York mountains), northern Baja California (Sierra Juárez and Sierra San Pedro Mártir), southern Nevada, central and southeastern Arizona, in the mountains of Mexico to Michoacán, México, Morelos, Puebla, and west-central Veracruz, and to central New Mexico and extreme western Texas (Davis and Guadalupe mountains); also in southeastern Coahuila and southwestern Nuevo León.

Casual to southwestern British Columbia (including southern Vancouver Island), western Washington, central Montana, western North Dakota, western South Dakota, central Iowa, eastern Kansas, northern and northeastern Texas, and western Oklahoma.

**Notes.**—*Sitta pygmaea* and *S. pusilla* are closely related and constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990). Although Norris (1958) found numerous differences in the biology of the two taxa, including vocalizations, Phillips et al. (1964) and Mayr and Short (1970) considered them conspecific.

**Sitta pusilla** Latham. Brown-headed Nuthatch.

*Sitta pusilla* Latham, 1790, Index Ornithol. 1: 263. Based largely on "Le petit Torchepot de la Caroline" Brisson, Ornithologie 3: 598. (in Carolina, Jamaica = South Carolina.)
**Habitat.**—Open pine forest and pine-oak woodland.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southeastern Oklahoma, central Arkansas, southern and eastern Tennessee, western North Carolina, south-central and eastern Virginia, southern Maryland, and southern Delaware south to the Houston area of Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida; also in the northern Bahama Islands (Grand Bahama).

Casual or accidental north to Missouri (Ink, St. Louis), Wisconsin (Milwaukee), New York (Elmira), and New Jersey (Haddonfield).

**Notes.**—See comments under *S. pygmaea*.

Family CERTHIIDAE: Creepers

**Notes.**—See comments under Troglodytidae and Polioptilinae.

Subfamily CERTHIINAE: Northern Creepers

Genus *CERTHIA* Linnaeus


*Certhia americana* Bonaparte. Brown Creeper.

*Certhia familiaris* (not Linnaeus, 1758) Audubon, 1838, Birds Amer. (folio) 4: 419. (North America.)


**Habitat.**—Mature coniferous and deciduous forest, the latter more frequently in northern or montane habitats, locally in lowland situations, and in Middle America primarily in montane pine or pine-oak association; in migration and winter more widespread, but almost always where tall trees are present (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from south-central Alaska, north-central British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte and Vancouver islands), central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, northern Ontario (rarely to Sutton Lake), south-central Quebec (including Anticosti Island), and Newfoundland south to southern California (to mountains of San Diego County), southern Nevada, central and southeastern Arizona, in the mountains of Middle America through Mexico to north-central Nicaragua, to extreme western Texas (Guadalupe Mountains; summer report from Davis Mountains), west-central and southeastern Nebraska, southern Iowa, southeastern Missouri, southern Illinois, southern Michigan, southern Ontario, central Ohio, West Virginia, in the Appalachians to eastern Tennessee and western North Carolina, and to the lowlands of Virginia, Maryland, and Delaware. Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) north to southern Yukon, northern Saskatchewan, and northern Manitoba, and south to north-central Tennessee, western Kentucky, and southwestern Indiana.

*Winters* from southern coastal Alaska and southern Canada south throughout the most of the United States to southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and northern Florida (casually farther south), and in the lowlands of the western United States and extreme northern Mexico (casually to central Sonora and central Tamaulipas). Populations on the Queen Charlotte Islands and in the mountains from southeastern Arizona and southwestern New Mexico south to Nicaragua are largely or entirely resident.

A sight report for Baja California.

**Notes.**—*Certhia americana* was formerly regarded as conspecific with the Eurasian *C. familiaris* Linnaeus, 1758 (Vaurie 1957a, Greenway in Paynter 1967); however, studies of vocalizations indicate that they should be treated as separate species and that *C. americana*, at least the western North American populations, may be more closely related to another Old World species, *C. brachydactyla* C. L. Brehm, 1820, than to *C. familiaris* (Thielcke 1962, Baptista and Johnson 1982).
Family TROGLODYTIDAE: Wrens

Notes.—See Sibley and Ahlquist (1990) and Sheldon and Gill (1996) for possible relationships of the Troglodytidae to the Certhiidae, Polioptilinae, and Sittidae.

Genus DONACOBIUS Swainson

Donacobius Swainson, 1832, Zool. Illus. (2) 2: text to pl. 72. Type, by monotypy, Donacobius vociferans Swainson = Turdus atricapilla Linnaeus.

Notes.—Formerly placed in the Mimidae, but studies indicate that this genus is properly placed in the Troglodytidae (see Wetmore et al. 1984; see also Miller 1964), probably closest to Campylorhynchus (Kiltie and Fitzpatrick 1984).

Donacobius atricapillus (Linnaeus). Black-capped Donacobius.

Turdus atricapilla Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 295. Based on “Le Merle à testé [= tête] noire du Cap de Bonne Espérance” Brisson, Ornithologie 6 (suppl.): 47, pl. 3, fig. 2. (ad Cap. b. spei, error = eastern Brazil.)

Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes (500–600 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in eastern Panama (lower Río Tuira and around El Real, in eastern Darién) and northern Colombia (south to the Río Atrato and east to the Santa Marta lowlands), and in South America east of the Andes from southeastern Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south to central Bolivia, Paraguay, northeastern Argentina, and south-central Brazil.

Notes.—Also known as Black-capped Mockingthrush.

Genus CAMPYLORHYNCHUS Spix

Campylorhynchus Spix, 1824, Avium Spec. Nov. Bras. 1: 77. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), C. variegatus (Gm.) = Opiteriorhynchus turdinus Wied.

Notes.—For an alternative arrangement, see the phylogeny of Selander (1964: 219).

Campylorhynchus albobrunneus (Lawrence). White-headed Wren.

Heleodytes albo-brunneus Lawrence, 1862, Ibis, p. 10. (line of the Panama Railroad, near the summit of the Atlantic slope, Isthmus of Panama = Canal Zone.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident locally in Panama (west to western Colón in the Caribbean lowlands, and to the Canal area on the Pacific slope; one old record from “Veraguas”) and western Colombia (west of the Andes).

Notes.—Also known as White-headed Cactus-Wren. Campylorhynchus albobrunneus is sometimes (e.g., Paynter in Mayr and Greenway 1960, Meyer de Schauensee 1966) considered conspecific with the South American C. turdinus (Wied, 1821), a species widely distributed east of the Andes, but relationships are evidently with C. zonatus; the basis for this conclusion is a highly variable, apparently intermediate population of C. albobrunneus in southwestern Colombia, which may represent hybridization with C. zonatus (Haffer 1967).

Campylorhynchus zonatus (Lesson). Band-backed Wren.

Picolaptes zonatus Lesson, 1832, Cent. Zool., p. 210, pl. 70. (la Californie, error = Orizaba, Veracruz.)

Habitat.—Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Arid Montane Scrub (0–3000 m; Tropical to Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from northern Veracruz, northern Puebla, northern and south-eastern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, and southern Campeche south along both slopes of Central America (mainly in highlands, absent from Pacific lowlands) to western Panama (east to
central Bocas del Toro and the Pacific slope of Veraguas); in northern Colombia; and in northwestern Ecuador.

**Notes.**—Also known as Banded Cactus-Wren and Band-backed Cactus-Wren. Selander (1964) considered C. zonatus, C. megalopterus, and two South American species, C. nuchalis Cabanis, 1847 [Stripe-backed Wren] and C. fasciatus (Swainson, 1837) [Fasciated Wren], to constitute a superspecies. Sibley and Monroe (1990), however, considered C. zonatus, C. albobrunneus, C. nuchalis, and C. fasciatus to constitute a superspecies, and pointed out that C. zonatus and C. megalopterus were sympatric. See comments under C. albobrunneus.

**Campylorhynchus megalopterus** Lafresnaye. Gray-barred Wren.


**Habitat.**—Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (2000–3200 m; Temperate Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of Mexico from southern Jalisco east through Michoacán, México, Morelos, and western Puebla to southwestern Veracruz, and thence southeast to Oaxaca (Mount Zempoaltepec).

**Notes.**—Also known as Gray Cactus-Wren. Selander (1964) suggested that the subspecies C. m. nelsoni might be a separate species. See comments under C. zonatus.

**Campylorhynchus chiapensis** Salvin and Godman. Giant Wren.

*Campylorhynchus chiapensis* Salvin and Godman, 1891, Ibis, p. 609. (Tonalá, State of Chiapas, Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Second-growth Scrub, Secondary Forest (0–500 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Pacific lowlands of Chiapas (Tonalá to Escuintla).

**Notes.**—Also known as Chapas Wren and Chiapas Cactus-Wren. *Campylorhynchus chiapensis* and the South American C. griseus (Swainson, 1837) constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990); they have been frequently treated as conspecific (e.g., Paynter in Mayr and Greenway 1960).

**Campylorhynchus rufinucha** (Lesson). Rufous-naped Wren.

*Picolaptes rufinucha* Lesson, 1838, Ann. Sci. Nat. (Zool.) (2) 9: 168. (Vera-Cruz, Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–1500 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident [hurnilis group] in the Pacific lowlands of Mexico from Colima to extreme western Chiapas; [rufinucha group] in central Veracruz; and [capistratus group] from Chiapas south in the Pacific lowlands to northwestern Costa Rica (Guanacaste), and locally in interior valleys on the Gulf-Caribbean drainage in Guatemala (Motagua Valley) and Honduras (Sula Valley).

**Notes.**—Also known as Rufous-naped Cactus-Wren. Groups: C. humilis Sclater, 1856 [Sclater's Wren], C. rufinucha [Rufous-naped Wren], and C. capistratus (Lesson, 1842) [Rufous-backed Wren]; humilis and capistratus intergrade in the Tonalá region of Chiapas (Selander 1964, 1965).

**Campylorhynchus gularis** Sclater. Spotted Wren


**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Montane Scrub (450–2500 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope from southeastern Sonora and southwestern...
Chihuahua south to Michoacán and southeastern México, and on the Gulf slope from southwestern Tamaulipas to central Hidalgo.

**Notes.**—Also known as Spotted Cactus-Wren. Hellmayr (1934), Griscom (1934), van Rossem (1934), and Blake (1953) considered *C. gularis* as conspecific with *C. jocosus*, but see van Rossem (1938) and Selander (1964).

**Campylorhynchus jocosus** Sclater. Boucard’s Wren.


**Habitat.**—Arid Montane Scrub, locally in Pine-Oak Forest (1000–2400 m; upper Tropical to Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands from Guerrero, southern Morelos, and southern Puebla south to central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec).

**Notes.**—Also known as Boucard’s Cactus-Wren. Mayr and Short (1970) and Sibley and Monroe (1990) followed Selander (1964) in considering *C. jocosus*, *C. yucatanicus*, and *C. brunneicapillus* to constitute a superspecies; *C. gularis* presumably should be included also (Phillips 1986).

**Campylorhynchus yucatanicus** (Hellmayr). Yucatan Wren.


**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, primarily with *Opuntia* (0–50 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident along the northern coast of the Yucatan Peninsula (Yucatán).

**Notes.**—Also known as Yucatan Cactus-Wren. *Campylorhynchus yucatanicus* and *C. brunneicapillus* have been treated as conspecific (Hellmayr 1934). See comments under *C. jocosus*.

**Campylorhynchus brunneicapillus** (Lafresnaye). Cactus Wren.


**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub (0–2375 m; Tropical to Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern California (north to Ventura and Inyo counties), southern Nevada, extreme southwestern Utah, central Arizona, central New Mexico, and central and southern Texas south to southern Baja California, the Pacific lowlands to northwestern Sinaloa (including Isla Tiburón, off Sonora), in the Mexican highlands to northern Michoacán, northern México, and Hidalgo, and to southwestern, central and northeastern Tamaulipas.

Casual north to east-central California (Mono County).

**Notes.**—Also known as Northern Cactus-Wren. See comments under *C. jocosus* and *C. yucatanicus*.

**Genus SALPINCTES** Cabanis


**Notes.**—See comments under *Catherpes*.

**Salpinctes obsoletus** (Say). Rock Wren.


**Habitat.**—Primarily in arid or semi-arid areas with exposed rocks, canyons, and cliffs,
usually with some brushy vegetation, also locally around man-made concrete or stone structures and gravel pits (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southern British Columbia (including southern Vancouver Island), western Washington, southern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba (once), western North Dakota, and western South Dakota south mostly east of the coast ranges in Oregon and northern California) to southern Baja California (including most coastal islands, Guadalupe Island, and, formerly, San Benedito in the Revillagigedo Islands), in the highlands of Middle America to northwestern Costa Rica (restricted to Pacific slope volcanic peaks in El Salvador, Nicaragua, and northwestern Costa Rica); and east locally to western Nebraska, western Kansas, western Oklahoma, central and southern Texas, and southwestern Tamaulipas, also once in northern Manitoba (Churchill); possibly also Iowa, and one breeding attempt in northern Minnesota.

Winters from northern California, southern Nevada, central Utah, northern New Mexico, and north-central Texas south through the southern portions of the breeding range, wandering to lower elevations, casually wintering north to Oregon, Montana, and Wyoming.

Casual in summer north to northeastern British Columbia, northwestern Mackenzie, northern Alberta and northern Manitoba (Churchill), and in migration and winter west of the coast ranges (from southern British Columbia to northern California), and east to eastern Nebraska, eastern Kansas, central Oklahoma, and eastern Texas. Casual or accidental from Minnesota, western and southern Ontario, New York, Massachusetts, and Nova Scotia, south to Louisiana, Alabama, western Florida, and Virginia.

**Genus CATHERPES Baird**


**Notes.**—Sometimes merged with *Salpinctes* (Paynter in Mayr and Greenway 1960), but see Hardy and Delaney (1987). See comments under *Hylorchilus*.

*Catherpes mexicanus* (Swainson). Canyon Wren.

*Thryothorus Mexicanus* Swainson, 1829, Zool. Illus. (2)1(3): pl. 11 and text. (Real del Monte [Hidalgo], Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Cliffs, steep-sided canyons, rocky outcrops and boulder piles, usually in arid regions (Tropical, Subtropical, and locally in Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from eastern Washington, southern interior British Columbia, west-central Idaho, and Montana (except northeastern) south (mostly east of the Cascades and coast ranges in Oregon and California, but including coastal areas south of Santa Cruz County) to southern Baja California (including Ildefonso and Espiritu Santo islands, and Isla Tiburón off Sonora), southern Arizona, in the Mexican highlands to Oaxaca, central Chiapas, and western Veracruz; and east locally to southwestern South Dakota, western Oklahoma, and the Trans-Pecos and Edwards Plateau of Texas (to McLennan and Travis counties). Some dispersal in winter to lowlands.

Casual on Santa Cruz Island (off southern California), Los Coronados Islands (off northern Baja California), and northern Texas. Accidental in Nebraska and Kansas.

**Genus HYLORCHILUS Nelson**

*Hylorchilus* Nelson, 1897, Auk 14: 71. Type, by original designation, *Catherpes sumichrasti* Lawrence.

**Notes.**—Sometimes merged with *Catherpes*, the presumed sister genus to *Hylorchilus* (Hardy and Delaney 1987 and references therein); see Atkinson et al. (1993). See also comments under *Microcerculus*.

*Hylorchilus sumichrasti* (Lawrence). Sumichrast's Wren.

Habitat.—Rocky, limestone outcroppings in Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (75–950 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident locally in the lowlands of west-central Veracruz (Motzorongo, Amatlán, Presidio) and extreme north-central Oaxaca (Temascal).

Notes.—When considered conspecific with *H. navai*, known as Slender-billed Wren. See notes under *H. navai*.

_Hylorchilus navai_ Crossin and Ely. Nava’s Wren.

_Hylorchilus sumichrasti navai_ Crossin and Ely, 1973, Condor 75: 137. (26 km. N of Ocozocoautla (elevation 2500 ft.), state of Chiapas, Mexico.)

Habitat.—Limestone outcroppings in humid evergreen forest (75–800 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in southeastern Veracruz (Uxpanapa) and western Chiapas (El Ocote region).

Notes.—Also known as Crossin’s Wren. Formerly considered a subspecies of _H. sumichrasti_ but considered a separate species on the basis of vocal and morphological differences (Atkinson et al. 1993).

Genus _THRYOTHORUS_ Vieillot


_Thryothorus spadix_ (Bangs). Sooty-headed Wren.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (400–1800 m; upper Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in extreme eastern Panama (eastern Darién) and western Colombia.

Notes.—_Thryothorus spadix_ and _T. atrogularis_ were formerly considered conspecific (e.g., Hellmayr 1934 and Paynter in Mayr and Greenway 1960), but see Wetmore et al. (1984); they constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

_Thryothorus atrogularis_ Salvin. Black-throated Wren.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1100 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Caribbean slope from central Nicaragua (north to Río Escondido) south through Costa Rica to extreme western Panama (western Bocas del Toro).

Notes.—See comments under _T. spadix_.

_Thryothorus fasciatoventris_ Lafresnaye. Black-bellied Wren.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident on the Pacific slope from Costa Rica (northwest to the Gulf of Nicoya) to western Panama (Chiriquí, one old record from “Veragua”), and on both slopes from central Panama (Canal area) east to northern Colombia.
**Thryothorus nigricapillus** Sclater. Bay Wren.

*Thryothorus nigricapillus* Sclater, 1861, Proc. Zool. Soc. London (1860), p. 84. (Nanegal [alt. ca. 4,000 ft.], Pichincha, Ecuador.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Second-growth Scrub, Secondary Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [castaneus group] on the Caribbean slope of eastern Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and Panama (including Isla Escudo de Veraguas, off Bocas del Toro), and on the Pacific slope of Panama from Veraguas east to central Darién; and [nigricapillus group] in extreme eastern Panama (eastern Darién), western Colombia, and western Ecuador.

**Notes.**—Groups: *T. castaneus* Lawrence, 1861 [Bay Wren], and *T. nigricapillus* [Black-capped Wren]. *Thryothorus nigricapillus* and *T. semibadius* constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990); some authors (e.g., Hellmayr 1934 and Paynter in Mayr and Greenway 1960) consider them conspecific, but see Slud (1964) and Wetmore et al. (1984).

**Thryothorus semibadius** Salvin. Riverside Wren.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Pacific lowlands of southwestern Costa Rica (El General–Térraba region north to Rio Grande de Tarcoles) and extreme western Panama (western Chiriquí).

**Notes.**—Also known as Salvin’s Wren. See comments under *T. nigricapillus*.

**Thryothorus leucopogon** (Salvadori and Festa). Stripe-throated Wren.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–750 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in eastern Panama (from western San Blas to eastern Darién), western Colombia, and northwestern Ecuador.

**Notes.**—*Thryothorus leucopogon* and *T. thoracicus* constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990). Hellmayr (1934) and Paynter in Mayr and Greenway (1960) considered them conspecific, but see Wetmore et al. (1984).

**Thryothorus thoracicus** Salvin. Stripe-breasted Wren.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Caribbean slope of Nicaragua, Costa Rica (locally also on the Pacific slope of the Cordillera de Guanacaste), and western Panama (sight reports east to Coclé and the Canal area, also sight reports locally in the Pacific foothills of Veraguas).

**Notes.**—See comments under *T. leucopogon*.

**Thryothorus rutilus** Vieillot. Rufous-breasted Wren.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1700 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope of Costa Rica (west to the Gulf of Nicoya) and western Panama (east to eastern Panamá province, also on the Caribbean slope of eastern Colón and the Canal area); and in South America in northern and eastern Colombia, northern Venezuela, Tobago, and Trinidad.
**Notes.**—*Thryothorus rutilus* and *T. maculipectus*, along with the South American *T. sclateri*, Taczanowski, 1879 [Speckle-breasted Wren], were formerly (Hellmayr 1934) regarded as conspecific [Specckled Wren]; they constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990). Paynter (in Mayr and Greenway 1960) included *sclateri* conspecific with *T. rutilus*, but considered *T. maculipectus* to be a separate species, whereas Meyer de Schauensee (1966) considered *sclateri* conspecific with *T. maculipectus*, but considered *T. rutilus* to be a separate species. In the absence of a thorough analysis, we follow Wetmore et al. (1984) and Ridgely and Tudor (1989) in keeping all three as separate species.

**Thryothorus maculipectus** Lafresnaye. Spot-breasted Wren.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1300 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident from eastern Nuevo León, southeastern San Luis Potosí, and central Tamaulipas south in the Gulf-Caribbean lowlands of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula and Isla Cancun) to northeastern Costa Rica, and on the Pacific slope in southeastern Oaxaca, Chiapas, Guatemala, and El Salvador.

Notes.—See comments under *T. rutilus* and *T. felix*.

**Thryothorus rufalbus** Lafresnaye. Rufous-and-white Wren.

*Thryothorus rufalbus* Lafresnaye, 1845, Rev. Zool. [Paris] 8: 337. (Mexique, error = Guatemala.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1800 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope of Middle America from southwestern Chiapas south to western Panama (east to eastern Panamá province), locally also on the Caribbean slope in Guatemala, Honduras, Costa Rica, and central Panama (Canal area); and in northern and eastern Colombia, and western and northern Venezuela.

Notes.—The Colombian *T. nicefori* Meyer de Schauensee, 1946 [Niceforo’s Wren], and *T. rufalbus* constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990); they might be conspecific (Paynter in Mayr and Greenway 1960).

**Thryothorus sinaloa** (Baird). Sinaloa Wren.

*Thryophilus sinaloa* Baird, 1864, Rev. Amer. Birds 1: 122, 130. (Mazatlán, Sinaloa, Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–2100 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope from southeastern Sonora and southwestern Chihuahua south through western Durango and coastal states to extreme western Oaxaca (Putla de Guerrero region).

Notes.—Also known as Bar-vented Wren. This species and *T. rufalbus* may be each other’s closest relatives (Paynter in Mayr and Greenway 1960).

**Thryothorus pleurostictus** Sclater. Banded Wren.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–1750 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope of Middle America from Michoacán, the
southern portion of México, Morelos, and western Puebla south to northwestern Costa Rica (Guanacaste region, locally also on the Pacific slope of the central plateau).

**Thryothorus ludovicianus** (Latham). Carolina Wren.

*Sylvia ludoviciana* Latham, 1790, Index Ornithol. 2: 548. Based on "Roitelet de la Louisiane" Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 730, fig. 1. (in Louisiana = along the Mississippi River at New Orleans.)

**Habitat.**—[ludovicianus group] Deciduous woodland, mostly in undergrowth and thickets, and in wooded parks and residential areas with undergrowth; [albinucha group] Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–2200 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones, and, north of Mexico, Temperate Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident [ludovicianus group] from eastern Nebraska, northern Iowa, southern Wisconsin, southern Michigan, southern Ontario, extreme southwestern Quebec, northern New York, southern Vermont, southern New Hampshire, and southern Maine south to eastern Mexico (eastern Coahuila, Nuevo León, eastern San Luis Potosí and Tamaulipas), the Gulf coast (including islands off the coast of Mississippi and northwestern Florida), and southern Florida (to Key Largo), and west to northeastern Colorado, central Kansas, west-central and southwestern Oklahoma, and central Texas; and [albinucha group] in southeastern Mexico (Tabasco and the Yucatan Peninsula), northern Guatemala (Petén), and Belize, and locally in the interior of Guatemala (Sacapulas) and **northwestern Nicaragua**. Disappears [ludovicianus group] from northern portions of the breeding range following severe winters. Wanders casually [ludovicianus group] west and north to central New Mexico, eastern Colorado, eastern Wyoming, North Dakota, South Dakota, southern Alberta, southern Manitoba, Minnesota, northern Michigan, New Brunswick, southeastern Quebec (Magdalen Islands), and Nova Scotia (sight reports), and south to Key West, Florida.

**Notes.**—Groups: *T. ludovicianus* [Carolina Wren] and *T. albinucha* (Cabot, 1847) [Cabot’s Wren]. Phillips (1986) not only treated albinucha as a species but also questioned whether albinucha belonged in the genus *Thryothorus*; however, see Griscom (1932), Lowery and Berrett (1963), and Cardiff and Remsen (1994).

**Thryothorus felix** Sclater. Happy Wren.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–2000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope from southern Sonora, Sinaloa, and western Durango south to México, Morelos, western Puebla, and central Oaxaca (east to the Puerto Angel region); also in the Tres Marias Islands (María Madre and María Magdalena).

**Notes.**—Phillips (1986) considered *T. felix* possibly conspecific with *T. maculipectus*.

**Thryothorus leucotis** Lafresnaye. Buff-breasted Wren.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, River-Edge Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–300 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in eastern Panama (west to the Canal area, and including the Pearl Islands), and in South America from northern Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Peru and Amazonian and central Brazil.

**Notes.**—*Thryothorus leucotis*, *T. modestus*, and the South American *T. superciliaris* (Lawrence, 1869) [Superciliated Wren], *T. guarayanus* (Lafresnaye and d’Orbigny, 1837) [Fawn-breasted Wren], and *T. longirostris* Vieillot, 1818 [Gray Wren], constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990). Species limits in this complex are uncertain (see Ridgely and Tudor 1989).
Thryothorus modestus Cabanis. Plain Wren.

Thryothorus modestus Cabanis, 1861, J. Ornithol. 8 (1860): 409. (San Jose, Costa Rica.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Second-growth Scrub (0–2000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [modestus group] on the Pacific slope of Middle America from extreme southeastern Oaxaca (Sierra Madre de Chiapas) south to Costa Rica (locally also on the Caribbean slope in Chiaspas, Guatemala, southern Belize, and Honduras, and in the Mosquitia of northeastern Honduras) and Panama, where occurring on both slopes (except the extreme northwestern portion) east to eastern Colón and eastern Panamá province; and [zeledoni group] on the Caribbean slope from southeastern Nicaragua south to extreme northwestern Panama (western Bocas del Toro).

**Notes.**—Groups: *T. modestus* [Plain Wren] and *T. zeledoni* (Ridgway, 1878) [Canebrake Wren]. See comments under *T. leucotis*.

Genus **THRYOMANES** Sclater


**Thryomanes bewickii** (Audubon). Bewick’s Wren.

Troglodytes Bewickii Audubon, 1827, Birds Amer. (folio) 1: pl. 18 (1831, Ornithol. Biogr. 1: 96). (Five miles from St. Francisville, Louisiana.)

**Habitat.**—Brushy areas, thickets, and scrub in open country, riparian woodland, and chaparral; in eastern portion of range, primarily in brushy edges of woodland (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southwestern British Columbia (including southeastern Vancouver Island), southeastern Washington, west-central and southern Nevada, northern Utah, southern Wyoming, extreme western and southern Colorado, Kansas, southeastern Nebraska (formerly), southeastern Iowa, southern Wisconsin, southern Michigan, southern Ontario (formerly), northern Ohio, central Pennsylvania, and southeastern New York (once) south to southern Baja California (including some islands off the coast of southern California south, formerly, to Guadalupe Island, where extirpated between 1892 and 1906), northern Sonora, in the Mexican highlands to central Oaxaca, western Puebla, and west-central Veracruz, and to southern Tamaulipas, central Texas, northern Arkansas, the northern portions of the Gulf states, central Georgia, and central South Carolina; in recent years scarce in or extirpated from much of the eastern portion of its breeding range.

**Winters** from the northern limits of the breeding range (west of the Rockies), southeastern Colorado, southern Kansas, southern Missouri, the lower Ohio Valley, Tennessee, and North Carolina south to the limits of the breeding range in Mexico, the Gulf coast, and northern Florida.

Casual north to Idaho (one nesting record), Montana, South Dakota, southern Minnesota, central New York, and northern New England; a sight report for North Dakota.

**Notes.**—See comments under *T. sissonii*.

**Thryomanes sissonii** (Grayson). Socorro Wren.

Thryothorus sissonii Grayson, 1868, Calif. Farmer J. Useful Sci. 29: 7. (Isla Socorro, Islas de Revillagigedo, Colima, Mexico.)


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–1050 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Socorro Island, in the Revillagigedo Islands, off western Mexico.

**Notes.**—Mayr and Short (1970) considered *Thryomanes sissonii* and *T. bewickii* to constitute a superspecies and suggested that they might be conspecific. This species may be better placed in *Troglodytes*, based on voice, behavior, and plumage (Howell and Webb...
1995), but no analysis has been published. Phillips (1986) used the specific name *insularis* Lawrence and placed the species in *Troglodytes*; see Banks and Browning (1995) for comments on nomenclature.

**Genus FERMINIA** Barbour


**Ferminia cerverai** Barbour. Zapata Wren.


**Habitat.**—Freshwater Marshes.

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Ciénaga de Zapata in the vicinity of Santo Tomás, western Cuba.

**Genus TROGLODYTES** Vieillot


**Troglodytes aedon** Vieillot. House Wren.

*Troglodytes aëdon* Vieillot, 1809, Hist. Nat. Ois. Amer. Sept. 2 (1808, livr. 18): 52, pl. 107. (No locality given = New York City.)

**Habitat.**—[aedon group] Thickets and scrub in partly open situations, open woodland (especially aspen), farmlands, chaparral, riparian woodland, and around human habitations; in winter, primarily scrub, weedy and brushy fields; [brunneicollis and musculus group] Second-growth Scrub, Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Semihumid/Humid Montane Scrub; [martinicensis group] Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Second-growth Forest, Second-growth Scrub; [beani group] Tropical Deciduous Forest, Second-growth Scrub, Secondary Forest (0–4600 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds [aedon group] from southern and northeastern British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), northern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, southern Quebec, Maine, and western New Brunswick (formerly) south to northern Baja California, southern California, southern Nevada, central and southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, western and northern Texas, northwestern Arkansas, southeastern Tennessee, northern Alabama, northeastern Georgia, western South Carolina, and eastern North Carolina; and [brunneicollis group] from northern Sonora, southeastern Arizona (Huachuca and Santa Rita mountains), central Chihuahua, northern Coahuila, central Nuevo León and southwestern Tamaulipas south in the mountains of Mexico to central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec) and west-central Veracruz.

Winters [aedon group] from central California, southern Nevada, northern Arizona, southern New Mexico, southern Oklahoma, southern Arkansas, the northern portions of the Gulf states, and coastal Maryland (casually farther north) south to southern Baja California, throughout Mexico to Oaxaca and Veracruz, and to the Gulf coast and southern Florida (including the Florida Keys); casually in early winter farther north to southern British Columbia, Kansas, Ohio, southern Ontario, and New York; and [brunneicollis group] from northern Mexico south throughout the remainder of the breeding range.

Resident [musculus group] from north-central Oaxaca, southern Veracruz (Sierra de Los Tuxtlas), Tabasco, Chiapas, and the Yucatan Peninsula (including Isla Cancun) south through Middle America (scarce or absent from arid Pacific lowlands, but present on Coiba and the Pearl islands off Panama), and in virtually all of South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south to Tierra del Fuego (also the Falkland Islands); [martinicensis group] in the Lesser Antilles on Guadeloupe (no recent records, possibly
extirpated), Dominica, St. Lucia (surviving in small numbers in the northeastern coastal lowlands), St. Vincent, and Grenada (vocalizations suggest Grenada birds may be part of *musculus* group), formerly also on Martinique; and [beani group] on Cozumel Island, off Quintana Roo.

Casual or accidental [aedon group] north to northern British Columbia, northern Manitoba, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland, and to western Cuba (near Havana) and the Bahama Islands (South Bimini, New Providence, Exuma).

**Notes.**—The International Commission for Zoological Nomenclature has been asked (Bull. Zool. Nomenclature 53: 187-190, 1996) to conserve the widely used specific name *aedon* despite the fact that *T. domesticus* (Wilson, 1808) has priority; see Banks and Browning (1995). Species limits within this complex are not well understood. Groups: *T. aedon* [Northern House-Wren], *T. brunneicollis* Sclater, 1858 [Brown-throated Wren], *T. musculus* Nau- mann, 1823 [Southern House-Wren], *T. martinicensis* (Sclater, 1866) [Antillean House-Wren], and *T. beani* Ridgway, 1885 [Cozumel Wren]. *Troglodytes aedon* and *T. brunneicollis* intergrade through intermediate breeding populations in southern Arizona (Marshall 1956, Phillips et al. 1964, Lanyon 1960), but intergradation between *brunneicollis* and *musculus* in an area of close approach in north-central Oaxaca has not been definitely established (Monroe 1968, Binford 1989). *Troglodytes beani* appears to be part of the Antillean *T. martinicensis* complex. Many or all of the distinctive Caribbean subspecies included within the *martinicensis* group may each warrant species status. Brumfield and Capparella (1996) suggested that the *musculus* group and probably the *brunneicollis* group are specifically distinct from *aedon*, but study of parapatric populations is needed to resolve species limits in this complex. See comments under *T. ochraceus*.

**Troglodytes tanneri** Townsend. Clarion Wren.


**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub.

**Distribution.**—Resident on Isla Clarion, in the Revillagigedo Islands, off western Mexico.

**Notes.**—Paynter in Mayr and Greenway (1960) treated this species as a subspecies of *T. aedon*. See Howell and Webb (1995) for maintaining this taxon as a distinct species.

**Troglodytes rufociliatus** Sharpe. Rufous-browed Wren.

*Troglodytes brunneicollis* Subsp. α. *Troglodytes rufociliatus* Sharpe, 1882, Cat. Birds Br. Mus. 6 (1881): xii, 262. (Upper Chiostemon Forest, alt. 10,000 ft., Volcán de Fuego, [Sacutepequez,] Guatemala.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (1700–3500 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, and north-central Nicaragua.

**Notes.**—See comments under *T. ochraceus*.

**Troglodytes ochraceus** Ridgway. Ochraceous Wren.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (750–2500 m, rarely to 3000 m; Subtropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica (north to Cordillera de Tilarán) and Panama (Chiriquí, Veraguas, and eastern Darién; sight reports from Cerro Campana in western Panamá province).

**Notes.**—*Troglodytes ochraceus, T. rufociliatus*, the Colombian *T. monticola* Bangs, 1899 [Santa Marta Wren], the Andean *T. solstitialis* Sclater, 1859 [Mountain Wren], and *T. rufulus*, Cabanis, 1849 [Tepui Wren] of the tepui region of northern South America are closely related and constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990). Paynter in Mayr and Greenway
(1960) treated the first four as conspecific and as forming a superspecies with *T. rufulus*. See Stiles and Skutch (1989) for reasons for treating *T. ochraceus* and *T. solstitialis* as separate species. Phillips (1986) considered, probably correctly, that the form in eastern Darién (*festinus*) is a subspecies of *T. solstitialis*, which he merged with *ochraceus*.

*Troglodytes troglodytes* (Linnaeus). Winter Wren.

*Motacilla Troglodytes* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 188. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Coniferous forest (especially spruce and fir) and mixed forests, primarily with dense understory and near water, and in open areas with low cover along rocky coasts, cliffs, islands or high mountain regions, including moors and steppes; in migration and winter also in deciduous forest and woodland with dense undergrowth and tree-falls, dense hedgerows, and brushy fields.

**Distribution.**—Breeds [*hiemalis* group] in North America from coastal southern and southeastern Alaska (including the Pribilof Islands, and throughout most of the Aleutians), coastal and central British Columbia (including Queen Charlotte and Vancouver islands), northern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, extreme southern Labrador, and Newfoundland south to central California (San Luis Obispo County, and the western slope of the central Sierra Nevada), northeastern Oregon, central Idaho, northern Utah, western Montana, southwestern Alberta, southeastern Manitoba, north-central and northeastern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, central Michigan, southern Ontario, northeastern Ohio, in the Appalachians through eastern West Virginia, western Maryland, western Virginia, eastern Tennessee, and western North Carolina to northeastern Georgia, and to northern Pennsylvania, northern New Jersey, and southeastern New York; and [*troglodytes* group] in the Palearctic from Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, Shetlands, British Isles, northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, and central Siberia south to northwestern Africa, the Mediterranean region, Near East, Iran, northern India, central China, and Japan. Recorded [*hiemalis* group] in summer (and probably breeding) in southern Yukon, south-central Mackenzie, and northern Indiana.

Winters [*hiemalis* group] in North America from southern Alaska (including the Pribilof and Aleutian islands), coastal and central British Columbia, southwestern Alberta, western Montana, eastern Colorado, southern Nebraska, southern Minnesota, eastern Iowa, southern Michigan, southern Ontario, central New York, and Massachusetts (casually farther north to southern Quebec and Newfoundland) south to southern California, central and southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, Nuevo Leon (casual in Coahuila), southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and central (perhaps casually southern) Florida; and [*troglodytes* group] in the Old World generally throughout the breeding range, although the extreme northern populations usually migrate southward.

Accidental [*hiemalis* group] in northern Alaska (Point Barrow).

**Notes.**—Known in Old World literature as the Wren. Groups: *T. hiemalis* Vieillot, 1819 [Winter Wren] and *T. troglodytes* [Northern Wren].

Genus *CISTOTHORUS* Cabanis


*Telmatodytes* Cabanis, 1850, Mus. Heineanum 1: 78. Type, by subsequent designation (Baird, 1858), *Certhia palustris* Wilson.

*Cistothorus platensis* (Latham). Sedge Wren.

*Sylviaplantensis* Latham, 1790, Index Ornithol. 2: 548. Based on “Le Roitelet de Buenos-Ayres” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 730, fig. 2. (in Bonaria = Buenos Aires, Argentina.)

**Habitat.**—Grassy marshes, sedge meadows, wet fields with tall grass and some bushes, locally in North America in dry, cultivated grain fields; in winter and migration, also in rice fields; in South America in dry grasslands (Tropical to Alpine zones).
**Distribution.**—Breeds **[stellaris group]** in North America from east-central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, western and southern Ontario, extreme southwestern Quebec, central Maine, and southeastern New Brunswick (probably) south to northwestern and east-central Arkansas, southern Illinois, central Kentucky, west-central West Virginia, and southeastern Virginia, and west to northeastern Montana, eastern South Dakota, eastern Nebraska, eastern Kansas, and northeastern Oklahoma.

Winters **[stellaris group]** in North America from western Tennessee and Maryland (casually farther north) south to southern New Mexico, western and southern Texas, San Luis Potosí, Tamaulipas, the Gulf coast region, and southern Florida.

Resident **[stellaris group]** locally in Middle America in Durango, San Luis Potosí, Michoacán (Lake Pátzcuaro region), southern Veracruz, Distrito Federal, Chiapas, Guatemala (central highlands), northern El Salvador, Honduras (Sigueantepeque, and the Mosquitia pine savanna), north-central and northeastern Nicaragua, Costa Rica (vicinity of Cartago), and western Panama (western Chiriquí); **[platensis group]** in South America locally in the Andes from northern Colombia south to Argentina and Chile, and in lowlands of southern South America in Argentina, Chile, Tierra del Fuego, and the Falkland Islands; and **[polyglottus group]** in the Santa Marta Mountains, Perijá Mountains, and the Coastal Range and eastern tepui region of Venezuela and Guyana, and in the eastern lowlands locally in northeastern Colombia, southeastern Peru, northern Bolivia, and southeastern Brazil, and locally in Andes in depto. Puno, Peru. The **platensis** and **polyglottus** groups intergrade in southeastern Brazil and Paraguay (Traylor 1988).

Casual **[stellaris group]** in California, Montana, southeastern Wyoming, and Colorado.

**Notes.**—Also known as Short-billed Marsh-Wren. Groups: **C. stellaris** (J. F. Naumann, 1823) [Sedge Wren], **C. platensis** [Western Grass-Wren], and **C. polyglottus** [Eastern Grass-Wren]; see Traylor (1988). **Cistothorus platensis** and two species with restricted ranges in the high Andes of Venezuela and Colombia, **C. meridiae** Hellmayr, 1907 [Paramo Wren or Merida Wren], and **C. apolinari** Chapman, 1914 [Apolinar's Wren], respectively, constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

**Cistothorus palustris** (Wilson). Marsh Wren.

*Certhia palustris* Wilson, 1810, Amer. Ornithol. 2: 58, pl. 12, fig. 4. (Borders of the Schuylkill or Delaware [rivers, Philadelphia, Pennsylvanian].)

**Habitat.**—Fresh-water and brackish marshes in cattails, tule, bulrush, and reeds; in winter and migration, also in rice fields, low dense growth bordering wetlands, and salt marsh.

**Distribution.**—Breeds **[paludicola group]** from southwestern and eastern British Columbia, northern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, and north-central Manitoba south to southern California, northeastern Baja California, northwestern Sonora, southwestern Arizona, southern Nevada, southern Utah, northwestern and north-central New Mexico, and extreme western Texas; and **[palustris group]** from southeastern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, western and southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, southern Maine southeastern New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia south to extreme western and southern Texas, the Gulf coast (east to the Tampa Bay region, formerly farther south along the Gulf coast of peninsular Florida), and east-central Florida (St. John’s River, formerly to New Smyrna Beach), generally very local in distribution in the interior of North America; also locally in México (Río Toluca).

Winters **[paludicola group]** from the breeding range south to southern Baja California, southwestern Oaxaca, Veracruz, and southern Texas; and **[palustris group]** from southern New England and the southeastern United States (mostly in coastal areas, casually north to South Dakota, central Illinois, and the Great Lakes region) south to southeastern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida.

Accidental **[palustris group]** in Greenland.

**Notes.**—Also known as Long-billed Marsh-Wren. The two groups are distinct vocally and morphologically, and they may constitute separate species, **C. paludicola** (Baird, 1864) [Western Marsh-Wren] and **C. palustris** [Eastern Marsh-Wren] (D. E. Kroodsma and Canady 1985, D. E. Kroodsma 1988, 1989).
Genus *UROPSILA* Sclater and Salvin


*Uropsila leucogastra* (Gould). White-bellied Wren.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Secondary Forest (0–500 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the Pacific lowlands from southwestern Jalisco to central Guerrero (Acapulco); on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from southeastern San Luis Potosi and southern Tamaulipas south through Veracruz, northeastern Puebla, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, northern Chiapas, and the Yucatan Peninsula to northern Guatemala (Petén) and Belize; and locally in north-central Honduras (Coyoles).

Genus *THRYORCHILUS* Oberholser


*Thryorchilus browni* (Bangs). Timberline Wren.


**Habitat.**—Elfin Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (2700–3600 m, locally at 2200 m; Temperate Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the high mountains of Costa Rica (Cordillera de Talamanca, and on the Irazú-Turrialba massif in the Cordillera Central) and western Panama (Volcán Barú in western Chiriquí).

**Notes.**—The relationships of this species remain uncertain; it may best be included in the genus *Troglodytes* (e.g., Paynter in Mayr and Greenway [1960], Wetmore et al. [1984], Phillips [1986]) or have affinities with *Henicorhina* (Sibley and Monroe 1990). Stiles and Skutch (1989) favored the latter because of similarities in song, behavior, and voice. Also known as Irazú Wren.

Genus *HENICORHINA* Sclater and Salvin


*Henicorhina leucosticta* (Cabanis). White-breasted Wood-Wren.

*Cyphorhinus leucosticta* Cabanis, 1847, Arch. Naturgesch. 13: 206. (Guiana and Mexico = Guiana.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1850 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [*prostheleus* group] from southeastern San Luis Potosí, Hidalgo, and northern Veracruz south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula, and locally also on the Pacific slope in southeastern Oaxaca, southern Chiapas, and southern Guatemala) to *Nicaragua*, the Caribbean slope of Costa Rica, and northeastern Panama; [*pittieri* group] southwestern Costa Rica and Panama (except northeast), to northwestern Colombia, including Cauca Valley, south along Pacific coast to northwestern Ecuador; and [*leucosticta* group] in South America from eastern Colombia, southern Venezuela, and the Guianas south to northeastern Peru and northern Brazil.
Notes.—Groups: *H. prostheleuca* (Sclater, 1857) [Sclater’s Wood-Wren], *H. pittierr Cherrie*, 1893 [Cherrie’s Wood-Wren], and *H. leucosticta* (Cabanis, 1847) [Black-capped Wood-Wren]. The Middle American groups may deserve recognition as species separate from South America *leucosticta* (Winker et al. 1996). Although Hellmayr (1934) provided no rationale for combining the groups into a single species, Sibley and Monroe (1990) did not distinguish the former species as groups. *Henicorhina leucosticta* and *H. leucophrys* are elevational representatives of one another and may constitute a superspecies despite local sympatry (but see Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Henicorhina leucophrys** (Tschudi). Gray-breasted Wood-Wren.

*Troglodytes leucophrys* Tschudi, 1844, Arch. Naturgesch. 10: 282. (Republica Peruana = Peru.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (600–3000 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the highlands from southwestern Jalisco, western Michoacán, Guerrero, southeastern San Luis Potosí, northeastern Hidalgo, and Puebla south through Oaxaca, Chiapas, and Guatemala to El Salvador and Honduras; in Costa Rica and Panama (recorded Chiriquí, Veraguas, western Panamá province, and eastern Darién); and in South America in the Andes of Venezuela and Colombia, south on the western slope to northern Ecuador, and on the eastern slope to central Bolivia.

Notes.—See comments under *H. leucosticta*.

Genus **MICROCERCULUS** Sclater


Notes.—Possibly more closely related to *Hylorchilus* (Hardy and Delaney 1987).

**Microcerculus philomela** (Salvin). Nightingale Wren.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from northern Chiapas south through the Gulf-Caribbean lowlands of Guatemala, southern Belize, and Honduras to Nicaragua and central Costa Rica (just north of Volcán Turrialba).

Notes.—Also known as Dark-throated Nightingale-Wren or Northern Nightingale-Wren. Although formerly regarded as conspecific with *M. marginatus*, this form is now regarded as a distinct species (Stiles 1983b).

**Microcerculus marginatus** (Sclater). Scaly-breasted Wren.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1700 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [luscinia group] from central Costa Rica (south of Volcán de Turrialba) south through Panama (foothills and Caribbean slope throughout, in Pacific lowlands west to eastern Panamá province); [taeniatus group] in western Colombia and western Ecuador; and [marginatus group] in South America east of the Andes from northern Venezuela and eastern Colombia south to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

Notes.—Groups: *M. luscinia* Salvin, 1866 [Whistling Wren], *M. taeniatus* Salvin, 1881 [Scaly Nightingale-Wren], and *M. marginatus* [Southern Nightingale-Wren]. Vocal differences among populations merit further study (Ridgely and Tudor 1989). See *M. philomela*.
Genus **CYPHORHINUS** Cabanis


**Cyphorhinus phaeocephalus** Sclater. Song Wren.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on the Caribbean slope of northeastern Honduras (Gracias a Dios) and Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (Caribbean slope throughout, and on the Pacific slope of Cordillera de Guanacaste and in the Pacific southwest) and Panama (Caribbean slope throughout, Pacific slope west to western Panamá province), and in western Colombia and western Ecuador.

**Notes.**—*Cyphorhinus phaeocephalus* and the South American *C. arada* (Hermann, 1783) [Musician Wren] constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990). They have been frequently considered as conspecific, e.g., by Paynter in Mayr and Greenway (1960), who proposed that the combined species formed a superspecies with Andean *C. thoracicus* Tschudi, 1844. See also Ridgely and Tudor (1989).

Family **CINCLIDAE**: Dippers

**Notes.**—Sibley (1970) and Sibley and Ahlquist (1990) found evidence that the Cinclidae are more closely related to the Bombycillidae, Muscicapinae, and Turdinae than is indicated by their traditional placement near the Troglodytidae.

Genus **CINCLUS** Borkhausen

*Cinclus* Borkhausen, 1797, Dtsch. Fauna 1: 300. Type, by monotypy, *Cinclus hydrophilus* Borkhausen = *Sturnus cinclus* Linnaeus.

**Cinclus mexicanus** Swainson. American Dipper.

*Cinclus Mexicanus* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 368. (Mexico = Temascaltepec, México.)

**Habitat.**—Montane streams, primarily swift-flowing and rocky, less frequently along mountain ponds and lakes; in winter occasionally to rocky seacoasts (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from western and northeastern Alaska (Sadlerochit Springs), north-central Yukon, west-central Alberta, western Montana, and southwestern South Dakota south to the Aleutian Islands (Unalaska, Unimak), southern California, southern Nevada, north-central and eastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, and in the mountains of northern Middle America through Mexico, Guatemala, and Honduras to **north-central Nicaragua**; also in the mountains of Costa Rica and western Panama (Chiriquí and Veraguas). Casual in southern Mackenzie, southwestern Saskatchewan, the Channel Islands (off southern California), southeastern California ( Mojave Desert), western Nebraska, and western Texas. Accidental in northeastern Minnesota (Cook County).

**Notes.**—Also known as North American Dipper.

Family **PYCNO NOTIDAE**: Bulbuls

**Notes.**—Molecular data (Sheldon and Gill 1996) indicate that the Pycnonotidae are more closely related to the Timaliidae, Sylviini, and other groups than is reflected in traditional classifications.
Genus *PYCNONOTUS* Boie


*Pycnonotus cafer* (Linnaeus). Red-vented Bulbul.

*Turdus cafer* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 295. Based on “Le Merle dupé du Cap de Bonne Espérance” Brisson, Ornithologie 2: 257, pl. 20, fig. 2. (ad Cap. b. spei, error = Ceylon.)

**Habitat.**—Scrub, brushy areas, second growth, urban residential areas, and now in the Hawaiian Islands penetrating into native forest.

**Distribution.**—Resident from Pakistan and the Himalayas south through India to Sri Lanka, central Burma, and western Yunnan.

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu), and in the Fiji, Tonga, Samoa, and Society islands.

**Notes.**—Two other species, *P. leucogenys* (J. E. Gray, 1835) [Himalayan Bulbul] and *P. aurigaster* (Vieillot, 1818) [Sooty-headed Bulbul] form zones of hybridization with *P. cafer* in some areas of sympatry; see Sibley and Monroe (1990), who also considered *P. cafer* to form a superspecies with 10 other species of *Pycnonotus*.

*Pycnonotus jocosus* (Linnaeus). Red-whiskered Bulbul.

*Lanius jocosus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 95. (in China = Canton, Kwangtung, China.)

**Habitat.**—Suburbs and parks; in native range, forest edge and clearings, second-growth woodland, brushy areas, cultivated lands, villages, and suburban residential areas.

**Distribution.**—Resident from India and southern China south to southern Laos and Cambodia; also in the Andaman Islands.

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (in 1967, on Oahu), Florida (Dade County), Mauritius, Australia (New South Wales), and the Nicobar Islands.

**Family REGULIDAE: Kinglets**

**Notes.**—Some authors have treated the genus *Regulus* as a subfamily of the Sylviidae (Voous 1977, A.O.U. 1957) or of an expanded Muscicapidae (Mayr and Amadon 1951, Morony et al. 1975, A.O.U. 1983), but others have treated it as a family (Wetmore 1930, 1960, Stepanyan 1990). Molecular data support ranking this group as a family of uncertain affinities (Sibley and Ahlquist 1990, Harshman 1994, Sheldon and Gill 1996); we retain it close to its traditional placement in linear sequences pending resolution of its relationships.

Genus *REGULUS* Cuvier


**Notes.**—Molecular data (Sibley and Ahlquist 1985, Ingold et al. 1988) indicate that *R. satrapa* and *R. calendula* are not closely related.

**Subgenus REGULUS** Cuvier


**Habitat.**—Coniferous forest and woodland (especially spruce, fir, hemlock); in migration and winter, also deciduous woodland, pine plantations, and parks with conifers or evergreen oaks.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southern Alaska (west to the base of the Alaska Peninsula), southern Yukon, northern Alberta, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, south-central Quebec (including Anticosti Island), New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south in the coastal and interior mountains to south-central California (to the San Bernardino and San Jacinto mountains), extreme western and northeastern Nevada (absent from central region), southern Utah, central and southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, in the highlands through Mexico to western Guatemala, and east of the Rockies to central eastern Alberta, central Saskatchewan (probably), southern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, southern Michigan, northern Ohio, southern Ontario, New York, in the mountains to eastern Tennessee and western North Carolina, and to southeastern Pennsylvania, north-central Maryland, northern New Jersey, central Massachusetts, and southern Maine; also isolated breeding reported from southwestern South Dakota (Black Hills), northern Illinois, and Indiana (Indianapolis).

**Winters** from south-coastal Alaska (Kodiak Island) and southern Canada (British Columbia, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, and Newfoundland) south to northern Baja California, through the breeding range to Guatemala (rarely to lowland regions in Mexico), and to central Tamaulipas, the Gulf coast, and northern (casually central) Florida.

Causal in Bermuda.

**Notes.**—Reported hybridization of *R. satrapa* and *R. calendula* (Cockrum 1952, Gray 1958) is erroneous. See *Regulus cuvieri* in Appendix.

Subgenus **CORHTYLLIO** Cabanis

*Corthylio* Cabanis, 1853, J. Ornithol. 1: 83. Type, by subsequent designation (Baird, Brewer and Ridgway, 1874), *Motacilla calendula* Linnaeus.

*Regulus calendula* (Linnaeus). Ruby-crowned Kinglet.


**Habitat.**—Coniferous forest, mixed coniferous-deciduous woodland, and muskeg; in migration and winter also deciduous forest, open woodland, riparian woodland, brush, dense second-growth, and wooded suburbs and parks (especially in evergreen oaks).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from northwestern and north-central Alaska, north-central Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northern Quebec, Labrador, and Newfoundland south to southern Alaska (west to the base of the Alaska Peninsula), in the mountains to south-central and eastern California (San Bernardino and White mountains), central and southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, east-central Colorado, and southwestern South Dakota (Black Hills), and east of the Rockies to central-eastern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northeastern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario (locally), northern New York, southern Quebec, northern Maine, and Nova Scotia; also resident (at least formerly) on Guadalupe Island, off Baja California.

**Winters** from southwestern British Columbia, Idaho, Utah, northern New Mexico, southeastern Nebraska, Kansas, Illinois, southern Michigan, southern Ontario, and New Jersey (casually farther north) south to southern Baja California, throughout most of Mexico to western Guatemala, and to southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida (including the Florida Keys), casually to western Cuba, Bahama Islands, and Bermuda.

Accidental in Greenland, Iceland, and Great Britain.

**Notes.**—See comments under *R. satrapa*. 
Family SYLVIIDAE: Old World Warblers and Gnatcatchers

Notes.—Sibley and Ahlquist (1990) presented data (DNA-DNA hybridization) that suggest that the family Muscicapidae, as constituted in A.O.U. (1983) and elsewhere, is polyphyletic, with the Poliopiilinae more closely related to the Troglodytidae, and the Sylviinae more closely related to the Timaliidae, Pycnonotidae, and Zosteropidae, than they are to the Muscicapidae and Turdidae.

Subfamily SYLVIINAE: Old World Warblers

Genus CETTIA Bonaparte

Cettia Bonaparte, 1834, Iconogr. Fauna Ital. 1: text to pl. 29. Type, by original designation, Sylvia cetti Marmora [= Temminck].


Habitat.—Dense brush and undergrowth, tall grass, and bamboo scrub, in the Hawaiian Islands also in upper native forest, particularly on steep slopes.

Distribution.—Resident in Sakhalin, the Kuril Islands, Japan, and the Ryukyu, Bonin, and Volcano islands. Northernmost populations are migratory south to the Japanese islands. Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (in 1929, now widespread on Oahu, recently established on Kauai, Molokai, Lanai, and Maui).

Notes.—Cettia diphone and C. canturians (Swinhoe, 1860) [Manchurian Bush-Warbler or Chinese Bush-Warbler], of eastern Asia, may be conspecific (Orenstein and Pratt 1983) or may constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Genus LOCUSTELLA Kaup


Sylvia (Locustella) Ochotensis Middendorff, 1853, Reise Sib. 2(2): 185, pl. 16, fig. 7. (Uds’ Kój Ostrog = Idskoe, Khabarovsk, Sea of Okhotsk.)

Habitat.—Dense grassy and bushy areas.

Distribution.—Breeds from Kamchatka and Sakhalin south to Japan. Winters in the Philippines and Greater Sunda Islands. Casual in Alaska, primarily in fall (Nunivak and St. Lawrence islands, St. Paul in the Pribilofs, and Attu and Baulin in the Aleutians), and in the Commander Islands. Notes.—Also known as Middendorff’s Warbler. L. ochotensis, L. pleskei (Taczanowski, 1889) [Pleske’s Warbler] of Korea and Kyushu, and the eastern Eurasian L. certhiola (Pallas, 1811) [Pallas’s Warbler] may constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Locustella lanceolata (Temminck). Lanceolated Warbler.

Sylvia lanceolata Temminck, 1840, Man. Ornithol (ed. 2) 4: 614. ("Mayence," error = Russia.)

Habitat.—Marshes and wet meadows.

Distribution.—Breeds from eastern Russia to eastern Siberia and south to northern China, Korea, and Japan. Winters in southeastern Asia and the East Indies. Accidental in Alaska (Attu, in the Aleutian Islands, 4 June-15 July 1984, at least 25 birds; Tobish 1985) and California (Farallon Islands, 11 Sept. 1995; Hickey et al. 1996).
Genus **ACROCEPHALUS** Naumann and Naumann


**Acrocephalus familiaris** (Rothschild). Millerbird.


**Habitat.**—Dense low vegetation and grass.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the northwestern Hawaiian Islands [*kingi group*] on Nihoa; and [*familiaris group*] formerly on Laysan, where extirpated between 1913 and 1923.

**Notes.**—Groups: *A. kingi* Wetmore, 1924 [*Nihoa Millerbird*] and *A. familiaris* [*Laysan Millerbird*].

Genus **PHYLLOSCOPUS** Boie


**Phylloscopus sibilatrix** (Bechstein). Wood Warbler.

*Motacilla Sibilatrix* Bechstein, 1792, Kurzefasste Gemeinützige In-Auslandes 1: 544, note. (mountains of Thuringia.)

**Habitat.**—Forest and woodland.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* throughout much of Europe and Russia.

**Winters** in tropical Africa and Asia Minor, casually to the Canary Islands and Madeira. Accidental in Alaska (Shemya Island, in the Aleutians, 9 October 1978; Gibson 1981) and Japan.

**Phylloscopus fuscatus** (Blyth). Dusky Warbler.

*Phillopneuste fuscata* Blyth, 1842, J. Asiat. Soc. Bengal 11: 113. (Calcutta, India.)

**Habitat.**—Bushes and scrub in hilly or mountainous areas.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from Anadyrland and the Sea of Okhotsk south to Mongolia and the eastern Himalayas.

**Winters** from India east to Southeast Asia and southern China.

Casual in Alaska (Shemya and Attu in the Aleutians, at sea in the Bering Sea, also two sight reports from St. Lawrence Island). Accidental in California (Farallon Islands, Hayward); a sight report from Baja California.

**Phylloscopus borealis** (Blasius). Arctic Warbler.

*Phillopneuste borealis* Blasius, 1858, Naumannia 8: 313. (ochotzkischen Meere = Sea of Okhotsk.)

**Habitat.**—Dense deciduous (willow, dwarf birch, alder) riparian thickets; in Eurasia, also open coniferous or mixed coniferous-deciduous forest.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in western and central Alaska from the Noatak River and western and central Brooks Range south to southwestern Alaska, the base of the Alaska Peninsula, the Alaska Range, and Susitna River highlands; and in Eurasia from Finland, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to central Russia, Mongolia, Amurland, Ussuriland, Japan, and Kamchatka. Recorded in summer north to Barrow, and on St. Lawrence and St. Matthew islands, and east to northern Mackenzie (Prince Patrick Island).

**Winters** from Southeast Asia and southeastern China south to the East Indies, Philippines, and Moluccas.

**Migrates** through eastern Asia and the Commander Islands, casually the Aleutians. Accidental in California (Monterey County, Oceano). A sight report from Baja California.
Notes.—Also known as Arctic Willow-Warbler. Specimens representing Asiatic breeding populations have been taken in migration in the Aleutians (Attu, Shemya, and Amchitka).

Subfamily POLIOPTILINAE: Gnatcatchers and Gnatwrens

Notes.—Molecular data (Sheldon and Gill 1996) strongly suggest that this group is not closely related to the Sylviidae, where traditionally placed, or even the Regulidae, but rather that it is closely related to the Certhiidae and Troglydidae (as previously suggested by Sibley and Ahlquist 1990).

Tribe RAMPHOCAENINI: Gnatwrens

Notes.—For relationships with Polioptilini, see Rand and Traylor (1953). See comments under Polioptilini and Sylviidae.

Genus MICROBATES Sclater and Salvin

Microbates Sclater and Salvin, 1873, Nomencl. Avium Neotrop.: 72, 155. Type, by original designation, Microbates torquatus Sclater and Salvin = Rhamphocaenus collaris Pelzeln.

Microbates cinereiventris (Sclater). Tawny-faced Gnatwren.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Caribbean slope of southeastern Nicaragua and Costa Rica, on both slopes of Panama (more widespread on the Caribbean), and in South America from Colombia south, west of the Andes to southwestern Ecuador and east of the Andes to southeastern Peru.

Notes.—Also known as Half-collared Gnatwren.

Genus RAMPHOCAENUS Vieillot


Ramphocænus melanurus Vieillot. Long-billed Gnatwren.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [rufiventris group] from northern Oaxaca, southern Veracruz, Tabasco, and northern and southeastern Chiapas south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula), and in South America in western Colombia, western Ecuador, and northwestern Peru; and [melanurus group] in South America from northern and eastern Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to central Bolivia and central and southeastern Brazil.

Notes.—Groups: R. rufiventris (Bonaparte, 1838) [Long-billed Gnatwren] and R. melanurus [Black-tailed Gnatwren].

Tribe POLIOPTILINI: Gnatcatchers

Notes.—For relationships with Ramphocænini, see Rand and Traylor (1953).

Genus POLIOPTILA Sclater

**Polioptila caerulea** (Linnaeus). Blue-gray Gnatcatcher.


**Habitat.**—Deciduous forest, oak woodland, pine-oak woodland, riparian woodland, brushy washes, pinyon-juniper woodland, scrub, and chaparral; in winter, primarily dense second-growth, dense brush, woodland (especially riparian), and acacia scrub (Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southern Oregon, southern Idaho (casually), Montana (Pryor Mountains), southwestern Wyoming, Colorado (except northeastern), eastern Nebraska, southeastern South Dakota, central Minnesota, central Wisconsin, central Michigan, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, New York, central Vermont, southern New Hampshire, and southern Maine south to southern Baja California, locally throughout most of Mexico (including the Yucatan Peninsula and Cozumel Island) to southern Chiapas, Belize, and (probably) western Guatemala, and to southeastern Texas, the Gulf coast, southern Florida, and the Bahamas Islands (south to Grand Turk).

*Winters* from central California, southern Nevada, western and central Arizona, west-central Colorado (rarely), central Texas, the southern portions of the Gulf states, and on the Atlantic coast from southern Virginia south throughout Mexico to Guatemala and Honduras, and to the Bahamas, the western Greater Antilles (Cuba, the Isle of Pines), and Cayman Islands. Casual in winter (early winter only?) north to northern California, southern Utah, northern Texas, and along the Atlantic Coast to New England.

Casual north to southwestern British Columbia, southern Alberta, Montana, southern Manitoba, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia; a sight report for southern Saskatchewan.

**Polioptila lembeyei** (Gundlach). Cuban Gnatcatcher.


**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub (0–200 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident in Cuba (central and eastern Camagüey and Las Villas provinces east to the Guantánamo region, also on Cayo Coco and probably Cayo Romano, off Camagüey).

**Polioptila californica** Brewster. California Gnatcatcher.


**Habitat.**—Coastal sage scrub (in California), thorn forest, desert brush, and scrub.

**Distribution.**—Resident from southwestern California (north to Los Angeles County, formerly to Ventura County) and northwestern Baja California south locally to southern Baja California (including Santa Margarita and Espíritu Santo islands).

**Notes.**—For discussion of the recognition of this species as distinct from *P. melanura*, see Atwood (1988).

**Polioptila melanura** Lawrence. Black-tailed Gnatcatcher.


**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub (0–2100 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from northeastern (and possibly east-central) Baja California, southeastern California (north to southern Inyo County), southern Nevada, southwestern Utah, western and central Arizona, southwestern Colorado (possibly), southwestern (rarely central) New Mexico, and western and southern Texas (Rio Grande Valley) south to southern...
Sonora (including Isla Tiburón), southern Durango, Jalisco, Guanajuato, San Luis Potosí and Tamaulipas.

A sight report for western Texas.

Notes.—Also known as Plumbeous Gnatcatcher. See *P. californica*.

**Polioptila nigriceps** Baird. Black-capped Gnatcatcher.

*Polioptila nigriceps* Baird, 1864, Rev. Amer. Birds 1: 69. (Mazatlán, Sinaloa, Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Gallery Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from extreme southern Arizona (Nogales area, Santa Rita Mountains, at least irregularly or formerly), southern Sonora, and southwestern Chihuahua south through Sinaloa, western Durango, Nayarit, and Jalisco to Colima.

**Winters** throughout breeding range except for Arizona.

Notes.—Although sometimes considered conspecific with *P. albilaris* (Paynter in Mayr and Paynter 1964), *P. nigriceps* differs in morphology and vocalizations, and shows no approach to *albilaris* in the region of geographic proximity in western Mexico.

**Polioptila albiloris** Sclater and Salvin. White-lored Gnatcatcher.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Gallery Forest (0–1900 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Pacific lowlands and arid interior valleys from southern Michoacán, northern Guerrero, Oaxaca, western Puebla, and Chiapas south through Central America to northwestern Costa Rica (south to the Gulf of Nicoya region); also disjunctly on the Yucatan Peninsula (questionably recorded also from Cozumel Island).

Notes.—Although closely related to *P. plumbea*, *P. albiloris* differs in appearance, voice, and habitat, and it occurs sympatrically with *plumbea* at several locations. See comments under *P. nigriceps*.

**Polioptila plumbea** (Gmelin). Tropical Gnatcatcher.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [bilineata group] on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca (Isthmus of Tehuantepec), Campeche, Quintana Roo, Guatemala, Belize, Honduras, and Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (uncommon in the dry northwest) and Panama (including Isla Coiba, also sight reports from the Pearl Islands), and in South America, west of the Andes, Colombia to central Peru; *plumbea* group in South America from central and eastern Colombia, Venezuela (also Margarita Island), and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to eastern Peru and Amazonian and eastern Brazil; and *maior* group in northern Peru (upper Marañón valley).

Notes.—Groups: *P. bilineata* (Bonaparte, 1850) [White-browed Gnatcatcher], *P. plumbea* [Tropical Gnatcatcher], and *P. maior* Hellmayr, 1900 [Maranon Gnatcatcher]; see Ridgely and Tudor (1989). The relationship of *P. plumbea* to the southwestern South American *P. lactea* Sharpe, 1885, is uncertain. See comments under *P. albiloris*.

**Polioptila schistaceigula** Hartert. Slate-throated Gnatcatcher.

*Polioptila schistaceigula* Hartert, 1898, Bull. Br. Ornithol. Club 7: 30. (Cachabi [= Cachaví], 500 ft., [Esmeraldas,] North Ecuador.)
Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).
Distribution.—Resident from eastern Panama (recorded in eastern Panamá province above Madden Lake, and in eastern Darién on cerros Quia and Pirre) south through northern and western Colombia (also in Cundinamarca east of the Andes) to northwestern Ecuador.
Notes.—The relationship of *P. schizaceigula* with the northeastern South American *P. guianensis* Todd, 1920, is uncertain; Paynter in Mayr and Paynter (1964) suggested that they might be conspecific.

Family **MUSCICAPIDAE**: Old World Flycatchers

Notes.—See comments under Sylviidae.

Genus **FICEDULA** Brisson

*Ficedula* Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 3: 369. Type, by tautonymy, *Ficedula* Brisson = *Ficedula hypoleuca* Pallas.

Notes.—Formerly merged in *Muscicapa*, but see Vaurie (1953).

**Ficedula narcissina** (Temminck). Narcissus Flycatcher.

*Muscicapa narcissina* Temminck, 1835, Planches Color., livr. 97, pl. 577, fig. 1. (Japan.)

Habitat.—Mountain forest, generally near water.
Distribution.—Breeds in southeastern Siberia (Ussuriland), Sakhalin, the southern Kuril Islands, Japan, and the Ryukyu Islands.
Winters in southeastern Asia, the Greater Sunda Islands, and Philippines.

**Ficedula mugimaki** (Temminck). Mugimaki Flycatcher.

*Muscicapa Mugimaki* Temminck, 1835, Planches Color., livr. 97, p. 577, fig. 2. (Japan.)

Habitat.—Coniferous forest.
Distribution.—Breeds in southeastern Siberia and northeastern China.
Winters in southeastern Asia and Indonesia.

**Ficedula parva** (Bechstein). Red-breasted Flycatcher.

*Muscicapa parva* Bechstein, 1792, Kurzfasste Gemeinützige In-Auslandes 1: 531, note. (Thüringerwalde = Germany.)

Habitat.—Undergrowth of mixed deciduous-coniferous woodland.
Distribution.—Breeds from central Europe, Russia, and Siberia south to northern Iran, the northern Himalayas, northern Mongolia, Anadyrland, and Kamchatka.
Winters in India and Sri Lanka, migrating through western Asia and China.
Casual in Alaska in the western Aleutians (Attu, Shemya) and St. Lawrence Island.
Notes.—Also known as Red-throated Flycatcher. Includes the Himalayan form, sometimes regarded as a distinct species, *F. subrubra* (Hartert and Steinbacher 1934, Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Genus **MUSCICAPA** Brisson


Notes.—See comments under *Ficedula*. 
**Muscicapa sibirica** Gmelin. Siberian Flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Open forest of mountains and taiga.


**Notes.**—Also known as Sooty Flycatcher, a name now generally restricted to the African *M. infuscata* (Cassin, 1855) [= *Artomyias fuliginosa* J. & E. Verreaux, 1855].

**Muscicapa griseisticta** (Swinhoe). Gray-spotted Flycatcher.

*Hemichelidon griseisticta* Swinhoe, 1861, Ibis, p. 330. (Amoy and Takoo, eastern China.)

**Habitat.**—Open forest of the taiga (breeding); wooded areas and scrub (nonbreeding).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from eastern Siberia and Kamchatka south to eastern Manchuria, Ussuriland, Sakhalin, and the Kuril Islands. Winters from eastern China, Taiwan, and the Philippines south to Sulawesi, New Guinea, and islands of this general region. Migrates through northern China, Japan, and the Ryukyu Islands, casually as far north and east as the Commander Islands and western Aleutians (Attu, Agattu, Shemya, Buldir, Amchitka).

**Muscicapa dauurica** Pallas. Asian Brown Flycatcher.

*Muscicapa Grisola var. Daururica* Pallas, 1811, Zoogr. Rosso-Asiat. 1: 461. (Onon River, Dauria, Siberia.)


**Habitat.**—Forest and woodland.

**Distribution.**—Breeds [dauurica group] in eastern Asia from southern and eastern Siberia south to northern India, northern China, and Japan, and winters in southeastern Asia, Sumatra, Borneo, the Lesser Sunda Islands (Sumba), and Philippines; and resident [williamsoni group] in Southeast Asia. Accidental [dauurica group] in the Aleutian Islands (Attu, 25 May 1985, specimen; Gibson and Kessel 1992).

**Notes.**—Also known as Brown Flycatcher or Gray-breasted Flycatcher. Groups: *M. dauurica* [Asian Brown Flycatcher] and *M. williamsoni* Deignan, 1957 [Brown-streaked Flycatcher]. For use of *M. dauurica* instead of *M. latirostris*, see Watson in Mayr and Cottrell (1986) and Banks and Browning (1995).

**Family TURDIDAE: Thrushes**

**Notes.**—See comments under Sylviidae.

**Genus LUSCINIA** Forster


**Notes.**—*Luscinia* is sometimes merged with the Old World genus *Erithacus* Cuvier, 1800.

**Luscinia calliope** (Pallas). Siberian Rubythroat.

Habitat.—Thickets, bogs, and regenerating burns in mixed or coniferous open forest and taiga, subalpine scrub; in winter, scrub and second-growth.

Distribution.—Breeds from Siberia (the Urals east to Anadyrland and Kamchatka) south to Mongolia, Transbaicalia, Amurland, Sakhalin, Japan, and the Kuril Islands. Winters from India, Southeast Asia, and southern China south to Malaya, the Philippines, and Taiwan. Migrates through eastern China, Korea, Japan, the Ryukyu and Commander islands and western Aleutians (rare but regular in the Near Islands, casually east to Amchitka), casually east to the Pribilofs (St. Paul) and north to St. Lawrence Island. Accidental in southern Ontario (Hornby). Casual in western Europe.

Luscinia svecica (Linnaeus). Bluethroat.

Motacilla svecica Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 187. (in Europa alpinis = Sweden and Lapland.)

Habitat.—Low dense thickets (willow and dwarf birch) in tundra, especially near water; in Eurasia, a variety of brushy habitats; in winter, marshes, swamp edges, reedbeds, and brush near water.

Distribution.—Breeds from northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, northern Siberia, and western and northern Alaska (from the Seward Peninsula north and east to the northern foothills of the eastern Brooks Range) south to western and central Europe, Iran, Turkestan, the northern Himalayas, and Manchuria. Winters in northern Africa (from Morocco east to northeastern Africa), the Near East, India, and Southeast Asia.

Migrates through western Alaska (St. Lawrence Island, and casually on the mainland south to St. Michael), the British Isles, western and southern Europe, and southwestern and eastern Asia. Casual in the western Aleutians (Attu) and Yukon.

Luscinia cyane (Pallas). Siberian Blue Robin.

Motacilla Cyane Pallas, 1776, Reise Versch. Prov. Russ. Reichs 3: 697. (Dauria, between the Onon and the Argus [southeastern Transbaicalia].)

Habitat.—Coniferous or mixed forest (spruce, fir, birch, aspen) with dense canopy and sparse undergrowth; in winter, tropical forest and second growth.

Distribution.—Breeds in eastern Asia from southern Siberia south to northeastern China and Japan, and winters in southeastern Asia, Indonesia, and the Philippines. Accidental in the Aleutian Islands (Attu, 21 May 1985; Gibson and Kessel 1992).

Genus TARSIGER Hodgson


Notes.—This genus is sometimes merged with Erithacus (e.g., Morony et al. 1975).

Tarsiger cyanurus (Pallas). Red-flanked Bluetail.


Habitat.—Taiga, moist coniferous and mixed forest; in winter, forest undergrowth and second growth.

Distribution.—Breeds in from Siberia south to northern China, Japan, and the Commander Islands, and winters in southeastern Asia. Casual in spring in Alaska in the western Aleutians (Attu) and Pribilofs (St. Paul); a sight report from Hooper Bay. Accidental in California (Farallon Islands).

Notes.—Also known as Orange-flanked Bush-Robin.
Genus *COPSYCHUS* Wagler


*Copsychus malabaricus* (Scopoli). White-rumped Shama.


**Habitat.**—Forest and second growth.

**Distribution.**—Resident from India, Southeast Asia, and southwestern China south to Sri Lanka, the Andaman and Greater Sunda islands, and Hainan.

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (in 1931, now on Kauai and Oahu).

**Notes.**—Also known as Shama Thrush.

Genus *OENANTHE* Vieillot

*Oenanthe* Vieillot, 1816, Analyse, p. 43. Type, by monotypy, "Motteux" Buffon = *Turdus leucurus* Gmelin.

*Oenanthe oenanthe* (Linnaeus). Northern Wheatear.

*Motacilla Oenanthe* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 186. (in Europæ apricis lapidosis = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Dry, rocky tundra; in Eurasia, a variety of open country, tundra, steppe, and desert; in migration and winter, fields and meadows with rocks, debris, fences, or other low perches.

**Distribution.**—Breedes [œnanthe group] in North America from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, and northwestern Mackenzie south to western and south-coastal Alaska (to the Kenai Peninsula) and southern Yukon, and from central Ellesmere Island south to the Boothia Peninsula (possibly), southeastern Keewatin, White Island, eastern and southern Baffin Island, Coats Island, northern Quebec, and Labrador; and in the Palearctic from Greenland, Jan Mayen, Iceland, the British Isles, northern Scandinavia, northern Russia (including Novaya Zemlya), and northern Siberia south to the northern Mediterranean region, Asia Minor, the northwestern Himalayas, Turkestan, Mongolia, and Manchuria.

Winters [œnanthe group] from northern Africa, Arabia, India, Mongolia, and northern China south to southern Africa (at least casually), and rarely to eastern China and the Philippines.

Resident [seebohmi group] in northern Africa in Morocco and northern Algeria.

Migrates [œnanthe group] regularly through western Alaska and islands in the Bering Sea, casually the Pribilofs and Aleutians.

Casual or accidental [œnanthe group] along the Pacific coast in Alaska (Middleton Island, Juneau), southern British Columbia, Oregon (Malheur), and northern and central California; in southern Alberta and Arizona (Marana); and in northeastern North America from Ontario, New York, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south to Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and North Carolina; and in Arkansas (Lake Millwood), Louisiana, Alabama (Fort Morgan, Montgomery), Florida (south to Collier County), Yucatán, Quintana Roo, Bermuda, Cuba (Santiago de Cuba), Barbados, and the Netherlands Antilles; sight reports for northeastern and southern Manitoba, Minnesota, the Bahama Islands, and Puerto Rico. A report for Colorado is erroneous.

**Notes.**—Also known as the Wheatear. Groups: *O. oenanthe* [Northern Wheatear] and *O. seebohmi* (Dixon, 1882) [Black-throated Wheatear].

Genus *SAXICOLA* Bechstein

Saxicola torquata (Linnaeus). Stonechat.

Motacilla torquata Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 328. (Cape of Good Hope.)

Habitat.—Open country with scattered bushes and rocks, open scrub, bushy hillsides, marsh edges, and meadows.

Distribution.—Breeds [torquata group] in Europe and Africa east to the Black Sea and Iran, and [maura group] in northern and central Asia. Winters [torquata group] in most of breeding range, and [maura group] to southern Asia and northeastern Africa.

Casual [maura group] in Alaska (St. Lawrence Island, Galena, Middleton Island). Accidental in New Brunswick (Grand Manan Island).

Notes.—Groups: S. torquata [Common Stonechat] and S. maura (Pallas) 1773 [Siberian Stonechat].

Genus SIALIA Swainson


Sialia sialis (Linnaeus). Eastern Bluebird.


Habitat.—Open deciduous, mixed, and pine woodland, and agricultural areas with scattered trees (Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds from southern Saskatchewan, southern (casually northwestern) Manitoba, central Ontario, south-central Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and southwestern Nova Scotia south through central and eastern North America and the highlands of Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua (also in the lowland pine savanna of northeastern Honduras and northern Nicaragua), to southern Tamaulipas, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida, and west to eastern Montana, eastern Wyoming, northeastern Colorado, western Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas (except the High Plains and Trans-Pecos), and southeastern and (casually) southwestern New Mexico; also in southeastern Arizona (Nogales and Patagonia east to Huachuca and Chiricahua mountains), and in Bermuda.

Winters from the middle portions of the eastern United States (casually north to the northern states, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, and New England) south throughout the breeding range west to southeastern Arizona, and casually to the lowlands of eastern Mexico (Veracruz, Yucatán, Quintana Roo) and western Cuba; most populations from the Gulf states southward are resident.

Casual north to southeastern Utah, southern Alberta, north-central and southern Quebec (including Anticosti Island), and Prince Edward Island; a sight report for the Virgin Islands (St. John).

Sialia mexicana Swainson. Western Bluebird.

Sialia Mexicanana Swainson, 1832, in Swainson and Richardson, Fauna Bor.-Amer. 2 (1831): 202. (table land of Mexico.)

Habitat.—Open pine, deciduous and mixed woodland, savanna, and riparian woodland; in winter, more widespread, including pinyon-juniper woodland, desert washes, and agricultural fields (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds from southern British Columbia (including southeastern Vancouver Island), southern Alberta, central-western Saskatchewan, western Montana, and north-central Colorado south through the mountains to northern Baja California (Sierra Juárez and Sierra San Pedro Mártir), western and southern Nevada, southern Utah, western and (rarely) southeastern Arizona, and northeastern Sonora (absent from central Idaho south to eastern Nevada, central Utah, western Colorado, and northern New Mexico), in the highlands of Mexico to
Michoacán, México, Morelos, Puebla, and west-central Veracruz, and east to southwestern Tamaulipas, Nuevo León, western (Trans-Pecos) Texas, and central New Mexico.

**Winters** from southern Oregon and western Montana south throughout the breeding range (including to lowland areas), to islands off California (Santa Catalina and San Clemente, at least casually) and Baja California (Todos Santos), and to southeastern California, and east to central Texas.

Casual in Oklahoma (Kenton); sight reports from North Dakota and Kansas.

*Sialia currucoides* (Bechstein). Mountain Bluebird.

*Motacilla s. Sylvia Currucoides* (Borkhausen MS) Bechstein, 1798, in Latham, Allg. Uebers. Vögel 3(2): 546, pl. 121. (Virginien = western America.)

**Habitat.**—Coniferous woodland, aspen woodland, subalpine meadows, sagebrush, and montane grassland with scattered trees, and pinyon-juniper woodland; in migration and winter, also grasslands, open brushy areas, and agricultural lands.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from east-central Alaska (Delta, Eagle, Chisana), southern Yukon, north-central Alberta, northwestern (once) and central Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, and northwestern Minnesota south in the mountains (eastern slopes of coast ranges, and in the Sierra Nevada and Rocky Mountains) to south-central and eastern California (to San Bernardino and New York mountains), central and southeastern Nevada, northern and eastern Arizona, and southern New Mexico, and east to northeastern North Dakota, western South Dakota, western Nebraska, and central Oklahoma (Cleveland County). Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) in southern Mackenzie.

**Winters** from southern British Columbia (rarely) and western Montana south to northern Baja California (including islands off California and Baja California south to Guadalupe Island), Sinaloa, Michoacán, Guanajuato, Nuevo León, and southern Texas, and east, at least casually, to western Nebraska, eastern Kansas, western Oklahoma, and central Texas.

Casual in western, northern and south-coastal Alaska (Nunivak Island, Point Barrow, Middleton Island) and northern Manitoba (Churchill); east from Minnesota, Ontario, southern Quebec, New York, Vermont, Massachusetts, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia south to Iowa, Arkansas, Kentucky, Indiana, Pennsylvania, and Maryland; and in the Gulf region from central coastal Texas to Louisiana and Mississippi.

Genus **MYADESTES** Swainson


**Notes.**—For the merger of *Phaeornis* into *Myadestes*, see Pratt (1982).

*Myadestes townsendi* (Audubon). Townsend’s Solitaire.

*Ptilogony's [sic] Townsendi* Audubon, 1838, Birds Amer. (folio) 4: pl. 419, fig. 2 (1839, Ornithol. Biogr. 5: 206). (Columbia River = Astoria, Oregon.)

**Habitat.**—Open montane and subalpine coniferous woodland, burns, especially where exposed slopes and dirt banks provide nest sites; in winter, primarily pinyon-juniper woodland, also chaparral, desert, and riparian woodland (especially where juniper present).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from east-central, south-coastal and southeastern Alaska, north-central Yukon, and west-central and southwestern Mackenzie, southern Alberta, and southwestern Saskatchewan, south to south-central California (to Santa Rosa and San Jacinto mountains), northwestern and east-central Arizona, and southern New Mexico to Durango, Jalisco, and Zacatecas; also in southwestern South Dakota, and northwestern Nebraska.

**Winters** from southern British Columbia (casually north to Alaska), southern Alberta, Montana, and central North Dakota south to northern Baja California, Sonora, the southern limits of the breeding range in Mexico, and east to western Missouri, western Oklahoma, western Texas, Nuevo León, and Coahuila.
Casual on Guadalupe Island (off Baja California), in central Texas and Arkansas, and east to southern Manitoba, Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Ontario, Ohio, Quebec, New York, New Jersey, and New Brunswick to Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, and New England; sight reports for Indiana and Pennsylvania.


**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (900–3050 m; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southeastern Sonora, southern Chihuahua, Sinaloa, Durango, Nayarit (including the Tres Marias Islands), Jalisco, Guanajuato, San Luis Potosi, central Nuevo León, and southern Tamaulipas south through the mountains of Mexico, Guatemala, Belize, and El Salvador to central Honduras (east to the Comayagua Valley).

**Notes.**—The merger of *Phaeornis* into *Myadestes* forced the change in the name of this species from *M. obscurus* Lafresnaye to *M. occidentalis* because *M. obscurus* (Gmelin) has priority (Pratt 1982).

*Myadestes elisabeth* (Lembeye). Cuban Solitaire.

*Muscicapa elisabeth* Lembeye, 1850, Aves Isla Cuba, p. 39, pl. 5, fig. 3. (Cuba.)

**Habitat.**—Pine Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–2000 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of western Cuba (Pinar del Río province) and eastern Cuba (Oriente province), and (formerly) on the Isle of Pines (vicinity of Ciénaga de Lanier, now extirpated).

*Myadestes genibarbis* Swainson. Rufous-throated Solitaire.

*Myiadeses [sic] genibarbis* Swainson, 1838, Flycatchers, Ornithol. 10, in Jardine, Naturalists’ Libr. 21: 134, pl. 13. (Africa or India, error = Martinique.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1800 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident (genibarbis group) on Jamaica and Hispaniola, and in the Lesser Antilles (Dominica, Martinique, St. Lucia); and (sibilans group) in the southern Lesser Antilles (St. Vincent).

**Notes.**—Groups: *M. genibarbis* [Rufous-throated Solitaire] and *M. sibilans* Lawrence, 1878 [St. Vincent Solitaire].


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (750–2800 m) (upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica (more commonly on the Caribbean slope) and western Panama (east on both slopes to Veraguas; sight reports from western Coclé).

**Winters** also to lower elevations (regularly to 450 m, and occasionally to 100 m) in Costa Rica.

**Notes.**—*Myadestes melanops*, *M. coloratus*, and the Andean *M. ralloides* (d’Orbigny, 1840) [Andean Solitaire] constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990); they were treated as conspecific by Ripley in Mayr and Paynter (1964).
Myadestes coloratus Nelson. Varied Solitaire.

Myadestes coloratus Nelson, 1912, Smithsonian. Misc. Collect. 60(3): 23. (Mount Pirri, at 5,000 feet altitude, near head of Rio Limon, eastern Panama.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (800–2200 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in extreme eastern Panama (Cerro Tacarcuna, Cerro Pirre, Altos de Nique, and Cerro Quia, in eastern Darién) and extreme northwestern Colombia.

**Notes.**—See comments under M. melanops.

Myadestes unicolor Sclater. Slate-colored Solitaire.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (900–1500 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones, reaching lower Tropical Zone in winter).

**Distribution.**—Resident (some winter downslope movement) in the mountains from southeastern San Luis Potosí, Hidalgo, Puebla, northern and southeastern Oaxaca, and Veracruz south through Chiapas, Guatemala, northern El Salvador, and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua.

Myadestes myadestinus (Stejneger). Kamao.


**Habitat.**—Forest.

**Distribution.**—Resident (possibly extinct; not seen since Hurricane Iniki in 1992) in the Hawaiian Islands on Kauai.

**Notes.**—This and the following three species were formerly (e.g., Ripley in Mayr and Paynter 1964) recognized as a single species (Phaeornis obscurus, [Hawaiian Thrush]), but differences in vocalizations and morphology among the living forms indicate that three or four species existed in the complex; they collectively constitute a superspecies (Pratt 1982).

†Myadestes woahensis (Bloxam). Amaui.

Turdus woahensis Bloxam in Wilson and Evans, 1899, Aves Hawaienses, introd., p. xiii. (Oahu.)

**Habitat.**—Forest.

**Distribution.**—EXTINCT. Formerly resident in the Hawaiian Islands on Oahu.

**Notes.**—Pratt (1982) considered this form, for which the specimens were then thought to have been lost, to be of uncertain validity. Olson (1996) has recently located the two specimens on which the type description was almost certainly based and regards them as representing, at best, a subspecies of M. lanaiensis. He also showed why the traditional citation, "Phaeornis oahensis Wilson and Evans, 1899 . . ." should be replaced as indicated above. See comments under M. myadestinus.

Myadestes lanaiensis (Wilson). Olomao.


**Habitat.**—Forest.

**Distribution.**—Resident (possibly extinct) in the Hawaiian Islands on Molokai (not seen since mid-1980s) and (formerly) Lanai.

**Notes.**—See comments under M. myadestinus and M. woahensis.

Myadestes obscurus (Gmelin). Omao.

Habitat.—Forest, usually dense, native koa/ohia forest, more common at higher elevations, where also found disjunctly in subalpine or alpine scrub.

Distribution.—Resident in the Hawaiian Islands on Hawaii.

Notes.—See comments under *M. myadestinus*.

*Myadestes palmeri* Rothschild. Puiaiohi.

*Phaeornis palmeri* Rothschild, 1893, Avifauna Laysan, p. 67. (Halemanu, Kauai.)

Habitat.—Ravines in dense ohia forest.

Distribution.—Resident in the Hawaiian Islands on Kauai, where surviving in small numbers in the Alakai Swamp region.

Notes.—Also known as Small Kauai Thrush.

**Genus CATHARUS Bonaparte**


Notes.—See comments under *Hylocichla*.

*Catharus gracilirostris* Salvin. Black-billed Nightingale-Thrush.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Elfin Forest, Second-growth Scrub (1800–3500 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica (Cordillera Central and Cordillera de Talamanca) and extreme western Panama (Chiriquí).

*Catharus aurantiirostris* (Hartlaub). Orange-billed Nightingale-Thrush.

*Turdus aurantiirostris* Hartlaub, 1850, Rev. Mag. Zool. (2)1: 158. (Venezuela = Caracas.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (400–2300 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [aurantiirostris group] from Sinaloa, southwestern Chihuahua, Durango, Nayarit, Jalisco, Guanajuato, southeastern San Luis Potosí and southwestern Tamaulipas south through Middle America (except the Yucatan Peninsula and Belize) to central Costa Rica (Pacific slope south to near Panama border), and in northern Colombia, northern Venezuela, and Trinidad; and [griseiceps group] in southwestern Costa Rica, western Panama (Chiriquí, Veraguas, western Cocle, and Azuero Peninsula), and western Colombia.

Ranges in winter mostly to lower elevations.

Notes.—Groups: *C. aurantiirostris* [Orange-billed Nightingale-Thrush] and *C. griseiceps* Salvin, 1866 [Gray-headed Nightingale-Thrush].

*Catharus fuscater* (Lafresnaye). Slaty-backed Nightingale-Thrush.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (800–2300 m; Subtropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident [hellmayri group] in the mountains of Costa Rica (primarily on the Caribbean slope) and western Panama (Chiriquí, Bocas del Toro, and Veraguas); and [fuscater group] in eastern Panama (eastern Panamá province, eastern Darién), and in the Andes of South America from northern Colombia and northwestern Venezuela south locally on the western slope (evidently absent from much of Colombia) to southwestern Ecuador and on the eastern slope to northern Bolivia.

Notes.—Groups: *C. hellmayri* Berlepsch, 1902 [Black-backed Nightingale-Thrush] and *C. fuscater* [Slaty-backed Nightingale-Thrush].
Catharus occidentalis Sclater. Russet Nightingale-Thrush.


Habitat.—Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (1500–3700 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident from western Chihuahua, eastern Sinaloa, Durango, Nayarit, Michoacán, Guanajuato, eastern Coahuila, southern Nuevo León, southwestern Tamaulipas, and eastern San Luis Potosí south to west-central Veracruz and central Oaxaca (east to Mount Zempoala-tepec and the Río Molino areas).

Notes.—See comments under C. frantzii. The northwestern Mexican populations were formerly (A.O.U. 1983) recognized as a group, C. olivascens Nelson, 1899.

Catharus frantzii Cabanis. Ruddy-capped Nightingale-Thrush.

Catharus Frantzii Cabanis, 1861, J. Ornithol. 8 (1860): 323. (Volcán de Irazú, Costa Rica.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (1200–3100 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains from western Jalisco, Michoacán, southeastern San Luis Potosí and Hidalgo south through Middle America (except the Yucatan Peninsula and Belize) to western Panama (western Chiriquí).

Notes.—Formerly regarded as a race of C. occidentalis (e.g., Ripley in Mayr and Paynter 1964), but the two species are quite distinct and widely sympatric in central Mexico (Rowley and Orr 1964).

Catharus mexicanus (Bonaparte). Black-headed Nightingale-Thrush.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (600–1800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in Tamaulipas, Hidalgo, Veracruz, México, Puebla, northern and southeastern Oaxaca, Chiapas, eastern Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua (north-central highlands, and locally in Caribbean lowlands), Costa Rica, and western Panama (east to Veraguas).

Catharus dryas (Gould). Spotted Nightingale-Thrush.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (700–2300 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of southeastern Oaxaca (Sierra Madre de Chiapas), Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras (east to the Tegucigalpa region); and in South America in the Western Andes of Ecuador and in the Eastern Andes from northwestern Venezuela and northern Colombia south to northern Argentina.

Catharus fuscescens (Stephens). Veery.


Habitat.—Poplar, aspen, or swampy forest, especially in more open areas with shrubby understory, also in second growth, willow or alder thickets near water; in migration, primarily deciduous forest and woodland with dense undergrowth.

Distribution.—Breeds from southern interior (rarely southwestern) British Columbia, central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, central Ontario, south-central Quebec (including Magdalen and possibly also Anticosti islands), New Brunswick, Prince
Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and southwestern Newfoundland south to central Oregon, northeastern Nevada, northern Utah, south-central Colorado, northeastern South Dakota, Iowa, central Illinois, north-central Indiana, and central Ohio, in the mountains through West Virginia, western and central Maryland, eastern Kentucky, western and central Virginia, eastern Tennessee, and western North Carolina to northwestern Georgia, and in the Atlantic region to eastern Pennsylvania, central New Jersey, the Maryland Piedmont, and the District of Columbia; also in east-central Arizona (rarely in Springerville area) and (probably) northern New Mexico.

Winters in south-central Brazil (Pará, Mato Grosso) and perhaps southeastern Brazil. One December specimen from Louisiana, an early January record (photograph) from Connecticut, and a December sight record for Ontario; otherwise, no documented winter records for Northern Hemisphere.

Migrates primarily through the southeastern United States west to the Rocky Mountains, eastern New Mexico, and central and southern Texas, and through eastern Mexico (recorded Veracruz, Chiapas, Yucatán, Cayos Arcas off Campeche, and Cozumel Island off Quintana Roo), northern Guatemala (Tikal), northern Honduras (Bay Islands), Costa Rica (Caribbean lowlands and San José, mainly in fall), Panama (rare but regular in fall in Caribbean lowlands, casually on Pacific slope), islands of the western Caribbean Sea (Providencia, San Andrés), Cuba, the Cayman Islands, Jamaica, the Bahamas, Colombia, Venezuela, Guyana, and northern Brazil.

Casual or accidental in extreme southeastern Alaska (Hyder), California, Arizona (elsewhere), eastern Peru, central Bolivia, Chile, the British Isles, and Sweden; a sight report for the Virgin Islands (St. John) and St. Kitts.

Notes.—Catharus fuscescens and the following four species were formerly included in the genus Hylocichla (e.g., Hellmayr 1934, A.O.U. 1957).

Catharus minimus (Lafresnaye). Gray-cheeked Thrush.


Habitat.—Stunted boreal coniferous forest (primarily spruce), tall scrub in taiga, willow-alder scrub in tundra; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats, primarily broadleaf forest and woodland.

Distribution.—Breeds from northeastern Siberia (Chukotski Peninsula and Anadyrland), northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northern Quebec, Labrador, and Newfoundland south to southern Alaska (west to the Alaska Peninsula and Kodiak Island, possibly also on St. Lawrence Island in the Bering Sea), northern British Columbia, southern Mackenzie, northern Alberta (probably), northeastern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, extreme northern Ontario, central Quebec, Newfoundland, and St. Pierre and Miquelon.

Winters rarely in Panama, primarily on the Caribbean slope, and in South America east of the Andes in Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, Guyana, and northern Brazil. Limits of winter distribution in South America poorly known. Casual in Costa Rica. One December specimen record for Ontario; other winter reports from North America are unsubstantiated.

Migrates primarily through eastern North America west to eastern Montana, the Great Plains and central Texas (casually to Wyoming and eastern Colorado), the Bahamas, and Greater Antilles, less frequently through the Swan Islands and southern Central America (Costa Rica and Panama, most commonly in fall), and rarely through southern Mexico (recorded Tabasco, Chiapas, Campeche, and Cozumel Island off Quintana Roo), Guatemala (Petén), Belize (including Half Moon Cay), and northern Honduras (including the Bay Islands).

Casual or accidental in southern British Columbia, Oregon, California (primarily the Farallon Islands), Arizona (Chiricahua Mountains), New Mexico (Clayton), northeastern Keewatin, Clipperton Island (sight reports), Martinique, Guadeloupe, eastern Peru, Greenland, the British Isles, and continental Europe (some records may pertain to C. bicknelli); sight reports for the Aleutian Islands (Shemya) and Washington.

Notes.—See comments under C. fuscescens and C. bicknelli.
Catharus bicknelli (Ridgway). Bicknell’s Thrush.


_Habitat._—Stunted deciduous and coniferous forest, often near mountain-tops; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats, primarily broadleaf forest and woodland.

_Distribution._—_Breeds_ (at least formerly) in southern Quebec (including the Magdalen Islands), the Maritime Provinces, eastern New York (Catskill and Adirondack mountains), western Massachusetts, central and northern Vermont, New Hampshire, and central Maine.

_Winters_ in Cuba, Hispaniola, and Puerto Rico, probably elsewhere in the mountains of the Greater Antilles.

_Migrates_ through the eastern United States east of the Appalachians; recorded from southern New England south to South Carolina, the Bahamas Islands, and Bermuda.

_Notes._—Ouellet (1993) showed that _C. bicknelli_ is best treated as a species distinct from _C. minimus_, differing in vocalizations, morphology, breeding habitat, migration routes, and winter range. See comments under _C. fusciscens._

Catharus ustulatus (Nuttall). Swainson’s Thrush.


_Habitat._—Dense scrub, coniferous woodland (especially spruce) and aspen-poplar forest with dense undergrowth, second growth, and willow or alder thickets; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats, primarily broadleaf forest and woodland.

_Distribution._—_Breeds_ [swainsoni group] from western and central Alaska, central Yukon and western Mackenzie south to southwestern and south-coastal Alaska (west to the base of the Alaska Peninsula), east-central California, central Nevada, central Arizona, northern New Mexico, and east to central Montana, southwestern South Dakota, eastern Wyoming, extreme northwestern Nebraska, and from southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, north-central Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, southern Labrador, and Newfoundland south to southwestern and central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, southern Ontario, central Quebec, southern New York, northern Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts, also in eastern West Virginia, western Virginia (Mount Rogers), and (formerly) western Maryland; and [ustulatus group] humid coastal region from southeastern Alaska south to southern California, and inland to central Washington, central Oregon, and eastern California.

_Winters_ [ustulatus group] mostly from Nayarit and southern Tamaulipas (casually from California, southern Texas, and the Gulf coast) south through Middle America to Panama; and [swainsoni group] primarily in South America east to Guyana and western Brazil, and south to northwestern Argentina.

_Migrates_ [swainsoni group] through southern Canada, the United States (less commonly in southwestern portion) and Middle America (rare in Baja California and northwestern Mexico), less frequently through the Bahamas, western Cuba, the Isle of Pines, Hispaniola, Jamaica, the Cayman and Swan islands, and Isla Providencia (in the western Caribbean Sea).

_Casual or accidental_ [swainsoni group] on Meighen Island (Franklin District), in the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island; sight report), and in Bermuda, Iceland, the British Isles, continental Europe, and the Ukraine.

_Notes._—Groups: _C. swainsoni_ (Tschudi, 1845) [Olive-backed Thrush] and _C. ustulatus_ [Russet-backed Thrush]. See comments under _C. fusciscens._

Catharus guttatus (Pallas). Hermit Thrush.


_Habitat._—Open coniferous and mixed coniferous-deciduous forest and forest edge, and dry sandy and sparse jack-pine, less frequently in deciduous forest and thickets; in migration and winter, also chaparral, riparian woodland, arid pine-oak association, tall desert-scrub, and suburbs with extensive shrub layer.
Distribution.—Breeds from western and central Alaska, southern Yukon, southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, southern Labrador, and Newfoundland south to southern Alaska (west to the Alaska Peninsula, and Shumagin and Kodiak islands), in the mountains to south-central and eastern California (to Santa Rosa and Clark mountains), southern Nevada, central and southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, and extreme western Texas, and east of the Rockies to southwestern and central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, north-central and northeastern Minnesota, central Wisconsin, central Michigan, southern Ontario, southeastern Ohio, central Pennsylvania, eastern West Virginia, western Virginia (Mount Rogers), western Maryland, eastern Tennessee, western North Carolina, southern New Jersey, and southern New York (including Long Island); also isolated breeding in the Black Hills of southwestern South Dakota.

Winters from southwestern British Columbia, the northern United States, southern Ontario, and New England (casually or irregularly in the northern portions of the breeding range) south to southern Baja California (including islands), through Mexico (mostly in the interior, not recorded Yucatan Peninsula) to Guatemala and El Salvador, and to southern Texas, the Gulf coast, southern Florida, and the northern Bahamas (south to New Providence and Cat Island).

Casual or accidental on Southampton Island (The Post) and Bermuda, and in Iceland, the British Isles, Sweden, Germany, and Luxembourg.

Notes.—See comments under C. fuscescens.

Genus HYLOCICHLA Baird

Hylocichla Baird, 1864, Rev. Amer. Birds 1: 12. Type, by original designation, Turdus mustelinus Gmelin.

Notes.—Hylocichla was formerly considered closer to Turdus than to Catharus (Dilger 1956, Bourns 1967), but recent studies (Hendrickson and Yow 1973, Avise et al. 1980, Winker and Rappole 1988) show that it is closer to Catharus. Whether the distinctive morphology of Hylocichla (Gibson et al. 1976) warrants recognition as a genus is controversial; see Winker and Rappole (1988) for reasons for merging Hylocichla into Catharus.

Hylocichla mustelina (Gmelin). Wood Thrush.


Habitat.—Deciduous forest and woodland, locally in dense second-growth, mixed woodland, and parks and suburbs with dense shrub layer; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats, primarily broadleaf forest and woodland.

Distribution.—Breeds from southeastern North Dakota, central and eastern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, northern Vermont, central New Hampshire, southwestern Maine, southern New Brunswick, and western Nova Scotia south to east-central Texas, the Gulf coast, and northern Florida, and west to eastern South Dakota, central Nebraska, central Kansas, and eastern Oklahoma; casual breeding to southern Manitoba, southwestern North Dakota, and central South Dakota.

Winters from southern Louisiana (casual) and southern (rarely eastern) Texas south through eastern Mexico (including the Yucatan Peninsula and islands) and Middle America (primarily Caribbean slope, but recorded in El Salvador and rarely on the Pacific slope from southeastern Oaxaca southward) to Panama (most common in Bocas del Toro and Chiriqui) and northwest Colombia (Chocó).

Migrates casually through Cuba, the Bahama Islands (New Providence, Grand Bahama, Cay Lobos), and the Cayman Islands.

Casual in western North America from Oregon, Utah, Montana, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba south to California, Arizona, and New Mexico, also in Prince Edward Island; a sight report for Idaho. Accidental in Bermuda and Puerto Rico, and in Curacao, Guyana, Iceland, the British Isles, and the Azores.
Genus TURDUS Linnaeus

Turdus Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 168. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), Turdus viscivorus Linnaeus.


Notes.—See comments under Hylocichla.

Turdus merula Linnaeus. Eurasian Blackbird.

Turdus Merula Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 170. (in Europa sylvis = Sweden.)

Habitat—Woodland, forest, scrub, and gardens.

Distribution.—Resident (or partly migratory) [merula group] virtually throughout the Palearctic; and [simillimus group] in India and Southeast Asia.

Accidental [merula group] in Quebec (specimen, Outremont, island of Montreal, 23 November 1970; McNeil and Cyr 1971). The origin of this individual has been questioned (DeBenedictis 1991).

Introduced and established [merula group] in Australia and New Zealand, and on associated islands.

Notes.—Also known as European Blackbird and, in Old World literature, the Blackbird. Groups: T. merula [Eurasian Blackbird] and T. simillimus Jerdon, 1839 [Nilgiri Blackbird].

Turdus obscurus Gmelin. Eyebrowed Thrush.


Habitat.—Dense coniferous and mixed woodland, usually near water; in migration and winter, also deciduous woodland, farmland, and scrub.

Distribution.—Breeds from northern Siberia and Kamchatka south to northern Mongolia, Sakhalin, the Kuril Islands, and Japan (Honshu).

Winters from India, Southeast Asia, southeastern China, and Taiwan south to the Andaman Islands, Java, Borneo, the Philippines, and Palau Islands.

Migrates through Mongolia, Manchuria, eastern China, Korea, Japan, and the Ryukyu Islands, to the western Aleutians (Near Islands), and casually east and north to the Pribilofs and Alaska mainland (Wales, Barrow).

Casual in western Europe.

Notes.—Also known as Eye-browed Thrush.

Turdus naumanni Temminck. Dusky Thrush.

Turdus naumanni Temminck, 1820, Man. Ornithol. (ed. 2) 1: 170. (en Silésie et en Autriche. ...en Hongrie, etc., error = Siberia.)

Habitat.—Open coniferous and mixed forest, forest edge, taiga, and deciduous scrub; in migration and winter, fields, farmland, and open woodland.

Distribution.—Breeds [eunomus group] from northern Siberia east to Kamchatka; and [naumanni group] from southern Siberia east to Lake Baikal, northern Manchuria, Amurland, and the Sea of Okhotsk.

Winters [eunomus group] from Japan and the Ryukyu Islands south to southern China and Taiwan, rarely west to Southeast Asia and India; and [naumanni group] from southern Manchuria, northern China, and Korea south to eastern China, rarely to Taiwan and the Ryukyu Islands.

Casual [eunomus group] in Alaska (western Aleutians, St. Lawrence Island, Barrow), British Columbia (Langley), the British Isles, western Europe and the Commander Islands. Accidental [eunomus group] in southeastern Alaska (Petersburg); and [naumanni group] in Great Britain; a sight report from the central Aleutians (Adak).
Notes.—Groups: *T. eunomus* Temminck, 1831 [Dusky Thrush], and *T. naumanni* [Nau-
mann's Thrush].

**Turdus pilaris** Linnaeus. Fieldfare.

*Turdus pilaris* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 168. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Coniferous and mixed woodland edge (birch, pine, spruce), brushy and rocky
slopes, and birch, alder, or willow thickets; in migration and winter, primarily open country
and agricultural areas bordering wooded areas.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southern Greenland, Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern
Siberia south to central Europe, central Russia, southern Siberia, and Lake Baikal, occasionally
in the Faeroe Islands.

*Winters* from Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, British Isles, southern Scandinavia, and central
Europe south to the Mediterranean region, Asia Minor, Iran, Turkestan, and northwestern
India, casually to the eastern Atlantic islands and northern Africa.

Casual or accidental in Alaska (Point Barrow, St. Lawrence Island), Keewatin (Foxe
Basin), Franklin District (Jens Munk Island), Ontario (Long Point, Toronto), Quebec (Ri-
gaud), Newfoundland, New Brunswick (Caraquet), Massachusetts (Concord), Connecticut
(Stamford), and Minnesota (Cook County); sight reports for Nova Scotia, New York, and
Delaware.

**Turdus iliacus** Linnaeus. Redwing.

*Turdus iliacus* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 292. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Coniferous and mixed forest and woodland (birch, spruce, pine), taiga, and
damp thickets; in winter, moist agricultural fields, pastures, and lawns mixed with wooded areas
and open woodland.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from Iceland across northern Eurasia to central Siberia, and *winters*
south to the British Isles, continental Europe, and the Mediterranean region, in migration
casually to Greenland.

Casual in Newfoundland at St. Anthony (25 June-11 July 1950, photograph; Montevecchi
Birds 44: 223, 231); a report with photographs (since lost) from New York (Jamaica Bay,
Long Island, 1959); a sight report from Newfoundland (St. John's).

Notes.—*Turdus iliacus* is sometimes known as *T. musicus* Linnaeus, 1758, but the latter
name has been suppressed by the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature.

**Turdus nigrescens** Cabanis. Sooty Robin.

*Turdus nigrescens* Cabanis, 1861, J. Ornithol. 8 (1860): 324. (Volcán de Irazú, Costa
Rica.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Semihumid/Humid Montane Scrub, Second-
growth Scrub (2150–3500 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the mountains of Costa Rica (cordilleras Central and de Tal-
amanca) and extreme western Panama (western Chiriqui).

Notes.—Also known as Sooty Thrush. Ridgely and Tudor (1989) and Sibley and Monroe
(1990) used “Thrush” instead of “Robin” for this species and several other New World
species of *Turdus*. Because “Robin” is applied to many species outside the genus *Turdus*,
including species outside the Turdidae, we favor retaining long-established English names.

**Turdus infuscatus** (Lafresnaye). Black Robin.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (900–3100 m; Subtropical and
Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the mountains from Guerrero, México, Hidalgo, eastern San
Family Turdidae

Luis Potosí and southwestern Tamaulipas south through Veracruz, Oaxaca, Chiapas, Guatemala, and El Salvador to central Honduras.

Notes.—Also known as Black Thrush. *Turdus infuscatus* and the South American *T. serranus* Tschudi, 1844 [Glossy-black Thrush], constitute a superspecies. See comments under *T. nigrescens*.

*Turdus plebejus* Cabanis. Mountain Robin.

*Turdus plebejus* Cabanis, 1861, J. Ornithol. 8 (1860): 323. (Costa Rica.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Secondary Forest (900–3500 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains from southeastern Oaxaca and Chiapas south through Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, north-central Nicaragua, and Costa Rica to western Panama (Chiriquí and Bocas del Toro). Some down-slope movement during peak of wet season in Costa Rica and probably elsewhere.

Notes.—Also known as Mountain Thrush and American Mountain Thrush. See comments under *T. nigrescens*.

*Turdus fumigatus* Lichtenstein. Cocoa Thrush.


Habitat.—Gallery Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1400 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [personus group] in the Lesser Antilles (St. Vincent and Grenada); [hauxwelli group] Amazonia from southeastern Colombia and southern Venezuela south to central Bolivia and western Brazil; and [fumigatus group] in South America from northern Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south to Amazonian and eastern Brazil.

Notes.—Groups: *T. personus* (Barbour, 1911) [Lesser Antillean Thrush], *T. hauxwelli* Lawrence, 1869 [Hauxwell’s Thrush], and *T. fumigatus* [Cocoa Thrush]. Species limits in this group are uncertain; see summaries in Snow (1985) and Ridgely and Tudor (1989). *Turdus fumigatus* is sometimes (e.g., Ripley in Mayr and Paynter 1964, Meyer de Schauensee 1966, 1970) considered conspecific with *T. obsoletus*, but the two differ in voice and habitat; the two species appear to constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

*Turdus obsoletus* Lawrence. Pale-vented Thrush.

*Turdus obsoletus* Lawrence, 1862, Ann. Lyc. Nat. Hist. N. Y. 7: 470. (Atlantic side of the Isthmus of Panama, along the line of the Panama Railroad = Canal Zone.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (500–2900 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from central Costa Rica (Caribbean slope of Cordillera Central and Cordillera de Talamanca) south through Panama (locally in foothills east to the Canal area, and in eastern Darién) and western Colombia to western Ecuador.

Notes.—See comments under *T. fumigatus*.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–2500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on Pacific slope from southeastern Oaxaca south, and on Gulf-Caribbean slope from central Nuevo León, Hidalgo, and San Luis Potosí south, along both slopes of Middle America to northern Colombia. Breeds casually in the Rio Grande Valley of Texas.
Winters rarely north to southern Texas (lower Rio Grande Valley)  
Casual in south-central and coastal Texas.  
Introduced elsewhere in Mexico (e.g., Acapulco, Guerrero).  

Notes.—Also known as Clay-colored Thrush, Gray’s Thrush, and Garden Thrush. See comments under *T. nigrescens*.

**Turdus nudigenis** Lafresnaye. Bare-eyed Robin.


**Habitat.**—Open forest and woodland, second growth, plantations, and gardens (Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident (*nudigenis* group) in the Lesser Antilles (Martinique, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, the Grenadines, and Grenada), and in South America from eastern Colombia, Venezuela (including Margarita and Patos islands), Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northern Brazil; and (*maculirostris* group) western Ecuador and extreme northwestern Peru.

An attempted introduction on Barbados was unsuccessful.

Notes.—Also known as Bare-eyed Thrush, American Bare-eyed Thrush, Naked-eyed Thrush, and Yellow-eyed Thrush. The English name of *T. nudigenis* was changed from Bare-eyed Thrush of the A.O.U. (1983) to Bare-eyed Robin (A.O.U. 1985) to avoid confusion with the African species, *T. tephronotus*, also called Bare-eyed Thrush. Groups: *T. nudigenis* [Bare-eyed Robin] and *T. maculirostris* Berlepsch and Taczanowski, 1883 [Ecuadorian Robin]; the latter was treated as a species by Ridgely and Tudor (1989) and Sibley and Monroe (1990). See comments under *T. grayi*.

**Turdus jamaicensis** Gmelin. White-eyed Thrush.

*Turdus jamaicensis* Gmelin, 1789, Syst. Nat. 1(2): 809. Based on the “Jamaica Thrush”  

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1800 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Jamaica.

**Turdus assimilis** Cabanis. White-throated Robin.

*Turdus assimilis* Cabanis, 1850, Mus. Heineanum 1: 4. (Xalapa = Jalapa, Veracruz.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–3100 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident (*assimilis* group) from southeastern Sonora, southwestern Chihuahua, Sinaloa, western Durango, Nayarit, Jalisco, Michoacán, México, Hidalgo, southeastern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America (absent from the Yucatan Peninsula) to central Panama (east to western Panamá province, including Isla Coiba); and (*daguae* group) in eastern Panama (eastern Darién), western Colombia, and western Ecuador.  
Winters [presumably *personatus* group] to Canal area of Panama.  

Notes.—Also known as White-throated Thrush. Groups: *T. assimilis* [White-throated Thrush] and *T. daguae* Berlepsch, 1897 [Dagua Thrush]. *Turdus assimilis* and the South American *T. albicollis* Vieillot, 1818 [White-necked Thrush], constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990). Many authors (e.g., Wetmore 1957, Wetmore et al. 1984, Ripley in Mayr and Paynter 1964) consider them conspecific, but see Monroe (1968) and Ridgely and Tudor (1989). See comments under *T. nigrescens*. 

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**Turdus maculirostris** Befiepsch and Taczanowski, 1883 [Ecuadorian Robin]; the latter was treated as a species by Ridgely and Tudor (1989) and Sibley and Monroe (1990). See comments under *T. grayi*.
**Turdus rufopalliatus** Lafresnaye. Rufous-backed Robin.


**Habitat.**—*[rufopalliatus group]* Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest (0–2500 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones); *[graysoni group]* Tropical Deciduous Forest.

**Distribution.**—**Resident** *[rufopalliatus group]* from southern Sonora south through Sinaloa, western Durango, Nayarit, Jalisco, Colima, Michoacán, México, Distrito Federal, Morelos, and Guerrero to western Puebla and Oaxaca (east to the Isthmus of Tehuantepec); and *[graysoni group]* in the Tres Marias Islands and, probably, coastal Nayarit (San Blas region).

**Casual** *[rufopalliatus group]* north to southern California (north to Orange and Inyo counties), southern Arizona (north to Phoenix area), southwestern New Mexico, and western Texas (Langtry, Falcon Dam).

**Notes.**—Also known as Rufous-backed Thrush. Phillips (1981) suggested that the two groups represent distinct species, *T. rufopalliatus* [Rufous-backed Robin] and *T. graysoni* (Ridgway, 1882) [Grayson’s Robin], with the latter resident (rather than a casual vagrant) in coastal Nayarit and thus sympatric with the former. See comments under *T. nigrescens*.

**Turdus rufitorques** Hartlaub. Rufous-collared Robin.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Secondary Forest (1500–3300 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—**Resident** in the mountains of Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador, and (possibly as a vagrant only) western and central Honduras (east to Cerro Uyuca).

**Notes.**—*Turdus rufitorques* and *T. migratorius* appear to constitute a superspecies.

**Turdus migratorius** Linnaeus. American Robin.


**Habitat.**—Coniferous and deciduous woodland and edge, parks and suburbs with lawns; in winter, in a variety of habitats with at least some trees, primarily where fruiting trees and shrubs are present (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** *[migratorius group]* from western and northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northern Quebec, Labrador, and Newfoundland south to southern Alaska (west to the Alaska Peninsula and Kodiak Island), southern California (rarely southeastern desert regions), northern Baja California, southern Nevada, central and southeastern Arizona, northern Sonora, in the mountains of Mexico to central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec) and west-central Veracruz, and to central and southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and (casually) central Florida.

**Winters** *[migratorius group]* from southern Alaska (casually) and southernmost Canada and northern United States south to southern Baja California (casually to Guadalupe Island), throughout Mexico (rarely to the Yucatan Peninsula, and Cozumel and Holbox islands) to Guatemala, and to southern Texas, the Gulf coast, southern Florida, Bermuda, and (at least irregularly) western Cuba, casually to the northern Bahama Islands (south to San Salvador).

**Resident** *[confinis group]* in the mountains of southern Baja California (Cape San Lucas district).

Casual or accidental *[migratorius group]* in the Pribilofs (St. Paul), Aleutians (Amchitka), Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, and continental Europe; sight reports from Jamaica, Dominican Republic, Mona Island, and Puerto Rico.

**Notes.**—Formerly known in American literature as the Robin. Groups: *T. migratorius* [American Robin] and *T. confinis* Baird, 1864 [San Lucas Robin]. See comments under *T. rufitorques*. 

Turdus swalesi (Wetmore). La Selle Thrush.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (1400–2100 m).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of Hispaniola.

Turdus aurantius Gmelin. White-chinned Thrush.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1800 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Jamaica.

†Turdus ravidus (Cory). Grand Cayman Thrush.

Mimocichla ravida Cory, 1886, Auk 3: 499. (Island of Grand Cayman, West Indies.)

Habitat.—Woodland.

Distribution.—EXTINCT. Formerly resident on Grand Cayman, in the Cayman Islands. Last recorded in 1938 in the eastern part of the island; several recent thorough searches have had negative results.

Notes.—Turdus ravidus and T. plumbeus are sometimes placed in the genus Mimocichla; the two species appear to constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Turdus plumbeus Linnaeus. Red-legged Thrush.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m).

Distribution.—Resident [plumbeus group] in the northern Bahama Islands (south to Andros and Cat Island), Cuba (and nearby cays), the Isle of Pines, Cayman Islands (Cayman Brac, with reports from Grand Cayman based on an escaped individual), and (formerly) the Swan Islands (in the western Caribbean Sea); and [ardosiaceus group] in Hispaniola (including Gonâve, Tortue, and Saona islands), Puerto Rico, and Dominica (in the Lesser Antilles).


Genus CICHLHERMINIA Bonaparte


Cichlherminia therminieri (Lafresnaye). Forest Thrush.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m).

Distribution.—Resident in the Lesser Antilles (Montserrat, Guadeloupe, Dominica, and St. Lucia).

Genus IXOREUS Bonaparte


Notes.—This genus and Ridgwayia are sometimes merged in the Old World genus Zoothera Vigors, 1832 (e.g., Ripley in Mayr and Paynter 1964).

Ixoreus naevius (Gmelin). Varied Thrush.


Habitat.—Humid coastal and interior montane coniferous forest, deciduous forest with dense understory (especially alder); in migration and winter, also open woodland and chaparral, but favors shady, cool areas.

Distribution.—Breeds from western and northern Alaska, northern Yukon, and northwestern and western Mackenzie south through central and southern Alaska (west to the base of the Alaska Peninsula and Kodiak Island), British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte and Vancouver islands), west-central Alberta, westernmost Montana, northern Idaho, Washington, and Oregon (except southeastern portion) to extreme northwestern California (Del Norte and Humboldt counties), casually to west-central California (San Mateo and Santa Cruz counties).

Winters from southern Alaska (coastally west to Kodiak Island), coastal and southern British Columbia, northern Idaho, and western Montana (rarely) south through Washington, Oregon, Utah, and California to northern Baja California and Arizona.

Casual widely in eastern North America from southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, Manitoba, central Ontario, southwestern Quebec, Maine, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south to New Mexico, Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Tennessee, Alabama, and in Atlantic coastal states from New Jersey south to southern Florida; also on Guadalupe Island, off southern Baja California. Accidental in Great Britain.

Genus RIDGWAYIA Stejneger


Notes.—See comments under Ixoreus.

Ridgwayia pinicola (Sclater). Aztec Thrush.


Habitat.—Pine-Oak Forest, Pine Forest (1850–3100 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains from southern Chihuahua and west-central Coahuila south through Sinaloa, Durango, Nayarit, Jalisco, Michoacán, Guerrero, the Distrito Federal, Hidalgo, and Puebla to west-central Veracruz and central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec).

Casual in southeastern Arizona and western Texas (Chisos Mountains); sight reports for southeastern Texas (Port Aransas) and eastern San Luis Potosí (near El Naranjo).

Family TIMALIIDAE: Babblers

Notes.—DNA-DNA hybridization data (Sibley and Ahlquist 1990) suggest that the Timaliidae are more closely related to the Sylviidae than is indicated by their traditional placement next to the Turdidae. See comments under Sylviidae.

Genus GARRULAX Lesson

Garrulax Lesson, 1831, Traité Ornithol., livr. 8, p. 647. Type, by subsequent designation (Ripley, 1961), Garrulax rufifrons Lesson.
Garrulax pectoralis (Gould). Greater Necklaced Laughingthrush.


**Habitat.**—Lowland humid forest of monkeypod, hau, and kukui; in native range, forest and dense second-growth.

**Distribution.**—Resident from the Himalayan region of southwestern China and Nepal southeast to northern Burma, northern Thailand, northern Laos, and southeastern China (including Hainan).

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (possibly as early as 1920, on Kauai).

**Notes.**—Also known as Black-gorgeted Laughingthrush.

Garrulax canorus (Linnaeus). Hwamei.


**Habitat.**—Forest and scrub; in Hawaii, also wooded suburbs.

**Distribution.**—Resident from central to southeastern China (including Taiwan and Hainan).

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (in 1900), where common on Kauai, Maui, and Hawaii, and uncommon or local on Oahu and Molokai.

**Notes.**—Also known as Melodious Laughingthrush, Spectacled Laughingthrush, Hwamei Laughingthrush, Chinese Thrush, or Hwa-mei.

Genus LEIOTHRIX Swainson


*Leiothrix lutea* (Scopoli). Red-billed Leiothrix.


**Habitat.**—Forest and dense second growth.

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Himalayas from Nepal and northern India east to northern Burma and central China.

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (in 1918, now common on Molokai, Maui, and Hawaii, formerly common but now rare on Kauai and Oahu).

**Notes.**—Also known as Pekin Nightingale, Pekin Robin, or Japanese Hillrobin.

Genus CHAMAEA Gambel


**Notes.**—This genus was formerly placed in the monotypic family Chamaeidae; see Sibley and Ahlquist (1982b) for placement in the Timaliidae.

Chamaea fasciata (Gambel). Wrentit.


**Habitat.**—Chaparral, coastal sage scrub, and brushy areas, primarily in lowlands; locally in suburbs with dense shrub layer.

**Distribution.**—Resident in coastal regions from northwestern Oregon south to northwestern Baja California (south to lat. 30°N.), and in interior regions of northern and central California.
Family ZOSTEROPIDAE: White-eyes

Notes.—DNA-DNA hybridization data (Sibley and Ahlquist 1990) suggest that the Zosteropidae are more closely related to Sylviinae, Timaliidae, and Pycnonotidae than is indicated by their traditional placement near the Nectariniidae and Meliphagidae (the latter placed next to the Laniidae in our arrangement).

Genus ZOSTEROPS Vigors and Horsfield


Zosterops japonicus Temminck and Schlegel, 1847, in Siebold, Fauna Jpn., Aves, p. 57, pl. 22. (Japon = Decima, Nagasaki, Japan.)

Habitat.—Forest, second growth, and scrub, from sea level to the upper limit of forest, also cultivated lands and gardens.

Distribution.—Resident from eastern China, Taiwan, and Japan south to northern Indochina, southern China, Hainan, the northern Philippines, and the Ryukyu and Volcano islands. Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (in 1929, now widespread and common on the main islands from Kauai eastward).

Notes.—Also known as Chinese White-eye. Zosterops japonicus is sometimes regarded as conspecific with Z. palpebrosus (Temminck, 1824), of India and Southeast Asia, but the two species overlap in southern China.

Family MIMIDAE: Mockingbirds and Thrashers

Notes.—Morphological (Beecher 1953b) and biochemical (Stallcup 1961, Sibley and Ahlquist 1980, 1984, 1985, 1990) data support a close relationship between the Mimidae and Sturnidae, contrary to the traditional placement of the Mimidae near Turdidae or Trogloidyidae.

Genus DUMETELLA Wood


Notes.—See comments under Melanoptila.

Dumetella carolinensis (Linnaeus). Gray Catbird.


Habitat.—Thickets, dense brushy areas, undergrowth of forest edge, hedgerows, and suburbs with dense shrub layer.

Distribution.—Breeds from southern British Columbia (except Vancouver Island), central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, south-central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south to central New Mexico (locally), north-central and eastern Texas, the Gulf states, and northern Florida (casually farther south), and west to eastern Washington, northeastern Oregon, southern Idaho, north-central Utah, and central and northeastern Arizona; also in Bermuda. Winters from north-central and eastern Texas, southern Arkansas (rare), the central portions of the Gulf states, central Georgia, and in the Atlantic coastal lowlands from southern New England (casually north to Montana, South Dakota, the northern United States from Minnesota eastward, southern Ontario, and Quebec; many records to December only) south along the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America (also on the Pacific slope of southern Oaxaca,
and casually in the interior of Guatemala, Honduras, and Costa Rica) to central Panama (east to the Canal area), and in Bermuda, the Bahamas, Greater Antilles (Cuba, the Isle of Pines, rarely Jamaica, Hispaniola, and Tortue Island), the Cayman Islands, Puerto Rico, and islands in the western Caribbean Sea (San Andrés, Providencia).

Casual in east-central and southeastern Alaska, northeastern British Columbia, northern Manitoba, northeastern Ontario, California, Nevada, Arizona, the Lesser Antilles (Anguilla), and northern Colombia; a sight report from southern Baja California. Accidental in James Bay (North Twin Island), the British Isles, and Germany.

Notes.—Also known as Common Catbird, Northern Catbird, and the Catbird.

Genus MELANOPTILA Sclater


Notes.—This genus is sometimes merged in Dumetella (e.g., Paynter 1955).

Melanoptila glabrirostris Sclater. Black Catbird.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in the Yucatan Peninsula (including Cozumel and Mujeres islands, and Cayo Culebra), northern Guatemala (Petén), Belize, and (questionably) extreme northern Honduras (Omoa).

Accidental in southern Texas (Brownsville).

Genus MIMUS Boie

Mimus Boie, 1826, Isis von Oken, col. 972. Type, by monotypy, Turdus polyglottos Linnaeus.

Mimus polyglottos (Linnaeus). Northern Mockingbird.


Habitat.—A variety of open and partly open situations from areas of scattered brush or trees to forest edge and semi-desert (absent from forest interior), especially in scrub, thickets, gardens, towns, and around cultivated areas; in many areas, virtually restricted to the vicinity of human habitations during breeding season (Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds regularly from northern California, northwestern Nevada, northern Utah, southeastern Wyoming, southwestern South Dakota, eastern Nebraska, southern Iowa, central Illinois, southern Michigan, northern Ohio, extreme southern Ontario, central Pennsylvania, New York, and New England, sporadically or locally north to southwestern British Columbia, Washington, southern Idaho, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, central and northeastern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and (casually) Newfoundland, south to southern Baja California (including many offshore islands), through Mexico (including the Tres Marias Islands, and on Socorro Island in the Revillagigedos, where possibly introduced) to Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec) and Veracruz, and to southeastern Texas, the Gulf coast, southern Florida (including the Florida Keys), the Bahama Islands, and Greater Antilles (east to Anegada in the Virgin Islands, and recently on Little Cayman in the Cayman Islands).

Winters primarily from northern California, southern Nevada, southwestern Utah, Arizona, southern New Mexico, southeastern Colorado, Kansas, southeastern Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, southern New York, and southern Maine through remainder of breeding range. Small numbers winter sporadically farther north through remainder of breeding range; northern limits of winter distribution have expanded in recent decades. The suggestion by
Phillips (1986) that northernmost records pertain to escapes from captivity is highly questionable.

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (main islands from Kauai eastward, wandering casually west to French Frigate Shoals), and in Bermuda; an introduced population in Barbados, in the Lesser Antilles, has become extirpated.


Notes.—Also known as the Mockingbird and Common Mockingbird. _Mimus polyglottos_ and _M. gilvus_ hybridize, occasionally but not freely, in Oaxaca and Veracruz (Wetmore 1943, Davis and Miller in Mayr and Greenway 1960). Therefore, we follow most recent authors (e.g., Binford 1989, Sibley and Monroe 1990) in treating the two as separate species that form a superspecies (cf. Phillips 1962, 1986).

_Mimus gilvus_ (Vieillot). Tropical Mockingbird.


**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Second-growth Scrub, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–2600 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [gilvus group] locally from eastern Oaxaca (Isthmus of Tehuantepec) and extreme southern Veracruz south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula and adjacent islands of Mujeres, Holbox, and Cozumel) to Honduras, and in the southern Lesser Antilles (from Guadeloupe, Desirade, and Antigua southward), and in South America from northern Colombia, Venezuela (including islands from the Netherlands Antilles east to Tobago and Trinidad) and the Guianas south to northern Amazonian Brazil and along the coast to southeastern Brazil; and [magnirostris group] on Isla San Andres, in the western Caribbean Sea.

Introduced and established [gilvus group] in central Panama (Canal area and adjacent regions of Colón and Panamá provinces); introductions on Barbados and Nevis, in the Lesser Antilles, have failed.

Notes.—Groups: _M. gilvus_ [Tropical Mockingbird] and _M. magnirostris_ Cory, 1887 [St. Andrew Mockingbird]. See comments under _M. polyglottos_.


_Mimus Gundlachii_ Cabanis, 1855, J. Ornithol. 3: 470. (Cuba.)

**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Second-growth Scrub, Tropical Deciduous Forest Edge, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge.

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Bahama Islands, on cays off the northern coast of Cuba (Cayo Tío Pepe east to Cayo Coco), and along the arid coast of southern Jamaica (Hellshire Hills and Portland Point).

Occurs regularly and apparently with increasing frequency in southern Florida (including the Florida Keys).

Genus _OREOSCOPTES_ Baird


_Oreoscoptes montanus_ (Townsend). Sage Thrasher.


**Habitat.**—Sagebrush plains or slopes; in migration and winter, also arid scrub, grassland with scattered bushes, open pinyon-Juniper woodland, primarily in arid or semi-arid situations.
**Distribution.**—Breeds from extreme south-central British Columbia, central Idaho, southwestern, and south-central Montana (also locally in southeastern Alberta and southwestern Saskatchewan), northern and southeastern Wyoming, Colorado, and southwestern South Dakota (rare) south through eastern Washington and eastern Oregon to east-central California (Inyo County, formerly to Ventura and San Bernardino counties), southern Nevada, northeastern Arizona, west-central and northern New Mexico, northern Texas (possibly), western Oklahoma (possibly), and (casually) southwestern Kansas.

Winters from east of the Sierras in southern California (rarely), southern Nevada, northern Arizona, central New Mexico, central Texas, and southwestern Oklahoma south to southern Baja California, northern Sonora, Chihuahua, Durango, Guanajuato, northern Nuevo León, northern Tamaulipas, and southern Texas. Casual in southwestern California and Colorado.

Migrates through much of Great Basin and western Great Plains, including areas away from breeding localities, and northern Mexico, casually north to Alberta and northern Montana, and east to southern Manitoba, the Dakotas, western Nebraska, western Kansas, and in the Gulf region from eastern Texas and northeastern Arkansas east to northwestern Florida (recorded east to Gilchrist County).

Casual to southwestern British Columbia, western Washington, western Oregon, and coastal California (including Channel Islands), east across southern Manitoba and the Great Lakes region (western and southern Ontario, Minnesota, Wisconsin, northern Illinois, Michigan) to the Atlantic coastal region (recorded from Massachusetts south to North Carolina). Accidental on Guadalupe Island.

**Genus MIMODES Ridgway**


*Mimodes graysoni* (Lawrence). Socorro Mockingbird.


Habitat.—Arid Lowland Scrub (0–700 m)

Distribution.—Resident on Socorro Island, in the Revillagigedo Islands, off western Mexico.

Notes.—Also known as Socorro Thrasher.

**Genus TOXOSTOMA Wagler**


*Toxostoma rufum* (Linnaeus). Brown Thrasher.


Habitat.—Thickets and bushy areas in deciduous or mixed forest clearings and forest edge, shrubby areas, and suburbs with extensive shrubs.

Distribution.—Breeds from east-central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, central Ontario, southwestern Quebec, Vermont, New Hampshire, southern Maine, and southern New Brunswick south to east-central Texas (south to Nueces County), the Gulf coast, and southern Florida (including the Florida Keys), and west to western Montana, eastern Wyoming, and eastern Colorado.

Winters in southeastern Arizona, central and southern New Mexico, and from western and northern Texas, eastern Oklahoma, southern Missouri, western Tennessee, central Kentucky, North Carolina, and southern Maryland (casually north to southern Ontario, and the northern United States from Montana eastward) south to southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida.
Casual from northern and east-central Alaska, southern British Columbia, northern Mani- 
toba, Washington, Idaho, and Utah south to southern California, northern Sonora, Sinaloa, 
Nayarit, and Tamaulipas, and to Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, the 
Bahama Islands (Grand Bahama, Harbour Island), and western Cuba. Accidental in southern 
Hudson Bay, Bermuda, Curaçao, the British Isles, and Germany.

Notes.—Toxostoma rufum, T. longirostre, and T. guttatum constitute a superspecies (Mayr 
and Short 1970).

Toxostoma longirostre (Lafresnaye). Long-billed Thrasher.

Californie = Mexico.)

Habitat.—Riparian Thickets, Arid Lowland Scrub, Tropical Deciduous Forest Edge (0– 
1550 m; Subtropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident from primarily in Gulf lowlands in northeastern Coahuila, north-
ern Nuevo León, and southern Texas (north to the Midland and San Antonio areas) south 
to eastern San Luis Potosí, northern Querétaro, northeastern Hidalgo, northeastern Puebla, 
and central Veracruz.

Casual in southeastern Coahuila. Accidental in Colorado (Jefferson County and Barr) and 
southeastern Veracruz.

Notes.—See comments under T. rufum.

Toxostoma guttatum (Ridgway). Cozumel Thrasher.

Yucatán.)

Habitat.—Arid Lowland Scrub, Tropical Deciduous Forest Edge (Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident on Cozumel Island, off Quintana Roo.

Notes.—See comments under T. rufum.

Toxostoma cinereum (Xántus de Vesey). Gray Thrasher.

(1859): 298. (Cape St. Lucas, Lower California.)

Habitat.—Arid Lowland Scrub (Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in Baja California from lat. 31°7' N. (on the Pacific coast) and 
Animas Bay (on the east coast) south to Cape San Lucas.

Notes.—Also known as San Lucas Thrasher. Toxostoma cinereum and T. bendirei appear 
to constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

Toxostoma bendirei (Coues). Bendire’s Thrasher.

Harporhynchus Bendirei Coues, 1873, Amer. Nat. 7: 330 (footnote). (Tucson, 
Ariz[ona].)

Habitat.—Desert, primarily in areas with tall open vegetation, cholla cactus, Joshua trees, 
and yucca, and adjacent juniper woodland, locally in agricultural areas with adjacent scrub 
and arid grassland with scattered bushes and yuccas.

Distribution.—Breeds from southeastern California (primarily northeastern and south-
central San Bernardino County), southern Nevada, southern Utah, south-central Colorado 
(Saguache and Costilla counties), and western and central New Mexico (east to Sandoval 
and Socorro counties) south to central Sonora.

Winters from southern Arizona, and extreme southwestern New Mexico south through 
Sonora to northern Sinaloa.

Casual to coastal southern California (including Channel Islands), primarily in fall (when 
rare but regular), north to central California (to the Farallon Islands, and Marin and Sac-
ramento counties) and north-central Utah, east-central and southwestern Colorado, and south-
ern Sinaloa. Accidental in Alberta (Jasper); sight reports for Saskatchewan and northeastern Baja California.

Notes.—See comments under *T. cinereum*.

**Toxostoma ocellatum** (Sclater). Ocellated Thrasher.


Habitat.—Arid Montane Scrub, Pine-Oak Forest (1500–3000 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—*Resident* in the interior of central Mexico from northeastern Guanajuato and west-central Hidalgo south through México, Puebla, and west-central Veracruz to central Oaxaca (east to Santiago Matatlán area).

Notes.—*Toxostoma ocellatum* and *T. curvirostre* appear to constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Toxostoma curvirostre** (Swainson). Curve-billed Thrasher.

*Orpheus curvirostris* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 369. (Table land, Mexico.)

Habitat.—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub; primarily in areas with relatively dense vegetation, but locally in desert grassland with scattered cactus; also in suburbs of desert towns (0–3300 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—*Resident* from northwestern Arizona, central and northeastern New Mexico, southeastern Colorado, western Oklahoma, extreme southwestern Kansas, and western and central Texas (east to Travis and Refugio counties) south to northwestern Nayarit (including San Esteban and Tiburón islands off Sonora), through the Mexican Plateau to central Oaxaca (east to San Pedro Totolapan area) and Veracruz, and to central Tamaulipas.

Wanders casually west to southeastern California, and east to South Dakota, southwestern Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, central Kansas, central Oklahoma, eastern Texas, and southwestern Louisiana; also southwestern Wisconsin (Buffalo County, present four years). Casual in Idaho and western Florida (Santa Rosa County and St. George Island); a sight report for southwestern Saskatchewan.

Notes.—See comments under *T. ocellatum*.

**Toxostoma redivivum** (Gambel). California Thrasher.


Habitat.—Lowland and coastal chaparral, riparian woodland thickets, and locally in suburbs with extensive shrubs.

Distribution.—*Resident* in California north to Humboldt and Shasta counties (west of the Cascades-Sierra Nevada and the deserts), and in northwestern Baja California (south to lat. 30° N.).

Casual in southwestern Oregon (Medford, O’Brien).

Notes.—*Toxostoma redivivum* and *T. crissale* appear to constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Toxostoma crissale** Henry. Crissal Thrasher.


Habitat.—Riparian Thickets, Arid Montane Scrub, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–2400 m).

Distribution.—*Resident* from southeastern California (north to southern Inyo County), southern Nevada, southwestern Utah, northwestern and central Arizona, central New Mexico, and western Texas south to northeastern Baja California, central Sonora, and central Chihuahua, and locally south in the Mexican Plateau to central Mexico (recorded Coahuila,
FAMILY MIMIDAE


Notes.—The long-used specific name dorsale has been suppressed by the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature (I.C.Z.N. 1983) in favor of crissale, which was originally intended by Henry (see Hubbard 1976). See comments under T. redivivum.

Toxostoma lecontei Lawrence. Le Conte’s Thrasher.

Toxostoma Le Conte Lawrence, 1851, Ann. Lyc. Nat. Hist. N. Y. 5: 121. (California near the junction of the Gila and Colorado Rivers = Fort Yuma, California.) Phillips (1986) considered the type locality to be the Gila River, Arizona, but we continue to follow Grinnell (1932).

Habitat.—Relatively barren, open desert scrub, particularly saltbush and creosote bush associations with dry, sandy washes.

Distribution.—Resident [lecontei group] in southern California (the Carrizo Plain of eastern San Luis Obispo County, and the San Joaquin Valley desert from Fresno County south to Kern County); and from eastern California (east of the Sierra Nevada north to southern Mono and Inyo counties), southern Nevada, southwestern Utah, and western and south-central Arizona south to northeastern Baja California and western Sonora; and [arenicola group] in west-central Baja California (Pacific coast from lat. 29° N. south to lat. 26° N.).

Casual [lecontei group] in northwestern Arizona.

Notes.—Groups: T. lecontei [Le Conte’s Thrasher] and T. arenicola (Anthony, 1897) [Rosalia Thrasher]; see Zink et al. (1997).

Genus RAMPHOCINCLUS Lafresnaye


Ramphocinclus brachyurus (Vieillot). White-breasted Thrasher.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–300 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Martinique and St. Lucia, in the Lesser Antilles.

Genus MELANOTIS Bonaparte


Melanotis caerulescens (Swainson). Blue Mockingbird.

Orpheus caerulescens Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 369. (Table land, Mexico.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Pine-Oak Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–3200 m; upper Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident from central Sonora, southwestern Chihuahua, western Durango, Sinaloa, Nayarit (including the Tres Marias Islands), Jalisco, Guanajuato, eastern San Luis Potosí, and southern Tamaulipas south to central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec) and central Veracruz. Some nonbreeding dispersal into adjacent lowlands.

Casual in southern Arizona (Patagonia, Cave Creek Canyon; photographs published in Amer. Birds 46: 332, 1992, and in DeBenedictis 1996), southern Nuevo León, and (questionably) western Chiapas (Ocozocuautla).

Notes.—Melanotis caerulescens and M. hypoleucus constitute a superspecies (Sibley and
Melanotis hypoleucus Hartlaub. Blue-and-white Mockingbird.

*Melanotis hypoleucus* Hartlaub, 1852, Rev. Mag. Zool. (2): 460. (Guatemala.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Pine-Oak Forest, Secondary Forest (900–3000 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador, and western Honduras (east to the Tegucigalpa region).

**Notes.**—See comments under *M. caerulescens*.

**Genus MARGAROPS** Sclater


*Allenia* Cory, 1891, Auk 8: 42. Type, by original designation, *Turdus montanus* Laffresnaye = *Muscicapa fusca* Müller.

**Margarops fuscus** (Müller). Scaly-breasted Thrasher.

*Muscicapa fusca* P. L. S. Müller, 1776, Natursyst., Suppl., p. 170. (Martinique.)

**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–900 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Lesser Antilles (St. Martin, Saba, St. Eustatius, and Barbuda south to Grenada and Barbados, possibly extirpated on Barbuda and Grenada).

Casual in the Grenadines.

**Notes.**—Often treated in the monotypic genus *Allenia* (e.g., Davis and Miller in Mayr and Greenway 1960).

**Margarops fuscatus** (Vieillot). Pearly-eyed Thrasher.


**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–900 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the southern Bahama Islands (north to Eleuthera), Hispaniola (questionably on the mainland, but found on Beata Island), Puerto Rico (including Mona, Desecheo, Vieques, Culebra, and Culebrita islands), the Virgin Islands, and Lesser Antilles (south to St. Lucia); and on islands north of Venezuela from Bonaire east to Los Hermanos. Accidental (possibly formerly resident) on Barbados.

**Genus CINCLOCERTHIA** Gray


**Cinclocerthia ruficauda** (Gould). Brown Trembler.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–900 m).
**Family STURNIDAE**

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Lesser Antilles from Saba, St. Eustatius (where possibly extirpated), and St. Kitts south to Dominica, and on St. Vincent.

**Notes.**—Although *C. ruficauda* and *C. gutturalis* usually have been considered conspecific (*Cinclocerthia ruficauda*, Trembler), we treat these distinctive forms as allospecies (Storer 1989).

*Cinclocerthia gutturalis* (Lafresnaye). Gray Trembler.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–900 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Lesser Antilles on Martinique and St. Lucia.

**Notes.**—See comments under *C. ruficauda*.

Family **STURNIDAE**: Starlings

**Notes.**—See comments under Mimidae.

**Genus STURNUS** Linnaeus


**Sturnus vulgaris** Linnaeus. European Starling.

*Sturnus vulgaris* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 167. (in Europa, Africa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Generally in human-disturbed habitats, including cultivated lands, pastures, suburbs, and cities; usually avoids natural, undisturbed areas such as forest, grasslands, and desert.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from Iceland, the Faeroe and Shetland islands, northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, and central Siberia south to the Azores, southern Europe, Asia Minor, Iran, the Himalayas, northern Mongolia, and Lake Baikal.

**Winters** from the breeding range south to northern Africa, India, and northeastern China (casually to Thailand).

Casual in Labrador (about 1878) and Greenland (regularly).

Introduced in the United States (New York City, 1890); now breeds from east-central and southeastern Alaska, southern Yukon, northern British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte Islands), southern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northern Quebec, southern Labrador, and Newfoundland south to central Baja California, northern Sinaloa, southern New Mexico, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, southern Florida (to Key West), and Bermuda, with an isolated population in Mexico City and a breeding record from Veracruz. Winters throughout the breeding range and south to Veracruz, the Bahama Islands (south to Grand Turk), and eastern Cuba. Also introduced and established on Jamaica and Puerto Rico, and in South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, and Polynesia. Reported casually in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu), on Bermuda, in the Virgin Islands (St. Croix), the Cayman Islands (Cayman Brac), and in the summer north to western and northern Alaska, northern Mackenzie, and Southampton Island; an individual recorded in Panama (Canal area) was questionably a natural vagrant.

**Notes.**—Also known as the Starling or Common Starling. *Sturnus vulgaris* and *S. unicolor* Temminck, 1820 [Spotless Starling], of the western Mediterranean region, constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Genus ACRIDOTHERES** Vieillot

**Acridotheres tristis** (Linnaeus). Common Myna.


**Habitat.**—Open country, forest edge, agricultural areas, and suburbs; in Asia, open country, primarily in the vicinity of human habitation.

**Distribution.**—Resident from eastern Iran, Turkestan, and the Himalayas south to India, Sri Lanka, southeastern Asia, and the Andaman Islands.

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (in 1865, now abundant on all main islands from Kauai eastward, and recently on Midway), South Africa, Malaya, Australia, New Zealand, and on many islands in the South Atlantic, Indian, and Pacific oceans; a population in southern Florida known since 1983 is increasing and expanding (Stevenson and Anderson 1994).

**Notes.**—Also known as Indian Myna or House Myna.

**Acridotheres cristatellus** (Linnaeus). Crested Myna.


**Habitat.**—Open country, cultivated lands, and around human habitation.

**Distribution.**—Resident in central and eastern China, Taiwan, and northern Indochina.

Introduced and established in southwestern British Columbia (Vancouver region), Japan, and the Philippines (Luzon). Reports in northwestern Oregon (Portland) and Florida (Dade County) are based on escaped cage birds. Also reported in Puerto Rico, status uncertain.

Genus *GRACULA* Linnaeus


**Gracula religiosa** Linnaeus. Hill Myna.

*Gracula religiosa* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 108. (in Asia = Java.)

**Habitat.**—Primarily open woodland; in Old World, forest, second growth, and scrub.

**Distribution.**—Resident [*religiosa* group] from India (except southern peninsular), southeastern Asia, extreme southern China, and Hainan south to the Andaman and Nicobar islands, and the East Indies (east to Palawan and Alor); and [*indica* group] in southern peninsular India and Sri Lanka.

Introduced and established [*religiosa* group] in Puerto Rico (casual vagrant to Mona and Vieques islands), and in the Indian Ocean on Christmas Island; escapes in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu, 1960 and 1961) and southern Florida have persisted for years without evidence of establishment.

**Notes.**—Also known as Talking Myna or Indian Hill Myna and, in Old World literature, as the Grackle. Groups: *G. religiosa* [Eastern Hill-Myna] and *G. indica* (Cuvier, 1829) [Southern Hill-Myna].

Family **PRUNELLIDAE**: Accentors

**Notes.**—Sibley and Ahlquist (1981a, 1990) provided evidence from DNA-DNA hybridization indicating that this family is most closely related to the Ploceidae and, along with the Motacillidae, belongs to a group of families that includes the nine-primaried oscines.

Genus *PRUNELLA* Vieillot

*Prunella* Vieillot, 1816, Analyse, p. 43. Type, by monotypy, “Fauvette de haie” Buffon = *Motacilla modularis* Linnaeus.
Prunella montanella (Pallas). Siberian Accentor.


Habitat.—Breeds in open coniferous or mixed woodland (spruce, birch) and riverine scrub; in winter, open woodland with scrub and second growth.

Distribution.—Breeds in the mountains of Siberia.

Winters from southern Manchuria and Japan south to central China, in migration occurring through Mongolia.

Casual in Alaska (Point Barrow, St. Lawrence and Nunivak islands, and Shemya in the Aleutians); sight reports from Fairbanks, Kenai Peninsula, and Juneau. Accidental in British Columbia, Washington, and Idaho.

Notes.—Also known as Mountain Accentor.

Family MOTACILLIDAE: Wagtails and Pipits

Notes.—For relationships of the family, see Sibley and Ahlquist (1981b, 1990) and comments under Prunellidae.

Genus MOTACILLA Linnaeus

Motacilla Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 184. Type, by tautonymy, Motacilla alba Linnaeus (Motacilla, prebinomial specific name, listed in synonymy).

Motacilla flava Linnaeus. Yellow Wagtail.

Motacilla flava Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 185. (in Europa = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Breeds in tundra with thickets of dwarf willow or birch; in Eurasia, also wet meadows, moorlands, edges of wetlands, and coastal scrub; in winter, cultivated fields, moist grassy fields, and mudflats, often roosting in reedbeds and cane-fields. Often associated with livestock.

Distribution.—Breeds in North America in northern and western Alaska (south to St. Lawrence and Nunivak islands, and on the mainland to the Nushagak River), northern Yukon, and extreme northwestern Mackenzie; and in the Palearctic from the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to northwestern Africa, the Mediterranean region, Asia Minor, Iran, Turkestan, northern Mongolia, central Manchuria, Kamchatka, and the Kuril and Commander islands.

Winters in the Old World from northern Africa, India, Southeast Asia, eastern China, and the Philippines south to southern Africa, the East Indies, and (rarely) northern Australia. Migrates regularly through coastal western Alaska and the western Aleutians, and in the Old World throughout Europe, the Mediterranean region, and Asia (except unsuitable regions in central Asia and the Himalayas), including Japan and Korea.

Casual in the western Aleutians, Pribilof Islands, central and south-coastal Alaska, central Yukon, British Columbia, western Washington, California, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, northern Scandinavia, the eastern Atlantic islands, and New Guinea; a sight report from Alabama.

Notes.—Variation in this species is complex, and relationships between morphologically distinguishable groups are uncertain (Sammalisto 1961, Vaurie 1957b, 1959). If more than one species is recognized, North American populations and records would pertain to the eastern Eurasian M. tschutschensis Gmelin, 1789 [Alaska Yellow-Wagtail].

Motacilla citreola Pallas. Citrine Wagtail.


Habitat.—Wet meadows, marshes, scrubby tundra, and along banks of slow streams and lakes, almost always near water; in winter, marshes, edges of wetlands, irrigated ricefields, and reedbeds.
Distribution.—Breeds in central Eurasia from Russia to Siberia, Mongolia, and China, south to northern Afghanistan and through the Himalayas to the Tibetan plateau.  
Winters to Iran, southern Afghanistan, India, northern Thailand, and Burma.  

Motacilla cinerea Tunstall. Gray Wagtail.  
Motacilla Cinerea Tunstall, 1771, Ornithol. Br., p. 2. Based on the “Gray Water Wagtail” Pennant, Br. Zool., and “La Bergeronette jaune” Brisson, Ornithologie 3: 471, pl. 23, fig. 3. (No locality given = Wycliffe, Yorkshire, England.)  

Habitat.—Along watercourses, most frequently swift flowing streams in mountainous country, less frequently along seashores or sluggish streams, in open country such as pastures and meadows with nearby rocky areas and brush nearby, and around human habitation; in winter, primarily open areas in lowlands next to shorelines with little or no vegetation.  

Distribution.—Breeds from the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, central Russia, and central Siberia south to the eastern Atlantic islands, northwestern Africa, the Mediterranean region, Asia Minor, Iran, the Himalayas, northern Mongolia, Manchuria, northern Korea, and Japan.  
Winters from northern Africa, Arabia, Iraq, southern Iran, Afghanistan, India, Southeast Asia, southern China, and Taiwan south to central Africa, Sri Lanka, the Malay Peninsula, East Indies, and western New Guinea.  
Migrates casually (primarily in spring) through the Commander and western Aleutians (Attu, Agattu, Shemya, Buldir, Amchitka), occasionally reaching the Pribilofs (St. Paul) and St. Lawrence Island.  
A sight report for California (Salinas River).

Motacilla alba Linnaeus. White Wagtail.  
Motacilla alba Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 185. (in Europa = Sweden.)  

Habitat.—Arctic coastal cliffs, villages, and debris, locally gravel flats of rivers; in Eurasia, almost any kind of open country from tundra and desert edge to margins of watercourses, towns, and cultivated areas. Often associated with livestock.  

Distribution.—Breeds [alba group] in North America in western Alaska from Cape Lisburne south to St. Lawrence Island and Norton Sound, probably farther south; and in the Old World from Greenland, Iceland, and northern Eurasia south (except most of British Isles) to the northern Mediterranean region, Asia Minor, southern Russia, southern Siberia, and northern China; [yarrelli group] in the British Isles, rarely the adjacent coasts of continental Europe; and [personata group] in Iran, extreme southern Russia, western China, and Pakistan.  
Winters [alba group] from the southern parts of the breeding range in Eurasia south to southern Africa, the coasts of the Indian Ocean, East Indies, and Philippines.  
Migrates [alba group] through the eastern Atlantic islands, and islands from Japan south to the Philippines.  
Resident [subpersonata group] in Morocco.  
Casual or accidental [alba group] in the Pribilofs, central Alaska (Fairbanks), Washington (Whidbey Island), California (Point Piedra Blanca, Oxnard), Louisiana (Cameron Parish), and Baja California (La Paz); sight reports for British Columbia, Sonora, and Trinidad. An old report from northern Quebec is questionable. See further comments under M. lugens.  


Motacilla lugens Gloger, 1829, Isis von Oken, col. 771. (Kamchatka.)

**Habitat.**—Primarily near seacoasts, also in forest edge, second-growth woodland, and around towns and human habitation.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* occasionally in western and southwestern Alaska (Nome, and Attu in Aleutian Islands), and in eastern Asia from southern Ussuriland, Sakhalin, Kamchatka, and (possibly) the Commander Islands south to the Kuril Islands and northern Japan.

*Winters* from eastern China, Korea, and Japan south to southeastern China, Taiwan, the Seven Islands of Izu and Bonin Islands.

*Migrates* through Manchuria, northeastern China, and (mostly in spring) the western Aleutian Islands (Near Islands, casually east to Amchitka and Adak).

Casual or accidental on St. Lawrence Island, and in southeastern Alaska (Glacier Bay), Oregon (Eugene, Lower Elk River), California (McKinleyville, Tiburon, Watsonville, Port Hueneme), and North Carolina (Cedar Island). Sight reports or photographs of individuals in the Aleutians, southeastern Alaska, British Columbia, western Washington, Arizona (Grand Canyon), and elsewhere in Oregon and California are indeterminate as to species (Morlan 1981), as are sight reports from Michigan and Barbados.

**Notes.**—See comments under *M. alba.*

Genus ANTHUS Bechstein


**Anthus trivialis** (Linnaeus). Tree Pipit.

*Alauda trivialis* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 166. (in Svecia = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Open and partly open situations with scattered trees and bushes.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* through most of Eurasia.

*Winters* south to tropical Africa and India.

Accidental in Alaska (Cape Prince of Wales, 23 June 1972; Kessel 1989).

**Notes.**—Also known as Brown Tree-Pipit.

**Anthus hodgsoni** Richmond. Olive-backed Pipit.

*Anthus maculatus* (not Vieillot, 1818) "Hodgson" Jerdon, 1864, Birds India "3" [= 2 (2)]: 873. (India = Bengal.)


**Habitat.**—Taiga, edges of coniferous and mixed forest, bogs, alpine scrub, and montane forest, including clearings and adjacent meadows; in winter, open woodland, tree plantations, second growth, and farm groves.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from northeastern Russia and central Siberia south to the Himalayas, western China, Mongolia, Japan, and the Kuril Islands.

*Winters* from India, Southeast Asia, eastern China, Korea, and Japan south to southeastern China, the Philippines, Taiwan, and the Ryukyu Islands.

*Migrates* casually through the western Aleutians (Attu, Agattu, Shemya, Buldir), occasionally reaching the Pribilofs (St. Paul) and St. Lawrence Island.

Accidental in Nevada (Reno); a sight report for Baja California and the Hawaiian Islands (Kure).

**Notes.**—Also known as Olive Tree-Pipit, Indian Tree-Pipit, Oriental Tree-Pipit, Hodgson's Tree-Pipit, or Spotted Pipit.

**Anthus gustavi** Swinhoe. Pechora Pipit.


**Habitat.**—Woody and shrubby tundra, swampy scrub, and wet meadows with sedges and reeds; in migration and winter, open woodland and marshes.
Distribution.—Breeds [gustavi group] from northeastern Siberia (east to the Bering Strait) south to Kamchatka and the Commander Islands; and [menzbieri group] in southern Ussuriland.

Winters [gustavi group] from eastern China, Korea, and the Ryukyu Islands south to the East Indies and Moluccas; and [menzbieri group] presumably in southern China.

Casual [gustavi group] in Alaska on St. Lawrence Island and in the western Aleutians (Attu), also in Great Britain, Norway, Finland, Poland, and Iceland.

Notes.—Groups: A. gustavi [Pechora Pipit] and A. menzbieri Shulpin, 1928 [Menzbier’s Pipit].


*Motacilla cervina* Pallas, 1811, Zoogr. Rosso-Asiat. 1: 511. (Siberia near the Kolyma, and Kamchatka = Kolyma.)

Habitat.—Rocky areas with mat tundra in coastal mountains and lowlands; in the Old World, wet grassy areas in tundra; in migration and winter, open grasslands and cultivated fields, most frequently near water.

Distribution.—Breeds in North America in western Alaska (St. Lawrence Island, and on the mainland from Cape Lisburne south to Wales, probably also on Little Diomede and Sledge islands) and possibly northern Yukon; and in Eurasia from northern Scandinavia east across northern Russia and northern Siberia to the Chukotski Peninsula, possibly also Kamchatka and the Kuril Islands.

Winters in the Old World from northern Africa east across Asia Minor, Iran, and India to southeastern China, south to central Africa, Southeast Asia, the East Indies, and Philippines.

Migrates through the western Aleutian islands (east to Shemya and Buldir), and in the Old World through central Eurasia from Italy east to Sakhalin, Korea, the Ryukyu Islands, and Taiwan, rarely through northwestern, central and southern California (in fall primarily along coasts and in the Channel Islands), the Faeroe Islands, and British Isles.

Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Kure), Gulf of Alaska (Middleton Island), northeastern Arizona, Baja California, Colima, and Michoacán; sight reports for British Columbia and Washington.


Habitat.—Tundra, rocky Arctic and alpine slopes, and alpine meadows (breeding); seacoasts, beaches, mudflats, wet meadows, sandy areas, pastures, and cultivated fields (non-breeding).

Distribution.—Breeds in North America throughout Alaska (including the eastern Aleutian Islands), from northern Yukon south through British Columbia, southwestern Alberta, Washington, and western Montana, locally on mountain tops from Oregon, Utah, and Colorado south to California (the Sierra Nevada, and on Mt. San Gorgonio), northern Baja California (possibly), northern Arizona (San Francisco and White mountains), and northern New Mexico, and from the Canadian Arctic islands (northern Banks east to northern Baffin islands) south to south-central and southeastern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northern Manitoba, extreme northern Ontario, southern Labrador, Newfoundland, and, locally, south-eastern Quebec (Gaspé Peninsula), New Hampshire (Mt. Washington), and northern Maine (Mt. Katahdin); and in eastern Siberia west to the Taimyr Peninsula and south to northern Transbaicacia, northern Ussuriland, Sakhalin, Kamchatka, and the Kuril Islands.

Winters in coastal areas north to southern British Columbia and southern New York (casually in Alaska in the Aleutians and on Kodiak Island, and from the southern United States casually in the interior and northeast as far as southern Canada) south to Guatemala, southern Mexico (including the Yucatan Peninsula), the Gulf coast, southern Florida, and (rarely) the West Indies (Bahama Islands south to San Salvador, Jamaica, and Swan, Prov-
idencia, and San Andrés islands); and in eastern Asia south to eastern China, Southeast Asia, Japan, and the Ryukyu Islands. 

Migrates regularly throughout North America between the breeding and wintering ranges. Casual or accidental in the Hawaiian Islands (Kure), Clipperton Island (sight report), El Salvador, and Bermuda, and in Iceland, the British Isles, Germany, and Italy.

Notes.—Formerly regarded as conspecific with A. spinoletta (Linnaeus, 1758) [Water Pipit] but sympatric with the latter in the Transbaicalia region of southern Siberia (Nazarenko 1978). Also strongly genetically differentiated from A. spinoletta (Zink et al. 1995). For further notes on taxonomy and species limits, see Stepanyan (1978) and Knox (1988a).

Anthus spragueii (Audubon). Sprague’s Pipit.

Alauda Spragueii Audubon, 1844, Birds Amer. (octavo ed.) 7: 334, pl. 486. (Near Ft. Union [western North Dakota].)

Habitat.—Well-drained short-grass prairie (breeding); also in pastures and fields with medium-height grass (nonbreeding).

Distribution.—Breeds from north-central British Columbia (locally), north-central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, and west-central and southern Manitoba south to Montana, western South Dakota, North Dakota, and northwestern Minnesota.

Winters from south-central and southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, central and eastern Texas, southern Kansas, southern Oklahoma, Arkansas, southern Missouri, Tennessee, northwestern Mississippi, and Louisiana south through Mexico (except the northwestern portion) to northern Michoacán, Puebla, and central Veracruz, casually north to southern California.

Migrates primarily through the eastern Great Plains, casually west (primarily in fall) to southwestern Alberta, California, and northwestern Mexico. Casual in Illinois, Michigan, western Ontario, Ohio, Massachusetts, and the Gulf and southern Atlantic states (Mississippi east and north to South Carolina); sight reports from Guerrero, Maine, Delaware, Virginia, and North Carolina.

Notes.—A close relationship between A. spragueii and the South American A. furcatus Lafresnaye and d’Orbigny, 1837, has been suggested (Hall 1961); they may constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

Anthus lutescens Pucheran. Yellowish Pipit.


Habitat.—Pastures/Agricultural Lands, Low Seasonally Wet Grassland (0–1300 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident on the Pacific slope of Panama (western Chiriquí east to eastern Panamá province, also both slopes in the Canal area); and in South America west of the Andes in coastal Peru and northern Chile, and locally east of the Andes from eastern Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south to central Argentina, Uruguay, and southeastern Brazil.

Family BOMBYCILLIDAE: Waxwings

Notes.—Sibley and Ahlquist (1990) presented evidence from DNA-DNA hybridization that the Bombycillidae, which in their classification included also the Ptilogonatidae and Dulidae, are most closely related to a group of families, the Muscicapoida, that includes the Cinclidae, Muscicapidae, Turdidae, Sturnidae, and Mimidae.

Genus BOMBYCILLA Vieillot

Family Ptiloganatidae

Bombycilla garrulus (Linnaeus). Bohemian Waxwing.

*Lanius Garrulus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 95. (in Europa & America boreali = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Open coniferous or deciduous forest and edge, muskeg, and, less frequently, mixed coniferous-deciduous woodland; in migration and winter, also parks and suburbs with fruiting trees and shrubs.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America from western and northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, and extreme west-central Quebec south to south-coastal Alaska, and through interior British Columbia and northern and southwestern Alberta to northern Washington, northern Idaho, and northwestern Montana; and in Eurasia from northern Scandinavia east across northern Russia to northern Siberia, and south to Amurland and Kamchatka.

*Winters* in North America from central, south-coastal and southeastern Alaska, northern British Columbia, southwestern Mackenzie, central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south irregularly or sporadically to southern California, northern (casually southern) Arizona, northern (casually southern) New Mexico, northern Texas, Oklahoma, northwestern Arkansas, southern Illinois, central Indiana, northern Ohio, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey (casually to Maryland and District of Columbia); sight reports south to southern Texas and Virginia; and in Eurasia from the breeding range south to the British Isles, central and southeastern Europe, Asia Minor, Iran, Turkestan, Mongolia, Manchuria, Ussuriland, Korea, Japan, and the Kuril Islands.

Casual in the Pribilofs (St. Paul), Aleutians (Attu, Amchitka), Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, Mediterranean region and islands off Japan (south to the Volcano Islands).

**Notes.**—Also known as Greater Waxwing and, in Old World literature, as the Waxwing.

Bombycilla cedrorum Vieillot. Cedar Waxwing.


**Habitat.**—A variety of open woodland types, either deciduous or coniferous, forest edge, second growth, parks, and orchards; in migration and winter, occurring wherever there are fruiting trees and shrubs.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southeastern Alaska, central British Columbia, northern Alberta, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, south-central Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south to northern California (primarily Del Norte and Humboldt counties, casually to Orange County in southern California), northern Utah (rarely), Colorado (locally), western Oklahoma (rarely), Kansas, northwestern Arkansas, central Missouri, southern Illinois, east-central Mississippi, northern Alabama, northern Georgia, and South Carolina. Recorded in summer (and breeding suggested) in northern New Mexico.

*Winters* from southern British Columbia, central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, New York, New England, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia south through the continental United States, Middle America to central Panama (the Canal area and Pearl Islands), and Bermuda, irregularly to the Bahamas Islands, the Greater Antilles, and the Cayman Islands.

Casual in central and south-coastal Alaska (Fairbanks, Cordova, Middleton Island), in the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island; sight reports), the Lesser Antilles (Gaudeloupe and Dominica), Netherlands Antilles (Aruba), Colombia, and northern Venezuela.

Family Ptiloganatidae: Silky-flycatchers

**Notes.**—Sometimes included in the Bombycillidae (e.g., Sibley and Monroe 1990). See comments under Bombycillidae.
Genus **PHAINOPTILA** Salvin


**Phainoptila melanoxantha** Salvin. Black-and-yellow Silky-flycatcher.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (1200–3000 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the mountains of Costa Rica (Cordillera de Guanacaste to Cordillera de Talamanca) and western Panama (east to Veraguas).

Genus **PTILOGONYS** Swainson


**Notes.**—The usual citation, with the spelling *Ptilogonys*, is to Swainson, 1824, a work that was not published (see Browning 1989b). *Ptiliogonys* may be considered an incorrect spelling and *Ptilogonys*, as later used by Swainson, a justifiable emendation (Sibley and Monroe 1990: 506).

**Ptiliogonys cinereus** Swainson. Gray Silky-flycatcher.

*Ptiliogonys* [sic] *cinereus* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 368. (Tableland of Mexico, Real del Monte [Hidalgo]; Browning, 1989, Auk 106: 743–746.)

**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Pine Forest (1100–3200 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the highlands from southern Sonora, Sinaloa, southern Chihuahua, western Durango, Zacatecas, central Nuevo León, and southwestern Tamaulipas south to central Guatemala.


**Ptiliogonys caudatus** Cabanis. Long-tailed Silky-flycatcher.

*Ptiliogonys* *caudatus* Cabanis, 1861, J. Ornithol. 8 (1860): 402. (Irazú, Costa Rica.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (1800–3000 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the mountains of Costa Rica (north to the Cordillera Central) and western Panama (western Chiriqui).

Genus **PHAINOPEPLA** Baird


**Phainopepla nitens** (Swainson). Phainopepla.

*Ptiliogonys nitens* Swainson, 1838, Animals in Menageries, in Lardner, Cabinet Cyclopaedia 98: 285. (Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Desert washes, mesquite, juniper and oak woodland, tall brush, and riparian woodland, mainly where fruiting mistletoe present (Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from interior northern California (also once on Santa Catalina Island), southern Nevada, southern Utah, southern (casually western) New Mexico, and western Texas south to southern Baja California, Jalisco, Guanajuato, San Luis Potosí, and west-central Veracruz.
Winters from central California, southern Nevada, central Arizona, southern New Mexico, and western Texas south to northwestern Oaxaca and Veracruz. Regular in fall on Channel Islands (off California). Casual or accidental in southern Oregon, Colorado, southern Texas, Nebraska (Alliance), southern Ontario (Wallacetown, London), Wisconsin, and Rhode Island (Block Island); sight reports for Guadalupe Island and Massachusetts.

Family DULIDAE: Palmchats

Notes.—Sometimes included in the Bombycillidae (e.g., Sibley and Monroe 1990). See comments under Bombycillidae.

Genus DULUS Vieillot

*Dulus* Vieillot, 1816, Analyse, p. 42. Type, by monotypy, "Tanagra esclave" Buffon = *Tanagra dominica* Linnaeus.

*Dulus dominicus* (Linnaeus). Palmchat.

*Tanagra dominica* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 316. Based on "Le Tangara de S. Domingue" Brisson, Ornithologie 3: 37, pl. 2, fig. 4. (in Dominica = Santo Domingo, Hispaniola.)

Habitat.—Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, nesting primarily in royal palm (0–1800 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Hispaniola (including Gonâve Island).

Family PEUCEDRAMIDAE: Olive Warbler

Genus PEUCEDRAMUS Henshaw


Notes.—The elevation to family rank of *Peucedramus* is based on morphology and breeding biology (George 1962, 1968) and on biochemical systematics (DNA-DNA hybridization data; Sibley and Ahlquist 1990, Harshman 1994), supporting the distinctiveness of this species with reference to the other members of the nine-primaried assemblage.

*Peucedramus taeniatus* (Du Bus de Gisignies). Olive Warbler.


Habitat.—Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest; locally firs (1700–3100 m).

Distribution.—Breeds from central and southeastern Arizona, southwestern New Mexico, northern Chihuahua, northern Coahuila, southern Nuevo León, and western Tamaulipas south through the highlands of Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua.

Winters primarily through the breeding range, although most individuals winter south of Arizona and New Mexico; recorded in winter also in Nayarit. Some movement to lower elevations in winter in northern portion of range.

Casual in western Texas and south-central New Mexico.

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**Notes.**—The genera *Vermivora*, *Parula*, and *Dendroica* are closely related (Lowery and Monroe in Paynter 1968); some authors (e.g., Griscom, in Griscom and Sprunt 1957: 349) suggest that all be merged in *Vermivora*. In a study of genetic variation using allozymes, however, three species of *Vermivora* clustered separately from four species of *Dendroica* (Barrowclough and Corbin 1978); unfortunately, the more *Dendroica*-like species of *Vermivora*, such as *V. pinus* and *V. chrysoptera*, were not included. We also suspect that *Vermivora* is not a monophyletic group. Relationships in this assemblage require further study.


*Sylvia Bachmanii* Audubon, 1833, Birds Amer. (folio) 2: pl. 185 (1834, Ornithol. Biogr. 2: 483). (a few miles from Charleston [= Edisto River], in South Carolina.)

**Habitat.**—Moist deciduous woodland and swamp; in migration and winter also open woodland, pine, and scrub (see comments below).

**Distribution.**—Probably extinct. *Breed* formerly in northeastern Arkansas, southeastern Missouri, southwestern Kentucky, central Alabama, and southeastern South Carolina. Recorded during breeding season (and possibly breeding) from south-central Missouri and Virginia south to Louisiana, Mississippi, and southern Alabama.

*Wintered* in Cuba and the Isle of Pines. Accidental in Florida.

In *migration* recorded from the Gulf coast region (from Florida to Louisiana), Florida Keys, and Bahamas Islands (Cay Sal).

Although the species is still reported on the basis of song or sightings, the last confirmed record was in 1962 near Charleston, South Carolina; the photo of a female in Florida in 1977 (Barber 1985) is not definitive, nor is a sight report of a female in Cuba in 1980 (Ripley and Moreno 1980). *Vermivora bachmanii* might have been a bamboo specialist, and the historical decline of “cane” (= bamboo) in the southeastern United States may be linked to the disappearance of this species (Remsen 1986).

*Vermivora pinus* (Linnaeus). Blue-winged Warbler.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth dominated by shrubs, from over-grown fields to forest edge; in migration may be found in any wooded habitat; in winter, favors second-growth.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from eastern Nebraska (formerly), Missouri, central Iowa, southeastern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, central Michigan, northern Ohio, southern Ontario, central New York, southern Vermont, southern New Hampshire, and extreme southern Maine south to northeastern Oklahoma (casually), northern Arkansas, central Tennessee, northern Alabama, northern Georgia, southwestern North Carolina, western and northern Virginia, Maryland, and northern Delaware. Summer records for western South Carolina and Colorado, but breeding not confirmed. Breeding distribution has expanded dramatically to the north and northeast over the last century.

*Winters* from Puebla, Veracruz, and Oaxaca south through Middle America (both slopes, including the Yucatan Peninsula, but less commonly on the Pacific drainage) to central Panama (east to the Canal area and eastern Panamá province). Many winter sight reports from southeastern United States, especially Florida, but few confirmed records. Casual in Bermuda, the Bahamas, and the Greater Antilles, and accidental in coastal California, Texas, North Carolina, and Mississippi; December-early January reports from Kentucky and New York.

*Migrates* through the eastern United States (casually west to the eastern foothills of the Rockies and central and southern Texas; also rare in the extreme southeast), eastern Mexico.
Casual north to southern Saskatchewan, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia, west to California, Arizona, New Mexico, and western Texas, and south to northern Colombia; sight reports for Washington, Oregon, southern Manitoba, Alberta, northern Baja California, and the Caicos and Virgin islands.

Notes.—This species hybridizes regularly and extensively with *V. chrysoptera* in a dynamic situation, producing variable hybrids that have resulted in the naming of two extreme types, *V. "leucobronchialis"* Brewster, 1874 and *V. "lawrencii"* Herrick, 1875. The hybrids are more variable than these hybrid types would suggest. In many regions *V. chrysoptera* has been replaced by *V. pinus*, the extent of interbreeding diminishing with this shift, but the situation is complex and locally variable. See Parkes (1951), Short (1963), Ficken and Ficken (1968, 1970), Gill and Murray (1972), Murray and Gill (1976), Gill (1980, 1987, 1997), and references therein. The two species constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

**Vermivora chrysoptera** (Linnaeus). Golden-winged Warbler.


Habitat.—Second-growth dominated by shrubs and dense herbaceous growth, from overgrown fields to forest edge, bogs; in migration and winter, primarily forest edge and tall second-growth, especially in foothills and mountains.

Distribution.—Breeds in southern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, northern Illinois (locally), extreme northern Indiana, southern Ontario, extreme southwestern Quebec, New York, western Vermont, New Hampshire (locally), western Massachusetts, and northwestern Connecticut, and south through Pennsylvania, northern New Jersey, western Maryland, West Virginia, extreme eastern Kentucky, eastern Tennessee, western North Carolina, and northern Georgia. Formerly bred in southeastern Iowa, Missouri, northern Ohio, central Illinois, southern Connecticut, Rhode Island, and northwestern South Carolina. Breeding range has been contracting in the southern and eastern portions of its range, but expanding in the northern portion. Bred once in northeastern North Dakota and once in Colorado. Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) in southeastern Maine.

Winters from Chiapas and Guatemala (casually southern Veracruz and the Yucatan Peninsula) south through Middle America (mostly on the Caribbean drainage north of Panama) to central Colombia and northern Venezuela, and rarely in the Greater Antilles (east to Puerto Rico). Accidental in southern Texas, southern Arizona, and coastal California.

M!igrates through eastern North America east of the Rockies (rare along the Great Plains and in the extreme southeast) south to south-central Texas and the Gulf coast, recorded rarely in eastern Mexico (Gulf-Caribbean slope), Bermuda, and the northwestern Bahama Islands.

Casual or accidental in southern Saskatchewan, Oregon, California, Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, western Texas, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, Greenland, and Great Britain; sight reports for northern Baja California, Nevada, Idaho, Wyoming, Clipperton Island, the Virgin Islands (St. John), Trinidad, and Ecuador.

Notes.—See comments under *V. pinus*.

**Vermivora peregrina** (Wilson). Tennessee Warbler.

Sylvia peregrina Wilson, 1811, Amer. Ornithol. 3: 83, pl. 25, fig. 2. (banks of the Cumberland River in Tennessee.)

Habitat.—Coniferous and deciduous woodland (usually open, with brushy undergrowth, and with herbaceous ground-cover), alder and willow thickets (especially in western portions of range), edges of bogs, and open deciduous second growth; in migration and winter in a variety of wooded habitats (especially where flowering trees present) and dense scrub, also (especially in fall) weed fields (especially giant ragweed).
**Sylvia celata** Say, 1823, in Long, Exped. Rocky Mount. 1: 169 (note). (Engineer Cantonment near Council Bluff = Omaha, Nebraska.)

**Habitat.**—Open, brushy deciduous and mixed deciduous-coniferous woodland, dense chaparral, riparian thickets, and aspen groves (especially in Rocky Mountain region); in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitat edges, especially with dense undergrowth.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from western and northern Alaska, Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, northern Saskatchewan, northern Ontario, central Quebec, and central Labrador south to southern Alaska (west to the Alaska Peninsula and Kodiak Island), southwestern and central California (including the Channel Islands), northwestern Baja California (including Los Coronados and Todos Santos islands), locally in Nevada, southern Utah, southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, and extreme western Texas (Guadalupe and, probably, Davis mountains), and, east of the Rockies, to southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northeastern North Dakota (probably), central Ontario, south-central Quebec, and southern Labrador.

**Winters** from coastal British Columbia (rare) south coastal to coastal California, and from northern California, southern Nevada, central Arizona, southern New Mexico (rarely), Texas (not Panhandle), central Oklahoma, central Arkansas, the central portions of the Gulf states, South Carolina, eastern North Carolina, and southeastern Virginia (casually north to the northern contiguous United States and southeastern Alaska) south to southern Baja California, Guatemala, El Salvador, Belize (questionably), the Yucatan Peninsula (rarely), and southern Florida, rarely to Bermuda and the Bahama Islands.

**Migrates** regularly through the United States primarily west of the Appalachians.

Casual north to northern Alaska and northern Mackenzie, and in the Pribilof Islands, the Maritime Provinces, Newfoundland, and Cuba. Accidental in Greenland. A report from Costa Rica requires verification.

**Vermivora celata** (Say). Orange-crowned Warbler.

**Sylvia ruficapilla** Wilson, 1811, Amer. Ornithol. 3: 120, pl. 27, fig. 3. (near Nashville, Tennessee.)

**Habitat.**—Open, brushy deciduous or coniferous woodland, second growth, regenerating burns and clear-cuts, forest-bordered bogs and brush, and brushy riparian growth; in migration and winter, a variety of woodland and scrub habitats.
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**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from extreme southwestern and southern interior British Columbia, southern Alberta (rarely), and western Montana south through Washington (except western portion), Oregon, and central Idaho to northwestern and south-central California (to San Bernardino Mountains), and extreme west-central Nevada (Carson Range); and from central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec (including Anticosti and Magdalen islands), extreme southwestern Newfoundland (casually), New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south to southern Manitoba, northeastern North Dakota, northern and east-central Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, central Michigan, southeastern Ontario, northeastern West Virginia, western Maryland, western Virginia (rare), southeastern Pennsylvania (rare), northern New Jersey, southeastern New York, northern Connecticut, and Rhode Island. Formerly bred south to Illinois, northeastern Ohio, and southern Connecticut. Casual in Labrador.

*Winters* from southern Sonora, Durango, Nuevo León, and extreme southern Texas south through Mexico (sight reports only from the Yucatan Peninsula) to Guatemala, Belize, El Salvador, and central Honduras; also rarely or irregularly in coastal California, and casually north to western Washington and southern Arizona, and along the Gulf coast, southern Florida, the Bahama and Cayman Islands, Cuba, and Jamaica. Several December records farther north in the United States and Nova Scotia.

*Migrates* regularly through California, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, and the central United States from the Plains states east to the Appalachians, rarely through southern Baja California, the Rockies, and southeastern United States.

Casual in Bermuda and Greenland; sight reports from southern Alaska (Middleton Island), Costa Rica, and Panama (Chiriquí).

**Notes.**—*Vermivora ruficapilla* and *V. virginiae* are closely related and constitute a superspecies (Johnson 1976, Brush and Johnson 1976); Mayr and Short (1970) also included *V. crissalis* in this superspecies. See comments under *V. crissalis*.

*Vermivora virginiae* (Baird). Virginia’s Warbler.

*Helminthophaga virginiae* Baird, 1860, in Baird, Cassin, and Lawrence, Birds N. Amer., p. xi, Atlas, pl. 79, fig. 1. (Cantonment [= Fort] Burgwyn, N.M.)

**Habitat.**—Brushy arid montane woodland, oak thickets, mountain mahogany groves, coniferous scrub, and chaparral; in migration and winter, also in arid scrub, open woodland, and second growth.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from in montane areas in the Great Basin region in eastern California (White Mountains, eastern slope of Sierras in Mono and Inyo counties; Clark Mountain, New York Mountains), Nevada (except northwest), southeastern Idaho, Utah, southwestern Wyoming, western Colorado, northern New Mexico; and also in southern California (San Bernardino and San Gabriel mountains), central Wyoming, eastern ranges of Rocky Mountains in Colorado and New Mexico, central and southeastern Arizona, central and southern New Mexico, and western Texas (Guadalupe and, probably, Davis mountains).

*Winters* from southern Nayarit and Guanajuato south to Morelos and central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec), casually north to southern California. Accidental in Rio Grande Valley of Texas.

*Migrates* from southern California, Arizona, New Mexico, and western and northern Texas south through northern Mexico (except Baja California), rarely but regularly through southern and central coastal California and east to western Kansas, western Oklahoma, and northern Texas.

Casual or accidental in southern Oregon, northern coastal California, southeastern Texas, southwestern Louisiana, Ontario, Nova Scotia, Labrador (Goose Bay), Michigan (Dearborn), and New Jersey; sight reports for New Brunswick, Missouri, northern Baja California, Belize, northern Guatemala (Petén), and the Bahamas (Grand Bahama).

**Notes.**—See comments under *V. ruficapilla*.

*Vermivora crissalis* (Salvin and Godman). Colima Warbler.

*Helminthophila crissalis* Salvin and Godman, 1889, Ibis, p. 380. (Sierra Nevada de Colima, Mexico.)
Habitat.—Pine-Oak Forest; in migration and winter, also open woodland and scrub; primarily in brushy, humid Pine-Oak Forest (1800–3000 m).
Distribution.—Breeds in southwestern Texas (Chisos Mountains), western and central Coahuila, western and southern Nuevo León, northeastern Zacatecas, northern San Luis Potosí and southwestern Tamaulipas (Miquihuana).
Winters from southern Sinaloa south through Jalisco, Colima, and Michoacán to Guerrero, casually to northern Oaxaca.
Casual in southern Texas (Santa Ana, sight report).

Notes.—For a detailed discussion of range and habitat, see Lanning et al. (1990). The view of Phillips et al. (1964) that V. crissalis is conspecific with V. virginiae and V. ruficapilla, despite radical differences in plumage, song, and body size, has not been entertained seriously by subsequent authors. See comments under V. ruficapilla.

Vermivora luciae (Cooper). Lucy’s Warbler.


Habitat.—Gallery Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub, primarily mesquite or mesquite-cottonwood woodland along streams and washes, locally also in montane canyons with broadleaf woodland; in migration and winter, arid brush and thickets (0–1500 m).
Distribution.—Breeds from southeastern California (north to Inyo County), southern Nevada, and southern Utah south to northeastern Baja California, southern Arizona, northern Sonora, southwestern New Mexico, and western Texas (Brewster, Hudspeth, and Presidio counties), and once in extreme southwestern Colorado.
Winters in western Mexico from southern Sonora south to Oaxaca, casually north to central coastal and southern California and upper Rio Grande valley of Texas.
Migrates through northwestern Mexico, rarely southern California (casually north to Point Reyes and the Farallon Islands).
Casual or accidental in Oregon (Florence), Baja California (away from Río Colorado), southern Louisiana (Cameron Parish, Mississippi River delta), and Massachusetts (Ipswich).

Genus PARULA Bonaparte

Oreothlypis Ridgway, 1884, Auk 1: 169. Type, by original designation, Compsothlypis gutturalis Cabanis.

Notes.—See comments under Vermivora.

Parula gutturalis (Cabanis). Flame-throated Warbler.

Compsothlypis gutturalis Cabanis, 1861, J. Ornithol. 8 (1860): 329. (Irazú, Costa Rica.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (1800–3000 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).
Distribution.—Resident in the highlands of Costa Rica (Cordillera Central, Dota Mountains, and Cordillera de Talamanca) and western Panama (western Chiriquí).
Notes.—Often placed in the genus Vermivora (Eisenmann 1955) or, occasionally, in the monotypic genus Oreothlypis (Ridgway 1902).

Parula superciliosa (Hartlaub). Crescent-chested Warbler.


Habitat.—Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (900–3400 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).
Distribution.—Resident in the highlands from southeastern Sonora, southern Chihuahua, western Durango, Nayarit, Jalisco, northern Nuevo León, southern San Luis Potosí, and
western Tamaulipas south through Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua. Northernmost populations are partly migratory.

Casual north to southern Arizona (Huachuc Mountains, Ramsey Canyon, Patagonia) and Sonora. Sight report from Texas (Big Bend National Park).

Notes.—Also known as Hartlaub’s Warbler or Spot-breasted Warbler. Often included in the genus *Vermivora* (Eisenmann 1955).

**Parula americana** (Linnaeus). Northern Parula.


Habitat.—Open humid deciduous forest, riparian woodland, swamps, locally humid coniferous forest, all with at least some tree lichens or Spanish moss for nest sites; in migration and winter, also humid lowland forest, second growth, and scrub.

Distribution.—Breeds from southeastern Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south (but rare or absent in much of upper Midwest-Great Lakes region and southern New England) to south-central and southern Texas (west to Tarrant, Kerr, and Hidalgo counties), the Gulf coast, and southern Florida (to Collier and Palm Beach counties), and west to the eastern edge of the Plains states (extreme eastern Nebraska, eastern Kansas, eastern Oklahoma, eastern Texas); and casually in central and southern California, central Arizona (Verde Valley), New Mexico (near Bernalillo), Rio Grande Valley of Texas, and northern Sonora.

Winters from southern Tamaulipas (sparingly), Veracruz, and Oaxaca (casually from northern California, southern Arizona, northern Sonora, and coastal Louisiana; perhaps annually in southern Texas) south through Mexico (primarily on the Gulf-Caribbean drainage and offshore islands) to Guatemala and Belize, rarely to Nicaragua and Costa Rica, also sight reports from the Caribbean coast of Panama; and from central Florida, Bermuda, and the Bahama Islands south throughout the West Indies to Tobago, casually to Curaçao and Isla Los Roques, off Venezuela. Accidental in Illinois. Several December records from central United States north to southern Canada.

Migrates primarily through eastern North America, Bermuda, and northeastern Mexico, rarely but regularly to California, casually elsewhere in western North America from British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Montana (sight report), and Wyoming southward.

Casual or accidental in Newfoundland, Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, and France. Sight report for Alaska (Middleton Island).

Notes.—Also known as Parula Warbler. Moldenhauer (1992) and Regelski and Moldenhauer (1996) described a major song difference between eastern and western populations of this species. *Parula americana* and *P. pitiayumi* constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

**Parula pitiayumi** (Vieillot). Tropical Parula.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest; in Texas, primarily in live oaks with Spanish moss (0–2600 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [pitiayumi group] from southern Sonora, southwestern Chihuahua, Sinaloa, western Durango, Nayarit (including the Tres Marias and Isabela islands), Jalisco, San Luis Potosí, Nuevo León, and southern Texas (lower Rio Grande Valley north to King Ranch; casually to Edwards Plateau and Big Bend areas) south locally through Middle America to Panama (including Isla Coiba), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including Margarita Island), Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to southwestern Peru and east of the Andes to northern Argentina and southern Brazil (except absent from most of Amazonia); and [graysoni group] on Socorro Island, in the Revillagigedo Islands. Northernmost populations [pitiayumi group] are partly migratory.
Casual [pitiayumi group] in southern Baja California, southern Arizona, southwestern Texas (Big Bend, Edwards Plateau), coastal Texas, and southwestern Louisiana, and [graysoni group] in southern Baja California (confirmation of these records is needed).

**Notes.**—Also known as Olive-backed Warbler. Groups: *P. pitiayumi* [Tropical Parula] and *P. graysoni* (Ridgway, 1887) [Socorro Warbler]. See comments under *P. americana*.

**Genus DENDROICA Gray**


**Notes.**—See comments under *Vermivora* and *Catharopeza*.

**Dendroica petechia** (Linnaeus). Yellow Warbler.


**Habitat.**—[aestiva group] Primarily riparian woodlands and thickets, particularly those dominated by willow or cottonwood, also locally in early successional stages dominated by saplings, wooded suburbs, shelterbelts, regenerating burns and clearcuts, and aspen woodland; in migration and winter, also open woodland, brushy areas, tall weeds, mangroves, and marsh and forest edge (Tropical to Temperate zones); [petechia group] Mangrove Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest; and [erithachorides group] Mangrove Forest, Secondary Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Breeds [aestiva group] from northwestern and north-central Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and central Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, central Labrador, and Newfoundland south to central Alaska (west to the Alaska Peninsula and Unimak Island), northern Baja California, through the central plateau region of Mexico to northern Guerrero, Puebla, and southeastern San Luis Potosí, and to central and northeastern Texas (formerly), central Oklahoma, central Arkansas, central Alabama, central Georgia, extreme northwestern South Carolina, and central North Carolina.

Winters [aestiva group] from southern (casually northern) California, southwestern Arizona, northern Mexico, the southern Gulf Coast (primarily December records), and the Bahama Islands south through Middle America, the southern Lesser Antilles (north to St. Vincent), and South America (mostly east of the Andes) to Peru and Amazonian Brazil. Rare to casual in Florida, and annual in December in Newfoundland.

Resident [petechia group] from southern Florida (Florida Bay area and the Florida Keys) and the Bahama Islands south throughout the West Indies (south to St. Lucia, Barbados, and the Grenadines, and including the Cayman, Providencia, and San Andrés islands), to the northern coast of Venezuela (west to Falcón) and islands offshore, and on Cozumel Island (off Quintana Roo); and [erithachorides group] from southern Baja California (south of lat. 27° N.), Sonora, and southern Tamaulipas south along both coasts of Middle America (including the Bay Islands off Honduras and Cocos Island off Costa Rica) to eastern Panama (on the Pacific coast east only to western Darién, but including Escudo, Coiba, and the Pearl islands), along the west coast of South America from northwestern Colombia south to central Peru (also the Galapagos Islands), and east along the northern coast of Colombia to northwestern Venezuela (east to the Paraguana Peninsula).

Migrates [aestiva group] through Texas and the Gulf Coast region south of the breeding range, Florida, Bermuda, and Cuba.

Casual or accidental [aestiva group] in northern Alaska, islands in the Bering Sea (St. Lawrence Island, Nunivak, and the Pribilofs), the Queen Charlotte Islands, Southampton Island (Northwest Territories), Baffin Island, northern Bolivia, Greenland, Iceland, and the British Isles; and [erithachorides group] in the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro; sight reports) and southern Texas (Cameron County, Rockport).

**Notes.**—Groups: *D. aestivalis* (Gmelin, 1789) [Yellow Warbler], *D. petechia* [Golden Warbler], and *D. erithachorides* Baird, 1858 [Mangrove Warbler]. Klein and Brown (1994) have clarified relationships among populations in this complex.
**Dendroica pensylvanica** (Linnaeus). Chestnut-sided Warbler.


**Habitat.**—Early successional stages of regenerating deciduous forest, locally in thickets of mountain laurel and, in extreme western portion of range, tall deciduous woodland; in migration in any wooded habitat; in winter, tropical forest edge and second-growth.


*Winters* from Oaxaca, southern Veracruz, Chiapas, and Guatemala (casually farther north to southern California, southern Arizona, and in southern Florida) south through Middle America (primarily on the Caribbean slope north of Costa Rica) to eastern Panama, casually to northern Colombia, Venezuela, and Trinidad. Casual (mainly December) in southern Texas and southern Louisiana and accidental in Bermuda (sight report).

*Migrates* primarily through the eastern United States (east of the Rockies), Bermuda (only casually in spring), Bahama Islands, Greater Antilles (Cuba and Jamaica, also sight reports from Hispaniola, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands), and eastern Mexico (also Nayarit, otherwise not recorded Pacific slope north of Guerrero), rarely through western North America from southern British Columbia, Idaho, and Montana south to southern California, Arizona, and New Mexico.

Casual or accidental in southern interior British Columbia, Bermuda, Barbados, and Greenland; accidental in Great Britain; sight reports from southern Alaska (Middleton Island), central Baja California, and western Ecuador.

**Dendroica magnolia** (Wilson). Magnolia Warbler.

*Sylvia magnolia* Wilson, 1811, Amer. Ornithol. 3: 63, pl. 23, fig. 2. (the Little Miami, near its junction with the Ohio . . . [and] not far from fort Adams on the Mississippi = Fort Adams, Mississippi.)

**Habitat.**—Open moist coniferous (especially spruce and fir) or mixed coniferous-deciduous woodland, forest edge, and second growth; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats and tall weeds (especially giant ragweed).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southeastern Alaska (probably), northeastern British Columbia, southeastern Yukon, west-central and southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, north-central Manitoba, northern Ontario, and Labrador (locally), Newfoundland, and south-central and eastern Quebec (including Anticosti and Magdalen islands) south to south-central British Columbia, south-central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, north-central and northeastern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, central Michigan, southern Ontario, north-central and south-central Ohio (local), southeastern West Virginia, western Virginia, western Maryland, northeastern Pennsylvania, northwestern New Jersey, and Connecticut. Also locally in southern Wisconsin (Baraboo Hills), west-central Indiana (Montgomery County), and in the high mountains of eastern Tennessee and western North Carolina. Summer records for California and Colorado.

*Winters* from Oaxaca, Puebla, San Luis Potosí, central Veracruz, Bermuda, the Greater Antilles, and the Cayman and Bahama islands (casually north to central California, southwestern Arizona, northern Sonora, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and Virginia) south through Middle America to western Panama (rarely east to Canal area and eastern Panamá province), and east in the West Indies (at least rarely) to the Virgin Islands; also, rare in southern Florida, and casual in California, Arizona, and coastal Texas. Many December records from eastern North America, north to southern Canada.
Migrates primarily through eastern North America east of the Rockies, rarely but regularly in western North America.

Casual or accidental in western and northern Alaska, Newfoundland, Barbados, northwestern Colombia, Greenland, and the British Isles; sight reports for northern Baja California, Clipperton Island, the Lesser Antilles, Trinidad, Tobago, and northern Venezuela.

Notes.—Dendroica lutea, based on Muscicapa lutea Linnaeus, 1776, has been officially suppressed (I.C.Z.N. 1956c).

Dendroica tigrina (Gmelin). Cape May Warbler.

Motacilla tigrina Gmelin, 1789, Syst. Nat. 1(2): 985. Based on "Le Figuier brun de Canada" Brisson, Ornithologie 3: 515, pl. 27, fig. 4. (in Canada.)

Habitat.—Primarily spruce forest, usually in open stands and often mixed with other trees, spruce bogs; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats, especially in flowering trees and palms.


Winters in coastal southern Florida, Bermuda, the West Indies (primarily the Bahamas and Greater Antilles, less commonly in the Lesser Antilles), the Caribbean slope of Middle America from Veracruz (rarely San Luis Potosi) and the Yucatan Peninsula to Honduras. Rare also on Pacific slope from Oaxaca to El Salvador (casually from Sonora to Jalisco). Rare also in Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and Panama; recorded casually in winter also in California, southern Arizona, southern Canada, the central and eastern United States, Trinidad, Tobago, the Netherlands Antilles, and Caribbean islands off Colombia and Venezuela.

Migrates primarily through the midwestern, eastern, and southeastern states, rarely (occurring mostly in spring) south of Arkansas and Tennessee and west of Alabama.

Casual north and west to northern, central and south-coastal Alaska (Point Barrow, Fairbanks, Middleton Island), Labrador, elsewhere in western North America south to California, southern Nevada, southern Arizona, New Mexico, and Chihuahua, and to Isla Providencia (in the western Caribbean Sea); sight reports for Washington, Sonora, Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro), northern Colombia, and Great Britain.

Dendroica caerulescens (Gmelin). Black-throated Blue Warbler.


Habitat.—Deciduous or mixed deciduous-coniferous woodland and second growth, usually with dense undergrowth, and on mountain or hill country slopes; in migration and winter, also other forest types, open woodland, and scrub.

Distribution.—Breeds locally in eastern Saskatchewan, southeastern Manitoba (probably), and from southwestern and central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south to extreme northeastern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, central Michigan, southern Ontario, northeastern Ohio (formerly), in the Appalachians through West Virginia, western Maryland, eastern Kentucky, western Virginia, eastern Tennessee, and western North Carolina to extreme northeastern Georgia and northwestern South Carolina, and to northeastern Pennsylvania, northern New Jersey, southern New York, and southern New England. Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) on Anticosti and Magdalen islands. Summer records for Oregon, Arizona, and Colorado.

Winters from southern Florida (rare) and the Bahama Islands south through the Greater Antilles (east to Tortola in the Virgin Islands), and the Cayman Islands, and in the Yucatan.
Peninsula and Belize, casually in British Columbia, Washington, Oregon, California, Arizona, the Gulf Coast, Bermuda, St. Martin, Antigua, Guadeloupe, Dominica, and the Swan Islands. Rare to casual along Caribbean coast from southern Veracruz through Middle America to northern Colombia and Venezuela. One January specimen from Idaho, and scattered records in eastern North America north to Minnesota, Ontario, and New York.

Migrates through eastern North America east of the Rockies (rarely west to eastern Texas), rarely to California (mostly in fall), and casually elsewhere in western North America (recorded from interior British Columbia, Oregon, Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Montana south to southern Baja California, southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, southern Texas, and Veracruz). Rare but regular in Newfoundland.

Casual or accidental on St. Kitts (sight report), Nuevo León, Greenland, and Iceland.

Dendroica coronata (Linnaeus). Yellow-rumped Warbler.


Habitat.—Primarily open coniferous or mixed coniferous-deciduous forest and woodland; in migration and winter, virtually any wooded habitat, including suburbs, low scrub (especially Myrica thickets in eastern portion of winter range), and weedy fields.

Distribution.—Breeds [coronata group] from western and central Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and central Mackenzie, southwestern Keewatin, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northern Quebec, northern Labrador, and Newfoundland south to southern and southeastern Alaska, northern British Columbia, central and southwestern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, north-central North Dakota (probably), northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, central Michigan, southern Ontario, in the Appalachians to eastern West Virginia and northwestern Virginia, and to eastern Pennsylvania, extreme northeastern Maryland (casually), and Massachusetts; and [auduboni group] from extreme southeastern Alaska, south-coastal and central British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), southern Alberta, southwestern Saskatchewan (Cypress Hills), central and southeastern Montana, southwestern North Dakota, western South Dakota, and northwestern Nebraska south to south-central and eastern California (to Cuyumaca and New York mountains), northern Baja California (Sierra San Pedro Mártir), central and southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, western Chihuahua, New Mexico, and extreme western Texas (Guadalupe and, probably, Davis mountains), also in the mountains of western Durango, eastern Chiapas (Volcán Tacaná), and western Guatemala.

Winters [coronata group] from the Pacific states, Arizona, Colorado, and Kansas east across the central United States to southern Ontario and New England (occasionally farther north) south through the southern United States, Middle America, and the West Indies to eastern Panama (including the Pearl Islands), islands off Middle America (including Socorro in the Revillagigedo Islands), islands in the western Caribbean Sea, and Barbados; and [auduboni group] from southwestern British Columbia, southeastern Washington, Idaho, western Montana (rarely), Colorado, and central and southern Texas south (mostly in highlands) to southern Baja California, the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro), and through Mexico to Guatemala and western Honduras.

Casual or accidental [coronata group] north to King William and Southampton islands, and in Tobago, Colombia, Venezuela, Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, and Siberia (Chukotski Peninsula); and [auduboni group] on Attu in the Aleutian Islands, and in eastern North America from southern Ontario, southern Quebec, Newfoundland, and Massachusetts south to Arkansas, Louisiana, Ohio, Alabama, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and North Carolina. Sight reports for southern Florida, Bermuda, and western Panama (Chiriquí). Reports [auduboni group] from Costa Rica are regarded as erroneous.

Notes.—The two groups have often been regarded as distinct species, D. coronata [Myrtle Warbler] and D. auduboni (J. K. Townsend, 1837) [Audubon’s Warbler]; free interbreeding occurs in a narrow hybrid zone in mountain passes in the Jasper Park area, Alberta, and the Pine Pass area, British Columbia (Hubbard 1969, Barrowclough 1980).
**Dendroica nigrescens** (Townsend). Black-throated Gray Warbler.


**Habitat.**—Open, dry coniferous or mixed coniferous-deciduous woodland with brushy undergrowth, pinyon-juniper, pine-oak association, and oak woodland; in migration and winter, also in a variety of forest, woodland, and scrub habitats.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southwestern British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), western Washington, central Oregon, southern Idaho, central and southern Wyoming, and northwestern and central Colorado south, primarily in mountains, to northern Baja California, south-central and eastern California (to Laguna and New York mountains), central and southeastern Arizona, northeastern Sonora, southern New Mexico, and (possibly) extreme western Texas (Guadalupe Mountains).

*Winters* from central California (casually north to Washington and once in British Columbia), southern Arizona, and southern Texas south to central Oaxaca (west of Isthmus of Tehuantepec) and Veracruz. Casually along the Gulf coast to southern Florida.

Migrates regularly between breeding and wintering grounds, and east to western Kansas. Casual north to Alberta and Saskatchewan, across the northeastern region from eastern Montana, South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, southern Ontario, Quebec, New York, Massachusetts, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south to Ohio, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Virginia, and through the Gulf states from eastern Texas east to southeastern Georgia and southern Florida; sight reports from other midwestern and eastern states, Alaska (Mitkof Island), and Guatemala (Dueñas).

**Notes.**—*Dendroica nigrescens*, *D. virens*, *D. occidentalis*, and *D. townsendi* have been subjected to phylogenetic analysis based on mtDNA restriction sites by Bermingham et al. (1992), who found that *D. townsendi* and *D. occidentalis* were sister species and that *D. nigrescens* was the basal species in the group. See comments under *D. townsendi*.

**Dendroica chrysoparia** Sclater and Salvin. Golden-cheeked Warbler.


**Habitat.**—Mixed oak-juniper woodland, often mixed with ash, maple, sycamores, and other deciduous trees; in migration in a variety of open woodland, scrub, and thicket habitats; in winter, montane pine and pine-oak association.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in central Texas from Dallas County south to the Edwards Plateau region (south to Medina and Bexar counties, and west to Real and Kerr counties).

*Winters* in the highlands of Chiapas, Guatemala, Honduras, and north-central Nicaragua. Migrates rarely through Mexico (reported Coahuila, Nuevo León, and Tamaulipas; a record from Puebla is questionable, one from Sinaloa is erroneous).

Accidental in California (Farallon Islands) and Florida (Pinellas County); sight reports from eastern Texas, Morelos, and the Virgin Islands.

**Notes.**—See comments under *D. townsendi*.

**Dendroica virens** (Gmelin). Black-throated Green Warbler.


**Habitat.**—Open coniferous (primarily balsam fir or spruce) or mixed deciduous-coniferous woodland and edge, also in cypress swamps in southeastern coastal portion of range; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats, but in Middle America in winter confined mostly to montane regions (but typically at lower elevations than *D. townsendi* and *D. occidentalis*).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from northeastern British Columbia, northern Alberta, north-central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, central Ontario, central Quebec, southern Labrador,
and Newfoundland south to central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northern and east-central Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, southern Michigan (locally to southern Wisconsin, northern Illinois, south-central Indiana, southern Ohio), Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and southern New England, and south through Appalachian region through eastern Kentucky, West Virginia, western Maryland, western Virginia, eastern Tennessee, western North Carolina, central Alabama, extreme northern Georgia, and northwestern South Carolina; also in northwestern Arkansas (Ozark Mountains), and the coastal plains from southeastern Virginia to eastern South Carolina (Charleston County). Summer records for Washington, California, Arizona, and Colorado.

Winters from Colima (casually north to coastal California), Nuevo León, southern and southeastern Texas, extreme southeastern Louisiana, southern Florida, Bermuda (rare), and the Bahama Islands south through eastern and southern Mexico (west to San Luis Potosí, Hidalgo, Morelos, Puebla, and Oaxaca), Central America, Cuba, the Isle of Pines, the Cayman Islands, and Jamaica (casually east to the Virgin Islands) to central Panama (east to the Canal area and eastern Panamá province, rarely to Darién). Accidental in southeastern Arizona. Early winter records for many states along the Atlantic Coast and also Nova Scotia.

Migrates primarily through North America east of the Rockies and through Middle America (including both lowlands from Oaxaca southward), rarely to California, Arizona, Sonora, and New Mexico, casually elsewhere in western North America north to southern British Columbia, southern Alberta, and southern Saskatchewan.

Casual or accidental in southeastern Alaska (Chichagof Island), southwestern British Columbia, Northwest Territories, the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island), Clipperton Island (sight report), and the Lesser Antilles (St. Martin, Barbuda, Guadeloupe, Dominica, Barbados), Netherlands Antilles, and Trinidad, and in Colombia, Venezuela, Greenland, off Iceland, and Germany.

Notes.—See comments under D. townsendi.

Dendroica townsendi (Townsend). Townsend’s Warbler.


Habitat.—Tall and moist coniferous and mixed coniferous-deciduous forest; in migration and winter, also humid forest, pine-oak association, oak woodland, and tall second growth, primarily in montane situations.

Distribution.—Breeds from east-central Alaska, southern Yukon, northwestern and central British Columbia, and extreme west-central Alberta (once in Cypress Hills of southwestern Saskatchewan) south to south-coastal and southeastern Alaska, northwestern Washington, central and northeastern Oregon, central Idaho, western Montana, and (casually) northwestern Wyoming. One summer record from coastal California.

Winters from extreme southwestern British Columbia (rare) and coastal Washington south to coastal southern California (rarely to northern Baja California), and also rarely in Sierra Nevada foothills in California, southern Arizona, southwestern Texas (Chisos and Davis mountains). Also from northern Mexico (Sonora east to Nuevo León) south through the highlands of Mexico and Central America (except Belize) to Costa Rica (casually to western Panama). Casual or accidental in winter in the Queen Charlotte Islands, eastern Oregon, southern Nevada, Utah, southern New Mexico, and the southeastern United States.

Migrates primarily through the western United States west of the Great Plains and western Texas, rarely through the Mexican lowlands.

Casual or accidental in the western Aleutians (Shemya), northern Alaska (Point Barrow), the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro), Great Plains region (from central Alberta, southeastern Saskatchewan, North Dakota, and Minnesota south to Nebraska, Kansas, western Oklahoma, Iowa, and Illinois), the eastern region (from southern Ontario, Newfoundland, New York, New Hampshire, and Nova Scotia south to Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, the Gulf states from eastern Texas east to Florida), Bermuda, Bahamas (Grand Turk Island and Grand Bahama), Cuba (Cayo Coco), and northern Colombia; sight reports from Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Maine, and North Carolina.

Notes.—Dendroica townsendi, D. occidentalis, D. virens, and D. chrysoparia constitute a superspecies (Mengel 1964). Dendroica townsendi and D. occidentalis hybridize to a
limited extent where parapatric (Morrison and Hardy 1983). See comments under *D. nigrescens*.

**Dendroica occidentalis** (Townsend). Hermit Warbler.


**Habitat.**—Coniferous forest, usually cool and moist, especially where Douglas-fir present; in migration, a variety of wooded habitats; in winter, primarily montane forest and pine-oak association.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from western Washington south through the coast ranges and Cascades (mostly western slopes) to northern California (Marin County), and south in interior through the Sierra Nevada Mountains (to Kern County), including extreme west-central Nevada; also small populations in Santa Cruz Mountains of central California and in the San Gabriel and San Bernardino mountains of southern California.

*Winters* locally in coastal California (mainly from Point Reyes south to Santa Barbara County; casually north to western Oregon and south to San Diego County), and from Sinaloa and Durango south through the highlands of Mexico and Central America (except Belize) to north-central Nicaragua. Casual in interior California, southern Arizona, and southern Texas; accidental in Missouri and Nova Scotia.

*Migrates* through the southwestern states (from California and Arizona east to southern New Mexico and western Texas), Baja California, and most of Mexico (except the Yucatan Peninsula).

Casual in Utah, Colorado, and along the Gulf coast from southeastern Texas to southeastern Louisiana. Accidental in Kansas, Minnesota, Wisconsin, southern Ontario, and Newfoundland; sight reports for Wyoming, Minnesota, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Costa Rica, and western Panama (Chiriquí).

**Notes.**—See comments under *D. townsendi*.

**Dendroica fusca** (Müller). Blackburnian Warbler.

*Motacilla fusca* P. L. S. Müller, 1776, *Natursyst.*, Suppl., p. 175. (Guyana = French Guiana.)

**Habitat.**—Mature coniferous (primarily hemlock, balsam fir, and spruce) and mixed coniferous-deciduous forest, locally in deciduous forest in Appalachians; in migration, a variety of wooded habitats; in winter, primarily Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from central Alberta (local), central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and southwestern Newfoundland south to southern Manitoba, central Minnesota, central Wisconsin, southwestern Michigan, southern Ontario, northern Indiana (probably), eastern Ohio (local), Pennsylvania, in the Appalachians through West Virginia, western Maryland, eastern Kentucky, western Virginia, eastern Tennessee, and eastern North Carolina to north-central Georgia and northwestern South Carolina (breeding not confirmed), and to northern New Jersey, southeastern New York, and Massachusetts. Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) in South Dakota, Colorado, central Ontario, and central Quebec.

*Winters* from Costa Rica (rare) Panama (primarily Darién), Colombia, and northern Venezuela south in Andes of Ecuador to central Peru, casually to northern Bolivia. Casual in winter in coastal California, accidental in coastal Oregon, and one January record from Ontario; many winter sight reports for Gulf Coast and Florida, but no documented winter records from anywhere in eastern United States.

*Migrates* regularly through the eastern United States (west to the Plains states and central Texas), Bermuda, Bahama Islands, Greater Antilles (except Jamaica), the Cayman Islands, eastern Mexico, both slopes of Middle America from Oaxaca and Veracruz southward (more frequently on the Caribbean slope), islands in the western Caribbean Sea (Swan, Providencia, and San Andrés), and the Netherlands Antilles.

Casual in western North America (most frequently recorded in coastal areas in fall) from British Columbia, Washington, Montana, and Colorado south to northern Baja California.
(annual in small numbers in coastal central and southern California), southern Arizona, and southern New Mexico, also in the Lesser Antilles (Barbados, Grenada), Tobago, Trinidad (sight reports), and Greenland. Accidental in Surinam, Brazil, at sea off Iceland, and the British Isles (sight reports).

**Dendroica dominica** (Linnaeus). Yellow-throated Warbler.

*Motacilla dominica* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 334. Based mainly on “Le Figuier cendré de S. Domingue” Brisson, Ornithologie 3: 520, pl. 27, fig. 3. (in Jamaica, Dominica = Hispaniola.)

**Habitat.**—Pine forest, sycamore-bald cypress swamp, riparian woodland (especially sycamores), and live oak woodland; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats, especially pines and palms.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from central Iowa (rare), extreme southern Wisconsin, extreme southwestern Michigan, northern Ohio, central Pennsylvania, central New Jersey, and Connecticut (casually southern New York) south to eastern Kansas (local), central Oklahoma, south-central and eastern Texas (west to Uvalde and Real counties), the Gulf coast, and central Florida, and also in the northern Bahama Islands (Grand Bahama, Abaco).

Winters from southeastern Texas, the Gulf coast (rare), and South Carolina, rarely to southeastern North Carolina (casually farther north, and to central California, Arizona, and Sinaloa; accidental as far northwest as Idaho) south through Middle America (primarily the Gulf-Caribbean slope and, in Chiapas and northern Central America, the interior highlands), Bermuda (rare), the Bahama Islands, Greater Antilles (east to the Virgin Islands), Cayman Islands, and to Costa Rica (casually to Panama).

Migrates rarely west to Wyoming, eastern Colorado, and New Mexico, casually to Utah and southern Arizona. Recorded annually in small numbers in California and Newfoundland.

Casual or accidental north to southern Oregon, Idaho, southern Manitoba, Minnesota, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland, Clipper Island, and to the Lesser Antilles (Montserrat, Guadeloupe); sight reports for southeastern Montana, Saskatchewan, Nevada, northern Baja California, and Colombia.

**Notes.**—Mengel (1964) considered *D. dominica, D. graciae,* and *D. adelaidae* to constitute a superspecies; *D. pityophila* also appears to be closely related to *D. graciae* and to belong to this group, but it is sympatric with *D. dominica* in the Bahamas.

**Dendroica graciae** Baird. Grace’s Warbler.

*Dendroica gracae* (Coues MS) Baird, 1865, Rev. Amer. Birds 1: 210. (Fort Whipple, near Prescott, Arizona.)

**Habitat.**—Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, lowland pine savanna (Middle America), locally spruce-fir forest in northern portions of range (600–2800 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southern Nevada, southern Utah, southwestern Colorado, northern New Mexico, and western Texas (Guadalupe and Davis mountains) south through the mountains of western Mexico (east to western Chihuahua, Durango, and western Zacatecas), Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua; also in the lowland pine savanna of Belize, eastern Honduras, and northeastern Nicaragua. Summer records from mountains of eastern and southern California.

Winters from Sonora and Chihuahua south through the breeding range (occurring east at least to northern Oaxaca), being generally resident from central Mexico southward. Casual in winter in coastal southern California and accidental in lower Colorado River Valley of Nevada.

Casual in California (see above), southwestern Texas (El Paso, Big Bend), and Front Range of central Colorado.

**Notes.**—See comments under *D. dominica.*

**Dendroica adelaidae** Baird. Adelaide’s Warbler.

*Dendroica adelaidae* Baird, 1865, Rev. Amer. Birds 1: 212. (Puerto Rico.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–700 m).
Distribution.—Resident on Puerto Rico (including Vieques Island), and in the Lesser Antilles on Barbuda and St. Lucia.

Notes.—Lowery and Monroe in Paynter (1968) proposed that D. adelaidae and D. graciae were each other’s closest relative. See comments under D. dominica.

**Dendroica pityophila** (Gundlach). Olive-capped Warbler.


Habitat.—Pine Forest (0–2000 m).

Distribution.—Resident in the northern Bahama Islands (Grand Bahama and Abaco) and Cuba (Pinar del Río and Oriente provinces).

Notes.—See comments under D. dominica.

**Dendroica pinus** (Wilson). Pine Warbler.

*Sylvia pinus* Wilson, 1811, Amer. Ornithol. 3: 25, pl. 19, fig. 4. (Southern States = Georgia.)

Habitat.—Pine forest and pine woodland; in migration and winter, also deciduous forest and woodland and pine groves in parks and suburbs.

Distribution.—Breeds in southeastern Manitoba (possibly also locally in eastern Saskatchewan), northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, central Maine, and southwestern New Brunswick south to eastern Oklahoma and eastern Texas (west to Bastrop and Matagorda counties), the Gulf coast, southern Florida (to Long Pine Key, Everglades National Park) and the northern Bahama Islands (Grand Bahama, Abaco, Andros, and New Providence), but scarce, local, or absent from much of the Midwest south of the Great Lakes region and north of central Missouri, southern Illinois, and southern Indiana; also on Hispaniola.

Winters from eastern Texas, southeastern Oklahoma, Arkansas, southern Tennessee, North Carolina, eastern Virginia, eastern Maryland, and Delaware south to south-central Texas, the Gulf coast, Florida, Bermuda (rare), and through the breeding range in the Bahamas and on Hispaniola. Casual north (often early winter only) to the southern Great Lakes region, New York, and New England, and south to southern Texas, extreme northern Tamaulipas, and southern Florida; also casual in California.

Casual north to Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, west to southeastern Alberta, southwestern Saskatchewan, Montana, Wyoming, eastern Colorado, western Kansas, and eastern New Mexico, also to California (primarily coastal region), Arizona, the Florida Keys, Cuba, and Cay Sal (in the Bahamas). Accidental in Greenland; sight reports for Oregon and Nuevo León. Sight reports from August and early September from Costa Rica require documentation.

**Dendroica kirtlandii** (Baird). Kirtland’s Warbler.


Habitat.—Scrubby jack-pine with openings; in winter, in low scrub, thickets, and (rarely) deciduous woodland.

Distribution.—Breeds in northern Michigan (from Otsego, extreme southwestern Presque Isle, and Alpena counties south to Kalkaska, northwestern Clare, Roscommon, Ogemaw, and Oscos counties) and (formerly) southern Ontario; has recently (1995, 1996) bred in Upper Peninsula of Michigan. Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) in west-central Wisconsin (Jackson, Douglas, and Washburn counties). Winters evidently in the Bahamas, but winter distribution largely unknown.

Casual (generally in migration) in Minnesota, northern Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, western Pennsylvania, southwestern Quebec, South Carolina, and southern Florida; sight reports from Kentucky, West Virginia, North Carolina, Alabama, and Georgia; recorded (prior to 1901) from eastern Missouri and Virginia.
Dendroica discolor (Vieillot). Prairie Warbler.


*(États-Unis et les grandes Îles Antilles = the Antilles.)*

**Habitat.**—Brushy second growth, dry scrub, brushy ridgetops, regenerating pine clearcuts, low pine-juniper, pine barrens, and mangroves; in migration and winter also in a variety of woodland, second growth, and brushy situations.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from eastern Oklahoma, central Missouri, southern Illinois, central Indiana, central Ohio, Pennsylvania, southern New York, southern Vermont, southern New Hampshire, and extreme southern Maine south to eastern Texas, central Louisiana, southern Mississippi, southern Alabama, and southern Florida and the Florida Keys from Volusia County and Cedar Keys south to Marquesas Keys. Also locally north to eastern Nebraska (formerly), extreme eastern Kansas, extreme southeastern Iowa (probably, at least formerly), central Illinois, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, and northern New York. Summer records from Manitoba, North Dakota, and Wisconsin.

*Winters* from central Florida (casually from southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and Virginia, most records from December to early January only), Bermuda (rare), and the Bahama Islands south through most of the West Indies (casual in southern Lesser Antilles) to islands off the coast of northern Middle America (off Quintana Roo, Belize, and Honduras), and casually in coastal California, coastal Georgia, coastal South Carolina, southeastern North Carolina, the Gulf Coast to eastern Texas, southern Veracruz, and the Pacific coast from Nayarit to El Salvador. Early winter records along Atlantic coast to Massachusetts and Nova Scotia, and in Kentucky.

*Migrates* casually west through the Plains states and central Texas. Recorded in small numbers annually in California (primarily fall in coastal areas), Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Newfoundland.

Casual or accidental north to south-coastal and southeastern Alaska (Middleton Island, Ketchikan), southern Quebec, and Prince Edward Island, and to Oregon, Nevada, New Mexico, Arizona, eastern Montana, Wyoming, eastern Colorado, northern Baja California, Cocos Island, and Colombia; sight reports for Washington, New Mexico, South Dakota, Minnesota, Newfoundland, Guatemala (off the Pacific coast), Caribbean Nicaragua (pine savanna), Costa Rica, Panama, Clipperton Island, and Trinidad.

**Notes.**—*Dendroica discolor* and *D. vitellina* are considered to be each other's closest relatives (Lowery and Monroe in Paynter 1968) and to constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

Dendroica vitellina Cory. Vitelline Warbler.

*Dendroica vitellina* Cory, 1886, Auk 3: 497. (Island of Grand Cayman, West Indies.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub.

**Distribution.**—*Resident in* the Cayman (including Grand Cayman, Little Cayman, and Cayman Brac) and Swan (especially Little Swan) islands, in the Caribbean Sea.

**Notes.**—See comments under *D. discolor*.

Dendroica palmarum (Gmelin). Palm Warbler.


**Habitat.**—Open bogs at the edge of boreal coniferous forest, and occasionally partly open situations with scattered trees and heavy undergrowth, usually near water; in migration and winter, primarily second growth habitats, weedy fields, hedgerows, and edges of marsh and mangrove woodland.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from extreme southeastern Yukon, west-central and southern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, southern Labrador, and Newfoundland south to northeastern British Columbia, central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, north-central and northeastern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, central Maine, New
Brunswick, and Nova Scotia; also rare and local in northern New York, Vermont, and northern New Hampshire.

Winters from southeastern Texas, central Louisiana, southern Mississippi, central Alabama, northern Georgia, South Carolina, eastern North Carolina, coastal Maryland, and coastal Delaware (casually north to Missouri, the Ohio Valley, and New England; often in early winter only) south to the Gulf Coast of southern Florida, Bermuda, the Bahama Islands, Greater Antilles (east to the Virgin Islands), Cayman Islands, islands in the western Caribbean Sea, and the Yucatan Peninsula (including islands offshore and off Belize); also regularly in coastal areas of Washington, Oregon, and California (casually southwestern British Columbia), from Baja California and Sonora south through the Pacific lowlands to Oaxaca, and in the lowland pine savanna of eastern Honduras and northeastern Nicaragua.

Migrates primarily through the central United States (from Montana and the Plains states eastward to the Atlantic seaboard), regularly through coastal California in fall, and casually elsewhere in western North America (from British Columbia, Idaho, and Wyoming south to northern Baja California, southern Arizona, and New Mexico).

Casual in Alaska (north to Barrow, west to Nunivak Island, and from Kodiak and Middleton islands to Ketchikan), Guerrero, Veracruz, Costa Rica, Panama, and in the Netherlands Antilles; accidental in Colombia and Venezuela (photograph; June 1995) and Great Britain; sight reports for Clipperton Island.

**Dendroica castanea** (Wilson). Bay-breasted Warbler.

*Sylvia castanea* Wilson, 1810, *Amer. Ornithol.* 2: 97, pl. 14, fig. 4. (Pennsylvania.)

**Habitat.**—Boreal coniferous forest (especially spruce, balsam fir) with openings, occasionally adjoining second growth or deciduous scrub; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats, but primarily second-growth forest and forest edge.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from extreme southeastern Yukon, northeastern British Columbia, southwestern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, northern Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, central Ontario, central Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and western Newfoundland south to east-central British Columbia, central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, north-central and northeastern Minnesota, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, northern New York, northern Vermont (rare), northern New Hampshire, and southern Maine; also bred once in Colorado (Douglas County) and West Virginia (mated to a *D. fusca*). Recorded in summer in northern Wisconsin.

Winters from Costa Rica (Caribbean lowlands), Panama (Caribbean slope throughout, Pacific slope from eastern Veraguas eastward) east through Colombia to northwestern Venezuela (including Curacao and Tortuga Island), casually in eastern Venezuela and Trinidad. Casual in coastal southern California and Georgia. Many undocumented records for Florida. Recorded casually in early winter north to the southern United States.

Migrates primarily through the eastern United States (west to central North Dakota and the eastern Plains states, and central and southern Texas), Bermuda (rare), the Bahamas (fall, rare), Cuba, the Cayman Islands, Jamaica, islands in the western Caribbean Sea (Providencia, San Andres, and Middle America (from southern Veracruz and the Yucatan Peninsula south to Panama, casual further north), rarely (mostly along the coast) in western North America from Oregon, Idaho, and Montana south to southern California, southern Arizona, and New Mexico.

Casual in Labrador, Sonora, Clipperton and the Revillagigedo islands, the eastern Greater Antilles (recorded from Hispaniola, Mona Island, Puerto Rico, and St. Croix in the Virgin Islands), Lesser Antilles (St. Vincent, Barbados), Greenland, and Great Britain; sight reports for central Alaska and Ecuador.

**Dendroica striata** (Forster). Blackpoll Warbler.


**Habitat.**—Cool, wet boreal coniferous forest (primarily spruce), usually dominated by low trees; locally, also mixed coniferous-deciduous second growth, regenerating burns, bogs, and alder thickets; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats.

Winters from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, mostly east of the Andes, to northeastern Peru and Amazonian Brazil. Casual in Panama, Costa Rica, and Trinidad.

Migrates primarily in spring through the West Indies, Bahama Islands, and eastern North America (west to Montana, the Plains states, and central and southern Texas); and in fall mostly across northeastern North America from New England and the Maritime Provinces south to West Virginia and Virginia, thence mostly at sea (but see Notes below) over Bermuda and the Lesser Antilles (north, at least irregularly, to Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands) to northern South America (including islands north of Venezuela), also regularly in California.

Casual elsewhere in western North America from southwestern British Columbia, Utah, and New Mexico south to southern Baja California, southern Arizona, and Chihuahua, and in Argentina, southeastern Brazil, Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, and France. Accidental on Cornwallis Island, and in Oaxaca (Tehuantepec City), Chile, and the Galapagos Islands; sight reports for Idaho, Yucatán, Belize, and Clipperton Island.

Notes.—Transoceanic migration in this species has been questioned by Murray (1989) and is currently the subject of vigorous debate. See Nesbit et al. (1995) and references therein. Dendroica breviunguis, based on Alauda (Anthus) breviunguis Spix, 1824, sometimes used for this species, is not valid because Muscicapa striata Forster, 1772, is unaffected by Motacilla striata Pallas, 1764, the latter species now currently placed in the Old World genus Muscicapa; see Banks and Browning (1995).

Dendroica cerulea (Wilson). Cerulean Warbler.

Sylvia cerulea Wilson, 1810, Amer. Ornithol. 2: 141, pl. 17, fig. 5. (Pennsylvania = Philadelphia.)

Habitat.—Mature deciduous forest; in migration, a variety of wooded (broadleaf) habitats; in winter, primarily Montane Evergreen Forest.

Distribution.—Breeds from central and southeastern Minnesota, central Wisconsin, central Michigan, southeastern Ontario, New York, Connecticut, and Rhode Island south through central and northeastern Iowa and Missouri to southern Arkansas, east-central Mississippi, central Alabama, eastern North Carolina, central Virginia, northeastern Maryland, northern Delaware, and northern New Jersey. Also rarely or formerly in southeastern South Dakota, northern Michigan, southwestern Quebec, northwestern Vermont, central Massachusetts, southeastern Nebraska, eastern Oklahoma, north-central Texas (to Dallas area), northern Louisiana, northern Georgia, and northwestern South Carolina.

Winters from Colombia and Venezuela south, mostly along the eastern slope of the Andes, to southern Peru, perhaps northern Bolivia.

Migrates through the southeastern United States (west to central and southern Texas in spring), Cuba, the Isle of Pines, the Cayman Islands, Jamaica, and, uncommonly, along the Caribbean slope and offshore islands from southern Veracruz, Chiapas, and the Yucatan Peninsula south to Panama (also the Pearl Islands, off Pacific Panama, but not recorded from Nicaragua), casually through the Bahama Islands (recorded from Cay Lobos, New Providence). Common spring migrant in Maya Mountains of Belize.

Casual north to southwestern Manitoba, North Dakota, northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, central Ontario, New Hampshire, Maine, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia, in western North America to California, northern Baja California, southern Nevada, southeastern Arizona, Colorado, and New Mexico; sight reports for Newfoundland, Bermuda, and southeastern Brazil.
Dendroica plumbea Lawrence. Plumbeous Warbler.

* Dendroica plumbea Lawrence, 1877, Ann. N. Y. Acad. Sci. 1 (1877): 47. (Dominica.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–900 m).
**Distribution.**—Resident in the Lesser Antilles (Dominica, Marie Galante, Guadeloupe, and Terre-de-Haut, possibly only a casual vagrant to the latter).
**Notes.**—Kepler and Parkes (1972) regarded *D. plumbea*, *D. pharetra*, *D. angelae*, and *Catharopeza bishopi* as more closely related to one another than to any other member of *Dendroica* and as possibly constituting a superspecies; see comments under *C. bishopi*.

Dendroica pharetra (Gosse). Arrowhead Warbler.

* Sylvicola pharetra Gosse, 1847, Birds Jamaica, p. 163. (Bognie woods, on the top of Bluefields Peak, Jamaica.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (300–1600 m).
**Distribution.**—Resident on Jamaica.
**Notes.**—See comments under *D. plumbea*.

Dendroica angelae Kepler and Parkes. Elfin-woods Warbler.

* Dendroica angelae Kepler and Parkes, 1972, Auk 89: 3. (ridge between the Río Sabana and Río Espiritu Santo valleys, approximately 2.5 km west of Highway 191 on the El Toro trail, Sierra de Luquillo, Puerto Rico [elevation 780 m].)

**Habitat.**—Elfin Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (650–1050 m).
**Distribution.**—Resident on Puerto Rico (Sierra de Luquillo, Maricao).
**Notes.**—See comments under *D. plumbea*.

Genus CATHAROPEZA Sclater

*Catharopeza* Sclater, 1880, Ibis, pp. 40, 73, 74. Type, by original designation, *Leucopeza bishopi* Lawrence.

**Notes.**—Sometimes merged in *Dendroica* (Bond 1967, Kepler and Parkes 1972) and often considered to be most closely related to that genus (e.g., Lowery and Monroe in Paynter 1968). Robbins and Parker (1997b), however, presented data on voice, behavior, and morphology that suggest that *Catharopeza* is more closely related to *Phaeothlypis*.

*Catharopeza bishopi* (Lawrence). Whistling Warbler.

* Leucopeza bishopi Lawrence, 1878, Ann. N. Y. Acad. Sci. 1 (1877): 151. (St. Vincent.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (300–1000 m)
**Distribution.**—Resident on St. Vincent, in the Lesser Antilles.

Genus MNIOTILTA Vieillot


* Motacilla varia Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 333. Based on the “Small Black and White Creeper” Sloane, Voy. Jamaica 2: 309, pl. 265, fig. 1, and “Le Figuier varié de S. Domingue” Brisson, Ornithologie 3: 529, pl. 27, fig. 5. (in Jamaica, Dominica = Hispaniola.)

**Habitat.**—Extensive tracts of deciduous and mixed deciduous-coniferous forest and woodland, primarily where tall trees present; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats.
**Distribution.**—Breeds from extreme southeastern Yukon, west-central and southwestern
Mackenzie, northern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, northern Ontario, south-central Quebec, southern Labrador (probably), and Newfoundland south (at least locally) to northeastern British Columbia, central Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, eastern Montana, southwestern South Dakota, western Nebraska, central Kansas, south-central and eastern Texas, central Louisiana, southern Mississippi, southern Alabama, central Georgia, central South Carolina, and southeastern North Carolina. Recorded in summer in California, Arizona, and Colorado.

Winters from southern and coastal northern California (rarely), southern Arizona (rarely), Coahuila, Nuevo León, southern Texas, the Gulf Coast (rare), Florida (casually farther north to eastern North Carolina), Bermuda, and the Bahama Islands south through Middle America and the West Indies (less commonly in the Lesser Antilles) to western Ecuador, Colombia, northern Venezuela, the Netherlands Antilles, and Trinidad; sight reports for northern Peru. Accidental in Minnesota. Many early winter records in eastern United States north to southern Canada.

Migrates most commonly east of the Rockies, regularly (but rarely) through Bermuda and in western North America from southwestern British Columbia, Idaho, and Montana southward.

Casual or accidental in northern and southeastern Alaska (Colville River delta, Hyder), and northeastern Manitoba, and in Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, and the British Isles.

Genus **SETOPHAGA** Swainson

*Setophaga* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 368. Type, by subsequent designation (Swainson, 1827), *Motacilla ruticilla* Linnaeus.

*Setophaga ruticilla* (Linnaeus). American Redstart.


Habitat.—Open deciduous and mixed deciduous-coniferous woodland, riparian woodland (especially cottonwoods and willows), and second growth, locally birch or aspen woodland; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats, especially edges of humid and semi-humid tropical forest and mangroves.

Distribution.—Breeds from southeastern Alaska, southern Yukon, west-central and southern Mackenzie, north-central Saskatchewan, north-central Manitoba, north-central Ontario, south-central Quebec, southern Labrador, and Newfoundland south, at least locally (or formerly) through interior British Columbia, central Washington, and eastern Oregon to northwestern California (irregularly in Del Norte and Humboldt counties), Idaho, northern Utah (formerly), south-central Colorado (rarely), central Arizona (rarely), eastern Oklahoma, eastern Texas, central Louisiana, central Mississippi, southern Alabama, northwestern Florida, southern Georgia, central South Carolina, central North Carolina, and southern Virginia; also casually in Cuba.

Winters from southern Baja California, Sinaloa, Veracruz, central Florida, and the Bahamas (rarely from California, southern Arizona, southern Texas, and the Gulf coast, casually farther north, mostly in early winter) south through Middle America, Bermuda, and the West Indies, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including islands from the Netherlands Antilles east to Tobago and Trinidad), and the Guianas south to coastal lowlands of Peru (sight reports) and northwestern Brazil.

Migrates throughout North America (more commonly in the eastern portion).

Casual north to central and south-coastal Alaska (Denali National Park, Homer, Middleton Island), northern Mackenzie, Banks Island, northern Manitoba, and northeastern Quebec, in the Revillagigedo Islands (San Benedicto and Socorro islands; sight reports), Clipperton Island, at sea near the Azores, Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, and France.

Genus **PROTONOTARIA** Baird

Protonotaria citrea (Boddaert). Prothonotary Warbler.

Motacilla citrea Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 44. Based on "Figuier à ventre et tête jaunes de la Louisiane" Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 704, fig. 2. (Louisiana.)

Habitat.—Swamps, wet bottomland forest, and riparian forest; in migration and winter, also dry woodland, scrub, and mangroves.

Distribution.—Breeds from east-central and southeastern Minnesota, central Wisconsin, southern Michigan, extreme southern Ontario (locally), central New York (locally), and northern New Jersey (casually in Connecticut and Rhode Island) south to south-central and eastern Texas (west to Medina County), the Gulf coast, and central (locally also southern) Florida, and west to extreme eastern Nebraska, eastern Kansas, and central Oklahoma.

Winters from southern Veracruz (rare) and the Yucatan Peninsula south on the Caribbean slope of Middle America (including nearby islands) to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica and Panama, and in South America from Colombia, northwestern Ecuador, and northern Venezuela (including islands from the Netherlands Antilles east to Tobago and Trinidad), in Puerto Rico and (rarely) the Virgin Islands, and casually east to Surinam and north in the Antilles. Casual in winter in coastal California, coastal Texas, southern Florida, and Bermuda. Accidental in Illinois and Georgia. Casual in December in southern Louisiana.

Migrates through the southeastern United States (west to central and southern Texas), Bermuda, the Bahamas, Cuba, the Isle of Pines, the Cayman Islands, and islands in the western Caribbean Sea, rarely east to the Virgin Islands and Lesser Antilles.

Casual north to northern Ontario, Labrador (sight report), Newfoundland (sight reports), southern Quebec, Nova Scotia, and Maine, and in western North America from southern Washington, Oregon, Nevada, and southern Saskatchewan (sight report) south to southern California, Los Coronado Islands, southern Arizona, and southern New Mexico, and in Sonora, Jalisco, Nuevo León, Clipperton Island (sight reports), Hispaniola, the Galapagos Islands, and Brazil.

Genus HELMITHEROS Rafinesque


Notes.—See comments under Limnothlypis.

Helmitheros vermivorus (Gmelin). Worm-eating Warbler.


Habitat.—Deciduous forest and damp, bushy ravines with dense undergrowth; also locally in regenerating clear-cuts; in migration, a variety wooded habitats; in winter, primarily broadleaf forest with dense undergrowth.

Distribution.—Breeds from northeastern Kansas, northern Missouri, southern and eastern Iowa (rarely), southern Wisconsin (locally), southwestern Michigan (locally), southern and east-central Ohio, northern Pennsylvania, central and southern New York, and Massachusetts south to extreme eastern Oklahoma, northeastern (locally to southeastern) Texas, south-central Louisiana, southern Mississippi, southwestern Alabama, northwestern Florida (locally), northern (locally to central) Georgia, northwestern and (locally) coastal South Carolina, and North Carolina. Recorded in summer (and possibly breeding) in southern Ontario.

Winters from southern Tamaulipas, Oaxaca, Chiapas, and the Yucatan Peninsula south through Middle America (more commonly on the Gulf-Caribbean slope north of central Costa Rica) to central Panama (east to the Canal area and eastern Panamá province), and on Bermuda, the Bahama Islands, Greater Antilles (east to the Virgin Islands), the Cayman Islands, and rarely in peninsular Florida and casually in California and coastal Texas. Recorded in early winter in Louisiana.

Migrates through the southeastern United States (west to eastern Colorado and central and southern Texas), eastern Mexico (mostly Gulf slope), and islands in the western Caribbean Sea (Swan, Providencia).
Casual north to southern Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Minnesota, southern Quebec, Newfoundland, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia, west to Wyoming, North Dakota, eastern South Dakota, Nebraska, western Texas, California, Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico, and Colorado; sight reports for Oregon, Utah, northern Baja California, Nayarit, and St. Pierre et Miquelon. Accidental in northern St. Martin, Antigua, and Venezuela.

Notes.—*Vermivora americ* Linnaeus, 1776 (including the genus), has been officially suppressed (I.C.Z.N. 1956c).

**Genus LIMNOTHLYPIS Stone**


Notes.—Sometimes merged in *Helmitheos* (Griscom and Sprunt 1957, Mayr and Short 1970).

**Limnothlypis swainsonii** (Audubon). Swainson’s Warbler.

*Sylvia Swainsonii* Audubon, 1834, Birds Amer. (folio) 2: pl. 198 (1834, Ornithol. Biogr. 2: 563). (Edisto River, near Charleston in South Carolina.)

**Habitat.**—Bottomland forest, woodland, and swamps with dense undergrowth and sparse ground cover, dense second-growth, and canebreaks, also in moist montane deciduous forest with rhododendron thickets, and locally in regenerating pine forest; in winter, primarily humid forest with dense undergrowth; more widespread in migration.

**Distribution.**—Breeds locally from southeastern Oklahoma, southern Missouri, southern Illinois, southwestern and eastern Kentucky, southern West Virginia, extreme western and extreme southeastern Virginia, southeastern Maryland, and southern Delaware (at least formerly) south to east-central Texas (west to Gonzales, Bastrop, Lee, and Brazos counties), the Gulf coast, and northern Florida. Summer records north to southwestern Pennsylvania.

Winters in Cuba (including Cayo Real), the Cayman Islands, Jamaica, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Veracruz (rare), the Yucatan Peninsula, eastern Guatemala (Petén), and Belize; casual in Bermuda and the northern Bahamas Islands (Grand Bahama); one early December specimen from Florida Keys.

Migrates through the southeastern United States (west to southern Texas), the Bahama Islands, Tamaulipas, and Chiapas. Rare but regular on Bermuda; one record for Swan Islands.


**Genus SEIURUS Swainson**

*Seiurus* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 369. Type, by subsequent designation (Swainson, 1827), *Motacilla aurocapilla* Linnaeus.

**Seiurus aurocapillus** (Linnaeus). Ovenbird.


**Habitat.**—Mature upland deciduous and mixed deciduous-coniferous forest, rarely in bottomland woodland, usually with sparse undergrowth and abundant leaf-litter; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from northeastern British Columbia, extreme southeastern Yukon, southern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec (including Anticosti and Magdalen islands), and Newfoundland south to southern Alberta, central and eastern Montana, northeastern Wyoming, central Colorado (local), Nebraska, extreme eastern Kansas, southeastern Oklahoma, western Ar-
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kansas, southwestern Tennessee, northern Alabama, northern Georgia, western South Carolina, and central and northeastern North Carolina.

Winters from Sinaloa, southern Texas (rare), southern Louisiana (rare), and North Carolina (casually north to northern California, the Great Lakes region and New England; most records from December only) south through Middle America (both slopes, more commonly on the Gulf-Caribbean) and Bermuda and the West Indies to Panama (casual east of the Canal area and eastern Panamá province) and northern Venezuela (including islands from the Netherlands Antilles east to Tobago and Trinidad), casually in Colombia and western Ecuador.

Migrates primarily through eastern North America from the Rockies eastward, and casually to rarely elsewhere in western North America from southwestern British Columbia, Washington, Idaho, and Montana south to California, Baja California, northwestern Mexico, New Mexico, and western Texas.

Casual or accidental in Alaska (Prudhoe Bay, Fairbanks), southwestern British Columbia, Guadalupe Island (off Baja California), and the British Isles.

Seiurus noveboracensis (Gmelin). Northern Waterthrush.


Habitat.—Thickets near slow-moving streams, ponds, swamps, and bogs; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats, generally near water, often in mangroves.

Distribution.—Breeds from western and north-central Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northern Quebec, northern Labrador, and Newfoundland south to southern Alaska (west to the base of the Alaska Peninsula), central British Columbia, northeastern Washington, northern Idaho, western and central Montana, southwestern and central Alberta, southeastern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northern North Dakota, northeastern Minnesota, central Wisconsin, southern Michigan, southern Ontario, extreme northeastern Ohio, southeastern West Virginia, western Maryland, Pennsylvania, New York, Connecticut, and Rhode Island; one breeding record from north-central North Carolina (Caswell County). One breeding record from Colorado. Recorded in summer (and probably breeding) in the central Cascade Mountains of Oregon.

Winters from southern Baja California, Sinaloa, San Luis Potosí, Tamaulipas, southern Florida, the Bahama Islands, and Bermuda (casually north to British Columbia, the Gulf coast, and Virginia) south through Middle America and the West Indies, and in northern South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including islands from Netherlands Antilles east to Tobago and Trinidad), and the Guianas south to Ecuador. Recorded annually in winter in southern coastal California, southern Texas, and southern Louisiana.

Migrates regularly throughout most of North America, most commonly east of the Rockies. Casual on St. Lawrence Island, northern Alaska, coastal British Columbia, Banks Island, northern Baja California, Peru, Greenland, the British Isles, France, the Canary Islands, and Siberia (Chukotski Peninsula); sight reports for the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro) and Clipperton Island.

Seiurus motacilla (Vieillot). Louisiana Waterthrush.

Turdus motacilla Vieillot, 1809, Hist. Nat. Ois. Amer. Sept. 2 (1808, livr. 14): 9, pl. 65. (Kentucky.)

Habitat.—Along shaded, fast-flowing, usually rocky streams in forest and woodland, and locally in swamps; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats, usually near fast-flowing water.

Distribution.—Breeds from eastern Nebraska (formerly), eastern Kansas, north-central Iowa, east-central and southeastern Minnesota, west-central Wisconsin, central Michigan, southern Ontario, central and northeastern New York, central Vermont, central New Hampshire, and southern Maine south to west-central Oklahoma, central Texas (west to Bander
County), central Louisiana, southern Mississippi, southern Alabama, northern Florida (south to the Gainesville area), central and southwestern Georgia, central South Carolina, and North Carolina; recorded in summer in southern Quebec.

**Winters** from southern Sonora, southern Nuevo León, southwestern Tamaulipas, and the Bahama Islands (casually north to southern California, southeastern Arizona, southern Florida, and accidental in Maryland) south through Middle America (both slopes, although more commonly on the Gulf-Caribbean) and the West Indies (south to St. Vincent in the Lesser Antilles) to eastern Panama, northern Colombia (rare), northwestern Venezuela, and Trinidad.

*Migrates* primarily through the southeastern United States (west to central and southern Texas) and northern Mexico; also Bermuda (rare).

Casual north to northeastern Minnesota, northern Michigan, Nova Scotia, and in California, Baja California, eastern Colorado, and New Mexico. Accidental in Greenland. Sight reports for the Dakotas and New Brunswick.

**Genus **OPORORNIS Baird


**Notes.**—Sometimes merged in Geothlypis (Lowery and Monroe in Paynter 1968).

**Oporornis formosus** (Wilson). Kentucky Warbler.

_Sylvia formosa_ Wilson, 1811, Amer. Ornithol. 3: 85, pl. 25, fig. 3. (Kentucky.)

**Habitat.**—Humid deciduous forest with dense undergrowth, dense second growth, shady ravines, and swamp edges; in migration, a variety of wooded habitats; in winter, primarily broadleaf forest with dense undergrowth.

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** from eastern Nebraska, central and northeastern Iowa, southern Wisconsin, northern Illinois, northern Indiana, extreme southern Michigan, northern Ohio, Pennsylvania, northern New Jersey, south-central (formerly) and southeastern New York, and (presumably) extreme southwestern Connecticut south to south-central and eastern Texas (west to Kerrville), the Gulf coast (east to Suwanee County in Florida), central Georgia, and South Carolina, and west to eastern Kansas and central Oklahoma. One breeding record for southern Minnesota. In 1992, many summered and may have attempted to breed in California. Summer records for Ontario and Massachusetts.

**Winters** from Nayarit, Oaxaca, southern Veracruz, and the Yucatan Peninsula south through Middle America (primarily the Caribbean slope, rare and local on the Pacific slope north of central Costa Rica) to Panama, and rarely to northern Colombia and northern Venezuela. Casual in coastal California, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and the Netherlands Antilles. Accidental in northern Louisiana, Bermuda, and Cuba (sight report).

*Migrates* primarily through the southeastern United States (west to eastern Colorado, eastern New Mexico, and western Texas), northeastern Mexico, Cuba, Hispaniola, Jamaica, and the Cayman Islands, rarely east to Puerto Rico, the Virgin and Bahamas, and Bermuda.

Casual north to eastern Montana, North Dakota, Minnesota, southern Ontario, central New York, northern New England, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland, in western North America from California east through Utah, Arizona, and northern Sonora to eastern Colorado and New Mexico, and in the Lesser Antilles (Guadeloupe); sight reports for northern Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Wyoming, the Dakotas, Nevada, and southern Quebec.


_Sylvia agilis_ Wilson, 1812, Amer. Ornithol. 5: 64, pl. 39, fig. 4. (Connecticut.)

**Habitat.**—Spruce and tamarack bogs, jack pine barrens (locally), also open poplar or aspen woodland in western portion of range; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded and semi-open habitats.

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** from northeastern British Columbia (rare, local) east across central
Alberta, central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, and northern Ontario to south-central Quebec, and south to southern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, and south-central Ontario.

Winter range poorly understood, and only a few documented records are known from December to February. Recorded from northeastern Colombia and Venezuela south to Amazonian and central Brazil.

Migrates through the Atlantic states (primarily in fall, rarely north to southern New England, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia), the east-central United States west of the Appalachians and east of the Rockies (mostly in spring, casually west to eastern Colorado and central Texas), and in both seasons through the southeastern states, Bermuda (rare), Bahama Islands, Netherlands Antilles, and Venezuela.

Casual or accidental in southern British Columbia, Newfoundland, California (mostly Farallon Islands), Utah, southern Arizona, Montana, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Newfoundland (sight report), western Panama (Bocas del Toro), the Greater Antilles (Hispaniola, and Mona Island off Puerto Rico), the Lesser Antilles (St. Martin), and southern Peru; sight reports for Oregon, Wyoming, Clipperton Island (sight report), and islands off Belize and Caribbean Honduras.

**Oporornis philadelphia** (Wilson). Mourning Warbler.

*Sylvia philadelphia* Wilson, 1810, Amer. Ornithol. 2: 101, pl. 14, fig. 6. (within a few miles of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.)

**Habitat.**—Open brushy deciduous woodland and second growth (especially burns, regenerating clear-cuts); in migration and winter, thickets, weedy fields, scrub, and woodland undergrowth, primarily in humid regions.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from northeastern British Columbia, southeastern Yukon, northeastern and central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, central Ontario, south-central and southeastern Quebec, and Newfoundland south to southern Manitoba, north-central and northeastern North Dakota, central Minnesota, central Wisconsin, northeastern Illinois, southern Michigan, and northern Ohio, in the higher Appalachians to eastern West Virginia, western Maryland, and northwestern Virginia, and to northeastern Pennsylvania, southeastern New York, and western Massachusetts. Casual in western North Carolina.

Winters from southern Nicaragua south through Costa Rica and Panama to western Columbia, eastern Ecuador (rare), and southern Venezuela. Accidental in southern California and Oaxaca.

Migrates primarily through the Mississippi and Ohio valleys (west to eastern Montana, the Plains states, and central Texas, casually to central Colorado, eastern New Mexico, and western Texas), rarely in the southeastern states (only casually in South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida east of panhandle), and regularly through eastern and southern Mexico, northern Central America, and Bermuda.

Casual or accidental in south-coastal Alaska (Middleton Island), south-central British Columbia, California (mostly Farallon Islands), Nevada, Wyoming, northern Arizona, Hispaniola, Puerto Rico, Curacao, and Greenland; sight reports from Washington, Oregon, southern Baja California, Cuba, the Bahama Islands, and Vieques Island (off Puerto Rico).

**Notes.**—*Oporornis philadelphia* and *O. tolmiei* are each other's closest relatives (Lowery and Monroe in Paynter 1968), hybridize (Cox 1973), and constitute a superspecies (Pitoczelli 1990).

**Oporornis tolmiei** (Townsend). MacGillivray's Warbler.

*Sylvia tolmiei* J. K. Townsend, 1839, Narr. Journey Rocky Mount., etc., p. 343. (the Columbia = Fort Vancouver, Washington.)

**Habitat.**—Coniferous forest edge, brushy hillsides, regenerating clearcuts and burns, and willow-alder riparian thickets; in migration and winter, a variety of open wooded habitats, weedy fields.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southeastern Alaska, southern Yukon, northern British Columbia, western and southern Alberta, extreme southwestern Saskatchewan, central Montana,
and southwestern South Dakota south, primarily in the mountains, to southern California
(San Jacinto Mountains), southeastern Arizona, and southern New Mexico; also in south-
eastern Coahuila and Nuevo León (Cerro Potosí).

Winters from southern Baja California, southern Sonora, Chihuahua, Coahuila, and Nuevo
León south, mostly in the highlands, through Middle America (except Belize) to western
Panama (Chiriquí, casually east to the Canal area). Casual in coastal California, southern
Arizona, southern Texas, and southern Louisiana.

Migrates primarily through western North America from the western Great Plains and
central Texas westward, casually east to Minnesota, central South Dakota, eastern Kansas,
northwestern Missouri, Illinois, eastern Texas, and southern Louisiana.

Casual or accidental in northern Alaska, Northwest Territories, northeastern British Co-
lumbia, Illinois, Massachusetts, and Georgia.

Notes.—See comments under O. philadelphia.

Genus GEOTHLYPIS Cabanis

Type, by monotypy, Trichas personatus Swainson = Turdus trichas Linnaeus.

Geothlypis Cabanis, 1847, Arch. Naturgesch. 13: 316, 349. New name for Trichas
Swainson, preoccupied.

Chamaethlypis Ridgway, 1887, Man. N. Amer. Birds, p. 225. Type, by original desig-
nation, Geothlypis poliocephala Baird.

Notes.—See comments under Oporornis.

Geothlypis trichas (Linnaeus). Common Yellowthroat.

Turdus Trichas Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 293. Based on “The Maryland
Yellow-Throat” Edwards, Glean. Nat. Hist. 1: 56, pl. 257, fig. 2. (in America sep-
tentrionali = Maryland.)

Habitat.—Marshes (especially cattail), thickets near water, bogs, brushy pastures, old
fields, and, locally, undergrowth at edge of humid forest; in migration and winter more
widespread, but mostly in marshy, brushy, or weedy areas (Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds [trichas group] from southeastern Alaska (west and north to Glacier
Bay), central Yukon, southwestern Northwest Territories, northern Alberta, northern Sas-
katchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, and Newfoundland south
to northern Baja California, in Mexico to Veracruz (and possibly Oaxaca), and to southern
Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida.

Winters [trichas group] from northern California (rarely or casually to southwestern British
Columbia and Washington), southern Arizona, southern New Mexico (rarely), southern Tex-
as, the Gulf states, and Maryland (casually north to Colorado and Missouri; recorded annually
in the southern Great Lakes) south through Middle America, the Greater Antilles (east to
the Virgin Islands), Bermuda, and the Cayman and Bahama islands to central Panama (east
to the Canal area and eastern Panamá province, casually to Darién), and casually to northern
Colombia and the Lesser Antilles (Dominica); questionably reported from northern Venezuela
and Tobago.

Resident [chapalensis group] in Jalisco.

Migrates [trichas group] broadly through North America and also through Bermuda and
islands in the western Caribbean Sea.

Casual [trichas group] in central and south-coastal Alaska, Hudson Bay, northern Labrador,
on Clipperton Island (sight report), Greenland, and the British Isles.

Notes.—Groups: G. chapalensis Nelson, 1903 [Chapala Yellowthroat] and G. trichas
[Common Yellowthroat]. Species limits and relationships within the genus are generally
poorly understood and require further study.

Geothlypis beldingi Ridgway. Belding’s Yellowthroat.

Geothlypis beldingi Ridgway, 1882, Proc. U. S. Natl. Mus. 5: 344. (San José del Cabo,
Baja California.)
Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes, possibly Saltwater/Brackish Marshes.

**Geothlypis flavovelata** Ridgway. Altamira Yellowthroat.


Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes (Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in central and southern Tamaulipas, extreme eastern San Luis Potosí and northern Veracruz.

Notes.—Also known as Yellow-crowned Yellowthroat. See comments under *G. trichas*.

**Geothlypis rostrata** Bryant. Bahama Yellowthroat.


Habitat.—Arid Lowland Scrub; thickets in open pine woodland.

Distribution.—Resident in the northern Bahama Islands (Grand Bahama, Andros, New Providence, Eleuthera, Little Abaco, Great Abaco and Cat Island.

Reports from Florida are unsatisfactory.

Notes.—See comments under *G. trichas*.

**Geothlypis semiflava** Sclater. Olive-crowned Yellowthroat.


Habitat.—Riparian Thickets, Second-growth Scrub (0–1800 m; Tropical and lower Sub-tropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in Middle America from northeastern Honduras (Río Segovia [= Coco]) south in the Caribbean lowlands of Nicaragua and Costa Rica (locally also on the Pacific slope in the Arenal region) to western Panama (Bocas del Toro); and in South America in western Colombia and western Ecuador.

**Geothlypis speciosa** Sclater. Black-polled Yellowthroat.


Habitat.—Freshwater Marshes (1700–2900 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the highlands of eastern Michoacán (Lago Patzcuaro, Lago Cuitzeo), southern Guanajuato (Lago Yuriria, Presa Solis), México (upper Río Lerma, Lago Zumpango), and (formerly) Distrito Federal (Lago Texcoco).

**Geothlypis nelsoni** Richmond. Hooded Yellowthroat.


*Geothlypis nelsoni* Richmond, 1900, Auk 17: 179. New name for *G. cucullata* Salvin and Godman, preoccupied.

Habitat.—Pine-Oak Forest Edge (2000–3100 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southeastern Coahuila and central Nuevo León south through eastern San Luis Potosí, Hidalgo, Puebla, central Veracruz, and Distrito Federal to western and central Oaxaca.

**Geothlypis aequinoctialis** (Gmelin). Masked Yellowthroat.

**Family Parulidae**

**Habitat.**—Riparian Thickets, Freshwater Marshes, Arid Montane Scrub, Second-growth Scrub (0–2100 m; Tropical Zone, in Panama known only from upper Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident [chiriquensis group] in southwestern Costa Rica (Cañas Gordas district) and western Panama (Volcán de Chiriquí, in western Chiriquí); [auricularis group] on the Pacific slope from western Ecuador to central Peru; and [aequinoctialis group] in eastern Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, the Guianas, and northeastern Brazil, and from southeastern Peru, eastern Bolivia, and central Argentina east to Uruguay and southern Brazil.

**Notes.**—Groups: G. chiriquensis Salvin, 1872 [Chiriqui Yellowthroat], G. auricularis Salvin, 1884 [Black-lored Yellowthroat] (see Ridgely and Tudor 1989), and G. aequinoctialis [Masked Yellowthroat]. Based on allozymic divergence and disjunct distributions, Escalante-Piego (1991) suggested that more than one species may be included within G. aequinoctialis; resolution of this issue awaits more extensive sampling and detailed analysis. Lowery and Monroe in Paynter (1968) considered G. chiriquensis to be a species.

**Geothlypis poliocephala** Baird. Gray-crowned Yellowthroat.

**Genus** **MICROLIGEA** Cory

Ligea (not Illiger, 1801 [Crustacea], nor Drybowski, 1876 [Mollusca]) Cory, 1884, Auk 1: 1. Type, by original designation, Ligea palustris Cory. Ligia (not Weber, 1795 [Crustacea], Fabricius 1798 [Crustacea], nor Dupre, 1829 [Lepidoptera]) Cory, 1884, Birds Haiti San Domingo, p. 34. Emendation of Ligea Cory, preoccupied.


**Notes.**—Although probably parulid, relationships of this genus otherwise are uncertain. Formerly included Microligea montana, now placed in the genus Xenoligea (Lowery and Monroe in Paynter 1968).

**Microligea palustris** (Cory). Green-tailed Warbler.

**Genus** **TERETISTRIS** Cabanis

Teretistris Cabanis, 1855, J. Ornithol. 3: 475, 476. Type, by original designation, Anabates fernandinae Lembeye.
**Teretistris fernandinae** (Lembeye). Yellow-headed Warbler.

*Anabates fernandinae* Lembeye, 1850, Aves Isla Cuba, p. 66, pl. 5, fig. 2. (Cuba = western Cuba.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–500 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in western Cuba (east to southwestern Las Villas and western Matanzas provinces, also Cayo Cantiles) and the Isle of Pines.

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**Teretistris fornsi** Gundlach. Oriente Warbler.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Pine Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–1500 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in eastern Cuba (ranging west along the north coast to eastern Matanza province, also on Cayo Coco, Cayo Romano, Cayo Saetia, Cayo Guajaba, and Cayo Sabinal).

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**Leucopeza semperi** Sclater. Semper’s Warbler.


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**Wilsonia citrina** (Boddart). Hooded Warbler.

*Muscicapa Citrina* Boddart, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 41. Based on “Gobe-mouche de la Louisiane” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 666, fig. 2. (Louisiana.)

**Habitat.**—Deciduous or mixed deciduous-pine forest with dense understory, especially along streams, rivers, and ravines, second growth; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from central and northeastern Iowa (rare and local), southeastern Minnesota (casually), central Wisconsin (local), southern Michigan (locally farther north), extreme southern Ontario, central and southeastern New York, Massachusetts (casually), Connecticut, and Rhode Island south to central and eastern Texas (south to Matagorda County and west to Bastrop County), the Gulf coast, and northern Florida, and west to southeastern Nebraska (formerly), eastern Kansas (casually) and eastern Oklahoma, with casual breeding in southern California (Kern and Los Angeles counties, 1992). Summer records for Colorado and Arizona.

**Winters** primarily on Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America from southern Tamaulipas (rare) to Panama (east rarely to the Canal area, including Isla Colba), rarely or casually on Pacific Slope of Middle America, and (rare) in Bermuda, the Bahamas, and the Greater Antilles; casual in Washington, coastal California, southern Texas, southern Louisiana, South Carolina, and southern Florida, and in northern Colombia, northern Venezuela, the Lesser Antilles, and the Netherlands Antilles.

**Migrates** regularly through the eastern Plains states (west to eastern Colorado, eastern New Mexico, and western Texas), southeastern states, the Antilles (east to the Virgin Islands,
and casually to Saba, St. Kitts [sight report], and Martinique), the Cayman and Bahama islands, Bermuda, and islands in the western Caribbean Sea, rarely to California.

Casual elsewhere in western North America from Northwest Territories, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and Montana south to Arizona and New Mexico; also north to southeastern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, northern Ontario, northern Minnesota, southern Quebec, Newfoundland, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia; also in Trinidad; sight reports for British Columbia, Utah, northern Baja California, and the British Isles.

**Wilsonia pusilla** (Wilson). Wilson’s Warbler.

*Muscicapa pusilla* Wilson, 1811, Amer. Ornithol. 3: 103, pl. 26, fig. 4. (southern States, . . . lower parts . . . of New Jersey and Delaware = southern New Jersey.)

**Habitat.**—Breeds in riparian thickets (especially alder-willow), moist undergrowth, dense second-growth, and bogs; in migration and winter, occupies a variety of open woodland, thickets, brush, scrub, and forest undergrowth.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from western and northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and east-central Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northern Quebec, northern Labrador, and Newfoundland south to southern Alaska (west to the Alaska Peninsula and Unimak Island), central coastal California (and in mountains of the interior to San Bernardino Mountains; formerly south to San Diego County), west-central and northeastern Nevada, south-central Utah, southwestern Colorado, and northern New Mexico, and to southwestern and east-central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, extreme north-central and northeastern Minnesota, extreme northwestern Wisconsin, northern Michigan (Upper Peninsula, rare), south-central Ontario, southern Quebec, extreme northeastern New York (Adirondacks), northern Vermont (rare), central Maine, and central Nova Scotia.

**Winters** from coastal California (rare), southern Baja California, southern Sonora, southern Texas, southern Louisiana, and Florida (rarely southern Mississippi and southern Alabama) south through Middle America (rarely in the Yucatan Peninsula) to western Panama (Chiriqui), rarely to central Panama. Casual north to British Columbia, Arizona, New Mexico, Kentucky, Ontario, Connecticut, and Nova Scotia. One record for Alaska (Kodiak).

**Migrates** regularly through North America west of the Appalachians, less commonly through the Atlantic and southeastern states, rarely through the Bahama Islands and the Greater Antilles (Cuba, Jamaica, and Puerto Rico).

Accidental in northern Baffin Island, Colombia, Greenland, and Great Britain. A sight report for the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island).

**Notes.**—Also known as Pileolated Warbler or Black-capped Warbler.

**Wilsonia canadensis** (Linnaeus). Canada Warbler.


**Habitat.**—Moist woodland with dense undergrowth (especially aspen-poplar), bogs, and tall scrub along streams; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from extreme southeastern Yukon, northeastern British Columbia, northern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, northern Ontario, south-central Quebec (including Anticosti Island), New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south to central Alberta, southern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, northern Illinois (local), southern Michigan, northern Indiana (local), and southeastern Ohio (local), through the Appalachians to eastern Kentucky, eastern Tennessee, northwestern Georgia, western North Carolina, western Virginia, western Maryland, and east-central Pennsylvania, and to northern New Jersey, southeastern New York, and southern New England.

**Winters** in South America (rarely or casually in Middle America north to Costa Rica) from northern Colombia and Venezuela south, mostly on the east slope of the Andes, to southern Peru and border of southern Venezuela and northern Brazil (Tepui region). A December record for Honduras. No documented winter records for the United States (or anywhere north of Costa Rica).
Migrates mostly through North America east of the Rockies (rarely through the southeastern states in spring), Middle America (absent on Pacific slope of Mexico north of Oaxaca) and, rarely, Newfoundland, Bermuda, and the Bahama Islands (Grand Bahama, New Providence, Exuma).

Casual in western North America in eastern Oregon, Montana, California, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, and Colorado, and in the Greater Antilles (Cuba, Jamaica, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands); sight reports for southwestern British Columbia and Wyoming. Accidental in Alaska (Barrow), southern Mackenzie District, the Lesser Antilles (Guadeloupe), Bonaire, Greenland, and Iceland; sight reports for Baja California and Clipperton Island.

Genus **CARDELLINA** Bonaparte


**Cardellina rubrifrons** (Giraud). Red-faced Warbler.

*Muscicapa rubrifrons* Giraud, 1841, Descr. Sixteen New Spec. N. Amer. Birds, pl. [7], fig. 1 and text. (Texas, error = Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Riparian Thickets; locally also mixed aspen-coniferous woodland (1500–3100 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—BREEDS from central Arizona and southwestern New Mexico (casually in the Sandia Mountains) south through Sonora, western Chihuahua, and Sinaloa to western Durango.

Winters from Sinaloa and Durango south through the highlands of Mexico (ranging east to west-central Veracruz) and Guatemala to El Salvador and western Honduras. One February record from Arizona.

Casual or accidental in California (Farallon Islands, and southern California mainland, where it possibly breeds), Wyoming, Colorado, western and southern Texas, and southwestern Louisiana; a sight report for southern Nevada.

Genus **ERGATICUS** Baird


**Ergaticus ruber** (Swainson). Red Warbler.

*Setophaga rubra* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 368. (woods of Valladolid, Mexico = Morelia, Michoacán.)

**Habitat.**—Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (2100–3200 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones, to lower Subtropical Zone in winter).

**Distribution.**—Resident [melanauris group] in the mountains of southwestern Chihuahua, eastern Sinaloa, and western Durango; and [ruber group] from Jalisco, Michoacán, and Guerrero east to Hidalgo, eastern Puebla, central Veracruz, and central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec).

Ranges in winter [both groups] to lower elevations.

**Notes.**—Groups: *E. melanauris* Moore, 1937 [Black-eared Warbler] and *E. ruber* [Red Warbler]. *Ergaticus ruber* and *E. versicolor* may constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Ergaticus versicolor** (Salvin). Pink-headed Warbler.

Habitat.—Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (2100–3000 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of central and southeastern Chiapas, and Guatemala (east to the Sierra de las Minas).

Notes.—See comments under E. ruber.

Genus MYIOBORUS Baird

Erythrosoma [subgenus] Swainson, 1832, in Swainson and Richardson, Fauna Bor.-Amer. 2 (1831): 201. Type, by subsequent designation (Richmond, 1917), Setophaga picta Swainson. Nomen oblitum.


Myioborus pictus (Swainson). Painted Redstart.

Setophaga picta Swainson, 1829, Zool. Illus. (2)1: pl. 3 and text. (Real del Monte, Hidalgo, Mexico.)

Habitat.—Pine-Oak Forest, Pine Forest; prefers moist, shaded canyons (1100–3100 m; upper Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds from northwestern and central Arizona, southwestern New Mexico, western Texas (Chisos and Davis mountains), and central Nuevo León south through the mountains of Middle America to north-central Nicaragua; summers casually, and breeds or attempts to breed occasionally, in southern California (Laguna Mountains, San Bernardino Mountains, and Clark Mountain).

Winters from southeastern Arizona (rare), eastern Sonora, central Chihuahua, central Nuevo León, and central Tamaulipas south through the remainder of the breeding range. Casual in California.

Casual migrant in (mostly southern) California, southwestern Arizona, southern Nevada, southern Utah, western Montana, Colorado, and northern and eastern New Mexico. Accidental in Ohio, Michigan, southern Ontario, New York, Massachusetts, and Louisiana; sight reports for British Columbia, Baja California, Baja California Sur, central and southeastern Texas, Alabama, and Georgia.

Notes.—Formerly placed in the genus Setophaga, but see Parkes (1961).

Myioborus miniatus (Swainson). Slate-throated Redstart.

Setophaga miniata Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 368. (woods of Valladolid, Mexico = Morelia, Michoacán.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (600–2500 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southern Sonora, southern Chihuahua, Durango, Zacatecas, southeastern Coahuila, southern Nuevo León, and San Luis Potosí south through the mountains of Mexico, Guatemala, and El Salvador to Honduras; and from Costa Rica and Panama (Chiriquí, Veraguas, eastern Panamá, Darién) and in the coastal mountains of Venezuela, the Tepui region of Venezuela, extreme northern Brazil, and Guyana, and in the Andes from Venezuela and Colombia south, on the western slope to northwestern Peru and on the eastern slope to central Bolivia.

Accidental in spring in southeastern New Mexico (Lea County) and southern Arizona (Miller Canyon, also sight reports from Cave Creek Canyon); and a sight report for western Texas (Big Bend).

Myioborus torquatus (Baird). Collared Redstart.

Setophaga torquata Baird, 1865, Rev. Amer. Birds. 1: 261. (San José, Costa Rica.)

Habitat.—Semihumid/Humid Montane Scrub, Secondary Forest, Elfin Forest (1400–3500 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).
**Family Parulidae**

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica (northwest to the Cordillera de Tilarán) and western Panama (Chiriquí and adjacent Bocas del Toro).

Genus *Euthlypis* Cabanis

_Euthlypis_ Cabanis, 1850, Mus. Heineanum 1: 18. Type, by original designation, _Euthlypis lachrymosa_ Cabanis = _Basileuterus lachrymosa_ Bonaparte.

**Euthlypis lachrymosa** (Bonaparte). Fan-tailed Warbler.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Gallery Forest; usually in steep, shaded, rocky canyons (100–1900 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope of Mexico from southern Sonora south to Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras (locally also in interior valleys) to central Nicaragua and on the Gulf slope of Mexico from eastern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas to Veracruz and north-central Oaxaca.

Casual or accidental in northern Baja California (Santo Domingo), northeastern Sonora, and southeastern Arizona (about six records).

Genus *Basileuterus* Cabanis

_Basileuterus_ Cabanis, 1849, in Schomburgk, Reisen Brit.-Guiana 3 (1848): 666. Type, by monotypy, _Basileuterus verrucivorus_ Cabanis = _Setophaga auricapilla_ Swainson = _Sylvia culicivora_ Deppe.

Notes.—See comments under Phaeothlypis.

**Basileuterus culicivorus** (Deppe). Golden-crowned Warbler.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–2100 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [culicivorus group] in Nayarit and Jalisco, and from Nuevo León and Tamaulipas south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of San Luis Potosí, Veracruz, Hidalgo, Puebla, Veracruz, Tabasco, southern Campeche, and Quintana Roo, and on both slopes from Guerrero and Oaxaca south through Chiapas and Central America to western Panama (Chiriquí, Veraguas, and Herrera); [cabanisi group] in the Santa Marta Mountains and Andes of Colombia and northern Venezuela; and [auricapillus group] northeastern Colombia (Boyacá), the coastal mountains of Venezuela, and Trinidad; the Tepui region of Venezuela and western Guyana; and eastern and central Brazil from Maranhão south to Uruguay, Paraguay, and northeastern Argentina and southwest to central Bolivia and southwestern Argentina.

Casual [culicivorus group] in southern Texas (about eight records, mainly in winter in lower Rio Grande Valley).

Notes.—Groups: _B. culicivorus_ [Stripe-crowned Warbler], _B. cabanisi_ Berlepsch, 1879 [Cabanis’s Warbler], and _B. auricapillus_ (Swainson, 1838) [Golden-crowned Warbler].

**Basileuterus rufifrons** (Swainson). Rufous-capped Warbler.

_Setophaga rufifrons_ Swainson, 1838, Animals in Menageries, in Lardner, Cabinet Cyclopaedia 98: 294. (Mexico = Real del Arriba, México.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Arid Montane Scrub (0–2800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [rufifrons group] from northern Sonora, western Chihuahua, Sin-
aloa, western Durango, Nayarit, Jalisco, Guanajuato, San Luis Potosí, central Nuevo León, and western Tamaulipas south through Mexico (except southeastern and the Yucatan Peninsula) to central Guatemala; [salvini group] in southern Veracruz, Tabasco, northern Oaxaca, northern Chiapas, Belize, and northern Guatemala; and [delattrii group] from southeastern Chiapas, southern Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras south through Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama (including Isla Colba), and northern Colombia to northwestern Venezuela.

Casual [rufifrons group] in southeastern Arizona (mainly Huachuca, Whetstone, Pajaritos, and Chiricahua mountains, with attempted nesting in Cave Creek Canyon in 1977), and western and southern Texas (Brewster, Webb, Kendall, and Uvalde counties, and Corpus Christi; also a sight report from Starr County).

Notes.—The groups have frequently been treated as species (Hellmayr 1935): B. rufifrons [Rufous-capped Warbler], B. salvini Cherrie, 1892 [Salvin’s Warbler], and B. delattrii Bonaparte, 1854 [Chestnut-capped Warbler], but intergradation between salvini and delattrii occurs in Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras (Monroe 1968, contra Howell and Webb 1995).

**Basileuterus belli** (Giraud). Golden-browed Warbler.

*Muscicapidae bellii* Giraud, 1841, Descr. Sixteen New Spec. N. Amer. Birds, pl. [4], fig. 2 and text. (Texas, error = Mount Orizaba, Veracruz.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (1300–3100 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southeastern Sinaloa, western Durango, Nayarit, Jalisco, Michoacán, México, Hidalgo, eastern San Luis Potosí, and southwestern Tamaulipas south through the mountains of southern Mexico, Guatemala, and El Salvador to central Honduras.

Notes.—Also known as Bell’s Warbler.

**Basileuterus melanogenys** Baird. Black-cheeked Warbler.

*Basileuterus melanogenys* Baird, 1865, Rev. Amer. Birds 1: 248. (“San José ?,” Costa Rica.)

**Habitat.**—Elfin Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest; prefers bamboo-choked ravines and understory of oak forest (1200–3500 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica (Cordillera Central southward) and western Panama (Chiriqui and Veraguas).

Notes.—*Basileuterus melanogenys* and *B. ignotus* constitute a superspecies and are sometimes treated as conspecific (Lowery and Monroe in Paynter 1968).

**Basileuterus ignotus** Nelson. Pirre Warbler.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Elfin Forest (1200–1500 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of eastern Panama (Cerro Pirre and Cerro Tacarcuna, eastern Darién).

Notes.—See comments under *B. melanogenys*.

**Basileuterus tristriatus** (Tschudi). Three-striped Warbler.

*Myiodioctes tristriatus* Tschudi, 1844, Arch. Naturgesch. 10: 283. (Republica Peruana = San Pedro plantation, near Lurín, error [= valley of Vitoc, depto. de Junín, Peru].)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (800–2500 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica (north to Cordillera de Tilarán)
and western Panama (east to Veraguas); in eastern Panama (eastern Panamá province and Darién); in coastal mountains of Venezuela; in Santa Marta Mountains and Andes from Colombia south, on the western slope to central Ecuador and on the eastern slope to central Bolivia.

Genus **PHAEOTHLYPIS** Todd


**Notes.**—Sometimes merged in *Basileuterus* (Ridgely and Tudor 1989, Sibley and Monroe 1990). See comments under *Catharopeza*.

*Phaeothlypis fulvicauda* (Spix). Buff-rumped Warbler

*Muscicapa fulvicauda* Spix, 1825, Avium Spec. Nov. Bras. 2: 20, pl. 28, fig. 2. (No locality given = São Paulo de Olivença, Rio Solimões, Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, usually along rocky and rapidly flowing streams and rivers (0–1100 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Caribbean slope of Honduras (west to the Sula Valley) and Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (except the dry northwest) and Panama, and in South America from Colombia south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes in central Colombia, eastern Ecuador, eastern Peru, western Amazonian Brazil, and northern Bolivia.

**Notes.**—*Phaeothlypis fulvicauda* and *P. rivularis* (Wied, 1821), of eastern South America, constitute a superspecies and are often considered conspecific (Meyer de Schauensee 1970).

Genus **ZELEDONIA** Ridgway


**Notes.**—Formerly considered related to the muscicapid assemblage (with turdid affinities) and placed in the monotypic family Zeledoniidae, but now regarded as parulid (see Sibley 1968).

*Zeledonia coronata* Ridgway. Wrenthrush.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Elfin Forest (1500–3500 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands of Costa Rica (north to Cordillera de Tilarán) and western Panama (western Chiriquí and Veraguas).

Genus **ICTERIA** Vieillot


**Notes.**—Although placement of this genus in the Parulidae has been questioned frequently (e.g., Eisenmann 1962b, Ficken and Ficken 1962, Mayr and Short 1970), molecular data support its traditional placement (Sibley and Ahlquist 1982c).

*Icteria virens* (Linnaeus). Yellow-breasted Chat.

*Turdus virens* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 171. Based on "The yellow brested Chat" Catesby, Nat. Hist. Carolina 1: 50, pl. 50. (in America = South Carolina, 200 or 300 miles from the sea.)

**Habitat.**—Dense second-growth, riparian thickets, and brush (Tropical to Temperate zones).
Distribution.—*Breeds* from southern British Columbia, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, western and central North Dakota, southern Minnesota (casually?), southern Wisconsin, southern Michigan, extreme southern Ontario (local), and central New York (formerly north to Connecticut and Rhode Island, casually to southern Vermont and southern New Hampshire) south to south-central Baja California, on Pacific slope to northern Sinaloa, in interior over plateau to Zacatecas, (formerly) on Atlantic slope to southern Tamaulipas, and to the Gulf coast and northern Florida.

Winters from southern Baja California, southern Sinaloa, southern Texas, southern Louisiana, and southern Florida (casually northward, primarily in early winter only, to western Oregon, California, the Great Lakes region, New York, and New England) south through Middle America to western Panama (rarely to western Bocas del Toro). Casual in Bermuda and the Bahama Islands.

Migrates rarely through Bermuda and the northern Bahama Islands (Grand Bahama, Abaco, Bimini, Andros).

Casual north to western Washington, eastern North Dakota, southern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland. Accidental or casual in Cuba, Grand Cayman, and Greenland.

Genus GRANATELLUS Bonaparte


Notes.—Systematic position uncertain; it may not be a parulid (Lowery and Monroe in Paynter 1968).

*Granatellus venustus* Bonaparte. Red-breasted Chat.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—*Resident* [*venustus* group] in the Pacific lowlands of Mexico from northern Sinaloa and western Durango south to Chiapas; and [*francescae* group] in the Tres Marias Islands (Isla María Madre).

Notes.—Groups: *G. venustus* [Red-breasted Chat] and *G. francescae* Baird, 1865 [Tres Marias Chat]. *Granatellus venustus*, *G. sallaei*, and the South American *G. pelzelni* Sclater, 1865 [Rose-breasted Chat], may constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

*Granatellus sallaei* (Bonaparte). Gray-throated Chat.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest (Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—*Resident* from southern Veracruz and the Yucatan Peninsula south in the Gulf-Caribbean lowlands of Tabasco, northern Oaxaca, and northern Chiapas to northern Guatemala and Belize.

Notes.—See comments under *G. venustus*.

Genus XENOLIGEA Bond


Notes.—Formerly treated as a subgenus of *Microligea*. Relationships of *Xenoligea* are uncertain. Although here placed within Parulidae, the genus possibly has thraupid affinities (Lowery and Monroe in Paynter 1968).

*Xenoligea montana* (Chapman). White-winged Warbler.

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (950–2000 m).
Distribution.—Resident in the higher mountains of Hispaniola.
Notes.—Also known as White-winged Ground Warbler.

Family COEREBIDAE: Bananaquits

Genus COEREBA Vieillot


Coereba flaveola (Linnaeus). Bananaquit.

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub, Second-growth Scrub (0–1500 m; Tropical to lower Temperate zones).
Distribution.—Resident [bahamensis group] in the Bahama Islands (from Grand Bahama and Little Abaco south to Great Inagua and Turks Islands); and [flaveola group] throughout the Antilles (including many small cays and islands in the western Caribbean Sea, but absent from Cuba and the Swan Islands), and on mainland and nearby islands from central Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, and Chiapas (also the islands of Cancun, Cozumel, and Cayo Culebra) south through the Gulf-Caribbean lowlands of northern Central America to Nicaragua (including islas Providencia and San Andrés), on both slopes of Costa Rica (except the dry northwest) and Panama (including Coiba and the Pearl islands), and in South America from Colombia (including Isla Gorgona), Venezuela (including islands from the Netherlands Antilles east to Tobago and Trinidad), and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to southern Bolivia, Paraguay, extreme northeastern Argentina, and southern Brazil.
Ranges irregularly [bahamensis group] to southern Florida (north to Brevard County; most frequently recorded in Palm Beach and Broward counties). Casual off Cuba (Cayo Tío Pepe, Gibara).
Notes.—Groups: C. bahamensis (Reichenbach, 1853) [Bahama Bananaquit] and C. flaveola [Common Bananaquit]. See Seutin et al. (1994) for relationships among populations in the Caribbean region.

Family THRAUPIDAE: Tanagers

Genus CONIROSTRUM Lafresnaye and d’Orbigny


Conirostrum leucogenys (Lafresnaye). White-eared Conebill.

Dacnis Leucogenys Lafresnaye, 1852, Rev. Mag. Zool. (2) 4: 470. (Colombia = Bogotá.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1300 m; Tropical Zone).
Distribution.—Resident from eastern Panama (eastern Panamá province in the Bayano River valley, and Darién) east to northern Colombia and northern Venezuela.

Genus NESOSPINGUS Sclater

Nesospingus Sclater, 1885, Ibis, p. 273. Type, by monotypy, Chlorospingus speculiferus Lawrence.
Nesospingus speculiferus (Lawrence). Puerto Rican Tanager.

Chlorospingus ? speculiferus Lawrence, 1875, Ibis, p. 383, pl. 9, fig. 1. (Porto Rico.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (200–1200 m).
Distribution.—Resident in the highlands of Puerto Rico.

Genus CHLOROSPINGUS Cabanis

Chlorospingus Cabanis, 1851, Mus. Heineanum 1: 139. Type, by virtual monotypy, Chlorospingus leucophrys Cabanis = Arremon ophthalmicus Du Bus de Gisignies.

Chlorospingus ophthalmicus (Du Bus de Gisignies). Common Bush-Tanager.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (1000–2500 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones, in nonbreeding season to lower Tropical Zone, in South America also to lower Temperate Zone).

Distribution.—Resident [ophthalmicus group] in the highlands from Guerrero, Puebla, Hidalgo, southeastern San Luis Potosí south through Middle America to western Panama (western Chiriquí and Bocas del Toro), and in South America in the coastal Mountains of Venezuela, locally in the Western Andes of Colombia and Ecuador, in the Central Andes of Colombia, and in the Eastern Andes of Venezuela and Colombia south to northwestern Argentina; and [punctulatus group] in the highlands of western Panama (Veraguas and Coclé).

Notes.—Species limits within the genus are poorly understood. The two groups have sometimes (e.g., Storer in Paynter 1970) been regarded as separate species, C. ophthalmicus [Brown-headed Bush-Tanager] and C. punctulatus Sclater and Salvin, 1869 [Dotted Bush-Tanager], but intergradation was reported by Olson (1993b); C. inornatus is sometimes regarded as a race of C. ophthalmicus, whereas C. tacarcunae is considered a race of C. ophthalmicus (Zimmer 1947) or a race of C. flavigularis (Hellmayr 1936).

Chlorospingus tacarcunae Griscom. Tacarcuna Bush-Tanager.

Chlorospingus tacarcunae Griscom, 1924, Amer. Mus. Novit., no. 141, p. 11. (Mt. Tacarcuna, east slope, alt. 4600 ft., eastern Panama.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Elfin Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (850–1500 m; upper Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).
Distribution.—Resident in eastern Panama in western San Blas (Cerro Brewster), eastern Panamá province (Cerro Azul, Cerro Jefe) and eastern Darién (Cerro Tacarcuna, Cerro Mali).

Notes.—See comments under C. ophthalmicus.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Elfin Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (800–1650 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).
Distribution.—Resident in eastern Panama in eastern Darién (Cerro Pirre, Cerro Sapo, and Cana).

Notes.—See comments under C. ophthalmicus.

Chlorospingus pileatus Salvin. Sooty-capped Bush-Tanager.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Elfin Forest, Secondary Forest (1500–3000 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).
Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica (north to the Cordillera de Tilarán) and western Panama (Chiriquí and Veraguas).

Notes.—Includes C. zeledoni Ridgway, 1905 [Volcano Bush-Tanager], of the Irazú and Turrialba volcanoes in central Costa Rica, now shown to be a color morph of C. pileatus (Johnson and Brush 1972).

**Chlorospingus flavigularis** (Sclater). Yellow-throated Bush-Tanager.

*Pipilopsis flavigularis* Sclater, 1852, Rev. Mag. Zool. (2)4: 8. (Nouvelle-Grenade = Bogotá, Colombia.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (250–1600 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [hypophaeus group] in western Panama (Bocas del Toro and Veraguas); and [flavigularis group] in South America in the Andes from Colombia south, on the western slope to southwestern Ecuador and on the eastern slope to northern Bolivia.

Notes.—Differences in iris color and behavior suggest that the two groups may represent separate species (Isler and Isler 1987), C. hypophaeus Sclater and Salvin, 1868 [Drab-breasted Bush-Tanager] and C. flavigularis [Yellow-throated Bush-Tanager]. See comments under C. ophthalmicus.

**Chlorospingus canigularis** (Lafresnaye). Ashy-throated Bush-Tanager.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (300–2600 m; Subtropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident [olivaceiceps group] in the mountains of central Costa Rica (primarily Caribbean slope from Río Reventazón to the Cordillera Central) and extreme western Panama (western Bocas del Toro, sight report only); and [canigularis group] in South America from Colombia and northwestern Venezuela south to northwestern Peru and eastern Ecuador.


**Genus HEMITHRAUPIS** Cabanis


**Hemithraupis flavicollis** (Vieillot). Yellow-backed Tanager.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from extreme eastern Panama (Río Tuira and Cana, in eastern Darién), northern Colombia, southern Venezuela, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northern Bolivia and Amazonian and southeastern Brazil.

**Genus CHRYSOTHLYPIS** Berlepsch


**Chrysothlypis chrysomelaena** (Sclater and Salvin). Black-and-yellow Tanager.

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (350–1600 m; upper Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in Costa Rica (primarily Caribbean slope north to Arenal) and Panama (Chiriquí, Veraguas, Cocle, western and eastern Panamá province, and Darién).

Notes.—For use of chrysomelaena instead of chrysomelas, see Deignan (1961).

Genus PHAENICOPHILUS Strickland

Phaenicophilus Strickland, 1851, in Jardine, Contrib. Ornithol. 1: 104. Type, by original designation, Phaenicophilus palmarum (Linn.) = Turdus palmarum Linnaeus.

Phaenicophilus palmarum (Linnaeus). Black-crowned Palm-Tanager.


Habitat.—Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Mangrove Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–2000 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Hispaniola (except the southern peninsula of Haiti west of the Trouin Valley) and adjacent Saona Island.

Notes.—This species and the next are very closely related and have been considered conspecific (e.g., Hellmayr 1936). A narrow hybrid zone, with little or no introgression, occurs north of Marigot, Haiti (McDonald and Smith 1990, 1994).

Phaenicophilus poliocephalus (Bonaparte). Gray-crowned Palm-Tanager.

Dulus poliocephalus Bonaparte, 1851, Rev. Mag. Zool. (2)3:178. (Hispaniola = Haiti.)

Habitat.—Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Mangrove Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–2400 m).

Distribution.—Resident in southwestern Hispaniola (Massif de la Hotte area, in southwestern Haiti, and on adjacent islands (Gonâve, Ile-à-Vache, and Grand Cayemite).

Notes.—See comments under P. palmarum.

Genus CALYPTOPHILUS Cory

Calyptophilus Cory, 1884, Auk 1: 3. Type, by monotypy, Phoenicophilus frugivorus Cory.

Calyptophilus tertius Wetmore. Western Chat-Tanager.

Calyptophilus tertius Wetmore, 1929, Smithsonian Misc. Coll. 81 (13): 2. (higher slopes of Morne La Hotte, Haiti.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest (1500-2200 m).

Distribution.—Resident on the higher mountains of the massifs de la Hotte and la Selle, southern Haiti, and extreme southwestern Dominican Republic, Hispaniola.

Notes.—See Wetmore and Swales (1931) for treatment of this and C. frugivorus as separate species (also followed by Pregill and Olson 1981). For a contrary opinion, see Bond and Dod (1977) and Bond (1982). Also known as Highland Chat-Tanager.

Calyptophilus frugivorus (Cory). Eastern Chat-Tanager.

Phoenicophilus frugivorus Cory, 1883, Q. J. Boston Zool. Soc. 2: 45. (Santo Domingo = Almercen [= Villa Rivas], Dominican Republic.)

Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest (0-2000 m).

Distribution.—Resident in the western Dominican Republic (east to Semaná province), and on Gonâve Island.

Notes.—Also known as Lowland Chat-Tanager. See comments under C. tertius.
Genus **RHODINOCICHLA** Hartlaub


**Notes.**—Systematic position of this genus is uncertain. Similarities in plumage colors, pattern, and sexual dimorphism suggest that it may be related to the "paruline" genus *Granatellus* (Storer in Paynter 1970).

*Rhodinocichla rosea* (Lesson). Rosy Thrush-Tanager.

*Furnarius roseus* Lesson, 1832, Illus. Zool., livr. 2, pl. 5. (du Brésil et du district peu connu de San-Jose, error = Caracas, Venezuela.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest (0–1700 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the Pacific lowlands of Mexico from Sinaloa to western Michoacán (Coahuayana); on the Pacific slope of southern Middle America from southwestern Costa Rica east to central Panama (to eastern Panamá province, also on the Caribbean slope in Coclé, Colón, and the Canal area); and in South America in northern and central Colombia, and northern Venezuela.

**Notes.**—Also known as Rose-breasted Thrush-Tanager.

Genus **MITROSPINGUS** Ridgway

*Mitrospingus* Ridgway, 1898, Auk 15: 225. Type, by original designation, *Tachyphonus cassini* [sic] Lawrence.

*Mitrospingus cassinii* (Lawrence). Dusky-faced Tanager.

*Tachyphonus Cassinii* Lawrence, 1861, Ann. Lyc. Nat. Hist. N. Y. 7: 297. (on the Atlantic side of the Isthmus of Panama, along the line of the Panama Railroad = Canal Zone.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from Costa Rica (Caribbean lowlands) south through Panama (entire Caribbean slope, and locally in the Pacific lowlands in Veraguas, eastern Panamá province, and Darién), and locally in northwestern Colombia (east to Antioquia) and the Pacific lowlands of western Colombia and western Ecuador.

Genus **CHLOROTRAUPIS** Salvin and Godman

*Chlorothraupis* (Ridgway MS) Salvin and Godman, 1883, Biol. Cent.-Amer. (Aves) 1: 297. Type, by subsequent designation (Ridgway, 1884), *Phoenicothraupis carmioli* Lawrence.

*Chlorothraupis carmioli* (Lawrence). Olive Tanager.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [carmioli group] in eastern Nicaragua (Caribbean slope), Costa Rica (Caribbean slope, locally on Pacific slope in low passes), and Panama (entire Caribbean slope, and Pacific slope from eastern Panamá province to Darién, generally north and east of the valleys of Río Chepo and Río Chucunaque); and [frenata group] in South America on the eastern slope of the Andes from southeastern Colombia south to central Bolivia.

**Notes.**—Groups: *C. carmioli* [Olive Tanager] and *C. frenata* Berlepsch, 1907 [Yellow-lored Tanager]. *Chlorothraupis carmioli* and *C. olivacea* constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).
Chlorothraupis olivacea (Cassin). Lemon-spectacled Tanager.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in extreme eastern Panama (eastern Darién, generally south and west of the valleys of Río Chepo and Río Chucunaque), western Colombia, and northwestern Ecuador.

Notes.—Also known as Lemon-browed Tanager or Yellow-browed Tanager, the latter applied also to Tangara guttata. See comments under C. carmioli.

Genus EUCOMETIS Sclater


Eucometis penicillata (Spix). Gray-headed Tanager.

Tanagra penicillata Spix, 1825, Avium Spec. Nov. Bras. 2: 36, pl. 49, fig. 1. (No locality given = Fonte Boa, Rio Solimões, Brazil.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Gallery Forest, River-edge Forest, Secondary Forest (0–600 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [cristata group] on the Gulf-Caribbean slope from Oaxaca (Isthmus of Tehuantepec), southern Veracruz, and the Yucatan Peninsula south to Honduras, on both slopes of Nicaragua (rare on the Pacific slope), Costa Rica (primarily Pacific slope, locally on Caribbean drainage), and Panama (locally on Pacific slope throughout, on Caribbean slope from Canal area eastward), and in northern and eastern Colombia and northwestern Venezuela; and [penicillata group] from southeastern Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south to central Bolivia, northern Paraguay, and central and eastern Brazil.

Notes.—Groups: E. cristata (Du Bus de Gisignies, 1855) [Gray-crested Tanager] and E. penicillata [Gray-headed Tanager].

Genus LANIO Vieillot

Lanio Vieillot, 1816, Analyse, p. 40. Type, by original designation, “Tangara mordore” Buffon = Tangara fulva Boddaert.

Lanio aurantius Lafresnaye. Black-throated Shrike-Tanager.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident from central Veracruz and northern Oaxaca south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Tabasco, Chiapas, southern Campeche, southern Quintana Roo, Guatemala, and Belize to northern Honduras (east to the La Ceiba region).

Notes.—Lanio aurantius and L. leucothorax constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

Lanio leucothorax Salvin. White-throated Shrike-Tanager.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–750 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).
**Distribution.**—Resident from eastern Honduras (Olancho) south through Nicaragua (Caribbean slope) and Costa Rica (both slopes, absent from the dry northwest) to western Panama (western Bocas del Toro, Chiriquí, Veraguas, Coclé).

**Notes.**—See comments under *L. aurantius*.

**Genus HETEROSPINGUS Ridgway**


**Heterospingus rubrifrons** (Lawrence). Sulphur-rumped Tanager.

*Tachyphonus rubrifrons* Lawrence, 1865, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia 17: 106. (Line of the Pan[ama]. R[ail]. Road, near Lion Hill Station = Lion Hill, Canal Zone.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–900 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in eastern Costa Rica (Caribbean lowlands west to the Rio Reventazón) and Panama (entire Caribbean slope, and Pacific lowlands in eastern Panamá province and Darién, with a sight report from Veraguas).

**Notes.**—*Heterospingus rubrifrons* and *H. xanthopygius* have been considered conspecific (e.g., Storer in Paynter 1970, Wetmore et al. 1984); they constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Heterospingus xanthopygius** (Sclater). Scarlet-browed Tanager.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1100 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in eastern Panama (eastern Darién), western Colombia, and western Ecuador.

**Notes.**—See comments under *H. rubrifrons*.

**Genus TACHYPHONUS Vieillot**

*Tachyphonus* Vieillot, 1816, Analyse, p. 33. Type, by monotypy, “Tangara noir” Buffon = *Tangara rufa* Boddaert.

**Tachyphonus luctuosus** d’Orbigny and Lafresnaye. White-shouldered Tanager.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from eastern Honduras (Caribbean slope west to La Ceiba region) south through Nicaragua (Caribbean slope), Costa Rica (both slopes, absent from the dry northwest), and Panama (entire Caribbean slope, and Pacific lowlands in western Chiriquí, eastern Panamá and Darién), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and central and eastern Brazil.

**Tachyphonus delatrii** Lafresnaye. Tawny-crested Tanager.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–900 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from eastern Honduras (sight report) and eastern Nicaragua (Caribbean slope) south through Costa Rica (primarily Caribbean slope), Panama (entire Ca-
ribbean slope, and Pacific slope in Veraguas and Darién), and western Colombia (including Gorgona Island) to western Ecuador.

**Tachyphonus rufus** (Boddaert). White-lined Tanager.

*Tangara rufa* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 44. Based on “Le Tangaroux de Cayenne” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 711. (Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in Costa Rica (primarily Caribbean lowlands, recently spreading to the south-western Pacific lowlands) and Panama (entire Caribbean slope, on Pacific slope from western Panamá province eastward), and in South America in north-western Ecuador, in the Andean region from Colombia (including the Santa Marta Mountains) south to south-central Peru, among the coast and Andes of Venezuela (including Isla Margarita, Trinidad and Tobago), and in the Guianas, eastern Brazil (Amapá south to Mato Grosso and Bahia, mainly east of the Rio Tapajós), eastern Bolivia (Santa Cruz), central Paraguay, and north-eastern Argentina (Misiones south to northern Buenos Aires).

**Genus HABIA** Blyth


**Habia rubica** (Vieillot). Red-crowned Ant-Tanager.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident from Nayarit south to south-central Oaxaca, and from southern Tamaulipas and southeastern Chiapas south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to Nicaragua, in Costa Rica (Pacific lowlands), and Panama (primarily Pacific lowlands, locally on Caribbean slope); also in northern South America (isolated populations in northern Colombia, northern Venezuela, and Trinidad), in Amazonia from Colombia (Meta and Vaupes) south to central Bolivia and central Brazil, and in eastern Brazil (Pernambuco south to central Rio Grande do Sul), southeastern Paraguay, and extreme north-eastern Argentina (Misiones).

**Habia fuscicauda** (Cabanis). Red-throated Ant-Tanager.

*Phoenicothraupis fuscicauda* Cabanis, 1861, J. Ornithol. 9: 86. (Costa Rica.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, River-edge Forest, Secondary Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [salvini group] from southeastern San Luis Potosí, southern Tamaulipas, Puebla, Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, and northern and southeastern Chiapas south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula, and Meco and Mujeres islands) to Honduras and northeastern Nicaragua; [fuscicauda group] in southern Nicaragua, Costa Rica (mostly Caribbean slope, and Pacific coast south to the Río Grande de Tárcoles), Panama (the Caribbean slope to Bocas de Toro and the Pacific slope locally in Veraguas and the Canal area) and northern Colombia (at least formerly, west through Sucre and Córdoba to the Río Sinú).

**Notes.**—Also known as Dusky-tailed Ant-Tanager. Groups: *H. salvini* (Berlepsch, 1883) [Salvin's Ant-Tanager] and *H. fuscicauda* [Red-throated Ant-Tanager]. *Habia fuscicauda* and the South American *H. gutturalis* (Sclater, 1854) [Sooty Ant-Tanager] constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990). See comments under *H. atrimaxillaris*. 
**Habia atrimaxillaris** (Dwight and Griscom). Black-cheeked Ant-Tanager.

*Phoenicothraupis atrimaxillaris* Dwight and Griscom, 1924, Amer. Mus. Novit., no. 142, p. 4. (Puerto Jimenez, Golfo Dulce, Prov. de Puntarenas, Costa Rica.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the Pacific lowlands of southwestern Costa Rica (Golfo Dulce region).

**Notes.**—Storer in Paynter (1970) proposed that *atrimaxillaris* might be a subspecies of *H. fuscicauda*.

Genus **PIRANGA** Vieillot


*Piranga roseogularis* Cabot. Rose-throated Tanager.

*Pyrrhula roseo-gularis* Cabot, 1846, Boston J. Nat. Hist. 5: 416. (road from Chemax to Yalahao, Yucatan = Yalahau, Quintana Roo.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the Yucatan Peninsula (including Cozumel, Meco, and Mujeres islands), northern Guatemala (Petén), and northern Belize.

*Piranga fina* (Vieillot). Hepatic Tanager.


**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, lowland pine savanna; mainly in highlands north of Costa Rica except in lowland pine savanna; the migratory northern populations range in nonbreeding season to lowland woodland and forest (600–3000 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* [hepatica group] from southeastern California (San Bernardino and Kingston mountains, and Clark Mountain, probably also the New York Mountains), northwestern and central Arizona, southeastern Colorado, northern New Mexico, western Texas, Nuevo León, and Tamaulipas south through the highlands of Middle America (also the Isthmus of Tehuantepec lowlands) to north-central Nicaragua, and in the lowland pine savanna of Belize, extreme eastern Honduras, and northeastern Nicaragua.

*Winters* [hepatica group] from northern Mexico (casually from central and southern California and southern Arizona) south through the breeding range, occurring also in lowland areas in northern Mexico.

Casual [hepatica group] north elsewhere in California (to Inyo County and the Farallon Islands), and to Baja California, southern Nevada (probably breeds), and southeastern Wyoming, and east to southeastern Texas and southwestern Louisiana. Accidental in Illinois (Beverly).

Resident [lutea group] in Costa Rica (Cordillera Central southward) and Panama (both slopes), in the Andes of northern South America (locally in northern Colombia and northern Venezuela, also Trinidad), western Colombia (Cauca Valley), and on east slope from northern Peru south to Bolivia (Cochabamba); also west of the Andes from Colombia (Valle) south through western Ecuador to Peru (Lima), and south of the Orinoco in southern Venezuela (Amazonas and Bolivar), northern Brazil, central Guyana, and central Surinam; and [flava group] in South America from eastern Brazil (Roraima) and southern Guyana south through much of central and eastern Brazil to eastern Bolivia, northern Argentina (Mendoza, Córdoba, and northern Buenos Aires), western Uruguay, and southeastern Brazil.

**Notes.**—Groups: *P. hepatica* Swainson, 1827 [Hepatic Tanager], *P. lutea* (Lesson, 1834)
[Tooth-billed Tanager], and *P. flava* [Red Tanager]. The three groups may represent two or three species (Ridgely and Tudor 1989).

**Piranga rubra** (Linnaeus). Summer Tanager.


**Habitat.**—Open deciduous woodland, swamps, pine and pine-oak woodland, and cottonwood riparian woodland; in migration and winter in a wide variety of wooded habitats with tall trees.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southeastern California (west to Los Angeles and Kern counties, and north to southern Inyo County), southern Nevada, southwestern Utah, central Arizona, central New Mexico, central Texas, west-central Oklahoma, eastern Kansas, southeastern Nebraska, southern Iowa, central (rarely northern) Illinois, southern Wisconsin (formerly), central Indiana, southern (rarely northern) Ohio, southwestern Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Virginia, eastern Maryland and New Jersey south to northeastern Baja California, southeastern Sonora, northern Durango, southeastern Coahuila, central Nuevo León, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida.

**Winters** from southern Baja California, southern Sinaloa, and Veracruz south through Middle America and South America (including Trinidad) west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to northern Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil, rarely north to central coastal and southern California and southern Arizona, and casually in Louisiana, southern Florida, the Bahamas, and Cuba.

**Migrates** regularly through eastern Colorado, northern Mexico, the Bahamas, Cuba, Jamaica, the Cayman Islands, and islands in the western Caribbean Sea (Swan, Providencia, and San Andrés).

Casual or accidental north to Oregon, Montana, southwestern Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, Minnesota, Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland, to Bermuda (most often in the fall), the Lesser Antilles (Mustique in the Grenadines, and Barbados), Clipperton Island, and to the Galapagos Islands, Curaçao, Chile, and Great Britain; sight reports from Idaho and the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island).

**Piranga olivacea** (Gmelin). Scarlet Tanager.


**Habitat.**—Deciduous forest and mature deciduous woodland, especially where oaks common, less frequently in mixed deciduous-coniferous forest; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats with tall trees.


**Winters** from Panama (rarely, in the lowlands) and Colombia south, east of the Andes, through eastern Ecuador and Peru to northern Bolivia.

**Migrates** primarily through the eastern United States (west to central Texas, rarely to eastern Colorado and eastern New Mexico), Middle America (primarily the Gulf-Caribbean slope north of Costa Rica, and in Veracruz, Chiapas, and the Yucatan Peninsula), and the West Indies, casually west to the eastern slopes of the Rockies, in Bermuda (most numerous in the fall), and to the Netherlands Antilles and Isla Los Roques (off Venezuela).

Casual in western North America from southern British Columbia, southern Alberta, and Montana south to California, Baja California, Arizona, and New Mexico, and in northeastern North America north to Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland. Accidental in Alaska (Point Barrow) and Clipperton Island, and in Iceland and the British Isles.
Notes.—Mayr and Short (1970) considered *P. olivacea* and *P. ludovician* to constitute a superspecies.

**Piranga ludovician** (Wilson). Western Tanager.

*Tanagra ludovician* Wilson, 1811, Amer. Ornithol. 3: 27, pl. 20, fig. 1. (prairies of the Missouri, between the Osage and Mandan nations = about two miles north of Kamiah, Idaho County, Idaho.)

**Habitat.**—Open coniferous, mixed coniferous-deciduous woodland, and aspen forest, primarily in mountains; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats, in Middle America mostly in highland pine, pine-oak association, and humid forest edge.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southeastern Alaska (probably), northern British Columbia, southern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, and central Saskatchewan south to northern Baja California, central and southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, and western Texas; also in western South Dakota and northwestern Nebraska; one isolated breeding record from southern Wisconsin (Jefferson County, 1877) is questionable.

*Winters* from coastal southern California, Baja California, Jalisco, and southern Tamaulipas (casually north to south-coastal British Columbia, southern Oregon, southern Arizona, and southern Texas) south through Middle America (mostly highlands) to Costa Rica, casually in the Gulf Coast region from southeastern Texas and Arkansas east to southern Florida.

*Migrates* regularly east to western Nebraska, western Kansas, western Oklahoma, and central Texas.

Casual north to central Alaska, southern Yukon, and the Queen Charlotte Islands, and across northeastern North America from Iowa and southern Manitoba and Minnesota east through Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, southern Ontario, and southern Quebec to New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland; and south to New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, and South Carolina; sight reports elsewhere in eastern North America. Accidental in northern Alaska (Point Barrow), the Bahamas Islands (New Providence), Cuba (Cárdenas), and Panama (western Chiriquí).

**Notes.**—See comments under *P. olivacea*.

**Piranga bidentata** Swainson. Flame-colored Tanager.

*Pyranga bidentata* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 438. (Temiscaltipec, Mexico = Temascaltepec, México.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Secondary Forest (800–2500 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southern Chihuahua, central Nuevo León, and southern Tamaulipas south through the interior of Mexico (also the Tres Marias Islands off Nayarit), Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua; in the mountains of Costa Rica (primarily the Cordillera Central) and western Panama (western and central Chiriquí).

*Breeds* rarely in southeastern Arizona (Chiricahua, Santa Rita, and Huachuca mountains).

Casual elsewhere in southern Arizona (Patagonia).

**Notes.**—Also known as Streak-backed Tanager.

**Piranga leucoptera** Trudeau. White-winged Tanager.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (800–2200 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southeastern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south (west to Hidalgo, México, Guerrero, and northern Oaxaca) through Middle America (mostly in the highlands, not recorded Yucatán Peninsula) to western Panama (Chiriquí, Veraguas, Herrera); and in South America in the Andes from Colombia and Venezuela south on the western slope to southwestern Ecuador and on the eastern slope to central Bolivia; also in the Tepui region of Venezuela and extreme northwestern Brazil.
**Piranga erythrocephala** (Swainson). Red-headed Tanager.

*Spermagra erythrocephala* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 437. (Temiscaltipec, Mexico = Temascaltepec, México.)

**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (900–2600 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southeastern Sonora and Chihuahua south through Sinaloa, Durango, Nayarit, Jalisco, Michoacán, México (Temascaltepec), Morelos, and Guerrero to Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec).

**Genus RAMPHOCELUS** Desmarest


*Phlogothraupis* Sclater and Salvin, 1873, Nomencl. Avium Neotrop., pp. 21, 155. Type, by original designation, *Tanagra (Tachyphonus) sanguinolentus* Lesson.

*Ramphocelus sanguinolentus* (Lesson). Crimson-collared Tanager.

*Tanagra (Tachyphonus) sanguinolentus* Lesson, 1831, Cent. Zool., p. 107, pl. 39. (México.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Veracruz, Tabasco, northern Oaxaca, Chiapas, and southern Quintana Roo south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Central America to western Panama (Bocas del Toro, Veraguas, and western Panamá province, locally also on Pacific slope of Panama in Veraguas).

**Notes.**—Often placed in the monotypic genus *Phlogothraupis*; see Stiles and Skutch (1989) for reasons for not including this species in *Ramphocelus*.

*Ramphocelus dimidiatus* Lafresnaye. Crimson-backed Tanager.


**Habitat.**—Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Second-growth Scrub (0–1700 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in Panama (both slopes west to Chiriquí and Veraguas, including Coiba and the Pearl islands), northern and western Colombia, and western Venezuela.

**Notes.**—*Ramphocelus dimidiatus* and the South American *R. melanogaster* (Swainson, 1838) [Huallaga Tanager], *R. carbo* (Pallas, 1764) [Silver-beaked Tanager], and *R. bresilius* (Linnaeus, 1766) [Brazilian Tanager] appear to constitute a superspecies (Storer in Paynter 1970).

*Ramphocelus passerinii* Bonaparte. Passerini’s Tanager.

*Ramphocelus Passerinii* Bonaparte, 1831, Antologia [Florence] 44 (130): 164. (in Insula Cuba, error = Guatemala.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–1700 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from northeastern Oaxaca, extreme southeastern Veracruz, Tabasco, and Chiapas south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Central America from Belize to western Panama (Bocas del Toro), and on Pacific slope in Costa Rica (central Guanacaste, northern Puntarenas).

**Notes.**—Recognition of *R. passerinii* and *R. costaricensis* as separate species follows Hackett (1996). *Ramphocelus passerinii* (including *R. costaricensis*) and *R. fiammigerus* constitute a superspecies (Storer in Paynter 1970).
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*Ramphocelus costaricensis* Cherrie. Cherrie’s Tanager.

*Ramphocelus costaricensis* Cherrie, 1891, Auk 8: 62. (Pozo Azul [de Pirris], Costa Rica.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–1350 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Pacific slope of Costa Rica (central Puntarenas, south) and western Panama (Chiriquí and [formerly?] western Veraguas).

**Notes.**—See comments under *R. passerinii*.

*Ramphocelus fiammigerus* (Jardine and Selby). Flame-rumped Tanager.

*Ramphocelus fiammigerus* Jardine and Selby, 1833, Illus. Ornithol. 3: pl. 131. (Columbia River, error = Antioquia, Colombia.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–800 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident [icteronotus group] in Panama (west to Bocas del Toro and Veraguas, more commonly on the Caribbean slope), western Colombia and western Ecuador; and [fiammigerus group] in western Colombia (east of the preceding, from the middle Cauca Valley south to Nariño).

**Notes.**—The two morphologically distinct groups are sometimes regarded as separate species, *R. icteronotus* Bonaparte, 1838 [Yellow-rumped Tanager], and *R. fiammigerus* [Flame-rumped Tanager], but they intergrade in the Rio San Juan region of western Colombia (Sibley 1958). See comments under *R. passerinii*.

**Genus Spindalis** Jardine and Selby


*Spindalis zena* (Linnaeus). Stripe-headed Tanager.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–2000 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident [zena group] in Bahama Islands, Cuba, the Isle of Pines, Grand Cayman, and Cozumel Island off the Yucatan Peninsula; [dominicensis group] Hispaniola (including Gonâve Island) and Puerto Rico; and [nigricephala group] in Jamaica.

Ranges [zena group] rarely to southern Florida (north to the Palm Beach area).

**Notes.**—Groups: *S. zena* [Stripe-headed Tanager], *S. dominicensis* (Bryant, 1866) [Hispaniolan Tanager] and *S. nigricephala* (Jameson, 1835) [Jamaican Tanager].

**Genus Thraupis** Boie


*Thraupis episcopus* (Linnaeus). Blue-gray Tanager.

*Tanagra Episcopus* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 316. Based on “L’Evesque” Brisson, Ornithologie 3: 40, pl. 1, fig. 2. (in Brasilia, error = probably Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, River-edge Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–2600 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southeastern San Luis Potosí, Veracruz, Puebla, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, northern and southeastern Chiapas, southern Campeche, and southern
Quintana Roo south along both slopes of Central America to Panama (including Escudo de Veraguas, Coiba, and the Pearl Islands), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to northern Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

Introduced or escaped about 1960 in southern Florida (southern Broward and Dade counties) but disappeared in mid 1970s (Robertson and Woolfenden 1992).

Notes.—Formerly called T. virens (Linnaeus, 1766); T. episcopus has been ruled to have priority by the I.C.Z.N. (1968). Thraupis episcopus and the South American T. sayaca (Linnaeus, 1766) [Sayaca Tanager] and T. glaucocolpa (Cabanis, 1850) [Glaucous Tanager] constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Thraupis abbas** (Deppe). Yellow-winged Tanager.

*Thraupis abbas* "Lichtens[tein]." W. Deppe, 1830, Preis.-Verz. Säugeth. Vögel, etc., Mex., p. 2. (Mexico = Jalapa, Veracruz; Binford, 1989, Ornithol. Monogr. 43, p. 345.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest (0–1600 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southeastern San Luis Potosí, southwestern Tamaulipas, Veracruz, México, Puebla, northern Oaxaca, and northern and southeastern Chiapas south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to Honduras and eastern Nicaragua (Zelaya).

Notes.—Also known as Abbot’s Tanager.

**Thraupis palmarum** (Wied). Palm Tanager.

*Thraupis palmarum* Wied, 1821, Reise Bras. 2: 76. (Canavieras, Bahia, Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and occasionally lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in eastern Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (rare in the dry northwest) and Panama (except for dry Pacific slope from Veraguas to western Panamá province, but including Isla Coiba), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to southern Bolivia, eastern Paraguay, and southern Brazil.

**Genus BANGSIA** Penard

*Bangsia Penard, 1919, Auk 36: 539. Type, by original designation, *Buthraupis arcaeia caeruleigularis* Cherrie [= Ridgway] = *Buthraupis arcaeia* Sclater and Salvin.

Notes—*Bangsia* is sometimes (e.g., Storer in Paynter 1970, Isler and Isler 1987) merged in the genus *Buthraupis* Cabanis.

**Bangsia arcaeia** (Sclater and Salvin). Blue-and-gold Tanager.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (300–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in Costa Rica (the Caribbean slope north to the Cordillera de Tilarán) and western Panama (in Chiriquí, on both slopes in Veraguas, and in the Cerro Jefe area of eastern Panamá province).

**Genus EUPHONIA** Desmarest

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Notes.—The generic name Tanagra Linnaeus, 1764, has been suppressed for the purposes of the Law of Priority (but not the Law of Homonymy) by the I.C.Z.N. (1968).

Euphonia jamaica (Linnaeus). Jamaican Euphonia.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1000 m).

Distribution.— Resident on Jamaica.

Notes.—Often placed in the monotypic genus Pyrrhophonia, but see Storer in Paynter (1970).

Euphonia affinis (Lesson). Scrub Euphonia.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.— Resident [godmani group] in the Pacific lowlands from southeastern Sonora south to central Guerrero; and [affinis group] from eastern San Luis Potosí, southern Tamaulipas, Veracruz, Puebla, and northern and southwestern Oaxaca (north to near Santiago Pinotepa Nacional) and the Yucatan Peninsula south along both slopes of Middle America to Honduras, and in the Pacific lowlands of Nicaragua to northwestern Costa Rica (Guanacaste).

Notes.—Also known as Lesson’s Euphonia or Black-throated Euphonia. Groups: Euphonia godmani Brewster, 1889 [Pale-vented Euphonia] and E. affinis [Scrub Euphonia].

Euphonia luteicapilla (Cabanis). Yellow-crowned Euphonia.

Phonasca luteicapilla Cabanis, 1860, J. Ornithol. 8 (1860): 332. (Costa Rica.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–900 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.— Resident in eastern Nicaragua, Costa Rica (both slopes, except the dry northwest), and Panama (east to the Canal area and eastern Darién).

Euphonia laniirostris d’Orbigny and Lafresnaye. Thick-billed Euphonia.

Euphonia laniirostris d’Orbigny and Lafresnaye, 1837, Mag. Zool. [Paris] 7(2): 30, pl. 77–79. (Yuracares, Bolivia.)

Habitat.—River-edge Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.— Resident [melanura group] in Costa Rica (primarily the humid southwest), Panama (both slopes), and South America from northern and eastern Colombia and northern Venezuela south, east of the Andes, to eastern Peru and western Amazonian Brazil; and [laniirostris group] west of the Andes from western Colombia to northwestern Peru, and east of the Andes in central Peru (west of melanura), northern Bolivia, and adjacent Amazonian Brazil.

Notes.—Groups: E. melanura Sclater, 1851 [Black-tailed Euphonia] and E. laniirostris [Thick-billed Euphonia].

Euphonia hirundinacea Bonaparte. Yellow-throated Euphonia.

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southeastern San Luis Potosí, southern Tamaulipas, Veracruz, Puebla, and northern and (possibly) southeastern Oaxaca south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to Costa Rica (most commonly in the dry northwest); reports from western Panama are questionable (Wetmore et al. 1984).

Notes.—Also known as Bonaparte’s Euphonia. With the use of Euphonia instead of the suppressed Tanagra, E. hirundinacea Bonaparte, 1838, is no longer preoccupied by Tanagra hirundinacea Lesson, 1831; thus the frequently used T. lauta Bangs and Penard, 1919 becomes a synonym of E. hirundinacea.

Euphonia musica (Gmelin). Antillean Euphonia.

Pipra musica Gmelin, 1789, Syst. Nat. 1(2): 1004. Based on "L’Organiste" Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 809, fig. 1. (in insula S. Dominici = Hispaniola.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–2000 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Hispaniola (including Gonave Island) and Puerto Rico, and in the Lesser Antilles (Saba, Barbuda, Antigua, Montserrat, Guadeloupe, Dominica, Martinique, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, and Grenada); there are no recent records for Barbuda, Montserrat, St. Vincent or Grenada.

Notes.—Euphonia musica, E. elegantissima, and the South American E. cyanocephala (Vieillot, 1818) [Golden-rumped Euphonia] constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990) and are sometimes considered to be conspecific, with the English name Blue-hooded Euphonia.

Euphonia elegantissima (Bonaparte). Elegant Euphonia.


Habitat.—Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (1000–2500 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southeastern Sonora, southwestern Chihuahua, Sinaloa, western Durango, Nayarit, Jalisco, Guanajuato, San Luis Potosí, central Nuevo León, and southern Tamaulipas south through the highlands of Middle America to western Panama (Chiriquí, Veraguas, Cocle).


Euphonia fulvicrissa Sclater. Fulvous-vented Euphonia.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in central and eastern Panama (west to northern Cocle and western Panamá province), and in South America in western Colombia (east to the northern Eastern Andes and the middle Magdalena Valley) and along the Pacific slope south to northwestern Ecuador.

Euphonia imitans (Hellmayr). Spot-crowned Euphonia.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1350 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).
Distribution.—Resident in southwestern Costa Rica (Pacific slope west to the Gulf of Nicoya) and extreme western Panama (western Chiriqui). Accidental in central Costa Rica (San José, possibly an escaped cage bird; a record from Miravalles is erroneous).

Notes.—Also known as Tawny-bellied Euphonia.

**Euphonia gouldi** Sclater. Olive-backed Euphonia.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–900 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident from Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, and southern Quintana Roo south in the Gulf-Caribbean lowlands of Central America to Costa Rica (also known from the Pacific slope of the Cordillera de Guanacaste) and central Panama (Bocas del Toro, western Veraguas, and Canal area).

Notes.—Also known as Gould’s Euphonia.

**Euphonia minuta** Cabanis. White-vented Euphonia.

*Euphonia minuta* Cabanis, 1849, in Schomburgk, Reisen Br.-Guiana 3 (1848): 671. (British Guiana.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident locally on the Caribbean slope of Guatemala, southern Belize, and Nicaragua, and widely on both slopes of Costa Rica (except the dry northwest) and Panama (more widespread on the Caribbean slope), and in South America south along the Pacific slope to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes from southern Colombia, Venezuela south of the Orinoco, and the Guianas south to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil (south to southern Amazonas and Pará, rarely to northern Mato Grosso). A report from Chiapas (Palenque) is questionable.

Notes.—The name *E. olivacea* Desmarest, 1806, has been suppressed for the purposes of the Law of Priority (but not the Law of Homonymy) by the I.C.Z.N. (1968).

**Euphonia anneae** Cassin. Tawny-capped Euphonia.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (600–1500 m, locally to 350 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in Costa Rica (Caribbean slope north to the Cordillera de Guanacaste), Panama (locally on both slopes), and extreme northwestern Colombia (Gulf of Urubá region).

**Euphonia xanthogaster** (Sundevall). Orange-bellied Euphonia.

*Euphona xanthogaster* Sundevall, 1834, Vetensk.-Akad. Handl. (1833), p. 310, pl. 10, fig. 1. (Brazil = Rio de Janeiro.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–2300 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in eastern Panama (Darién), and South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and Guyana south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador, and east of the Andes to northern Bolivia (in Andean foothills) and western Amazonian Brazil; also in eastern Brazil from Bahia south to Rio de Janeiro.

Genus **CHLOROPHONIA** Bonaparte

Chlorophonia flavirostris Sclater. Yellow-collared Chlorophonia.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (600–1700 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—**Resident** on the western slope of the Andes of southwestern Colombia and northwestern Ecuador.

Accidental on Cerro Pirre, eastern Darién, Panama (photograph [Capparella 1986]).

Chlorophonia occipitalis (Du Bus de Gisignies). Blue-crowned Chlorophonia.

_Euphonia occipitalis_ Du Bus de Gisignies, 1847, Esquisses Ornithol., livr. 3, pl. 14. (Le Mexique = Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, to Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest and Secondary Forest in nonbreeding season (1000–2500 m; Subtropical Zone, to Tropical Zone in nonbreeding season).

**Distribution.**—**Resident** from central Veracruz and northern and southeastern Oaxaca south through Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua.

**Notes.**—_Chlorophonia occipitalis_ and _C. callophrys_ constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990) and have been treated as conspecific (e.g., Storer in Paynter 1970).

Chlorophonia callophrys (Cabanis). Golden-browed Chlorophonia.

_Triglyphidia callophrys_ Cabanis, 1861, J. Ornithol. 8 (1860): 331. (Costa Rica.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (750–2500 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—**Resident** in the highlands of Costa Rica (north to the Cordillera de Guanacaste) and western Panama (Chiriquí and Veraguas), descending to lower elevations in nonbreeding season.

**Notes.**—See comments under _C. occipitalis._

Genus TANGARA Brisson

_Tangara_ Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 3: 3. Type, by tautonymy, _Tangara_ Brisson = _Aglaia paradisea_ Swainson = _Aglaia chilensis_ Vigors.

Tangara inornata (Gould). Plain-colored Tanager.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1000 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—**Resident** in Costa Rica (Caribbean slope only, north to Sarapiquí region), Panama (entire Caribbean slope, and Pacific slope west to Cerro Campana in western Panamá province) and northern Colombia.

Tangara cabanisi (Sclater). Azure-rumped Tanager.

_Calliste s. Callispiza_ Sclateri (not _Calliste sclateri_ Lafresnaye, 1854) Cabanis, 1866, J. Ornithol. 14: 163. (Costa Cuca, western Guatemala.)

_Calliste cabanisi_ Sclater, 1868, Ibis, p. 71, pl. 3. New name for _Calliste sclateri_ Cabanis, preoccupied.

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (1100–1700 m; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—**Resident** in the highlands (Sierra Madre de Chiapas, primarily Pacific slope) of Chiapas and western Guatemala (Volcán Santa María).

**Notes.**—Also known as Cabanis’s Tanager.
**Tangara palmeri** (Hellmayr). Gray-and-gold Tanager.

*Calospiza palmeri* Hellmayr, 1909, Rev. Fr. Ornithol. 1: 49. (Sipi, Rio Sipi, Choco, Colombia.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1100 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in eastern Panama (cerros Sapo, Quia, and Tacarcuna, in eastern Darién), and on the Pacific slope of western Colombia and northwestern Ecuador.

**Tangara florida** (Sclater and Salvin). Emerald Tanager.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; upper Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the highlands of Costa Rica (primarily in the Cordillera Central), Panama (entire Caribbean slope, and Pacific slope from eastern Panamá province eastward), western Colombia, and northwestern Ecuador.

**Tangara icterocephala** (Bonaparte). Silver-throated Tanager.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (600–1600 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the highlands of Costa Rica (north to Cordillera de Guanacaste, more frequently found on Caribbean slope), Panama (both slopes); in South America in the Western Andes of Colombia and Ecuador and the northern Central Andes of Colombia.

**Tangara guttata** (Cabanis). Speckled Tanager.

*Callispiza guttata* Cabanis, 1850, Mus. Heineanum 1 (1851): 26. (Roraima, Guiana = Cerro Roraima, Bolivar, Venezuela.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (300–2000 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in Costa Rica (north to Cordillera de Tilarán), Panama (entire Caribbean slope, and Pacific slope in western Chiriquí, Veraguas, eastern Panamá province, and eastern Darién), Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, Surinam, and extreme northern Brazil.

**Notes.**—*Tangara guttata* clearly has priority over *T. chrysophrys* (Sclater, 1851); see Storer in Paynter 1970: 370, footnote). See comments under *Chlorothraupis olivacea*.

**Tangara gyrola** (Linnaeus). Bay-headed Tanager.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [gyroloides group] in Costa Rica (north to the Cordillera Central) and Panama (both slopes), and in South America from Colombia south, west of the Andes to southwestern Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia, and western Amazonian Brazil; [viridissima group] in northeastern Colombia, northern Venezuela, and Trinidad; and [gyrola group] in southeastern Venezuela, the Guianas, and extreme northern Brazil.

**Notes.**—Distinct morphological characters suggest that the three groups might be recognized as species, *T. gyroloides* (Lafresnaye, 1847) [= *T. albertinae* (Pelzeln, 1877)] [Bay-
and-blue Tanager], *T. viridissima* (Lafresnaye, 1847) [Bay-and-green Tanager], and *T. gyrola* [Bay-headed Tanager] (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Tangara lavinia** (Cassin). Rufous-winged Tanager.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from Honduras (east of the Sula Valley) south on the Caribbean slope (mostly) of Central America to Costa Rica, on both slopes of Panama, and in western Colombia (including Gorgona Island) and northwestern Ecuador; erroneously reported from Guatemala.

**Tangara cucullata** (Swainson). Lesser Antillean Tanager.

*Aglaia Cucullata* Swainson, 1834, Ornithol. Drawings, pt. 1, pl. 7. (No locality given = Grenada, Lesser Antilles.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–850 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on St. Vincent and Grenada, in the Lesser Antilles.

**Notes.**—Also known as Hooded Tanager, a name now generally applied to the South American *Nemosia pileata* (Boddaert, 1783).

**Tangara larvata** (Du Bus de Gisignies). Golden-hooded Tanager.

*Calliste larvata* Du Bus de Gisignies, 1846, Esquisses Ornithol., livr. 2, pl. 9. (Tabasco, Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, and Chiapas south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Central America to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from the dry northwest) and Panama (entire Caribbean slope, and Pacific slope in western Chiriquí, western Veraguas, eastern Panamá province, and Darién), and in western Colombia and northwestern Ecuador.

**Notes.**—Also known as Golden-masked Tanager. *Tangara larvata* and the South American *T. nigrocincta* (Bonaparte, 1838) [Masked Tanager] have been treated as a single species by some authors (e.g., Meyer de Schauensee 1966, 1970). Eisenmann (1957) provided rationale for treating them as separate species; they constitute a superspecies (Storer 1969).

**Tangara dowii** (Salvin). Spangle-cheeked Tanager.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (1100–3200 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica (north to the Cordillera de Tilarán) and western Panama (east to Veraguas).

**Notes.**—Some authors (e.g., Storer in Paynter 1970, Isler and Isler 1987) consider *T. dowii* and *T. fucosa* as conspecific; we follow Sibley and Monroe (1990) in treating them as separate species that form a superspecies.

**Tangara fucosa** Nelson. Green-naped Tanager.

*Tangara fucosus* Nelson, 1912, Smithson. Misc. Collect. 60(3): 17. (Mount Pirri, at 5,000 feet altitude, near head of Rio Limon, eastern Panama.)
Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Elfin Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (1400–2000 m; Subtropical Zone).

Distribution.— Resident in extreme eastern Panama (eastern Darién on Cerro Mali and Cerro Pirre).

Notes.—Also known as Pirre Tanager. See comments under T. dowii.

Genus DACNIS Cuvier

Dacnis Cuvier, 1816, Règne Anim. 1 ("1817"): 395. Type, by monotypy, Motacilla cayana Linnaeus.

Notes.—The genera Dacnis, Chlorophanes and Cyanerpes, formerly placed in the family Coerebidae, are now considered to be thraupids related to the genus Tangara (Storer in Paynter 1970).

Dacnis venusta Lawrence. Scarlet-thighed Dacnis.

Dacnis venusta Lawrence, 1862, Ann. Lyc. Nat. Hist. N. Y. 7: 464. (Atlantic side of the Isthmus of Panama, along the line of the Panama Railroad = Canal Zone.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1450 m; Subtropical Zone, to Tropical Zone in nonbreeding season).

Distribution.— Resident on both slopes of Costa Rica (north to the Cordillera de Guanacaste) and Panama, and in western Colombia and northwestern Ecuador.

Dacnis cayana (Linnaeus). Blue Dacnis.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.— Residenr on the Caribbean slope of northeastern Honduras (Olancho, Gracias a Dios) and Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (except the dry northwest) and Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to southwestern Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia, eastern Paraguay, northeastern Argentina, and southern Brazil.

Dacnis viguieri Salvin and Godman. Viridian Dacnis.

Dacnis viguieri (Oustalet MS) Salvin and Godman, 1883, Biol. Cent.-Amer. (Aves) 1: 246, pl. 15A, fig. 3. (Isthmus of Panama, on the shores of the Gulf of Darien.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–600 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.— Resident in extreme eastern Panama (eastern Darién) and northwestern Colombia (northern Chocó and Córdoba).

Genus CHLOROPHANES Reichenbach


Notes.—See comments under Dacnis.

Chlorophanes spiza (Linnaeus). Green Honeycreeper.

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1600 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from northern Oaxaca, Chiapas, and southern Campeche (Pacaytún) south on the Caribbean slope of Central America to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (except the dry northwest) and Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and Amazonian and southeastern Brazil.

Genus **CYANERPESES** Oberholser

* Cyanerpes Oberholser, 1899, Auk 16: 32. Type, by original designation, *Certhia cyanea* Linnaeus.

**Notes.**—See comments under *Dacnis*.

**Cyanerpes lucidus** (Sclater and Salvin). Shining Honeycreeper.

*Caeoreba lucida* Sclater and Salvin, 1859, Ibis, p. 14. (Guatemala.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally on the Caribbean slope of Chiapas, Guatemala, southern Belize, Honduras, and northern Nicaragua, and on both slopes of Costa Rica (except the dry northwest) and Panama, and in extreme northwestern Colombia (Chocó).

**Notes.**—Sometimes regarded as conspecific with *C. caeruleus* (e.g., Hellmayr 1938), but they are sympatric in eastern Panama and northwestern Colombia; *C. lucidus* and *C. caeruleus* constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Cyanerpes caeruleus** (Linnaeus). Purple Honeycreeper.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1100 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in extreme eastern Panama (Jaqué and Cerro Quía, in eastern Darién), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to west-central Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and Amazonian and eastern Brazil.

**Notes.**—See comments under *C. lucidus*.

**Cyanerpes cyaneus** (Linnaeus). Red-legged Honeycreeper.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1200 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident (mostly) from Guerrero, Puebla, eastern San Luis Potosí and Veracruz south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to Panama (including Coiba and the Pearl islands), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, Tobago, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Ecuador and east of the Andes locally to southern Bolivia, and central and southeastern Brazil. Generally withdraws from the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Mexico in winter.

Casual on Cozumel Island. Records from Cuba (where possibly established), Jamaica, and Bonaire are probably based on escaped caged birds.
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Genus TERSINA Vieillot


**Notes.**—This genus was formerly placed in the monotypic family Tersinidae but see Sibley (1973).

_Tersina viridis_ (Illiger). Swallow Tanager.

_Hirundo viridis_ Illiger, 1811, Prodromus, p. 229. Based on “L’Hirondelle verte” Temminck, Cat. Syst. Cab. Ornithol., Quadr., p. 245. (Sandwich Islands, error = eastern Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, River-edge Forest, Gallery Forest; in breeding season restricted to areas with banks for nest sites (0–1600 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in eastern Panama (eastern Panamá province and eastern Darién), and in South America south, west of the Andes to northwestern Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia, Paraguay, northeastern Argentina, and southern Brazil. Southernmost populations apparently are migratory, at least in part.

One photographed on Grand Cayman in 1982 may have been an escaped individual.

Family EMBERIZIDAE: Emberizids

**Notes.**—The first 16 genera (Volatinia through Emberizoides) in this family are considered to be tanagers rather than emberizids on the basis of genetic data by Bledsoe (1988b) and Sibley and Ahlquist (1990). Two of these genera (Euneornis and Diglossa) were listed as thraupids by Storer in Paynter (1970) but were moved to the Emberizinae by the A.O.U. (1983).

Genus VOLATINIA Reichenbach


_Volatinia jacarina_ (Linnaeus). Blue-black Grassquit.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Arid Lowland Scrub, Pastures/Agricultural Lands, Riparian Thickets (0–1100 m; Tropical, rarely lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Sonora, Sinaloa, western Durango, Nayarit, Jalisco, Michoacán, México, Morelos, Puebla, southeastern San Luis Potosí, and southern Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatán Peninsula) to Panama (including Coiba and the Pearl islands), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including Margarita Island), Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to extreme northern Chile and east of the Andes to central Argentina; also on Grenada, in the Lesser Antilles.

Casual on Isla Cancun (off Quintana Roo); an individual captured in Cuba was likely an escaped cage bird.

Genus SPOROPHILA Cabanis


**Notes.**—See comments under _Oryzoborus._
Sporophila schistacea (Lawrence). Slate-colored Seedeater.

Sporophila schistacea Lawrence, 1863, Ann. Lyc. Nat. Hist. N. Y. 7: 474. (along the line of the Panama Railroad, on the Atlantic side of Isthmus of Panama = Lion Hill, Canal Zone.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Second-growth Scrub, Secondary Forest, mainly where bamboo is seeding (Neudorf and Blanchfield 1994) (0–1500 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident locally in southern Belize, northern Honduras (Lancetilla, Tela), Costa Rica (upper Térabba valley northwest to the Río Tarcoles), and Panama (both slopes), and in South America, west of the Andes in Colombia and northwestern Ecuador, and east of the Andes in northern Colombia and Venezuela east to northeastern Brazil, and also locally in extreme western Amazonia from Colombia to central Bolivia.

Two specimens reportedly taken in Oaxaca (confluence of the Río Coatzaola and Río Sarabia) are of questionable origin (Binford 1989).

Sporophila americana (Gmelin). Variable Seedeater.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [corvina group] from northern Oaxaca, southern Veracruz, and Tabasco south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Central America to western Panama (Bocas del Toro); [aurita group] from the Pacific slope of southwestern Costa Rica (north to the Gulf of Nicoya) south through Panama (both slopes, except for Bocas del Toro), western Colombia, and western Ecuador to northwestern Peru; and [americana group] in southeastern Colombia, northeastern Venezuela, Tobago, northeastern Peru, and Amazonian Brazil.

**Notes.**—Groups: S. corvina (Sclater, 1860) [Black Seedeater], S. aurita (Bonaparte, 1850) [Variable Seedeater], and S. americana [Wing-barred Seedeater]. Although there are differences in morphology and vocalizations between the corvina and aurita groups, intergradation occurs in central Panama (Olson 1981a). Stiles (1996b) presented evidence that Sporophila "aurita" represents intergrades between S. [americana] corvina and S. a hicksi, and that corvina (including subspecies opthalthmica and hicksi) is a separate species from S. americana.

Sporophila torqueola (Bonaparte). White-collared Seedeater.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Riparian Thickets (0–2000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [torqueola group] on the Pacific slope and in the interior of Mexico from central Sinaloa and western Durango south through Nayarit, Jalisco, Colima, Guanajuato, Michoacán, Guerrero, México, Morelos, and western Puebla to central Oaxaca (vicinity of Oaxaca City); and [morelleti group] from southern Texas (western Rio Grande Valley from Falcon Dam area to San Ygnacio; formerly more widespread), Nuevo León, and Tamaulipas south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope through eastern San Luis Potosí, Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, and the Yucatan Peninsula (including Mujeres, Cozumel, and Cancun islands), and on both slopes of Middle America from Chiapas, Guatemala, and Belize south to extreme western Panama (Bocas del Toro and Chiriquí).

Reports from California and Arizona are considered to be of escapes.

**Notes.**—Groups: S. torqueola [Cinnamon-rumped Seedeater] and S. morelleti (Bonaparte, 1851) [White-collared Seedeater or Morellet's Seedeater]. This species is highly variable and relationships between various populations are not well understood (Binford 1989).

Sporophila nigricollis (Vieillot). Yellow-bellied Seedeater.

Pyrrhula nigricollis Vieillot, 1823, in Bonnaterte and Vieillot, Tabl. Encycl. Méth. (Ornithol.) 3(93): 1027. (Brésil = Brazil.)
**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Semihumid/Humid Montane Scrub, Pastures/Agricultural Lands (0–2300 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in southwestern Costa Rica (Puntarenas) and Panama (Pacific slope, including Taboga and the Pearl islands, and Caribbean slope in Colón and the Canal area), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela (including Chacachacare Island), Tobago, Trinidad, Guyana, and Surinam south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru, and east of the Andes (absent from central Amazonia) to southern Bolivia, extreme northeastern Argentina, and southern Brazil; also in the southern Lesser Antilles (Grenada, and Carriacou in the Grenadines).


*Sporophila minuta* (Linnaeus). Ruddy-breasted Seedeater.

*Loxia minuta* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 176. (Surinami = Surinam.)

**Habitat.**—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Second-growth Scrub (0–1100 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope of Middle America from Jalisco (rarely north to Nayarit) south to Nicaragua, in southwestern Costa Rica (upper Térraba Valley) and Panama (Pacific slope throughout, and Caribbean from the Canal area east to western San Blas); and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Ecuador and east of the Andes to northern Amazonian Brazil.

**Notes.**—For reasons for treating *S. hypoxantha* Cabanis, 1851 [Tawny-bellied Seedeater] of southern South America as a separate species from *S. minuta*, see Short (1969); this treatment has been followed by most authors (e.g., Ridgely and Tudor 1989, Ouellet 1992).

**Genus ORYZOBORUS** Cabanis


**Notes.**—Sometimes merged in *Sporophila* (Olson 1981b).

*Oryzoborus nuttingi* Ridgway. Nicaraguan Seed-Finch.


**Habitat.**—Riparian Thickets, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–500 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Caribbean lowlands of Nicaragua, northern Costa Rica (Laguna de Arenal, near Finca La Selva), and western Panama (Bocas del Toro).

**Notes.**—Also known as Pink-billed Seed-Finch. Sometimes regarded as a subspecies of *O. maximiliani* Cabanis, 1851 [Great-billed Seed-Finch] but here considered a separate species, following Stiles (1984).

*Oryzoborus funereus* Sclater. Thick-billed Seed-Finch.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1100 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident from central Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, and Chiapas south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Central America to Costa Rica (also on Pacific slope in Térraba region), and in Panama (both slopes, including Coiba and the Pearl islands), western Colombia, and western Ecuador.

**Notes.**—Although *O. funereus* and South American *O. angolensis* (Linnaeus, 1766) [Chestnut-bellied Seed-Finch] hybridize to a limited extent in the Magdalena Valley of
northern Colombia (Olson 1981c), no hybrid swarm exists. They are treated as a single species by many authors (e.g., Ridgely and Tudor 1989, Sibley and Monroe 1990), in which case the appropriate English name is Lesser Seed-Finch.

Genus *AMAUROSPIZA* Cabanis

*Amaurospiza* Cabanis, 1861, J. Ornithol. 9: 3. Type, by original designation, *Amaurospiza concolor* Cabanis.


Notes.—Paynter (1970) suggested that *Amaurospiza* might belong in the Cardinalidae.

*Amaurospiza concolor* Cabanis. Blue Seed-eater.

*Amaurospiza concolor* Cabanis, 1861, J. Ornithol. 9: 3. (Costa Rica = Miravalles, Costa Rica.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (especially seeding bamboo) (1000–2200 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [relicta group] in the mountains of Jalisco, Colima (sight report), Guerrero, Morelos, and south-central Oaxaca; and [concolor group] locally in Chiapas (Cintalapa, Tuxtla Gutiérrez), Belize, El Salvador (Cerro Verde), Honduras (Lago de Yojoa, Arenal), Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama (Chiriquí, Veraguas, western Panamá province, Canal area), southwestern Colombia, and northwestern Ecuador.

Notes.—Groups: A. relicta (Griscom, 1934) [Slate-blue Seed-eater] and A. concolor [Blue Seed-eater].

Genus *MELOPYRRHA* Bonaparte


*Melopyrrha nigra* (Linnaeus). Cuban Bullfinch.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Pine Forest, Secondary Forest (90–900 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Cuba (including some coastal cays), the Isle of Pines, and Grand Cayman Island.

Birds reported from southern Florida were probably escapes from captivity (Robertson and Woolfenden 1992).

Genus *TIARIS* Swainson


*Tiaris canora* (Gmelin). Cuban Grassquit.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Pine Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub, Second-growth Scrub.

Distribution.—Resident on Cuba. Old reports from the Isle of Pines are not confirmed. Introduced and established in the Bahama Islands (New Providence). Several reports from southern Florida are probably based on escaped cage birds; reportedly bred in Dade County in 1960 but no population has become established (Stevenson and Anderson 1994). An old report from Sombrero Key is based on *T. bicolor*.

Notes.—Also known as Melodious Grassquit.
**Tiaris olivacea** (Linnaeus). Yellow-faced Grassquit.

*Emberiza olivacea* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 309. Based on “Le Bruant de S. Domingue” Brisson, Ornithologie 3: 300, pl. 13, fig. 5. (in Dominica = Hispaniola.)

**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–2300 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from central Nuevo León, eastern San Luis Potosí, and southern Tamaulipas south along the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Mexico (including the Yucatan Peninsula, and Cozumel and Holbox islands), Guatemala, and Belize, in El Salvador, on both slopes of Honduras, in Nicaragua (Caribbean slope only), on both slopes of Costa Rica and Panama (including Isla Coiba), and in western and central Colombia, northwestern Ecuador, and northwestern Venezuela; also in the Greater Antilles (east to Puerto Rico, and including the Cayman Islands).

Introduced (discovered in 1974) and established in the Hawaiian Islands (in the highlands of Oahu).


**Tiaris bicolor** (Linnaeus). Black-faced Grassquit.


**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Second-growth Scrub, Tropical Deciduous Forest Edge, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1300 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident throughout the West Indies (except Cuba, where confined to various cays off the northern coast and off the southern coast on Cayo Cantiles), on islands in the western Caribbean Sea (Providencia, Santa Catalina, and San Andrés), and in northern Colombia and northern Venezuela (including islands from the Netherlands Antilles east to Tobago and Trinidad).

Casual in southern Florida (Palm Beach County south to Sombrero Key). Accidental in eastern Cuba (near Holguín).

Genus **LOXIPASSER** Bryant


**Loxipasser anoxanthus** (Gosse). Yellow-shouldered Grassquit.

*Spermophila anoxantha* Gosse, 1847, Birds Jamaica, p. 247 (footnote). (Mount Edgecumbe, Jamaica.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest Edge, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1800 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Jamaica.

**Notes.**—Also known as Yellow-backed Finch.

Genus **LOXIGILLA** Lesson

Loxigilla portoricensis (Daudin). Puerto Rican Bullfinch.

Loxia portoricensis Daudin, 1800, Traité Ornithol. 2: 411. (Puerto Rico.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Mangrove Forest (0–1000 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Puerto Rico and on St. Kitts in the Lesser Antilles (at least formerly, last reported there in 1929).

A report from the Virgin Islands (St. Johns) is regarded as based on an escaped individual.

Loxigilla violacea (Linnaeus). Greater Antillean Bullfinch.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–2000 m).

Distribution.—Resident throughout the Bahama Islands, and in the Greater Antilles on Hispaniola (including Tortue, Gonâve, Saona, Beata, and Catalina islands, and Île-à-Vache) and Jamaica; a sight report for southern Florida (Hypoluxo Island) may have been of an escaped cage-bird (Stevenson and Anderson 1994).

Loxigilla noctis (Linnaeus). Lesser Antillean Bullfinch.

Fringilla noctis Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 320. Based mainly on “Le Père noir” Brisson, Ornithologie 3: 118, pl. 7, fig. 1. (in Jamaica, Mexico, Martinica = Martinique.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–900 m).

Distribution.—Resident in the Virgin Islands (on St. John, since 1971, possibly introduced) and Lesser Antilles (from Anguilla and Saba south to St. Vincent and Barbados, also on Grenada).

Genus EUNEORNIS Fitzinger


Notes.—Systematic position uncertain; formerly placed in the Coerebidae or the Thraupidae (Storer in Paynter 1970).

Euneornis campestris (Linnaeus). Orangequit.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Jamaica.

Genus MELANOSPIZA Ridgway


Melanospiza richardsoni (Cory). St. Lucia Black Finch.

Loxigilla richardsoni Cory, 1886, Auk 3: 382. (Mountains of Santa Lucia, West Indies.)

Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m).

Distribution.—Resident on St. Lucia, in the Lesser Antilles.
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Genus **PINAROLOXIAS** Sharpe


**Pinaroloxias inornata** (Gould). Cocos Finch.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–800 m)

**Distribution.**—**Resident** on Cocos Island, off Costa Rica.

Genus **HAPLOSPIZA** Cabanis

*Haplospiza* Cabanis, 1851, Mus. Heineanum 1: 147. Type, by original designation, *Haplospiza unicolor* Cabanis.


**Notes.**—See comments under *Acanthidops*.

**Haplospiza rustica** (Tschudi). Slaty Finch.

*Phrygilus rusticus* (Lichtenstein MS) Tschudi, 1844, Arch. Naturgesch. 10: 290. (Republica Peruana = Peru.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (especially where bamboo is seeding), Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge (1500–2500 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—**Resident** locally in the highlands of Middle America in Veracruz (Jalapa), Chiapas (Volcán Tacaná), El Salvador, Honduras (El Chorro), northwestern Nicaragua (near Matagalpa), Costa Rica (cordilleras Central and Talamanca), and western Panama (western Chiriquí and western Panamá province); and in South America in the Andes from Colombia and Venezuela south to northern Bolivia.

**Notes.**—Often treated in the monotypic genus *Spodiornis*.

Genus **ACANTHIDOPS** Ridgway


**Notes.**—Closely related to the genus *Haplospiza* and possibly not separable generically from it (Paynter 1970).

**Acanthidops bairdii** Ridgway. Peg-billed Finch.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, especially where bamboo is seeding (1500–3000 m; Temperate Zone).

**Distribution.**—**Resident** in Costa Rica (Tilarán, Central, and Talamanca cordilleras). Casual in western Panama (Cerro Punta, Chiriquí, January–March 1979).

Genus **DIGLOSSA** Wagler


**Notes.**—Formerly placed in the family Coerebidae or in the Thraupidae (Storer in Paynter 1970).
**Diglossa baritula** Wagler. Cinnamon-bellied Flowerpiercer.

*Diglossa baritula* Wagler, 1832, *Isis von Oken*, col. 281. (Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Pine-oak Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (1500–3350 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands from Jalisco, Guanajuato, Hidalgo, and Veracruz south through southern Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua.

**Notes.**—Also known as Cinnamon Flowerpiercer. *Diglossa baritula* and *D. plumbea* constitute a superspecies, which is a sister group to the South American *D. sitoides* (d’Orbigny and Lafresnaye, 1838) [Rusty Flowerpiercer] (Hackett 1995). *Diglossa plumbea* and *D. sitoides* were merged into *baritula* by Paynter (1970) and Wetmore et al. (1984).

**Diglossa plumbea** Cabanis. Slaty Flowerpiercer.

*Diglossa plumbea* Cabanis, 1861, *J. Ornithol.* 8(1860): 411. (Costa Rica.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Semihumid/Humid Montane Scrub, Second-growth Scrub (1200–3300 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of Costa Rica (north to Cordillera de Guanacaste) and western Panama (western Chiriquí and Veraguas).

**Notes.**—See comments under *D. baritula*.

**Genus SICALIS** Boie


**Notes.**—Bledsoe (1988b) suggested that *Sicalis* belongs in the Thraupidae.

**Sicalis flaveola** (Linnaeus). Saffron Finch.


**Habitat.**—Pastures/Agricultural Lands, Second-growth Scrub; extensive lawns (Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [*flaveola* group] in South America west of the Andes in western Ecuador and northwestern Peru, and east of the Andes in northern and eastern Colombia, northern Venezuela, the Guianas, and northeastern Brazil; and [*pelzelni* group] in eastern Bolivia, Paraguay, eastern and southern Brazil, and Uruguay south to central Argentina.

Introduced and established [*flaveola* group] in the Hawaiian Islands (since 1966, presently in small numbers on Oahu, and along the North Kona coast of Hawaii), central Panama (Canal area), Jamaica, and Puerto Rico (Río Piedras to Dorado).

**Notes.**—Groups: *S. flaveola* [Saffron Finch] and *S. pelzelni* Sclater, 1872 [Pelzeln’s Finch].

**Sicalis luteola** (Sparrman). Grassland Yellow-Finch.

*Emberiza luteola* Sparrman, 1789, *Mus. Carlson.*, fasc. 4, pl. 93. (No locality given = Surinam.)

**Habitat.**—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Pastures/Agricultural Lands (0–3500 m; Tropical, locally to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [*chrysops* group] locally in Middle America in Puebla, Morelos (Pacific drainage), central and southern Veracruz, northern Chiapas, Tabasco, western Campeche, central Guatemala (Dueñas, at least formerly), Belize (possibly), the Mosquitia of eastern Honduras, and northeastern Nicaragua, Costa Rica (Guanacaste, one record), and Panama (Coclé and eastern Panamá province); [*luteola* group] lowlands of South America in Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, the Guianas, and northern Brazil; and [*bogotensis* group] in the Andes from Colombia south to Peru.

Introduced and established [*luteola* group] in the Lesser Antilles on Barbados, whence it
has since spread to the Grenadines (Mustique), St. Vincent, St. Lucia, Martinique, Guadeloupe, and Antigua.

**Notes.**—Also known as Yellow Grass-Finch. Groups: *S. chrysops* Sclater, 1862 [Northern Yellow-Finch], *S. luteola* [Grassland Yellow-Finch], and *S. bogotensis* Chapman, 1924 [Montane Yellow-Finch]. *Sicalis luteiventris* (Meyen, 1834) [Misto Yellow-Finch], of southern South America, may also be conspecific with *S. luteola* (Ridgely and Tudor 1989).

**Genus EMBERIZOIDES** Temminck


*Emberizoides herbicola* (Vieillot). Wedge-tailed Grass-Finch.


**Habitat.**—Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Second-growth Scrub (0–1900 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* locally in southwestern Costa Rica (Térraba region) and western and central Panama (Chiriquí, Cerro Campana, and the Tocumen-Chepo area in eastern Panamá province); and in South America in Colombia (except far western and southern portions), Venezuela, the Guianas, and northeastern Brazil, and from eastern Peru (local), eastern Bolivia, and eastern Argentina east to Atlantic Brazil and Paraguay.

**Notes.**—Also known as Wedge-tailed Ground-Finch.

**Genus PAROARIA** Bonaparte


**Notes.**—Sometimes treated as a cardinalid, but appears to be emberizine, or possibly thraupine of uncertain relationships (see Paynter 1970).

*Paroaria coronata* (Miller). Red-crested Cardinal.

*Loxia coronata* J. F. Miller, 1776, Var. Subj. Nat. Hist., pt. 1, pl. 2. (No locality given = Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil.)

**Habitat.**—Scrub, brushy areas, parks, and residential areas, mostly in humid regions.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from northern Bolivia, Paraguay, Uruguay, and extreme southern Brazil south to northern Argentina. Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands in 1928 on Oahu (where now common), presently also on Molokai and, locally, on Kauai, Lanai, and Maui; and Puerto Rico (Dorado); occurs in southern Florida but as yet there is no persistent wild population (Robertson and Woolfendon 1992).

**Notes.**—Also known as Brazilian Cardinal.

*Paroaria capitata* (d’Orbigny and Lafresnaye). Yellow-billed Cardinal.


**Habitat.**—Primarily dry kiawe thickets; in South America, forest and woodland, and adjacent partly open situations with scattered trees, primarily in semi-arid habitats.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southeastern Bolivia, central Brazil (western Mato Grosso), and Paraguay south to northern Argentina. Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (since 1933, presently in small numbers along the Kona coast of Hawaii and spreading).
Genus **LYSURUS** Ridgway


*Lysurus crassirostris* (Cassin). Sooty-faced Finch.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (600–2000 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the mountains from central Costa Rica (Aguacate Mountains southward) south through Panama (recorded Chiriqui, Bocas del Toro, Veraguas, Coclé, and eastern Darién) to northern Colombia (Cerro Tacarcuna).

**Notes.**—*Lysurus crassirostris* and the South American *L. castaneiceps* (Sclater, 1860) [Olive Finch] constitute a superspecies; Paynter (1970) and Wetmore et al. (1984) treated them as conspecific.

Genus **PSELLIOPHORUS** Ridgway


**Notes.**—Sometimes merged in *Atlapetes*.

*Pselliophorus tibialis* (Lawrence). Yellow-thighed Finch.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (1500–3400 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the mountains from central Costa Rica (north to Cordillera de Tilarán) to extreme western Panama (western Chiriquí).

**Notes.**—*Pselliophorus tibialis* and *P. luteoviridis* are closely related and constitute a superspecies. Paynter (1970) suggested that *P. luteoviridis* might be a subspecies of *P. tibialis*, but see Wetmore et al. (1984).

*Pselliophorus luteoviridis* Griscom. Yellow-green Finch.

*Pselliophorus luteoviridis* Griscom, 1924, Amer. Mus. Novit., no. 141, p. 10. (Cerro Flores, alt. 6000 ft., eastern Chiriquí, Panama.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest (1200–1800 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the mountains of western Panama (eastern Chiriquí and adjacent Veraguas).

**Notes.**—See comments under *P. tibialis*.

Genus **PEZOPETES** Cabanis


**Notes.**—Paynter (1970) suggested that *Pezopetes* might belong in the genus *Atlapetes*.

*Pezopetes capitalis* Cabanis. Large-footed Finch.

*Pezopetes capitalis* Cabanis, 1861, J. Ornithol. 8 (1860): 415. (Costa Rica.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Montane Evergreen Forest, Second-growth Scrub (2150–3350 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).
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**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the mountains from central Costa Rica (Cordillera Central southward) to extreme western Panama (western Bocas del Toro and western Chiriqui).

**Genus ATLAPETES Wagler**


**Notes.**—Members of this genus are sometimes known under the English group name Atlapetes. See comments under *Pezopetes* and *Pselliophorus*, and under *Buarrernon*.

**Atlapetes albinucha** (d’Orbigny and Lafresnaye). White-naped Brush-Finch.

*Embernagra albinucha* d’Orbigny and Lafresnaye, 1838, Rev. Zool. [Paris] 1: 165. (Cartagène, error = Caribbean slope of Mexico; see Paynter [1964a].)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Pine-Oak Forest, Secondary Forest, Semi-humid/Humid Montane Scrub, Second-growth Scrub (1000–3350 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [albinucha group] in the highlands on the Gulf slope in Veracruz, Hidalgo, eastern San Luis Potosí, Puebla, northern Oaxaca, and northern Chiapas; a report from the valley of México is considered doubtful, and those from Colombia are regarded as erroneous; and [gutturalis group] in the highlands of southern Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, north-central Nicaragua, Costa Rica, western Panama (Chiriquí, Veraguas, Cocle, Herrera), and Colombia.

**Notes.**—Groups: *A. albinucha* (d’Orbigny and Lafresnaye, 1838) [White-naped Brush-Finch] and *A. gutturalis* (Lafresnaye, 1843) [Yellow-throated Brush-Finch]. Although *A. gutturalis* has been treated as a species for most of this century (e.g., Ridgway 1901, Hellmayr 1938, A.O.U. 1983, Sibley and Monroe 1990), Paynter (1964a, 1978) showed that albinucha and gutturalis cannot intergrade because of separation by a dry valley and that they differ only in the amount of yellow on the underparts.

**Atlapetes pileatus** Wagler. Rufous-capped Brush-Finch.

*Atlapetes pileatus* Wagler, 1831, Isis von Oken, col. 526. (Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Semi-humid/Humid Montane Scrub (1225–3400 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the Mexican highlands from western Chihuahua, Sinaloa, western Durango, Nayarit, Jalisco, Guanajuato, San Luis Potosí, central Nuevo León, and south-western Tamaulipas south to central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec), Puebla, and western Veracruz.

**Genus BUARREMON Bonaparte**


**Notes.**—Members of the is genus were formerly placed in *Atlapetes*, but see Remsen and Graves (1995).

**Buarremon brunneinuchus** (Lafresnaye). Chestnut-capped Brush-Finch.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Secondary Forest (upper Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [apertus group] in the Sierra de los Tuxtlas in southern Veracruz; and [brunneinuchus group] locally in the highlands from Guerrero, Hidalgo, eastern San Luis Potosí, and northern Veracruz south through Oaxaca, Chiapas, central Guatemala, northern El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Costa Rica (Cordillera de Tilarán southward) to
Panama (Bocas del Toro, Chiriquí, Veraguas, Coclé, western Panamá province, eastern Darién), and in South America in the Andes from Colombia and northern Venezuela south to southern Peru.

Notes.—Groups: B. brunneinuchus [Chestnut-capped Brush-Finch] and B. apertus Wetmore, 1942 [Plain-breasted Brush-Finch].

Buarremon virenticeps Bonaparte. Green-striped Brush-Finch.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (1500–3000 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains, primarily on the Pacific slope, from southern Sinaloa and western Durango south through Nayarit, Jalisco, Colima, and Michoacán to México, Distrito Federal, Morelos, and western Puebla.

Notes.—Buarremon virenticeps is merged with B. torquatus by Paynter (1970) and Wetmore et al. (1984), but see Paynter (1978) and Ridgely and Tudor (1989).

Buarremon torquatus (Lafresnaye and d’Orbigny). Stripe-headed Brush-Finch.

Embernagra torquata Lafresnaye and d’Orbigny, 1837, Mag. Zool. [Paris] 7(2): 34. (Yungas, Bolivia.)

Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Elfin Forest (300–1500 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [atricapillus group] from the highlands of southwestern Costa Rica (north to the Gulf of Nicoya), east through Panama to northern Colombia; and [torquatus group] in South America in the Andes in Venezuela, and from Colombia south to northwestern Argentina.

Notes.—Groups: B. atricapillus Lawrence, 1874 [Black-headed Brush-Finch], and B. torquatus (Lafresnaye and d’Orbigny, 1837) [Stripe-headed Brush-Finch]. Following Paynter (1970), Wetmore et al. (1984), and Remsen and Graves (1995), B. atricapillus is treated in torquatus; it was treated as a separate species by A.O.U. (1983) and Ridgely and Tudor (1989).

Genus ARREMON Vieillot


Notes.—See comments under Arremonops.

Arremon aurantiirostris Lafresnaye. Orange-billed Sparrow.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident from northern Oaxaca, southern Veracruz, Tabasco, and Chiapas south through the Gulf-Caribbean lowlands of Central America to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (except the dry northwest), and Panama, and in South America from Colombia south, west and east of the Andes to northern Peru.

Genus ARREMONOPS Ridgway


Notes.—Sometimes merged in Arremon.
**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub, Riparian Thickets (0–1625 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [superciliosus group] on the Pacific slope from central Sinaloa south to central Oaxaca (east to Huamelula) and the Central Valley of Chiapas, and in northwestern Costa Rica (Guanacaste); and [rufivirgatus group] in the Gulf-Caribbean lowlands from central Texas (north to Uvalde, McMullen, Bee, and Refugio counties), Coahuila, and Nuevo León south through eastern Mexico (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to northern Guatemala (Petén) and Belize.

**Notes.**—Groups: A. rufivirgatus [Olive Sparrow] and A. superciliosus (Salvin, 1865) [Pacific Sparrow]. Arremonops rufivirgatus and the South American A. tocuyensis Todd, 1912 [Tocuyo Sparrow], appear to constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

**Arremonops chloronotus** (Salvin). Green-backed Sparrow.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–900 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident from Tabasco, northern Chiapas, and the southern and eastern Yucatan Peninsula south through northern Guatemala and Belize to northern Honduras (west of the Sula Valley, and disjunctly in Olancho).

**Notes.**—Although once considered conspecific with A. conirostris, differences in morphology, juvenile plumage, and vocalizations in northern Honduras confirm the specific distinctness of A. chloronotus (Monroe 1963b).

**Arremonops conirostris** (Bonaparte). Black-striped Sparrow.

*Arremon conirostris* Bonaparte, 1851, Cons. Gen. Avium 1(2): 488. (Brasil, error = Colombia.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Riparian Thickets, Second-growth Scrub (0–1600 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Caribbean slope of Honduras (west to the Sula Valley) and Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (rare in the dry northwest) and Panama (including Coiba and the Pearl islands), and in South America in northern Colombia, Venezuela, and extreme northern Brazil, and west of the Andes in southwestern Colombia and western Ecuador.

**Notes.**—See comments under A. chloronotus.

**Genus MELOZONE** Reichenbach


**Melozone kieneri** (Bonaparte). Rusty-crowned Ground-Sparrow.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Arid Montane Scrub, Tropical Deciduous Forest Edge (0–1500 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southeastern Sonora south through Sinaloa, western Durango, Nayarit, Jalisco, Guanajuato, Colima, Michoacán, México, Morelos, and Guerrero, to southwestern Puebla and central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec).

**Notes.**—Melozone kieneri and M. biarcuatum were considered conspecific by Hellmayr (1938), but see Miller et al. (1957).
Melozone biarcuatum (Prévost and Des Murs). Prevost’s Ground-Sparrow.

*Melozone biarcuatum* Prévost and Des Murs, 1846, Voy. Venus, Atlas, Zool., Ois., pl. 6. (No locality given = Guatemala.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (600–1800 m; Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [*biarcuatum* group] in the highlands of Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador, and western Honduras (east to the Sula and Comayagua valleys); and [*cabanisi* group] in central Costa Rica (Aguacate Mountains east to Turrialba).

**Notes.**—Groups: *M. biarcuatum* [Prevost’s Ground-Sparrow] and *M. cabanisi* (Sclater and Salvin, 1868) [White-faced Ground-Sparrow]. See comments under *M. kieneri*.

*Melozone leucotis* Cabanis. White-eared Ground-Sparrow.

*Melozone leucotis* Cabanis, 1861, J. Ornithol. 8(1860): 413. (Costa Rica.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (500–2000 m; upper Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the highlands (primarily on the Pacific slope) of southeastern Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador, north-central Nicaragua, and central Costa Rica (Cordillera de Tilarán and central highlands).

Genus *PIPILO* Vieillot

*Pipilo* Vieillot, 1816, Analyse, p. 32. Type, by monotypy, “Pinson aux yeux rouges” Buffon = *Fringilla erythropthalma* Linnaeus.


**Notes.**—The generic name *Hortulanus* Vieillot, 1807, sometimes used for *Pipilo*, has no standing (Banks and Browning 1995).


*Fringilla chlorura* Audubon, 1839, Ornithol. Biogr. 5: 336. (No locality given = Ross’ Creek, ca. 20 miles southwest Blackfoot, Bingham County, Idaho.)

**Habitat.**—Chaparral, brushy hillsides, riparian scrub, primarily in mountains in breeding season; to lowland habitats in nonbreeding season.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southwestern and central Oregon, southeastern Washington, southern Idaho, southwestern and south-central Montana, northwestern and southeastern Wyoming, and north-central Colorado south to southern California (primarily interior mountains), northern Baja California, southern Nevada, central Arizona, southern New Mexico, and western Texas (Davis Mountains, presumably breeding; casually in Chisos Mountains). Winters from southern (casually central) California, southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, and western and central Texas south to southern Baja California, Jalisco, Guanajuato, Querétaro, Morelos, Hidalgo, San Luis Potosí, and Tamaulipas.

Migrates east through western Nebraska, western Kansas, western Oklahoma, and west-central Texas.

Casual north to southwestern British Columbia, southern Saskatchewan, and northern Manitoba, and over most of eastern North America from Minnesota, Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, New Hampshire, Maine, and Nova Scotia south to Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Cuba, and Cayo Coco; a sight report for central Oaxaca.

**Notes.**—Often treated in the monotypic genus *Chlorura* (or *Oberholseria*), but see Sibley (1955).
Pipilo ocai (Lawrence). Collared Towhee.


**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest Edge, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Second-growth Scrub (1500–3750 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains from western Jalisco and extreme northeastern Colima southeast through north-central Michoacán, Guerrero (Sierra Madre del Sur), and eastern Puebla to west-central Veracruz and central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec).

**Notes.**—Hybridizes extensively with _P. maculatus_ in western portions of the range but on a limited basis or not at all in the eastern portions (Sibley 1954, Sibley and West 1959).

Pipilo maculatus Swainson. Spotted Towhee.

_Pipilo maculata_ Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag., new ser., 1, p. 434. (Real del Monte, [Hidalgo], Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Open woodland, chaparral, scrub-oak, and riparian thickets (Subtropical and Temperate Zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds [maculatus group] from southern British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), southern Alberta, and southern Saskatchewan south to southern California (including Santa Cruz, Santa Rosa, Santa Catalina, and San Clemente islands), northwestern Baja California (also mountains of southern Baja California and, formerly, Guadalupe Island), southern Nevada, west-central and southern Arizona, and through the Mexican highlands to Chiapas and central Guatemala, and east to the central Dakotas, central Nebraska, eastern Colorado, eastern New Mexico, and extreme western Texas. _Winters_ [maculatus group] from southern British Columbia, Nevada, Utah, Colorado, Nebraska, and Iowa (casually farther north) south to northern Baja California (also in mountains of southern Baja California), northern Sonora, through the Mexican breeding range to central Guatemala, and east to central Oklahoma and south-central Texas. _Resident_ [socorroensis group] on Socorro Island, in the Revillagigedo Islands, off western Mexico.


**Notes.**—Formerly considered conspecific with _P. erythrophthalmus_ (Sibley and West 1959) but see A.O.U. (1995). The Socorro Island form has been treated as a distinct species _P. socorroensis_ Grayson, 1867 [Socorro Towhee], but see Mayr and Short (1970: 82). See also comments under _P. ocai._

Pipilo erythrophthalmus (Linnaeus). Eastern Towhee.


**Habitat.**—Dense second growth, undergrowth of open woodland, forest edge (Temperate zone).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southeastern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northeastern North Dakota, northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, northern New York, Vermont, central New Hampshire, and southwestern Maine south to extreme northeastern Texas (at least formerly), northern and eastern Arkansas, northeastern and south-central Louisiana, the Gulf coast (from Mississippi eastward), and southern Florida (excluding the Florida Keys), and west to northeastern Colorado, western Iowa, southeastern Nebraska, eastern Kansas, and eastern Oklahoma. _Winters_ from eastern Colorado (rare), southeastern Nebraska, Iowa, the southern Great Lakes region, southern New York, and Massachusetts (rarely farther north) south to southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida (rarely the Florida Keys).

Notes.—*Pipilo erythrophthalmus* and *P. maculatus* were formerly considered conspecific [*Rufous-sided Towhee*], but see A.O.U. (1995).

**Pipilo albicolli** Sclater. White-throated Towhee.


**Habitat.**—Arid Montane Scrub, Pine-Oak Forest (1150–2800 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the interior valleys of eastern Guerrero, southern Puebla, and central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec).

**Notes.**—*Pipilo rutilus* W. Deppe, 1830, sometimes used for this species, is now regarded as a synonym of *P. fuscus*.

**Pipilo fuscus** Swainson. Canyon Towhee.

*Pipilo fuscus* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 434. (Temascaltepec, Mexico = Temascaltepec, México.)

**Habitat.**—Brushlands, arid scrub, mesquite, riparian thickets, and around human habitation.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from northern Arizona, central and northeastern New Mexico, southeastern Colorado, extreme northwestern Oklahoma, and western and central Texas south to northern Sinaloa (including Isla Tiburon, off Sonora), and in the Mexican highlands to northwestern Oaxaca, west-central Veracruz, Puebla, and southwestern Tamaulipas.

Casual in northwestern Wyoming, southwestern Kansas, and southern Texas.

**Notes.**—See comments under *P. crissalis*. *Pipilo fuscus* is more closely related to *P. albicolli* than to *P. crissalis* (Zink 1988, Zink and Dittmann 1991).

**Pipilo crissalis** (Vigors). California Towhee.


**Habitat.**—Chaparral, brush, riparian thickets, and suburbs.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southwestern Oregon south through California (from the western slopes of the Sierra Nevada and Argus Range westward, and west of the southeastern desert region) to southern Baja California.

Accidental on Todos Santos Island, off Baja California.

**Notes.**—Molecular and morphometric studies indicate that *P. crissalis* is distinct from *P. fuscus*, with which it was previously merged, and more closely related to *P. aberti* than to *P. fuscus* (Zink 1988, Zink and Dittmann 1991); *P. crissalis* and *P. fuscus* also differ also in vocalizations (Davis 1951, Marshall 1964).

**Pipilo aberti** Baird. Abert’s Towhee.

*Pipilo aberti* Baird, 1852, in Stansbury, Explor. Valley Great Salt Lake Utah, p. 325. (“New Mexico” = Gila Bend, Maricopa County, Arizona.)

**Habitat.**—Riparian Thickets, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–1250 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southeastern California (west to Salton Sea), extreme southeastern Nevada, southwestern Utah, central and southern Arizona, and southwestern New Mexico south to northeastern Baja California and northwestern Sonora.

**Genus Aimophila** Swainson

Notes.—Relationships within this genus are poorly understood, and it is probably polyphyletic as now constituted (Wolf 1977 and references therein). See comments under _Amphispiza_. The classification presented here follows the proposed phylogeny of Wolf (1977), with four clades of species: (1) _ruficauda-humeralis-mystacalis-sumichrasti-carpalis_; (2) _cassinii-botterii-aestivalis_; (3) _ruficeps-notosticta-rufescens_; and (4) _quinquestriata_.

_Aimophila ruficauda_ (Bonaparte). Stripe-headed Sparrow.


**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–2000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident along the Pacific slope from southern Durango and Nayarit south through Jalisco, Michoacán, Guerrero, Morelos, southern Puebla, Oaxaca, Chiapas, Guatemala (also in arid interior in Motagua Valley), El Salvador, Honduras, and Nicaragua to northwestern Costa Rica (Guanacaste).

**Notes.**—Also known as Russet-tailed Sparrow.

_Aimophila humeralis_ (Cabanis). Black-chested Sparrow.

*Haemophila humeralis* (Lichtenstein MS) Cabanis, 1851, Mus. Heineanum 1: 132. (Mexico = Tehotepec, Puebla.)

**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Jalisco south through Colima, Michoacán, Guerrero, Morelos, and southern Puebla to extreme southwestern Oaxaca (near San José Estancia Grande).

_Aimophila mystacalis_ (Hartlaub). Bridled Sparrow.

*Zonotrichia mystacalis* Hartlaub, 1852, Rev. Mag. Zool. (2)4: 3. (Rio Frio entre Puebla et la ville de Mexico = Río Frío, between Puebla and Mexico City.)

**Habitat.**—Arid Montane Scrub (900–1900 m; upper Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the eastern portion of México, southwestern Morelos, southern Puebla, west-central Veracruz, and central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec).

_Aimophila sumichrasti_ (Lawrence). Cinnamon-tailed Sparrow.


**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Tropical Deciduous Forest Edge (0–950 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope of Oaxaca (west to Rancho Las Animas) and extreme southwestern Chiapas.

**Notes.**—Also known as Sumichrast’s Sparrow.

_Aimophila carpalis_ (Coues). Rufous-winged Sparrow.

*Peucaea carpalis* Coues, 1873, Amer. Nat. 7: 322 (footnote). (Tucson, Arizona.)

**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, usually where grassy (0–1500 m; Subtropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident from south-central Arizona (north to Tucson area) south through central and southeastern Sonora to central Sinaloa.

_Aimophila cassini_ (Woodhouse). Cassin’s Sparrow.

Habitat.—Northern Temperate Grassland, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–1800 m).

Distribution.—Breeds from southeastern Arizona, New Mexico (except the northwestern part of state), central and northeastern Colorado, central eastern Wyoming, southwestern Nebraska, west-central Kansas, and west-central Oklahoma south to northern Chihuahua, western San Luis Potosí, northern Tamaulipas, and central and southern Texas. In recent years singing males have appeared sporadically, sometimes in large numbers, from southern California east across southern Arizona, in northwestern New Mexico, and north to southwestern South Dakota, although breeding has not been confirmed in these regions.

Winters from southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico (rarely), Sonora, Chihuahua, and western and south-central Texas south to southern Sinaloa, Zacatecas, Guanajuato, San Luis Potosí, and Tamaulipas.

Casual or accidental in California (north to Humboldt County), southern Nevada, northern Illinois, Michigan, northern Indiana, southern Ontario, Nova Scotia, Maine, and New Jersey; a sight report for Missouri.

Aimophila aestivalis (Lichtenstein). Bachman’s Sparrow.


Habitat.—Open, grassy pine woods with scattered bushes or understory, brushy or overgrown hillsides, and overgrown fields with thickets and brambles.

Distribution.—Breeds from south-central Missouri, central and northeastern Illinois, central Indiana, central Ohio, southwestern Pennsylvania (now rarely), and central Maryland south to eastern Oklahoma, eastern Texas, the Gulf coast, and south-central Florida; now generally absent (or very local) as a breeding bird in the northeastern portion of the breeding range north of Tennessee and North Carolina.

Winters from eastern Texas, the Gulf states, and Atlantic coast (from southeastern North Carolina) south through the remainder of the breeding range (casually elsewhere in the northern parts of the breeding range), and to southern Florida.

Casual north to northeastern Kansas, southeastern Michigan, southern Ontario (Pt. Pelee; possibly breeding), New York, and New Jersey.

Notes.—Also known as Pine-woods Sparrow.

Aimophila botterii (Sclater). Botteri’s Sparrow.


Habitat.—[botterii group] Northern Temperate Grassland (0–2000 m); [petenica group] Northern Temperate Grassland, Pine Forest, lowland pine savanna (0–1600 m); (Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Breeds [botterii group] from southeastern Arizona, extreme southwestern New Mexico (probably), eastern Sonora, Sinaloa, Durango, Zacatecas, San Luis Potosí, Tamaulipas, and southern coastal Texas (north to Kleberg and Nueces counties) south through Mexico to Chiapas.

Winters [botterii group] from northern Mexico south throughout the remainder of the breeding range.

Resident [petenica group] locally in Tabasco, Yucatán, Guatemala (lowlands of Petén, and central highlands), Belize, eastern Honduras, northwestern and northeastern Nicaragua, and northwestern Costa Rica (base of Cordillera de Guanacaste).

Casual [botterii group] in southern Texas just north of the breeding range.

Notes.—The two groups have sometimes been regarded as distinct species, A. botterii [Botteri’s Sparrow] and A. petenica (Salvin, 1863) [Peten Sparrow]; extensive variability and apparent intergradation in Tabasco and Veracruz, and similarity in vocalizations, suggest strongly that a single species should be recognized (Wolf 1977).

Aimophila ruficeps (Cassin). Rufous-crowned Sparrow.

Habitat.—Arid rocky and hilly regions with brush, scattered scrub or short trees, and grassy or weedy patches, also in Mexico in arid scrub and pine-oak association (Subtropical and lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident from central California (north to Mendocino and Tehama counties, and including Santa Cruz, Anacapa, and Santa Catalina islands, with an isolated colony in eastern San Bernardino County), southwestern Utah, northwestern and central Arizona, central and northeastern New Mexico, southeastern Colorado, western (locally west-central and southeastern) Oklahoma, north-central Texas, and west-central Arkansas south to southern Baja California (including Todos Santos Island), throughout Mexico to Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec), southern Puebla, west-central Veracruz, and southern Tamaulipas, and to western and central Texas.

Casual in southwestern Kansas and southeastern Texas.

*Aimophila rufescens* (Swainson). Rusty Sparrow.

*Pipilo rufescens* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 434. (Temiscaltipec, Mexico = Temascaltepec, México.)

Habitat.—Arid Montane Scrub, Pine-Oak Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, lowland pine savanna (0–2700 m; Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident from north-central and eastern Sonora, western Chihuahua, Sinaloa, northwestern Durango, Nayarit, Jalisco, Guanajuato, eastern San Luis Potosí, and southern Tamaulipas south through Middle America (except the Yucatan Peninsula) to north-central and northeastern Nicaragua and northwestern Costa Rica (base of Cordillera de Guanacaste).

*Aimophila notosticta* (Sclater and Salvin). Oaxaca Sparrow.


Habitat.—Arid Montane Scrub (1500–1900 m; Subtropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in northwestern and central Oaxaca (east to Santiago Matatlán area) and probably adjacent southwestern Puebla.

*Aimophila quinquestriata* (Sclater and Salvin). Five-striped Sparrow.


Habitat.—Arid Montane Scrub; in winter, also to more open grassy areas (50–1850 m; Subtropical Zone; to Tropical Zone in winter).

Distribution.—Breeds from southeastern Arizona (very locally) south through southeastern Sonora and southwestern Chihuahua.

Winters in central Sonora, northern Sinaloa, and southwestern Chihuahua, probably farther south.

Resident in northern Jalisco.

Accidental off Mazatlán (Isla Pájaros), southern Sinaloa.

Notes.—Treated as a member of the genus *Amphispiza* by the A.O.U. (1983) based on unpublished data, but see Phillips and Phillips Farfan (1993). This species differs, however, from other *Aimophila* in juvenile plumage, molt pattern, plumage pattern, vocalizations, and habitat (Wolf 1977).

Genus *ORITURUS* Bonaparte

Oriturus superciliosus (Swainson). Striped Sparrow.

Aimophila superciliosa Swainson, 1838, Animals in Menageries, in Lardner, Cabinet Cyclopedia 98: 314, fig. 63-e-g. (Mexico.)

Habitat.—Northern Temperate Grassland, Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (2100–3300 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident from eastern Sonora, Chihuahua, Durango, western Zacatecas, Aguascalientes, and San Luis Potosí south to western Oaxaca, Puebla, and west-central Veracruz.

Genus TORREORNIS Barbour and Peters


Habitat.—Arid Lowland Scrub.

Distribution.—Resident locally in southwestern Cuba (Ciénaga de Zapata area), southeastern Cuba (from Baitiquiri to near Imías and Cajobabo, Oriente province), and Cayo Coco (off northern Camagüey province).

Genus SPIZELLA Bonaparte


Fringilla arborea Wilson, 1810, Amer. Ornithol. 2: 123, pl. 16, fig. 3. (eastern Pennsylvania.)

Habitat.—Open willow, scrub, scrub conifers, and bogs; in migration and winter also in weedy fields, fence-rows, and brush.

Distribution.—Breeds from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, Banks Island (probably), central interior Keewatin, northern Quebec, and Labrador south to southern Alaska (Bristol Bay, Alaska Peninsula, and Wrangell Mountains), south-central British Columbia, southeastern Yukon, southern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, James Bay, central Quebec, and northern Newfoundland.

Winters from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska (rarely) and southern Canada (British Columbia east to New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia) south to eastern Oregon, northeastern California, central Nevada, northern and east-central Arizona, central New Mexico, north-central Texas, Arkansas, Tennessee, and North Carolina, casually to coastal and southern California, southern New Mexico, southern Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and South Carolina; sight reports for southwestern Arizona and northern Florida.

Migrates regularly throughout central and southern Canada (including Newfoundland), and rarely in eastern California. Accidental in California in summer.

Notes.—Formerly known in American literature as the Tree Sparrow.

Spizella passerina (Bechstein). Chipping Sparrow.

Fringilla passerina (Borkhausen MS) Bechstein, 1798, in Latham, Allg. Uebers. Vögel 3(2): 544, pl. 120, fig. 1. (Canada = City of Quebec, Quebec.)

Habitat.—Open coniferous forest (especially early second growth) and forest edge (especially pine), oak woodland, pine-oak association, and open woodland and parks; in mi-
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migration and winter also in a variety of open woodland, and brushy and shrubby habitats (Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from east-central and southeastern Alaska, central Yukon, central Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, southern Quebec, and southwestern Newfoundland south to northern Baja California (Sierra San Pedro Mártir), southwestern and east-central California, southern Nevada, and central and southeastern Arizona, through the highlands of Mexico and northern Central America to north-central Nicaragua, in the Caribbean lowland pine savanna of Guatemala, Belize, eastern Honduras, and northeastern Nicaragua, and to central and eastern Texas, the Gulf coast, and northwestern Florida.

**Winters** from central California, southern Nevada, central Arizona, central New Mexico, northern Texas, southern Oklahoma, Arkansas, Tennessee, Virginia, and southern New England (casually farther north) south throughout Mexico to the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, throughout the breeding range from Oaxaca and Chiapas southward, and to the Gulf coast and southern Florida, casually to the northern Bahama Islands.

*Migrates* rarely but regularly, at least in fall, through Bermuda.

Casual or accidental in northern Alaska, the Queen Charlotte Islands, northern Newfoundland, Costa Rica, and Cuba.

**Spizella pallida** (Swainson). Clay-colored Sparrow.

*Emberiza pallida* Swainson, 1832, in Swainson and Richardson, Fauna Bor.-Amer. 2 (1831): 251. (Carlton-house, Saskatchewan.)

**Habitat.**—Shrubby areas and thickets, especially near water, tall brush in meadows, bushy openings or burns in open coniferous or deciduous forest, and dry pastures with a few shrubs; in migration and winter also in bushy and weedy fields, fence-rows, and arid scrub.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from west-central and southern Mackenzie, eastern British Columbia, northwestern and central Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, and central and northeastern Ontario south to eastern Washington, southern Alberta, western Montana, northern and southeastern Wyoming, western Nebraska (casually), western Kansas (casually), northwestern Iowa, southern Wisconsin, northern Illinois, central and southeastern Michigan, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, and (sporadically) western New York.

**Winters** from southern Baja California, northern Sonora, southern Coahuila, central Nuevo León, and central Texas (casually farther north) south through Mexico (mostly in the highlands) to Oaxaca and Veracruz, casually to Chiapas and western Guatemala (Sacapulas).

*Migrates* through the Great Plains east to the Mississippi Valley, rarely west to southeastern Arizona and southern California, and rarely or casually (most frequently in fall) from New York, Maine, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south through Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and the Atlantic states to the Gulf coast, Florida, and South Carolina, and casually to the northern Pacific coast (southern British Columbia southward) and Cuba.

Casual in southeastern Alaska, southwestern British Columbia, Idaho, Bermuda, the Bahamas, and off Quintana Roo (Cozumel Island). Accidental in northern Alaska (Marsh Creek).

**Spizella breweri** Cassin. Brewer’s Sparrow.


**Habitat.**—Brushland, especially sagebrush; in migration and winter also in desert scrub and creosote bush.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* [taverneri group] from southwestern Yukon, northwestern British Columbia, and west-central Alberta south to mountains of coastal southern and southeastern British Columbia and southwestern Alberta; and [breweri group] from central southern British Columbia, southern Alberta, southwestern Saskatchewan and southwestern North Dakota south (generally east of the Cascades and the coast ranges) to eastern and southern California (to western Riverside County, Mt. Pinos, and the San Gabriel and San Bernardino
mountains, formerly elsewhere), southern Nevada, central Arizona, northwestern New Mexico, Colorado (except southeast), southwestern Kansas, northwestern Nebraska, and southwestern South Dakota.

Winters [breweri group] from southern interior (casually central and coastal) California, southern Nevada, western and central Arizona, southern New Mexico, and western and central Texas south to southern Baja California and Sonora (including Isla Tiburón), in the Mexican highlands to Jalisco and Guanajuato; winter range [taverneri group] poorly known, recorded in migration from Arizona, New Mexico, and western Texas.


Notes.—Differences in vocalizations, ecology, and morphology suggest that the two groups may be distinct species, S. taverneri Swarth and Brooks, 1925 [Timberline Sparrow] and S. breweri [Brewer's Sparrow] (J. Barlow, unpublished data; see also Doyle 1997).

**Spizella pusilla** (Wilson). Field Sparrow.

*Fringilla pusilla* Wilson, 1810, Amer. Ornithol. 2: 131, pl. 16, fig. 2. (Pennsylvania = Philadelphia.)

**Habitat.**—Old fields, brushy hillsides, overgrown pastures, thorn scrub, deciduous forest edge, sparsely second growth, and fence-rows.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from eastern Montana, North Dakota (except northeastern), central Minnesota, north-central Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southeastern Saskatchewan, southwestern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, southern Maine, and southern New Brunswick (at least formerly) south to northeastern Colorado (ca, western Kansas, western Oklahoma, central and southern Texas (west to Irion County), the Gulf coast (east to north-central Florida), and southern Georgia; also in southern Manitoba (Winnipeg). Winters from Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, southern Michigan, northern Ohio, Pennsylvania, central New York, and Massachusetts (casually farther north) south to southeastern New Mexico, northern Coahuila, central Nuevo León, northern Tamaulipas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida.

Casual north to southeastern Quebec (including the Magdalen Islands), New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland, and west to Wyoming, eastern Colorado, California, Arizona, and central New Mexico, and on Bermuda; a sight report for Newfoundland.

Notes.—Spizella pusilla and *S. wortheni* constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990).

**Spizella wortheni** Ridgway. Worthen's Sparrow.

*Spizella wortheni* Ridgway, 1884, Proc. U. S. Natl. Mus. 7: 259. (Silver City, New Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Arid Montane Scrub, mesquite-juniper and yucca-juniper grasslands (1200-2500 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in southeastern Coahuila and western Nuevo León, and, at least formerly, in central Chihuahua, northwestern and southeastern Zacatecas, and southwestern Tamaulipas; also formerly recorded (only during non-breeding season) in southern San Luis Potosí, northern Puebla, and west-central Veracruz. Accidental in New Mexico (Silver City, 16 June 1884), the type specimen.

Notes.—See comments under *S. pusilla*.

**Spizella atrogularis** (Cabanis). Black-chinned Sparrow.

*Spinites atrogularis* Cabanis, 1851, Mus. Heineanum 1: 133. (Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Chaparral, sagebrush, arid scrub, and brushy hillsides (Subtropical, and lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from north-central California, southern Nevada, southwestern Utah, central Arizona, central (rarely northeastern) New Mexico, western Texas (Guadalupe, and Chisos mountains), central Nuevo León, and southwestern Tamaulipas south to northern
Baja California, and in the Mexican highlands to Guerrero, Puebla, and northwestern Oaxaca (east to Asunción Nochixtlán).

**Winters** from coastal California (casually), southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, western Texas (sporadic), and Nuevo León south to southern Baja California, and through the remainder of the breeding range in Mexico.

Casual in southern Oregon; sight reports in winter from central Texas.

**Genus POOECETES** Baird


**Pooecetes gramineus** (Gmelin). Vesper Sparrow.


**Habitat.**—Plains, prairie, dry shrublands, savanna, weedy pastures, fields, sagebrush, arid scrub, and woodland clearings.


**Winters** from central California, southwestern Utah, southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, western and north-central Texas, southern Oklahoma, Arkansas, southern Illinois (rarely), Kentucky (rarely), West Virginia, southern Pennsylvania, and Connecticut (casually farther north) south to southern Baja California, in the Mexican interior to Oaxaca, Veracruz, and Chiapas, and to southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and central Florida.

Casual in Yucatán, central Guatemala, southern Florida, the Bahama Islands (Grand Bahama), and Bermuda.

**Genus CHONDESTES** Swainson


**Chondestes grammacus** (Say). Lark Sparrow.

*Fringilla grammaca* Say, 1823, in Long, Exped. Rocky Mount. 1: 139. (Prairies on the Missouri between the Kansas and Platte = Bellefontaine, four miles from mouth of Missouri River, Missouri.)

**Habitat.**—Open situations with scattered bushes and trees, prairie, forest edge, cultivated areas, orchards, fields with bushy borders, and savanna.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from western Oregon, eastern Washington, southern interior British Columbia, southeastern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northwestern and central Minnesota, western Wisconsin, southern Michigan (formerly), central Ontario, Ohio, and central Pennsylvania (formerly) south to southern California (chiefly west of the Sierra Nevada), northern Baja California (probably), central Nevada, southern Arizona, northeastern Sonora, southern Chihuahua, Durango, Zacatecas, Nuevo León, northern Tamaulipas, southern and eastern Texas, Louisiana, central Alabama, south-central North Carolina, and western Virginia, with breeding very local and irregular east of the Mississippi Valley.

**Winters** from northern California, southern Arizona, southern New Mexico (rarely), north-central and eastern Texas and the Gulf coast (rarely to southern Florida) south through...
Mexico to southern Baja California, Oaxaca, and Chiapas; casual farther north in western and interior North America and on the Atlantic coast from New York south.

Casual in southwestern British Columbia, and in the northeast from southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland southward, and south to Yucatán, Quintana Roo, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Cuba, Bermuda, and the northern Bahama Islands. Accidental in the British Isles. Sight reports from the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island) and central Panama (Tocumen).

Genus **AMPHISPIZA** Coues


Type, by original designation, *Emberiza bilineata* Cassin.

**Notes.**—Sometimes merged in *Aimophila* (but see Paynter 1970).

**Amphispiza bilineata** (Cassin). Black-throated Sparrow.


**Habitat.**—Desert scrub, thorn brush, mesquite, and juniper; in migration and winter also occasionally in grassy areas and weedy fields away from desert regions (Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** from eastern Washington, south-central and southeastern Oregon, southwestern Idaho, western and southern Colorado, extreme western Oklahoma, and north-central Texas south through eastern California (primarily Colorado, Mojave, and Great Basin deserts) to southern Baja California (including many islands), northern Jalisco, Guanajuato, Querétaro, Hidalgo, Tamaulipas, and central and southern Texas.

**Winters** from southeastern (casually central) California, southern Nevada, central and southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, and central and southern Texas south through the remainder of the breeding range.

Casual in western North America west and north of the breeding range from Washington, southern interior British Columbia, southern Alberta, and western Montana southward, and on the Los Coronados Islands. Recorded annually in coastal central and southern California. Casual or accidental in eastern North America (recorded in southern Saskatchewan, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Minnesota, Wisconsin, northern Illinois, Michigan, southern Ontario, Ohio, southern Quebec, New Jersey, Virginia, and northeastern Florida).

**Amphispiza belli** (Cassin). Sage Sparrow.


**Habitat.**—[*nevadensis* group] Sagebrush and salt-bush (*Atriplex*) desert scrub; in migration and winter also in arid plains with sparse bushes, grasslands, and open situations with scattered brush; [*belli* group] chaparral (dominated by *Adenostoma fasciculatum* or *Artemesia californica*) and salt-bush desert scrub.

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** [*nevadensis* group] primarily in Great Basin from central interior Washington, eastern Oregon, southern Idaho, southwestern Wyoming, and northwestern Colorado south to southern California (south to the Owens Valley), southern Nevada, southwestern Utah, northeastern Arizona, and northwestern New Mexico. One breeding record for eastern Montana.

**Winters** [*nevadensis* group] from southern California, central Nevada, southwestern Utah, northern Arizona, and central New Mexico south to central Baja California, northern Sonora, northern Chihuahua, and western Texas.

**Resident** [*belli* group] in western California (from Trinity County south, including San Clemente Island) to central Baja California; and also in San Joaquin Valley and Mojave Desert areas of east-central California. The latter populations (*A. b. canescens*) undergo post-breeding, up-slope migrations into coastal and Sierran foothills (Johnson and Marten 1992).

Notes.—The two groups, *A. nevadensis* (Ridgway, 1873) [Sage Sparrow] and *A. belli* [Bell’s Sparrow], differ in morphology, ecology, and genetics, and generally behave as reproductively isolated species in areas where both are found (Johnson and Marten 1992). In spite of the closer appearance of the subspecies canescens to nevadensis, canescens is more closely related to bellii (Johnson and Marten 1992). The two groups were treated as separate species by Rising (1996), but canescens was mistakenly placed in nevadensis.

Genus *CALAMOSPIZA* Bonaparte


Notes.—Paynter (1970) suggested that *Calamospiza* is closely related to the genus *Plectrophenax*.

*Calamospiza melanocorys* Stejneger. Lark Bunting.


*Calamospiza melanocorys* Stejneger, 1885, Auk 2: 49. New name for *Fringilla bicolor* Townsend, preoccupied.

Habitat.—Plains, prairies, meadows, and sagebrush; in migration and winter also in cultivated lands, brushy areas, and desert.

Distribution.—Breeds from southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southwestern Manitoba (irregularly), and southeastern North Dakota south to eastern New Mexico, northern Texas (Panhandle), western Oklahoma (Panhandle), eastern Kansas, and northwestern Missouri; also casually in southern California (San Bernardino County), Utah, southwestern Colorado (Navajo Springs), northwestern New Mexico (Star Lake), and west-central Texas (northern Trans-Pecos and Edwards Plateau).

Winters from central California (casually), southern Nevada, central Arizona, southern New Mexico, north-central Texas, southwestern Kansas, and western Oklahoma south to southern Baja California, Jalisco, Guanajuato, Hidalgo, Tamaulipas, and southern and eastern Texas.


Genus *PASSERCULUS* Bonaparte


Notes.—*Passerculus* is sometimes merged in *Ammodramus* (Paynter 1970), which is almost certainly the sister genus (Zink and Avise 1990).

*Passerculus sandwichensis* (Gmelin). Savannah Sparrow.


Habitat.—Open areas, especially grasslands, tundra, meadows, bogs, farmlands, grassy areas with scattered bushes, and marshes; [beldingi and rostratus groups] Saltwater/Brackish Marshes; (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds [princeps group] on Sable Island and the adjacent mainland of Nova Scotia; [sandwichensis group] from western and northern Alaska, northern Yukon,
northern Mackenzie, northern Keewatin, northern Ontario, islands in James Bay, northern Quebec, northern Labrador, and Newfoundland south to southwestern Alaska (including Nunivak Island and the Aleutians west to Amukta), coastal regions of west-central California (Monterey region), the interior of east-central California (locally to San Bernardino County), southern Nevada, southern Utah, east-central Arizona, northern New Mexico, central Colorado, Nebraska, Iowa, Kentucky, eastern Tennessee, western Virginia, central Maryland, western North Carolina (possibly), southeastern Pennsylvania, and northern New Jersey, on the Pacific coast of Baja California from El Rosario south to Magdalena Bay, and locally in the interior highlands of Mexico from Chihuahua and Coahuila south to Guerrero and Puebla, and in southwestern Guatemala; and [rostratus group] from northeastern Baja California (San Felipe, mouth of the Colorado River) south along the coast of Sonora to northern Sinaloa (lat. 25° N.), probably also the San Benito Islands off the Pacific coast.

Winters [princeps group] along the Atlantic coast from central Nova Scotia south to northeastern Florida; [sandwichensis group] from southwestern British Columbia, southern Nevada, southwestern Utah, northern Arizona, central New Mexico, Kansas, Missouri, Tennessee, southern Kentucky, and, east of the Appalachians, from Massachusetts (casually north to Alaska, the northern United States, southern Ontario, and Nova Scotia) south to southern Baja California (including most adjacent islands), throughout most of Mexico (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to Guatemala, Belize, El Salvador, and northern Honduras, and to southern Texas, the Gulf coast, southern Florida, Bermuda, the Bahama Islands (south to Rum Cay), Cuba, the Isle of Pines, and Cayman and Swan islands; and [rostratus group] in salt marshes from central coastal and southern California (casually north to the San Mateo County and the Channel Islands) south to southern Baja California (along both coasts), and the coasts of Sonora and northern Sinaloa.

Resident [beldingi group] in salt marshes of coastal southern California (north to Santa Barbara region) and Baja California (including the Todos Santos Islands).

Casual or accidental [sandwichensis group] on St. Lawrence Island and in the Pribilofs and western Aleutians (Shemya), north to Seymour, Cornwallis, and Southampton islands, in the British Isles, and in northeastern Asia (Chukotski Peninsula, Koryak highlands) and Japan; sight reports for the Hawaiian Islands (Kure) and central Panama.

Notes.—Groups: P. princeps Maynard, 1872 [Ipswich Sparrow], P. sandwichensis [Savannah Sparrow], P. beldingi Ridgway, 1885 [Belding’s Sparrow], and P. rostratus (Cassin, 1852) [Large-billed Sparrow]. The rostratus group appears to be genetically distinct (Zink et al. 1991), but more study needs to be done on the populations in Baja California.

Genus AMMODRAMUS Swainson


Ammospiza Oberholser, 1905, Smithsonian Misc. Collect. 48: 68. Type, by original designation, Oriolus caudacatus Gmelin.


Notes.—Generic limits within this group have been treated in a variety of ways, and the genus may not be monophyletic. The linear sequence below is based on the phylogeny proposed by Zink and Avise (1990). See comments under each species and also under Passerculus.

Ammomimus savannarum (Gmelin). Grasshopper Sparrow.

**Habitat.**—Prairie, old fields, open grasslands, cultivated fields, and savanna (Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from eastern Washington, southern interior British Columbia, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, western and southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, northern Vermont, central New Hampshire, and southern Maine south to southern California (west of the Sierra Nevada), central Nevada (rare and local), northern Utah, eastern Colorado, eastern New Mexico, northern Texas, Arkansas, northern and east-central Mississippi, central Alabama, central Georgia, central North Carolina, and southeastern Virginia, and from southeastern Arizona, southwestern New Mexico, and south-central Texas south to northern Sonora and northern Chihuahua; also in central peninsular Florida (primarily Kissimmee Prairie region). Populations are declining and distribution is shrinking in eastern parts of the range.

*Winters* from central (casually northern) California, southern Arizona, southern New Mexico (rarely), Texas, central Missouri (rarely), Tennessee, and North Carolina (casually farther north) south through Mexico and northern Central America to north-central Costa Rica, and in the Bahamas (south to San Salvador), Cuba, and the Isle of Pines.

**Resident** locally in Middle America in Veracruz, Chiapas, Guatemala (Petén, Izabal), Belize, Honduras (interior highlands and eastern pine savanna), northwestern Costa Rica, and Panama (Pacific lowlands in western Chiriquí, eastern Coclé and eastern Panamá province); in the Greater Antilles (Jamaica, Hispaniola, and Puerto Rico, including Vieques Island); and in western Colombia (Cauca Valley), western Ecuador (formerly), and the Netherlands Antilles (Curaçao and Bonaire).

Casual elsewhere west to the Pacific coast from southwestern British Columbia southward, and east to New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland; also on Bermuda (regular in fall), in the Swan Islands, and northwestern Panama (Bocas del Toro).

**Ammomanus bairdii** (Audubon). Baird's Sparrow.

*Emberiza Bairdii* Audubon, 1844, *Birds Amer.* (octavo ed.) 7: 359, pl. 500. (Prairie of the upper Missouri = near Old Fort Union, North Dakota.)

**Habitat.**—Short-grass prairie with scattered low bushes and matted vegetation; in migration and winter also in open grasslands and overgrown fields.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, and southern Manitoba south to central and eastern Montana, northern South Dakota, and southeastern North Dakota.

*Winters* from southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico (casually), and the high-plains grasslands of Trans-Pecos Texas south to northern Sonora, Durango, Chihuahua, and Coahuila.

*Migrates* through the Plains states from western Kansas east to western Minnesota, and south through eastern and southern New Mexico, and casually west to western Montana. Many sight records refer to misidentified Savannah Sparrows.

Accidental or casual in California (Farallon Islands, San Diego), southern Texas, Oklahoma, Wisconsin, New York (Montauk), and Maryland (Ocean City); a sight report for Ohio.

**Ammomanus henslowii** (Audubon). Henslow’s Sparrow.


**Habitat.**—Open fields and meadows with grass interspersed with weeds or shrubby vegetation, especially in damp or low-lying areas; in migration and winter also in grassy areas adjacent to pine woods or second-growth woodland.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southeastern South Dakota (at least formerly), southeastern Minnesota, north-central Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, northern New York, and southern Quebec (casually New England) south to central Kansas, northeastern Oklahoma, southwestern and central Missouri, southern Illinois, northern Kentucky, central West Virginia, eastern Virginia, northern Tennessee (rarely), and central and eastern North
Carolina; also (at least formerly) in eastern Texas (Harris County). The breeding range in the northwestern and eastern portions has decreased in recent years.

Winters in coastal states from South Carolina south to southern Florida, and west to Arkansas and southeastern Texas, casually north to Illinois, Indiana, and New England, and casually south to southern Texas.


Notes.—Formerly placed in the genus Passerherbulus.

**Ammodramus lecontei** (Audubon). Le Conte’s Sparrow.

*Fringilla caudacuta* (not *Oriolus caudacutus* Gmelin) Latham, 1790, Index Ornithol. 1: 459. (in Georgiae americanae interioribus = interior of Georgia.)

*Emberiza le contei* Audubon, 1844, Birds Amer. (octavo ed.) 7: 338, pl. 488. (wet portions of prairies of upper Missouri = Fort Union, North Dakota.)

Habitat.—Moist grass or sedge meadows, damp matted grass and shrubby tangles on edges of marshes and bogs, and areas of moist or dry, tall, rank grass; in migration and winter also in weedy fields, broomsedge, and cattails.

Distribution.—Breeds from northeastern British Columbia, southern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, northern Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, north-central Ontario, and west-central Quebec south to southern Alberta, northwestern and northeastern Montana, southern Saskatchewan, North Dakota (except southwestern), central Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, and northern Michigan, casually south to southeastern South Dakota, northeastern Illinois (formerly), and southern Ontario.

Winters from west-central Kansas (rarely), southern Missouri, central Illinois (rarely), southern Indiana (rarely), western Tennessee, central Alabama, south-central Georgia, and South Carolina south to eastern New Mexico (rarely), eastern and southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and Florida.

Migrates regularly through the Great Plains (east to the Mississippi Valley), irregularly through the Great Lakes region and Ohio Valley, and casually to the east coast from Maine southward.

Casual north to Nova Scotia and southern Yukon, west to south-coastal British Columbia, Washington, Oregon, and California, and south to Arizona and Coahuila (Sabinas).

Notes.—In the past usually treated in the literature as *Passerherbulus caudacutus* (Latham, 1790) or *Ammospiza lecontei* (Murray 1968). Its closest relatives are *A. caudacutus*, *A. nelsoni*, and *A. maritimus* (Zink and Avise 1990).

**Ammodramus nelsoni** Allen. Nelson’s Sharp-tailed Sparrow.


Habitat.—Freshwater marshes and wet meadows in interior and brackish marshes along coast; in winter in salt and brackish marshes.

Distribution.—Breeds from northeastern British Columbia, southern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, and northern Manitoba south to south-central Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, northeastern Montana, southern Manitoba, North Dakota (except southwestern), southeastern South Dakota (probably), northwestern and central Minnesota, and central Wisconsin (probably); in northern Ontario and northwestern Quebec near Hudson Bay and around James Bay; and in southern Quebec (along the St. Lawrence River from Lac St. Pierre eastward), and along the Atlantic coast from eastern Quebec (including the Magdalen Islands), New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south to southern Maine (Scarborough Marsh, Popham Beach).

Winters in coastal marshes along the mid- to south Atlantic coast south to southern Florida, along the Gulf coast west to southern Texas and northern Tamaulipas, and rarely in coastal California.

Migrates presumably through the interior United States, rarely but regularly through the Great Lakes region but casually elsewhere from Colorado and the Great Plains east to
Michigan, western Pennsylvania, and central New York, and casually in the west away from coastal areas.

Casual in northern Baja California; a sight report for northeastern Washington. A report from the Yucatan Peninsula is erroneous.

Notes.—Often treated in the genus *Ammospiza* (Murray 1968). See notes under *A. caudacutus*.

**Ammodramus caudacutus** (Gmelin). Saltmarsh Sharp-tailed Sparrow.


**Habitat.**—Salt marshes.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* along the Atlantic coast from southern Maine (Scarborough, Popham Beach) south to North Carolina (Pea Island).

Winters in coastal marshes from New York (casually from Massachusetts) south to the central east coast of Florida, rarely on the eastern Gulf coast.

Casual in coastal Texas.

Notes.—Often treated in the genus *Ammospiza* (Murray 1968). This and the previous species have been considered conspecific but differ in morphology, song, and habitat, with overlap in a secondary contact zone in southern Maine (Greenlaw 1993, Rising and Avise 1993).

**Ammodramus maritimus** (Wilson). Seaside Sparrow.

*Fringilla maritima* Wilson, 1811, Amer. Ornithol. 4: 68, pl. 34, fig. 2. (sea islands along our Atlantic coast = Great Egg Harbor, New Jersey.)

**Habitat.**—Salt marshes, especially *Spartina* grass, rushes, and tidal reeds, also [*mirabilis* group] marsh prairie (*Muhlenbergia*).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* [*maritimus* group] from southern New Hampshire and Massachusetts south along the Atlantic coast to northeastern Florida (south to the St. John’s River, formerly to New Smyrna Beach); and along the Gulf coast from western Florida (south to Tampa Bay) west to southeastern Texas (south to Corpus Christi area).

Winters [*maritimus* group] along the Atlantic coast from Massachusetts south through the remainder of the breeding range, casually to southern Florida (Flamingo region); and along the Gulf coast throughout the breeding range and south to the mouth of the Rio Grande.

**Resident** [*nigrescens* group] formerly along the coast of east-central Florida (eastern Orange and northern Brevard counties), now extinct; and [*mirabilis* group] in southern Florida (southwestern Collier, Monroe, and southern Dade counties).

Casual [*maritimus* group] north to Maine (possibly breeding in southern Maine), southern New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia, and inland in North Carolina (Raleigh).

Notes.—Groups: *A. maritimus* [Common Seaside-Sparrow], *A. nigrescens* Ridgway, 1873 [*†Dusky Seaside-Sparrow*], and *A. mirabilis* (Howell, 1919) [Cape Sable Sparrow or Cape Sable Seaside-Sparrow]. Often treated in the genus *Ammospiza*.

Genus *XENOSPIZA* Bangs


Notes.—Sometimes merged in *Ammodramus* (e.g., Paynter 1970).

**Xenospiza baileyi** Bangs. Sierra Madre Sparrow.


**Habitat.**—Pine Forest, Northern Temperate Grassland (2400–3050 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).
**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the highlands of Durango, Jalisco, Morelos, and the Distrito Federal.

**Genus PASSERELLA** Swainson


**Notes.**—Some authors (e.g., Paynter 1964b, 1970) merge *Passerella* and *Melospiza* in *Zonotrichia*. A broader generic concept would merge these also in *Junco* (see Mayr and Short 1970: 85). See Zink (1982) for rationale for retaining them as separate genera, and for support for the monophyly of *Zonotrichia* and *Melospiza*.

**Passerella iliaca** (Merrem). Fox Sparrow.

*Fringilla iliaca* Merrem, 1786, Avium Rar. Icones Descr. 2: 37, pl. 10. (North America = Quebec.)

**Habitat.**—Undergrowth of deciduous or coniferous forest, forest edge, woodland thickets, scrub, cut-over lands, chaparral, riparian woodland, streamside undergrowth, low willow and alder thickets, and montane brushland; in migration and winter a variety of wooded habitats with dense thickets.

**Distribution.**—Breeders *iliaca group* from northwestern and interior Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and central eastern Mackenzie, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northwestern Quebec, and northeastern Labrador south to southwestern and southern interior Alaska, northern, central interior, and southeastern British Columbia (Mount Revelstoke), southwestern and central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, north-central Ontario, southwestern Quebec, and southern Newfoundland; *unalaschensis group* on the eastern Aleutian Islands (west to Unalaska), the Shumagin and Semidi islands, the Alaska Peninsula, the Kodiak Island group, the Kenai Peninsula, southeastern Alaska, and the coastal districts of British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte Islands) south to northwestern Washington (Destruction Island, Lopez Island); *schistacea group* southeastern British Columbia (Crowsnest Pass), southwestern Alberta (Waterton Lakes Park), northern Idaho, and western Montana south through the mountains of north-central and eastern Oregon to extreme central eastern California (White Mountains), central Nevada (Shoshone, Toiyabe, and Monitor mountains), northeastern Nevada, northern Utah (Raft River, Deep Creek, and Wasatch mountains) southwestern Wyoming, and central Colorado; and *megarhyncha group* in the mountains from southwestern and south-central British Columbia south through central and eastern Washington, central and southern Oregon through northern California in the northern and inner Coast Ranges and in the Sierra Nevada to the Mono Lake district and the mountains of southern California (Mount Pinos, San Gabriel, San Bernardino, and San Jacinto mountains).

Winters *iliaca group* in Pacific Coastal region (rare) from Washington south to northwestern Baja California, and from southern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, southern Michigan, southern Ontario, northern Vermont, Maine, and southern New Brunswick south to southern Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and southern Florida, and casually to rarely in interior California and southern Arizona; *unalaschensis group* in Pacific coastal region from central British Columbia south through Washington and Oregon to southern California, rarely to northwestern Baja California; *schistacea group* from northern interior California, central Arizona, and northern New Mexico south to southern California, northern Baja California, southern Arizona and western Texas; and *megarhyncha group* central California south to southern California, northern Baja California, and southern Arizona.

Migrates regularly throughout eastern North America between the breeding and wintering ranges.

Casual or accidental *iliaca group* in Bermuda, Greenland, and Europe, and *unalaschensis group* Japan.

**Notes.**—Groups: *P. iliaca* [Red Fox-Sparrow], *P. unalaschensis* (Gmelin, 1789) [Sooty Fox-Sparrow], *P. schistacea* Baird, 1858 [Slate-colored Fox-Sparrow], and *P. megarhyncha* Baird, 1858 [Thick-billed Fox-Sparrow]. Correspondence of genetic evidence and plumage types suggest that the groups may represent biological species, but there is at least limited
hybridization among them, especially between the schistacea and megarhyncha groups (Zink 1986, 1991, 1994). Additional study is needed in areas of contact of members of the groups. Three of the four groups were treated as separate species by Rising (1996), who considered the schistacea and megarhyncha groups to be conspecific.

Genus MELOSPIZA Baird


Notes.—See comments under Passerella.

Melospiza melodia (Wilson). Song Sparrow.

Fringilla melodia Wilson, 1810, Amer. Ornithol. 2: 125, pl. 16, fig. 4. (Canada to Georgia = Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.)

Habitat.—Brushy, shrubby, and deep grassy areas along watercourses and seacoasts, in marshes (cattail, bulrush, and salt), and, mostly in northern and eastern portions of the range, in forest, edge, bogs, brushy clearings, thickets, hedgerows, suburbs, and brushy pastures (upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds from southern Alaska (including the Aleutians west to Attu), south-central Yukon, northern British Columbia, south-central Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, south-central Quebec, and southwestern Newfoundland south to south-central Baja California and northern Sonora, locally in the Mexican highlands to Michoacán, México, Tlaxcala, and Puebla, and to northern New Mexico, northeastern Kansas, north-central Arkansas, southern Tennessee, northern Alabama, northern Georgia, and northwestern and coastal South Carolina.

Winters from southern Alaska (resident in the Aleutians), coastal and southern British Columbia, the northern United States, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia south throughout the remainder of the breeding range, and to southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida, rarely to Bermuda, northern Sonora, and northern Nuevo León.

Casual or accidental in the northern Bahama Islands, and in Norway and the British Isles.

Melospiza lincolnii (Audubon). Lincoln’s Sparrow.

Fringilla Lincolinii Audubon, 1834, Birds Amer. (folio) 2: pl. 193. (Labrador = near mouth of Natashquan River, Quebec.)

Habitat.—Bogs, wet meadows, and riparian thickets, dry brushy clearings, mostly in northern and montane areas; in migration and winter also in brushy areas, thickets, hedgerows, understory of open woodland, forest edge, clearings, and scruffy areas.


Winters from southwestern British Columbia, California, southern Nevada, southwestern Utah, Arizona, central New Mexico, Oklahoma, eastern Kansas, Missouri, southern Kentucky, and northern Georgia (casually north to southern Alaska and the northern United States) south (casual Yucatan Peninsula) to southern Baja California, through northern Middle
America to El Salvador and Honduras, and to southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and central Florida, Bermuda (rare), casually to Costa Rica and Panama (east to the Canal area), southern Florida, the Bahama Islands (south to Little Inagua), and Cuba.

Migrates regularly throughout continental North America between the breeding and wintering ranges, and (rarely) through the Greater Antilles (east to Puerto Rico). Accidental in Greenland.

**Melospiza georgiana** (Latham). Swamp Sparrow.

*Fringilla georgiana* Latham, 1790, *Index Ornithol.* 1: 460. (in *Georgiae americanae interioribus* = interior of Georgia.)

Habitat.—Emergent vegetation around watercourses, marshes, bogs, and wet meadows; in migration and winter also in weedy fields, brush, thickets, scrub, and forest edge.

Distribution.—Breeds from west-central and southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, southern Labrador, and Newfoundland south to east-central British Columbia, south-central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, the eastern Dakotas, central Nebraska, central Missouri (formerly), northern Illinois, northern Indiana, central Ohio, southeastern West Virginia, Maryland, and Delaware.

Winters from Nebraska, Iowa, the Great Lakes region, central New York, and Massachusetts (casually farther north) south to western and southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida, and, in smaller numbers, west across central and southern New Mexico and Utah (rarely) to southeastern Arizona and California, also south to northern Guerrero and central Veracruz, rarely west to Sonora, and on Bermuda.

Casual elsewhere in western North America from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska, southern British Columbia, and Montana southward, and in the Bahama Islands (New Providence, Exumas); a sight report for southern Yukon.

Genus **ZONOTRICHA** Swainson


**Zonotrichia capensis** (Müller). Rufous-collared Sparrow.

*Fringilla capensis* P. L. S. Müller, 1776, *Natursyst.*, Suppl., p. 165. Based on "Bruent, du Cap de Bonne-Éspérance" Daubenton, *Planches Enlum.*, pl. 386, fig. 2. (Cape of Good Hope, error = Cayenne.)

Habitat.—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Second-growth Scrub, Secondary Forest, Semihumid/Humid Montane Scrub, Pastures/Agricultural Lands (0–4000 m; Subtropical and Temperate, locally also Tropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the Greater Antilles in the mountains of Hispaniola; in the highlands of Middle America from Chiapas south through Guatemala and El Salvador to Honduras, and in Costa Rica and western Panama (east to western Panamá province); and in South America virtually throughout except Amazonia.

Notes.—Also known as Andean Sparrow.

**Zonotrichia albicollis** (Gmelin). White-throated Sparrow.


Habitat.—Coniferous and mixed coniferous-deciduous forest, forest edge, clearings, bogs, brush, and open woodland; in migration and winter also in deciduous forest and woodland, scrub, and gardens.

Winters from Kansas, southern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, southern Michigan, northern Ohio, Pennsylvania, central New York, and Massachusetts (casually north to southern Canada from Manitoba eastward) south to Nuevo León, northern Tamaulipas, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida, and (less commonly) west across western Texas, New Mexico, Utah, and Arizona to California (virtually statewide) and northern Baja California (casually to Guadalupe Island, and north to southwestern British Columbia and western Montana), and also on Bermuda.

Migrates regularly through North America east of the Rockies, casually through western North America from southern British Columbia and the breeding range southward.

Casual north to northern Alaska, Northwest Territories (Baffin and Coats islands), Iceland, the British Isles, and continental Europe; a sight report from Puerto Rico.

**Zonotrichia querula** (Nuttall). Harris’s Sparrow.

*Fringilla querula* Nuttall, 1840, Man. Ornithol. U. S. Can. (ed. 2) 1: 555. (few miles west of Independence, Missouri.)

**Habitat.**—Brush and stunted trees in coniferous forest-tundra ecotone; in migration and winter in thickets, open woodland, forest edge, windbreaks, hedgerows, and scrub.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from northwestern and east-central Mackenzie and southern Keewatin south to northeastern Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, and northwestern Ontario (Fort Severn). Winters primarily from northern Nebraska and central Iowa south to south-central and central coastal Texas, and rarely but regularly north to southeastern Alaska (Juneau area southward), southern British Columbia, Idaho, Montana, northeastern Saskatchewan, and North Dakota, west to southern California (mostly east of the Sierra Nevada), southern Nevada, southern Utah, southern Arizona, and southern New Mexico, and east to western Tennessee, Arkansas, and northwestern Louisiana.

Migrates regularly through the northern Great Plains region from Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and Minnesota south to Nebraska and Iowa, and east to Lake Michigan.

Casual in northern, western and south-coastal Alaska and northeastern British Columbia; and in eastern North America from western and southern Ontario, southern Quebec, Maine, and Nova Scotia south to the Gulf coast and southern Florida. Accidental on Banks Island.

**Zonotrichia leucophrys** (Forster). White-crowned Sparrow.


**Habitat.**—Stunted trees and shrubs, wet meadows with willows, brushy edges of woodland and forest, thickets, chaparral, coastal brushland in the fog belt, gardens, and parks; in migration and winter also farmlands and brushy desert areas.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from western and northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, and central Keewatin south to southern Alaska (west to the Alaska Peninsula), in coastal areas and mountains (somewhat disjunctly in southern portion) to southern California (to Santa Barbara and San Bernardino counties), southern Nevada, northern and east-central Arizona, and northern New Mexico, and from northern Saskatchewan (also in Cypress Hills of southeastern Alberta and southwestern Saskatchewan) and northern Manitoba east across northern Ontario and northern Quebec to southern Labrador, northern Newfoundland, and south-central Quebec.

Winters from southern British Columbia (casually north to central Alaska and Yukon),
Washington, Idaho, Montana, and the central United States (from Nebraska and Kansas east to central Ohio and southern West Virginia, casually farther north) south to southern Baja California, Michoacán, Querétaro, San Luis Potosí, Tamaulipas, southern Texas, the Gulf coast (east to northwestern Florida), and south-central Georgia, and regularly in small numbers north to southern Ontario and central New York, and east to coastal areas from Massachusetts south to southern Florida, the Bahama Islands, Cuba, and Jamaica, casually to the Yucatan Peninsula and Belize (sight report). Casual in Bermuda.

*Migrates* regularly through North America between the breeding and wintering ranges and, in the northeast, from southern Ontario eastward (less commonly in the Maritime Provinces and New England), and south to Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Delaware; regular in fall on Bermuda.

Casual or accidental on islands in the Bering Sea (Pribilofs, Nunivak) and in the western Aleutians (Shemya); north to Banks and southern Baffin islands, and to the Melville Peninsula; on Fletcher's Ice Island (in the Arctic Ocean west of northern Ellesmere Island); and Cuba; and in Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, the Netherlands, France, and Japan. An individual photographed in Panama (Canal area) may have been a man-assisted vagrant.

*Zonotrichia atricapilla* (Gmelin). Golden-crowned Sparrow.


**Habitat.**—Montane thickets and scrub, dwarf conifers, and brushy canyons; in migration and winter in dense brush, thickets, chaparral, and gardens.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from western and north-central Alaska and south-central Yukon south to southern Alaska (west to Unimak in the eastern Aleutian Islands), southern British Columbia, extreme northern Washington (Okanogan County), and southwestern Alberta (Banff).

Winters from southern Alaska (west to Kodiak) and coastal and interior southern British Columbia south, mostly west of the Cascades and Sierra Nevada, to northern Baja California, southern California, and southern Arizona (rarely), casually east to Utah, Colorado, and central New Mexico, and south to Baja California (including offshore islands) and northern Sonora.

*Migrates* casually through the Pribilofs and western Aleutians (Attu, Amchitka) and St. Lawrence Island, and east to southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, and Idaho.

Casual in northern Alaska, northwestern Mackenzie, and from Montana, Nebraska, Minnesota, southern Manitoba (sight report), western and southern Ontario, New York, Massachusetts, Maine, and Nova Scotia south to Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey, also along the Gulf coast east to eastern Texas and southern Louisiana. Accidental in southern Florida (Florida Keys), northeastern Siberia, and Japan; a questionable sight report for Nayarit.

**Notes.**—Mayr and Short (1970) considered *Z. atricapilla* and *Z. albicollis* to represent a superspecies, but Zink (1982), Zink et al. (1991), and Zink and Blackwell (1996) showed that *atricapilla* and *Z. leucophrys* are sister species.

**Genus JUNCO Wagler**


**Notes.**—See comments under *Passerella*. Species limits here follow Mayr and Short (1970).

*Junco vulcani* (Boucard). Volcano Junco.


**Habitat.**—Semihumid/Humid Montane Scrub, Paramo Grassland (2700–3600 m; upper Temperate Zone).
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**Distribution.**—Resident on the high mountains of Costa Rica (Irazú and Turrialba volcanoes, and northern portion of Cordillera de Talamanca) and extreme western Panama (Volcán Barú, in western Chiriquí).

**Notes.**—Mayr and Short (1970) considered *J. vulcani, J. hyemalis, and J. phaeonotus* to constitute a superspecies.

**Junco hyemalis** (Linnaeus). Dark-eyed Junco.


**Habitat.**—Coniferous and deciduous forest, forest edge, clearings, bogs, open woodland, brushy areas adjacent to forest, and burned-over lands; in migration and winter in a variety of open woodland, brushy, and grassy habitats, and suburbs; *[insularis group]* Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (0–1300 m).

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* *[hyemalis group]* from western and northern Alaska, central Yukon, northwestern and central Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, islands in southern James Bay, northern Quebec, northern Labrador, and Newfoundland south to southwestern and south-coastal Alaska, southern Yukon, northern British Columbia, south-central Alberta, south-central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northern and east-central Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, central Michigan, southern Ontario, and northeastern Ohio, in the Appalachians through eastern Kentucky, western Virginia, eastern Tennessee, and western North Carolina to northern Georgia and northwestern South Carolina, and to southeastern New York, northern New Jersey, and southern New England; *[oreg anus group]* from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska, coastal and central British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte and Vancouver islands), west-central and southern Alberta, and extreme southwestern Saskatchewan south to southern California (to Orange County, including Santa Catalina Island), and in the mountains to northern Baja California, western Nevada, eastern Oregon, northern Utah, southern Idaho, and northwestern Wyoming; *[aikeni group]* from southeastern Montana and western South Dakota south to northeastern Wyoming and northwestern Nebraska; and *[caniceps group]* in the mountains from southern Idaho, northern Utah, and southern Wyoming south to eastern California (Clark Mountain and Grapevine Mountains), central Arizona, southern New Mexico, and western Texas (Guadalupe Mountains).

**Winters** *[hyemalis group]* from central (casually) and south-coastal Alaska (west to Kodiak), coastal and southern British Columbia and southern Canada (east to Newfoundland) south to northern Baja California, northern Sonora, central Chihuahua, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and northern (casually southern) Florida (in smaller numbers in the western and southeastern portion of the winter range); irregularly on Bermuda; *[oreg anus group]* from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska, southern British Columbia, and the northwestern United States (east to the Dakotas, Minnesota, Oklahoma, and Kansas) south to northern Baja California, northern Sonora, Durango, southern Chihuahua, and central Texas; rare but regular in midwestern United States; *[aikeni group]* from the breeding range south to eastern Colorado, western Oklahoma, and western Kansas, rarely to northern Arizona, northern and eastern New Mexico, and northeastern Colorado; and *[caniceps group]* from Nevada, southern Idaho, southern Wyoming, and western Nebraska south to southern California (rarely), northern Sonora, northern Sinaloa, northern Durango, Chihuahua, and western Texas, casually to north-central Texas.

**Resident** *[insularis group]* on Guadalupe Island, off Baja California.

Casual or accidental *[hyemalis group]* north to the Arctic coast of Alaska and to islands in the Bering Sea, and to Banks, Southampton, and southern Baffin islands, Veracruz, the Bahama Islands (Grand Bahama, New Providence), and Jamaica, and in Iceland, the British Isles, continental Europe and eastern Siberia; sight reports for Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands (St. Thomas); *[oreg anus group]* in the eastern Aleutians (Unalaska), north to Banks Island, and through much of eastern North America from Michigan, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, Maine, and Nova Scotia south to the Gulf coast (east to southern Louisiana and central Alabama), Tennessee, and South Carolina; *[aikeni group]* to California, southern Idaho, eastern Nebraska, central Oklahoma, and northern Texas, and in North Dakota (sight report) and Michigan (Presque Isle County); and *[caniceps group]* west to the Pacific coast
from southern British Columbia south to coastal northern California, and east to eastern Montana, the Dakotas, southern Manitoba, Minnesota, Illinois, Arkansas, and Louisiana; sight reports for Idaho and eastern Texas.

**Notes.**—Groups: *J. hyemalis* [Slate-colored Junco], *J. oreganus* (J. K. Townsend, 1837) [Oregon Junco], *J. aikeni* Ridgway, 1873 [White-winged Junco], *J. caniceps* (Woodhouse, 1853) [Gray-headed Junco], and *J. insularis* Ridgway, 1876 [Guadalupe Junco]. The form *insularis* is an isolated population closest to the *oreganus* group; Mirsky (1976) suggested that it should be recognized as a species because of vocal differences. The remaining groups intergrade in varying degrees. Several other forms may warrant recognition as groups: *Junco mearnsi* Ridgway, 1897 [Pink-sided Junco], of the *oreganus* group, breeding from southeastern Alberta and southwestern Saskatchewan to eastern Idaho and northwestern Wyoming, and *J. dorsalis* Henry, 1858 [Red-backed Junco], of the *caniceps* group, breeding from northern and central Arizona and central New Mexico to western Texas. For detailed information on groups, see Miller (1941). See comments under *J. vulcani*.

**Junco phaeonotus** Wagler. Yellow-eyed Junco.

*Junco phaeonotus* Wagler, 1831, Isis von Oken, col. 526. (Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest (1200–4300 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [phaeonotus group] from northeastern Sonora, southern Arizona, extreme southwestern New Mexico (Animas, casually Big Hatcher mountains), Chihuahua, north-central Coahuila, Nuevo León, and southwestern Tamaulipas south through the mountains to western Veracruz and central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec); [bairdi group] in the Cape district of southern Baja California; [fulvescens group] in the interior of Chiapas (from vicinity of San Cristóbal south to Teopisca); and [alticola group] in the mountains of extreme southeastern Chiapas (Volcán Tancaná area) and western Guatemala.

Casual [phaeonotus group] in western Texas.

**Notes.**—Groups: *J. phaeonotus* [Mexican Junco], *J. bairdi* Ridgway, 1883 [Baird’s Junco], *J. fulvescens* Nelson, 1897 [Chiapas Junco], and *J. alticola* Salvin, 1863 [Guatemala Junco]. See comments under *J. vulcani*.

**Genus CALCARIUS** Bechstein


**Notes.**—Paynter (1970) suggested that *Calcarius* was closely related to and perhaps should be merged into the genus *Emberiza*.

**Calcarius maccownii** (Lawrence). McCown’s Longspur.

*Plectrophanes McCownii* Lawrence, 1851, Ann. Lyc. Nat. Hist. N. Y. 5: 122. (high prairies of Western Texas.)

**Habitat.**—Sparse short-grass plains, plowed and stubble fields, and bare or nearly bare ground.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southeastern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southwestern North Dakota (formerly much of North Dakota), and southwestern Minnesota (formerly) south through central Montana to southeastern Wyoming, northeastern Colorado, and northwestern Nebraska.

Winters from southeastern California (rarely), central Arizona, central New Mexico, western-central Kansas, and central Oklahoma (casually north to southwestern Oregon and southeastern Colorado) south to northeastern Sonora, Chihuahua, northern Durango, Zacatecas, and western and south-central Texas (rare in recent years in eastern portions of range).

Migrates rarely through eastern and coastal southern California.
Casual north and west to southern British Columbia, Idaho, Nevada, northern Arizona, and Utah, and east to southern Manitoba (sight report), Minnesota, Missouri, and eastern Texas. Accidental in Michigan (Whitefish Point), New York (Long Island), Massachusetts (Bridgewater), and Louisiana (Jefferson Davis Parish, New Orleans).

Notes.—Formerly placed in the monotypic genus Rhynchophanes.

**Calcarius lapponicus** (Linnaeus). Lapland Longspur.

* Fringilla lapponica* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 180. (in Lapponia = Lapland.)

Habitat.—Arctic tundra in wet meadows, grassy tussocks, and scrub; in migration and winter in plowed fields, stubble, and open grasslands.

Distribution.—Breeds in North America from western and northern Alaska, northern Yukon, and Banks, Prince Patrick, Melville, and northern Ellesmere islands south to islands in the Bering Sea, the Aleutians, south-coastal Alaska (east to the Susitna River highlands and Middleton Island), northern Mackenzie, southern Keewatin, northeastern Manitoba, extreme northern Ontario, northern Quebec, and northern Labrador; and in the Palearctic from Greenland, northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to southern Scandinavia, central and eastern Siberia, Kamchatka, and the Commander Islands.

Winters in North America from coastal southern Alaska (casually), southern British Columbia, the northern United States, southern Ontario, and Nova Scotia south to northern California, northern Utah, Colorado, Oklahoma, northwestern Texas (locally in southeastern Texas), Arkansas, southwestern Louisiana (locally), Tennessee, and Maryland, rarely to southern California, southern and central Arizona, southern New Mexico, northeastern and eastern Texas, the Gulf coast, and northern (casually southern) Florida; and in the Palearctic from northern Europe and northern Siberia south to central Europe, southern Russia, Mongolia, China, Korea, and Japan.

Migrates in North America throughout Alaska and Canada, and in Eurasia throughout the regions between the breeding and wintering ranges, including Iceland.

Casual on Bermuda. Accidental in southern Baja California (Isla Cerralvo) and Yucatán (Celestún); a sight report for Veracruz.

Notes.—In Old World literature known as Lapland Bunting.

**Calcarius pictus** (Swainson). Smith’s Longspur.

* Emberiza* (Plectrophanes) picta* Swainson, 1832, in Swainson and Richardson, Fauna Bor.-Amer. 2 (1831): 250, pl. 49. (Carlton House, on the banks of the Saskatchewan [River].)

Habitat.—Dry, grassy, and hummocky tundra; in migration and winter in fields with short grass, prairies, and grassy margins of airports.

Distribution.—Breeds in east-central Alaska (Susitna River highlands, Wrangell Mountains region) and adjacent northwestern British Columbia, and from northern Alaska (Brooks Range) east across northern Yukon and northern and east-central Mackenzie to southern Keewatin, northern Manitoba, and extreme northern Ontario.

Winters from Kansas south to west-central Oklahoma and east-central Texas, and east to Arkansas and northwestern Louisiana (rare).

Migrates primarily through the northern Great Plains east to central Illinois, casually from central and southern British Columbia east to Montana, and to Michigan, southern Ontario, Ohio, and central Alabama.

Casual or accidental in coastal and southwestern British Columbia, California, Nevada, Arizona, Quebec, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, West Virginia, Maryland, North Carolina, and South Carolina; sight reports for Massachusetts and Nova Scotia.

**Calcarius ornatus** (Townsend). Chestnut-collared Longspur.


Habitat.—Short-grass plains, and prairies; in migration and winter also in open cultivated fields.
**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, and southern Manitoba south, east of the Rockies, to northeastern Colorado, western Kansas (formerly), north-central Nebraska, and western Minnesota.

*Winters* from coastal, southern, and eastern California (rarely), northern Arizona, central and eastern New Mexico, eastern Colorado, and central Kansas south to northern Sonora, Chihuahua, Zacatecas, San Luis Potosí, and southern Texas, casually east to northern Louisiana and south to Pueblo, Veracruz, and México.

*Migrates* regularly west through California and Nevada.

Casual elsewhere in western North America from southwestern British Columbia south to Baja California; north to northern Alberta and northern Manitoba; and in eastern North America from Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south to Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, along the Atlantic coast south to North Carolina, and in northern Florida; sight reports for southeastern Alaska, southern Florida, and Guerrero.

**Genus EMBERIZA Linnaeus**


**Habitat.**—Sparse coniferous forests.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in eastern Russia across the Ural Mountains and Siberia to the upper Kolyma and the coastal ranges of the Pacific and northeastern Tsinghai.

*Winters* in much of the breeding range and south to Israel, Iraq, and southern Iran to northwestern India, and central China.

*Resident* as a disjunct population in Kansu and Tsinghai provinces, China.


**Notes.**—The specific name is sometimes erroneously emended to *leucocephala*. This species hybridizes extensively in western Siberia with *E. citrinella* Linnaeus, 1758 [*Yellowhammer*], with which it is sometimes merged (Dement’ev and Gladkov 1954, Byers et al. 1995).

*Emberiza pusilla* Pallas. Little Bunting.


**Habitat.**—Breeds in birch and willow scrub in tundra; winters in scrub and cultivated lands.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from northern Finland, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to Lake Baikal, Anadyrland, and the Sea of Okhotsk.

*Winters* in the northern parts of India and Southeast Asia, rarely in the British Isles, continental Europe, North Africa, the Near East, and Philippines.

Accidental in Alaska in the Chukchi Sea (280 km northwest of Icy Cape, 6 September 1970; Watson et al. 1974), on St. Lawrence Island (Gambell, 1996), and in the Aleutian Islands (Shemya, 8 September 1977) and California (Point Loma, San Diego County, 21–24 October 1991, photograph; 1992, Amer. Birds 46: 153).

*Emberiza rustica* Pallas. Rustic Bunting.


**Habitat.**—Low bushes and wet grassy areas of taiga, undergrowth of open coniferous-
deciduous woodland, and thickets along streams; in migration and winter in scrub, brushy areas, grasslands, open woodland and cultivated lands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia southeast to southeastern Siberia, northern Sakhalin, the Sea of Okhotsk, and Kamchatka.

Winters in eastern China, Japan, and, rarely, the Commander Islands.

Migrates regularly through the western Aleutian Islands (Near Islands, casually east to Adak), occasionally reaching the Pribilofs (St. Paul) and St. Lawrence Island, and rarely through the British Isles, continental Europe, and the Middle East.

Casual in south-coastal and southeastern Alaska (Homer, Mitkof Island), southwestern British Columbia (Torino, Jordan River), Washington (Kent), and northern and central California (Humboldt County, Half Moon Bay, and Kern County); a sight report for Oregon.

**Emberiza aureola** Pallas. Yellow-breasted Bunting.


Habitat.—Scrub and fields.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in Eurasia from Finland east to Kamchatka, and south to northern China, Korea, and Japan.

Winters in southern Asia and the Philippines.

Accidental in Alaska (Attu, in the Aleutian Islands, 26 May 1988; Gibson and Kessel 1992); sight reports from Attu, Buldir, and St. Lawrence Island.

**Emberiza variabilis** Temminck. Gray Bunting.

*Emberiza variabilis* Temminck, 1835, Planches Color., livr. 98, pl. 583, fig. 2. (northern Japan.)

Habitat.—Breeds in thickets, bamboo, and undergrowth of coniferous-deciduous woodland; winters in scrub, thickets, and woodland undergrowth.

**Distribution.**—Breeds in southern Kamchatka, the Kuril Islands, Sakhalin, and possibly northern Japan.

Winters in Japan and the Ryukyu Islands.

Accidental in Alaska (Shemya, in the Aleutian Islands, 18 May 1977; Gibson and Hall 1978); a sight report for Attu.

**Emberiza pallasi** (Cabanis). Pallas’s Bunting.

*Cynchramus Pallasi* Cabanis, 1851, Mus. Heineanum 1: 130 (footnote). Based on *Emberiza schoeniclus* var. 8 Pallas, Zoogr. Rosso-Asiat. 2: 48. (No locality given = near Selenga River, Transbaicalia.)

Habitat.—Birch and river thickets in tundra and taiga, and in reed beds.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from central and eastern Siberia south to Mongolia and Manchuria. Winters from the southern part of the breeding range and Ussuriland south to northern China, Korea, and Japan, casually west to the British Isles.

Accidental in northern Alaska (Barrow, 11 June 1968; Pitelka 1974); a sight report for St. Lawrence Island.

**Emberiza schoeniclus** (Linnaeus). Reed Bunting.

*Fringilla Schoeniclus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 182. (in Europa = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Reed beds, rushes, and riparian thickets; in migration and winter also wet meadows, pastures, and open country.

**Distribution.**—Breeds [schoeniclus group] from the British Isles, Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to the Mediterranean region, Asia Minor, Iran, Turkestan, southern Siberia, Kamchatka, and northern Japan.

Winters [schoeniclus group] from the southern portions of the breeding range south to the Mediterranean region, Iraq, northwestern India, northeastern China, and southern Japan.
Migrates [schoeniclus group] casually (in spring) through the western Aleutian Islands (Attu, Shemya, Buldir).

Resident [intermedia group] from northwestern Africa east to the Near East and southwestern Russia; and [pyrrhuloides group] in south-central Asia from the Caspian Sea and Afghanistan east to Mongolia.

Notes.—Groups: E. schoeniclus [Northern Reed-Bunting], E. intermedia Degland, 1849 [Dark Reed-Bunting], and E. pyrrhuloides Pallas, 1811 [Pale Reed-Bunting].

Genus PLECTROPHENAX Stejneger


Plectrophenax nivalis (Linnaeus). Snow Bunting.


Habitat.—Arctic rocky shores, cliffs, stony escarpments, and dry tundra, also nesting in bird houses, empty oil barrels, cabins, and other artificial structures; in migration and winter in grassy or weedy fields, stubble, beaches, and roadsides.

Distribution.—Breeds in North America from northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern Mackenzie, and Banks, Prince Patrick, Ellef Ringnes, Axel Heiberg, and northern Ellesmere islands south to southern Alaska (including the Aleutian Islands), extreme northwestern British Columbia, southwestern and central Yukon, east-central Mackenzie, central and southeastern Keewatin, Southampton and Belcher islands, northern Quebec, and northern Labrador; and in the Palearctic from Greenland, Spitsbergen, Franz Josef Land, Novaya Zemlya, and northern Siberia south to the British Isles, northern Scandinavia, central Siberia, Kamchatka, and the Commander Islands.

Winters in North America from west-central and southern Alaska, southern Canada (British Columbia east to southern Labrador and Newfoundland) south to central Oregon, northern Utah, Colorado, central Kansas, central Missouri, northern Kentucky (rare), and North Carolina, casually to California (to Kern County), northeastern New Mexico, Oklahoma, eastern Texas, Arkansas, central Mississippi, Tennessee, Georgia, and northern Florida, and irregularly to Bermuda; and in the Palearctic from the breeding range south to central continental Europe, the Mediterranean region (casually), Asia Minor (casually), southern Russia, Manchuria, Sakhalin, the Kuril Islands, and (casually) Japan.

Casual or accidental in the northwestern Hawaiian Islands, northwestern Arizona, the Bahamas (Cat Island), eastern Atlantic islands, and northern Africa; sight reports for western and northern Texas.

Notes.—Plectrophenax nivalis and P. hyperboreus are closely related, with limited hybridization occurring (Sealy 1969); they constitute a superspecies and may be conspecific (Mayr and Short 1970, Paynter 1970).

Plectrophenax hyperboreus Ridgway. McKay’s Bunting.

Plectrophenax hyperboreus Ridgway, 1884, Proc. U. S. Natl. Mus. 7: 68. (St. Michael’s, Alaska.)

Habitat.—Open rocky ground, beaches, and shores of tundra pools; in migration and winter in open rocky or sandy areas.

Distribution.—Breeds in Alaska on islands in the Bering Sea (Hall and St. Matthew, also rarely on St. Paul in the Pribilofs and on St. Lawrence).

Winters on the coast of western and southeastern Alaska (Nome to Cold Bay, including Nunivak Island), casually to the Aleutians (Adak, Unalaska) and south-coastal Alaska ( Kodiak Island, Homer).

Accidental in British Columbia (Vancouver Island), Washington (Ocean Shores), and Oregon (mouth of Columbia River).

Notes.—See comments under P. nivalis.
Family CARDINALIDAE: Cardinals, Saltators, and Allies

Genus SALTATOR Vieillot

_Saltator_ Vieillot, 1816, Analyse, p. 32. Type, by monotypy, “Grand Tanagra” Buffon = _Tanagra maxima_ Müller.

_Pitylus_ Cuvier, 1829, Règne Anim. (nouv. éd.) 1: 413. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), _Loxia grossa_ Linnaeus.

Notes.—Biochemical and morphological evidence (Hellack and Schnell 1977, Tamplin et al. 1993, Demastes and Remsen 1994) supports the merger of _Pitylus_ into _Saltator._

_Saltator albicollis_ Vieillot. Lesser Antillean Saltator.


Habitat.—Shrubby Second Growth, Arid Lowland Scrub (Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the Lesser Antilles (Guadeloupe, Dominica, Martinique, and St. Lucia).

Notes.—See note under _S. striatipectus._

_Saltator striatipectus_ Lafresnaye. Streaked Saltator.

_Saltator striatipectus_ [sic] Lafresnaye, 1847, Rev. Zool. (Paris), 10, p. 73. (Cali, Valle de Cauca, Colombia.)

Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1850 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Pacific slope of southwestern Costa Rica (El General region) and Panama (including Coiba, Coibita, Taboga, and the Pearl islands, and on the Caribbean slope from the Canal area to western San Blas), and in South America from northern Colombia, northern Venezuela (also Patos, Monos, Chacachacare islands), and Trinidad south, west of the Andes, to western Peru.

Notes.—The original spelling “striatipictus” is regarded as a lapsus calami (Paynter 1970). _Saltator albicollis_ and _S. striatipectus_ are treated as separate species, based on the analysis of Seutin et al. (1993).

_Saltator coerulescens_ Vieillot. Grayish Saltator.


Habitat.—Second-growth Scrub, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest (0–1300 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident [grandis group] from Sinaloa, western Durango, eastern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula, but unrecorded Pacific slope of Nicaragua) to central Costa Rica; and [coerulescens group] in South America from northern and eastern Colombia, Venezuela (including Monos and Chacachacare islands) Trinidad, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northern Argentina, Uruguay, and south-central Brazil.

Notes.—Groups: _S. grandis_ (W. Deppe, 1830) [Middle American Saltator] and _S. coerulescens_ [Grayish Saltator].

_Saltator maximus_ (Müller). Buff-throated Saltator.

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (0–1500 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from northern Oaxaca, southern Veracruz, Tabasco, Chiapas, southern Campeche, and southern Quintana Roo south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Central America to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from the dry northwest) and Panama, and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and central and southeastern Brazil.

Accidental in El Salvador (Montecristo).

**Saltator atriceps** (Lesson). Black-headed Saltator.

*Tanagra (Saltator) atriceps* Lesson, 1832, Cent. Zool., p. 208, pl. 69. (Mexico = Veracruz.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (0–1300 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from Guerrero, southeastern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to Honduras, and in Nicaragua (Pacific slope only), Costa Rica (mostly Caribbean slope), and Panama (both slopes, east to Darién).

**Saltator grossus** (Linnaeus). Slate-colored Grosbeak.

*Loxia grossa* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 307. Based on “Le Gros-bec bleu d’Amérique” Brisson, Ornithologie 6, (suppl.): 89, pl. 5, fig. 1. (in America = Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Caribbean slope of Nicaragua and Costa Rica, on both slopes of Panama (more widespread on the Caribbean), and in South America from Colombia, southern Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to northern Bolivia and Amazonian and eastern Brazil; a sight report for northeastern Honduras.

**Notes.**—*Saltator grossus* and the South American *S. fuliginosus* (Daudin, 1800) [Black-throated Grosbeak] constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990); Paynter (1970) treated them as conspecific. Both were formerly placed in the genus *Pitylus* (see Note under *Saltator*).

**Genus CARYOTHRAUSTES** Reichenbach


**Notes.**—See comments under *Rhodothraupis*.

**Caryothraustes poliogaster** (Du Bus de Gisignies). Black-faced Grosbeak.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–900 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from northern Oaxaca, southern Veracruz, Tabasco, Chiapas, southern Campeche, and southern Quintana Roo south along the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Central America to western Panama (Bocas del Toro and both slopes of Veraguas, casually or formerly to Cochlé, western Panamá province and the Canal area).

**Notes.**—*Caryothraustes poliogaster* and *C. canadensis* constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990); Paynter (1970) considered them to be conspecific.
**Caryothraustes canadensis** (Linnaeus). Yellow-green Grosbeak.

*Loxia canadensis* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 304. Based on "Le Gros-bec de Cayenne" Brisson, Ornithologie 3: 229, pl. 11, fig. 3. (in Canada, error = Cayenne.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest (0–900 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in extreme eastern Panama (Cana, in eastern Darién); and in South America from southeastern Colombia, southern Venezuela, and the Guianas south through Amazonian and central Brazil to southeastern Brazil.

**Notes.**—Also known as Green Grosbeak. See comments under *C. poliogaster*.

Genus **RHODOTHRAUPIS** Ridgway


**Notes.**—Paynter (1970) suggested that *Rhodothraupis* might be merged with the genus *Caryothraustes*.

**Rhodothraupis celaeno** (Deppe). Crimson-collared Grosbeak.

*Tanagra Celaeno* Lichtenstein = "W. Deppe, 1830, Preis.-Verz. Säugeth. Vögel, etc., Mex., p. 2. (Mexico = Papantla, Veracruz.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from east-central Nuevo León and southern Tamaulipas south through eastern San Luis Potosí and northern Veracruz to northeastern Puebla.

Casual in southern Texas (Laredo, McAllen, Santa Ana National Wildlife Refuge, Aransas National Wildlife Refuge, Sabal Palms Audubon Sanctuary).

Genus **CARDINALIS** Bonaparte


**Cardinalis cardinalis** (Linnaeus). Northern Cardinal.


**Habitat.**—Thickets, brushy fields, deciduous and mixed forest with dense undergrowth, forest edge, suburbs, and, in arid regions, in scrub and riparian woodland (Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* [cardinalis group] from central Baja California, southeastern California (along the Colorado River), central and southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, western and northern Texas, western Colorado, western Kansas, west-central Nebraska, central and eastern North Dakota (at least formerly), southeastern South Dakota, southeastern Manitoba (Winnipeg), central Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, northern New York, New Brunswick, and southern Nova Scotia south to southern Baja California (including Cerralvo, Santa Margarita, Carmen, and San José islands), Sonora (including Isla Tiburón), in the Tres Marias islands (off Nayarit), in the interior to Guanajuato and Hidalgo, along the Gulf-Caribbean slope to the Yucatan Peninsula (including Holbox and Mujeres islands), northern Guatemala (Petén), and central Belize,
and to the Gulf coast and southern Florida (including the Florida Keys); and [carneus group] along the Pacific coast of Mexico from Colima to Oaxaca (Isthmus of Tehuantepec). The range in eastern North America has been gradually expanding northward.

Introduced and established [cardinalis group] in the Hawaiian Islands (common on all main islands from Kauai eastward), coastal southern California, and Bermuda.

Casual or accidental [cardinalis group] west and north to northern Utah, southern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, Prince Edward Island, and Newfoundland.

Notes.—Groups: C. cardinalis [Common Cardinal] and C. carneus (Lesson, 1842) [Long-crested Cardinal]. Also known as the Cardinal or Common Cardinal. Cardinalis cardinalis and the South American C. phoeniceus Bonaparte, 1838 [Vermilion Cardinal], may constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970, Paynter 1970).

Cardinalis sinuatus Bonaparte. Pyrrhuloxia.


Habitat.—Arid Lowland Scrub, Arid Montane Scrub, Riparian Thickets (0–2200 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from central Baja California (north to lat. 27°N.), Sonora, southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, and western and south-central Texas south to southern Baja California, northern Nayarit, northeastern Jalisco, northern Michoacán, Querétaro, southeastern San Luis Potosí and southern Tamaulipas. Some nonbreeding dispersal in northern portions of range into nearby habitats.

Casual north to southern California (San Miguel Island, and north to Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties, attempted nesting in latter in 1977), central Arizona, central New Mexico, Colorado, southwestern Kansas, east-central Texas, and extreme western Oklahoma. Reports from Nevada and Puebla are open to question.

Notes.—Frequently placed in the monotypic genus Pyrrhuloxia.

Genus PHEUCTICUS Reichenbach

Pheucticus Reichenbach, 1850, Avium Syst. Nat., pl. 78. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1855), Pitylus aureoventris d’Orbigny and Lafresnaye.

Hedymeles Cabanis, 1851, Mus. Heineanum 1: 152. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1855), Loxia ludoviciana Linnaeus.

Pheucticus chrysopeplus (Vigors). Yellow Grosbeak.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest (0–2800 m; upper Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southern Sonora (north to central Sonora in summer), southwestern Chihuahua, Sinaloa, and western Durango south in the highlands to northern Guerrero, Morelos, western Puebla, and central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec); and in southern Chiapas and central Guatemala.

Casual in central and southeastern Arizona. A record from California is regarded as an escaped cage-bird.

Notes.—Pheucticus chrysopeplus, P. tibialis, and the South American P. chrysogaster (Lesson, 1832) [Golden-bellied Grosbeak] constitute a superspecies. Hellmayr (1938), Paynter (1970), and others treat them as subspecies of a single species; we follow Eisenmann (1955), Sibley and Monroe (1990), and others in treating them as allospecies in a superspecies complex.

Pheucticus tibialis Lawrence. Black-thighed Grosbeak.

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest Edge (1000–2600 m; upper Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—**Resident** in the mountains of Costa Rica (north to the Cordillera de Tilarán) and western Panama (east to Cočlé).

**Notes.**—See comments under *P. chrysopeplus*.

**Pheucticus ludovicianus** (Linnaeus). Rose-breasted Grosbeak.

*Loxia ludovicianiana* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 306. Based on “Le Gros-bec de la Louisianae” Brisson, Ornithologie 3: 247, pl. 12, fig. 2. (in Ludovicia = Louisiana.)

**Habitat.**—Open deciduous forest and forest edge (especially poplar and aspen), woodland, and tall second growth; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats.

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** from northeastern British Columbia, southwestern and south-central Mackenzie, northern Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south to central and southeastern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, north-central North Dakota, eastern South Dakota, central Nebraska, central (formerly northwestern) Kansas, eastern (formerly central) Oklahoma, southern Missouri, southern Illinois, central Indiana, southern Ohio, eastern Kentucky, eastern Tennessee, northern Georgia, western North Carolina, western Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, and Delaware, casually west to eastern Wyoming, northeastern Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, and central California (1992, male paired with female *P. melanocephalus*).

**Winters** from Nayarit and southeastern San Luis Potosí south through Middle America to northern and eastern Colombia, Venezuela, Ecuador, and east-central Peru, rarely in southern Texas, southern Louisiana, southern Mississippi, southern Alabama, western Cuba, and Bermuda (uncommonly); recorded occasionally in winter within the breeding range, and in Oregon, Utah, and California.

**Migrates** regularly through the southeastern states (west to the Rockies) and northeastern Mexico, irregularly through Bermuda, the Bahamas Islands, Greater Antilles (east to the Virgin Islands), the Cayman Islands, and islands in the western Caribbean Sea (Swan, Providencia, and San Andrés), and casually elsewhere in western North America from southeastern British Columbia, Idaho, and Montana south to Arizona and southwestern Mexico.

Casual or accidental in the Lesser Antilles (Barbuda, Marie Galante, Dominica, Barbados), Greenland, the British Isles, Sweden, France, Spain, Yugoslavia, and Malta; sight reports for southeastern Alaska and the Revillagigedo Islands.

**Notes.**—*Pheucticus ludovicianus* and *P. melanocephalus* hybridize to varying degrees where their ranges overlap in the Great Plains (West 1962, R. L. Kroodsma 1974a, b). Considered conspecific by some (e.g., Phillips et al. 1964, Phillips 1994), they are considered here as forming a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970, Paynter 1970).

**Pheucticus melanocephalus** (Swainson). Black-headed Grosbeak.

*Guiraca melanocephala* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 438. (Temiscaltipec, Mexico = Temascaltepec, México.)

**Habitat.**—Deciduous forest and woodland, cottonwood riparian woodland, pine-oak association, oak scrub, and pinyon-juniper woodland; in migration and winter, a variety of wooded habitats (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** from coastal southern British Columbia, southern Alberta, southwestern Saskatchewan, northeastern Montana, and central North Dakota south to northern Baja California, southern California, southern Nevada, central and southeastern Arizona, and, in the Mexican highlands, to Guerrero and Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec), and east to western South Dakota, central Nebraska, central Kansas, eastern New Mexico, and western Texas.

**Winters** from coastal California (rarely), southern Baja California, northern Mexico, southeastern Texas, and (rarely) southern Louisiana south to central Oaxaca and Veracruz.

Casual in eastern North America from southern Manitoba, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Mich-
igan, western and southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, New York, Maine, New Brun-
swick, and Nova Scotia south to the Gulf coast and Florida (recorded most frequently in
New England and along the Atlantic coast south to South Carolina); sight reports for south- 
coastal Alaska (Middleton Island) and the Queen Charlotte Islands; a sight report for Costa 
Rica and an old record from Yucatán are highly questionable.

Notes.—See comments under *P. ludovicianus*.

Genus **CYANOCOMPSA** Cabanis

*Cyanocompsa* Cabanis, 1861, J. Ornithol. 9: 4. Type, by original designation, *Fringilla 
[Cyanoloxia] parellina* Bonaparte.

Notes.—*Cyanocompsa* and *Guiraca* are sometimes merged in *Passerina* (Phillips et al. 

*Cyanocompsa cyanoides* (Lafresnaye). Blue-black Grosbeak.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1250 m; Tropical 
and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—*Resident* from southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, 
southern Campeche, and southern Quintana Roo south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Central 
America to Nicaragua, on both slopes of Costa Rica (except the dry northwest) and Panama, 
and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes 
to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to central Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

*Cyanocompsa parellina* (Bonaparte). Blue Bunting.

*Cyanoloxia parellina* (Lichtenstein MS) Bonaparte, 1850, Cons. Gen. Avium 1(2): 
502. (Alvarado, Veracruz, Mexico.)

Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Pine-
Oak Forest (0–1850 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—*Resident* from central Sinaloa, eastern San Luis Potosí, northern Nuevo 
León, and central Tamaulipas south locally along both slopes of Middle America (including 
the Yucatan Peninsula and Isla Mujeres) to north-central Nicaragua.

Casual in southern and coastal Texas and southwestern Louisiana (Cameron Parish).

Genus **GUIRACA** Swainson

*Guiraca* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 438. Type, by subsequent designation 
(Swainson, 1827), *Loxia caerulea* "Wilson" [= Linnaeus].

Notes.—See comments under *Cyanocompsa*.

*Guiraca caerulea* (Linnaeus). Blue Grosbeak.

*Loxia caerulea* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 175. Based on “The blew Gross-
bec” Catesby, Nat. Hist. Carolina 1: 39, pl. 39. (in America = South Carolina.)

Habitat.—Brushy and weedy fields, scrub, young second-growth woods, riparian thickets 
(upper Tropical to lower Temperate zones, in nonbreeding season also to lower Tropical 
Zone).

Distribution.—*Breeds* from northern California, western and southern Nevada, southern 
Idaho, south-central Montana (once), south-central North Dakota, southwestern Minnesota, 
central and northeastern Illinois, northwestern Indiana, northern Ohio, southern Pennsylvania, 
and southeastern New York (once) south to northern Baja California and southern Arizona, 
in the highlands and Pacific lowlands of Middle America through Mexico, Guatemala, El 
Salvador, Honduras, and Nicaragua to central Costa Rica, and to southern Tamaulipas, the 
Gulf coast, and central (casually southern) Florida, with the range expanding along northern 
edge.
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Winters from southern Baja California and northern Mexico (rarely from the Gulf coast and southern Florida, casually elsewhere in the North American breeding range and north to New England) south through Middle America to central Panama (Canal area).

Migrates from California and the North American breeding range south over most of Middle America, and through Bermuda (where one winter record), the Bahama Islands, Greater Antilles (east to the Virgin Islands), Cayman Islands, and Swan Islands.

Casual north to Oregon, southeastern British Columbia, southern Saskatchewan, Wisconsin, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland. Accidental in southeastern Alaska (Petersburg) and Ecuador; sight reports from Michigan and Colombia.

Genus PASSERINA Vieillot


Notes.—See comments under Cyanocompsa.

Passerina rositae (Lawrence). Rose-bellied Bunting.


Habitat.—Hilly areas in Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–1250 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in southeastern Oaxaca (Isthmus of Tehuantepec region west to the Chivela, Matías Romero, and Juchitán areas) and extreme western Chiapas (La Trinidad).

Notes.—Also known as Rosita's Bunting.

Passerina amoena (Say). Lazuli Bunting.

Emberiza amena Say, 1823, in Long, Exped. Rocky Mount. 2: 47 (note). (Rocky Mountains, source of the Arkansas = near Canyon City, Colorado.)

Habitat.—Arid brushy areas in canyons, riparian thickets, chaparral, scrub oak, and open woodland; in migration and winter, also open grassy and weedy areas.

Distribution.—Breeds from south-central British Columbia, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, central North Dakota, and northeastern South Dakota south to northwestern Baja California, southern California, southern Nevada, central Arizona, central New Mexico, and central Texas (Kerr County, with summer records also for Trans-Pecos and the Panhandle), and east to western Nebraska, western Kansas, and western Oklahoma.

Winters from southern Arizona and Chihuahua (casually north to central California and extreme western Texas) south to Guerrero and central Veracruz.

Migrates regularly through the southwestern United States and northwestern Mexico (including Baja California), rarely west to southwestern British Columbia, north to central Alberta, and east to eastern and southern Texas.


Notes.—Passerina amoena and P. cyanea hybridize to a limited extent where their ranges overlap in the Great Plains region (Sibley and Short 1959, Emlen et al. 1975, R. L. Kroodsma 1975, Thompson 1976) but are locally sympatric with little or no interbreeding in the southwestern United States. Evidence of behavioral isolating mechanisms (Baker et al. 1990) indicates that although formerly treated by some (e.g., Phillips et al. 1964) as conspecific, they are better considered to constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

Passerina cyanea (Linnaeus). Indigo Bunting.

Habitat.—Deciduous forest edge and regenerating clearings, open woodland, second growth, shrubby areas, scrub, and riparian woodland; in migration and winter, a variety of open forest, woodland, scrub, and weedy habitats.

Distribution.—Breeds from southeastern British Columbia (Creston), southeastern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, northern Minnesota, south-central Ontario, southwestern Quebec, southern Maine, southern New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia south to southern New Mexico, Texas (west to Big Bend and south to San Patricio County), the Gulf coast, and central Florida, and west to Montana, eastern Colorado, western Kansas, and central New Mexico; recorded breeding sporadically also in Colorado, southwestern Utah, central and southeastern Arizona, and southern California.

Winters from Nayarit, San Luis Potosí (rarely from southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and Florida, casually in winter elsewhere in the North American breeding range and in coastal California) and Bermuda south through Middle America (including most adjacent islands), the Greater Antilles (east to the Virgin Islands), and the Cayman and Bahama islands to Panama (rare east of the Canal area) and northwestern Colombia.

Migrates through the United States east of the Rockies, Mexico (except the northwestern portion), northern Middle America, Bermuda, the western Greater Antilles, and Bahama Islands; rarely (but regularly) through California, Baja California, northwestern Mexico, southern Arizona, and New Mexico; and casually elsewhere in western North America from southern British Columbia, Idaho, southern Alberta, and southern Saskatchewan southward.

Casual or accidental north to northwestern and south-coastal Alaska (Wainwright, Anchorage), northern Manitoba, central Quebec, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland, and Iceland; also to Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island; sight report) and Europe (where likely escapes).

Notes.—See comments under P. amoena.

Passerina versicolor (Bonaparte). Varied Bunting.

**Spiza versicolor** Bonaparte, 1838, Proc. Zool. Soc. London (1837), p. 120. (near Temascaltepec [= Temascaltepec, state of México].)

Habitat.—Arid Montane Scrub, Arid Lowland Scrub, Riparian Thickets (0–1900 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southern Baja California, northern Sonora, south-central and southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, and western and southern Texas (Culberson and Crockett counties, and the Rio Grande Valley) south through Mexico (except the Yucatan Peninsula) to central Oaxaca (east to Rancho Las Animas), and in Chiapas and Guatemala. Withdraws from the southwestern United States and northern plateau of Mexico in winter. Casual in southeastern California. Accidental in Ontario (Long Point).

Passerina leclancherii Lafresnaye. Orange-breasted Bunting.

**Passerina** (Spiza) **Leclancherii** Lafresnaye, 1840, Rev. Zool. [Paris] 3: 260. (Acapulco [sic], au Mexique = Acapulco, Guerrero.)

Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on the Pacific slope from Colima, Jalisco, and Michoacán south through Guerrero, southern Puebla, and southern Oaxaca to southwestern Chiapas (Arriaga). An individual netted in southern Texas (Hidalgo County) in 1972 was almost certainly an individual escaped from captivity.

Notes.—Also known as Leclancher's Bunting.

Passerina ciris (Linnaeus). Painted Bunting.

**Emberiza Ciris** Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 179. Based mainly on "The Painted Finch" Catesby, Nat. Hist. Carolina 1: 44, pl. 44. (in America = South Carolina.)

Habitat.—Partly open situations with dense brush and scattered trees, riparian thickets,
and weedy and shrubby areas; in migration and winter, a variety of open weedy, grassy, and scrub habitats, and in open woodland.

**Distribution.** — *Breeds* from southeastern New Mexico, northern Texas, western and central Oklahoma, west-central Kansas, southern Missouri, and southwestern Tennessee south to southern Chihuahua, northern Coahuila, southern Texas, and southern Louisiana, and east along the Gulf coast to southern Alabama (locally in the Apalachicola region of western Florida); and from central South Carolina and southeastern North Carolina south, primarily on barrier islands and the adjacent mainland coast, to central Florida.

*Winters* from Sinaloa, southern Tamaulipas, southern Florida, and the northwestern Bahama Islands south through Cuba, Jamaica, and Middle America (both slopes) to western Panama (east to western Panamá province), casually north to southern Arizona and western and southern Texas.

*Migrates* west rarely to southern California and southeastern Arizona.

Casual north to southeastern Wyoming, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Ontario, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia, west to Oregon, California, and Nevada, and on Bermuda. Some of these reports may be based on escaped individuals, but many are not.

**Notes.** — Thompson (1991) suggested that the eastern and western populations might represent two species.

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**Genus SPIZA** Bonaparte


**Notes.** — Affinities of this genus are uncertain (Sibley and Monroe 1990); it may be an icterid or an aberrant cardinalid (Paynter 1970). It is an outgroup to the other cardinalids (Tamplin et al. 1993).

*Spiza americana* (Gmelin). Dickcissel.


**Habitat.** — Grassland, meadows, savanna, cropland (especially alfalfa), and brushy fields; in migration and winter, also a variety of open country, second growth, and scrub.

**Distribution.** — *Breeds* from eastern Montana, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, western and southern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, and central New York south to northeastern Wyoming, eastern Colorado, northeastern New Mexico (rarely), western and southern Texas, southern Louisiana, central Mississippi, central (rarely southern) Alabama, central and southeastern Georgia, and South Carolina, at least formerly also in the Atlantic lowlands from Massachusetts to North Carolina; breeding sporadic and irregular in eastern portion of range.

*Winters* from Nayarit south, primarily along the Pacific slope, through Middle America to northern and eastern Colombia, Venezuela (most abundant wintering area), Trinidad, and the Guianas, locally in small numbers also in coastal lowlands from southern New England south to Florida and west to coastal and southern Texas, casually north to the southern Great Lakes region and northwest to eastern Colorado.

*Migrates* through the eastern United States and Bahama Islands through Middle America (both slopes), and casually through California, Baja California, southern Arizona, eastern and southern New Mexico, Cuba, Jamaica, Puerto Rico, the Cayman Islands, islands in the western Caribbean Sea (Swan, Providencia, San Andrés, and Albuquerque Cay), and the Netherlands Antilles (Aruba).

Casual north to southern British Columbia, southern Alberta, southern Quebec, southern New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland, and to Bermuda and Clipperton Island. Accidental in Norway.

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**Family ICTERIDAE: Blackbirds**

**Genus DOLICHONYX** Swainson

Dolichonyx oryzivorus (Linnaeus). Bobolink.


**Habitat.**—Tall grass areas, flooded meadows, prairie, deep cultivated grains, and alfalfa and clover fields; in migration and winter, also in rice fields and marshes.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from central and southern interior British Columbia, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec (including Magdalen Islands), New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south to eastern and south-central Washington, eastern Oregon, northeastern Nevada (local), northern Utah, eastern Colorado, Kansas, northern Missouri, central Illinois, central Indiana, southern Ohio, southern Pennsylvania, and central New Jersey, and locally to north-central Kentucky, extreme northeastern Tennessee, western North Carolina, western Virginia, and western and central Maryland, also isolated breeding in east-central Arizona; recorded in summer (but without positive evidence of breeding) north to southwestern and northeastern British Columbia, central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, northern Ontario, and eastern Quebec, and south to northern central Nevada, central Nevada, and north-central New Mexico.

Winters in southern South America (mostly east of the Andes) in eastern Bolivia, central Brazil, Paraguay, and (primarily) northern Argentina. Limits of winter range (versus areas where only occurring as migrant) not well known.

**Migrates** regularly through the southeastern United States (west to the Great Plains and central Texas), the West Indies, Yucatan Peninsula, Belize, islands in the Caribbean Sea (Swan, Providence, and San Andrés), the northern coast of South America, Costa Rica (fall only; Caribbean lowlands, rarely on Pacific slope), Panama, and northern South America from Colombia, Venezuela (also islands off the northern coast), and the Guianas southward; also rarely through western North America south to California, southern Nevada, Arizona, and southern New Mexico.

Casual or accidental in Alaska (Point Barrow, Hyder), Labrador, southern Baja California, Honduras (Isla Utila in the Bay Islands), Nicaragua (Río Escondido), Cocos Island (off Costa Rica), Bermuda, the Galapagos Islands, northern Chile, Greenland, the British Isles, Norway, France, Gibraltar, and Italy; sight reports for southern Mackenzie, Veracruz, and Clipperton Island.

Genus AGELAIUS Vieillot

Agelaius Vieillot, 1816, Analyse, p. 33. Type, by original designation, "Troupiale Commandeur" Buffon = Oriolus phoeniceus Linnaeus.

**Notes.**—Although Lanyon (1994) showed that Agelaius is not a monophyletic genus, those species found in the Check-list area form a monophyletic group.

Agelaius phoeniceus (Linnaeus). Red-winged Blackbird.


**Habitat.**—Fresh-water and brackish marshes, bushes and small trees along watercourses, and upland cultivated fields; in migration and winter, also in open cultivated lands, plowed fields, pastures, and prairie (Tropical to Temperate zones, in Central America restricted to Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds [phoeniceus group] from east-central, south-coastal and southeastern Alaska (west to Anchorage and north to Fairbanks), southern Yukon, west-central and southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, northern Ontario, southern Quebec (including Anticosti and Magdalen islands), New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and southwestern Newfoundland south to northern Baja California, locally through Mexico (including the Yucatan Peninsula and Holbox Island) and along both coasts of Central America to Nicaragua and northern Costa Rica (Guanacaste, Río Frío),
and to southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida (including the Florida Keys); also in the northern Bahama Islands (south to Andros and Eleuthera).

_Winters [phoeniceus group]_ from southern British Columbia, Idaho, Montana, North Dakota, southern Minnesota, the southern Great Lakes region, southern Ontario, and New England (casually farther north) south throughout the remainder of the breeding range, with the southwestern and most of Middle American populations being sedentary.

_Resident [gubernator group]_ in Mexican Plateau region from Durango and Zacatecas south to México, Distrito Federal, and Puebla.

_Casual [phoeniceus group]_ north to western and northern Alaska, northern Mackenzie, and Victoria Island, and in Trinidad.

**Notes.**—Groups: _A. phoeniceus_ Linnaeus, 1766 [Red-winged Blackbird] and _A. gubernator_ [Bicolored Blackbird]. Hardy and Dickerman (1965) found that where the two groups come in contact they differ in vocalizations, breeding habitat, juvenal plumage, female plumage, epaulet color of males, and bill shape; they also found that interbreeding was limited at one locality (Lerma marshes) but extensive at another (Laguna Rosario). Lanyon (1994) confirmed the traditional interpretation that _A. phoeniceus_ and _A. tricolor_ are sister taxa (but _A. assimilis_ was not available for analysis).

_Agelaius assimilis_ Lembeye. Red-shouldered Blackbird.

_Agelaius assimilis_ Lembeye, 1850, Aves Isla Cuba, p. 64, pl. 9, fig. 3. (Cuba.)

**Habitat.**—Trees and tall grasses at the margins of fresh-water marshes.

**Distribution.**—**Resident** in western Cuba and the Isle of Pines.

**Notes.**—Formerly considered conspecific with _A. phoeniceus_, but separated on the basis of studies by Whittingham et al. (1992) and Garrido and Kirkconnell (1996); the two species constitute a superspecies.

_Agelaius tricolor_ (Audubon). Tricolored Blackbird.

_Icterus tricolor_ Audubon, 1837, Birds Amer. (folio) 4: pl. 388, fig. 1 (1839, Ornithol. Biogr. 5: 1). (No locality given = Santa Barbara, California.)

**Habitat.**—Fresh-water marshes of cattails, tule, bulrushes, and sedges; in migration and winter, also in open cultivated lands and pastures.

**Distribution.**—**Breeds** from northwestern and eastern Oregon (east of the coast ranges) south through interior California, and along the coast from central California (Sonoma County) south to northwestern Baja California (south to lat. 30° N.).

_Winters_ from northern California (Glenn County southward) south throughout the breeding range and adjacent agricultural areas.

_Casual_ in northwestern and southeastern California.

**Notes.**—See comments under _A. phoeniceus_.

_Agelaius humeralis_ (Vigors). Tawny-shouldered Blackbird.

_Leistes humeralis_ Vigors, 1827, Zool. J. 3: 442. (neighborhood of Havana, Cuba.)

**Habitat.**—Arid Lowland Scrub, Pastures/Agricultural Lands, Second-growth Scrub (0–900 m).

**Distribution.**—**Resident** in Cuba (including Cayo Cantiles and Archipelago de las Jardines) and western Hispaniola (west-central Haiti in vicinity of Port-de-Paix, lower Artibonite River, and St. Marc).

_Casual_ in Florida (Florida Keys, including Dry Tortugas, also a sight report from Marathon).

**Notes.**—_Agelaius humeralis_ and _A. xanthomus_ constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990); they are sister taxa (Lanyon 1994).

_Agelaius xanthomus_ (Sclater). Yellow-shouldered Blackbird.

_Icterus xanthomus_ Sclater, 1862, Cat. Collect. Amer. Birds., p. 131. (Mexico, error = Puerto Rico.)
Habitat. — Arid Lowland Scrub, Pastures/Agricultural Lands, Riparian Thickets.

Distribution. — Resident on Puerto Rico (presently restricted to the southwestern and northeastern sections, including Mona Island).

Notes. — See comments under A. humeralis.

Genus NESOPSAR Sclater

*Nesopsar* Sclater, 1859, Ibis, p. 457 (footnote). Type, by original designation, *N. nigerrimus* = *Icterus nigerrimus* Osburn.

*Nesopsar nigerrimus* (Osburn). Jamaican Blackbird.

*Icterus nigerrimus* Osburn, 1859, Zoologist 17: 6662. (lower mountains of Jamaica.)

Habitat. — Montane Evergreen Forest (500–1500 m).

Distribution. — Resident on Jamaica.

Genus STURNELLA Vieillot

*Sturnella* Vieillot, 1816, Analyse, p. 34. Type, by monotypy, “Stourne, ou Merle à fer-à-cheval” Buffon = *Alauda magna* Linnaeus.


*Sturnella militaris* (Linnaeus). Red-breasted Blackbird.


Habitat. — Pastures/Agricultural Lands, Low Seasonally Wet Grassland, Freshwater Marshes (0–1600 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution. — Resident in southwestern Costa Rica (Puntarenas province; first detected in 1974), Panama (entire Pacific slope, and Caribbean lowlands in Colón and the Canal area), and South America from northern Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northeastern Peru, and Amazonian and central Brazil. Expanding its range north in Costa Rica.

Notes. — Often (e.g., Blake in Paynter 1968) considered conspecific with South American *S. superciliiaris* (Bonaparte, 1850) [White-browed Blackbird], but see Short (1968). Often placed in the genus *Leistes* (e.g., Blake in Paynter 1968, Parker and Remsen 1987, Sibley and Monroe 1990), but we follow Short (1968).

*Sturnella magna* (Linnaeus). Eastern Meadowlark.


Habitat. — Grassland, savanna, open fields, pastures, and cultivated lands (Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution. — Breeds [magna group] from southwestern South Dakota, northern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, central Ontario, southwestern Quebec, Maine, southern New Brunswick, and central Nova Scotia south through the eastern United States (west to western Nebraska, northeastern Colorado [probably], central Kansas, and eastern Texas) and Middle America (except Baja California and northwestern Mexico) to central Panama (Pacific slope east to eastern Panamá province), and to the Gulf coast, southern Florida (rarely the Florida Keys), Cuba (including cayos Coco, Romano, and Saetia), and the Isle of Pines; and in South America from northern and eastern Colombia, Venezuela, Guyana, and Surinam south, east of the Andes, to Amazonian Brazil.

Winters [magna group] from northern Texas, Kansas, Nebraska, southern Minnesota, central Wisconsin, southern Michigan, southern Ontario, New York, and New England (casually farther north) south throughout the remainder of the breeding range, with the West Indian, Middle American and South American populations being essentially sedentary.
Resident \textit{[lilianae group]} from northwestern, central and southern Arizona, central New Mexico, and western and central Texas south to northeastern Sonora and northwestern and central Chihuahua, with some dispersal in winter.

Casual \textit{[magna group]} north to southern Manitoba, west-central and eastern Quebec, Prince Edward Island, and Newfoundland; a sight report \textit{[lilianae group]} of a singing bird in Baja California.

Notes.—Groups: \textit{S. magna} [Eastern Meadowlark] and \textit{S. lilianae} Oberholser, 1930 [Lilian’s Meadowlark]. The two groups differ in plumage, morphology, and habitat preferences (Lanyon 1962, Rohwer 1972, 1976), but are quite similar in vocalizations (Lanyon 1962). \textit{Sturnella magna} and \textit{S. neglecta} rarely interbreed (Lanyon 1957, 1966, Rohwer 1972, 1973) and their hybrids are sterile (Lanyon 1979); they constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970).

\textbf{Sturnella neglecta} Audubon. Western Meadowlark.

\textit{Sturnella neglecta} Audubon, 1844, Birds Amer. (octavo ed.) 7: 339, pl. 489. (Missouri River above Fort Croghan = Old Fort Union, North Dakota.)

Habitat.—Grassland, savanna, cultivated fields, and pastures (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Breeds from central British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), north-central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, western Ontario, northwestern Minnesota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, and northwestern Ohio south to northwestern Baja California, (irregularly also on Guadalupe Island) southern California, northwestern Sonora, western and central Arizona, in the Mexican highlands to eastern Jalisco, Guanajuato, San Luis Potosí, southern Nuevo León, and western Tamaulipas, and to west-central Texas, northwestern Louisiana, southwestern Tennessee, southern Illinois, northern Indiana, central Ohio, western Pennsylvania (possibly), and western New York.

Winters from southern British Columbia, southern Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southwestern Michigan south to southern Baja California, Michoacán, México, northern Veracruz, southern Texas, and the Gulf coast east to northwestern (possibly central) Florida, occurring east regularly to western Kentucky, central Tennessee, and Alabama.

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (Kauai).

Casual or accidental north to northern Alaska (Anaktuvuk Pass), southern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, and New Brunswick, and east to southeastern New York and Georgia; singing birds, presumably this species, have been recorded in New England and New Jersey.

Notes.—See comments under \textit{S. magna}.

\textbf{Genus XANTHOCEPHALUS} Bonaparte


\textbf{Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus} (Bonaparte). Yellow-headed Blackbird.

\textit{Icterus icterocephalus} (not \textit{Oriolus icterocephalus} Linnaeus, 1766 = \textit{Agelaius icterocephalus}) Bonaparte, 1825, Amer. Ornithol. 1: 27, figs. 1–2. (Pawnee villages on the river Platte = along the Loup River, just west of Fullerton, Nance County, Nebraska.) Nomen oblitum.


Habitat.—Fresh-water marshes of cattail, tule or bulrushes; in migration and winter also in open cultivated lands, pastures, and fields.

Distribution.—Breeds from western Oregon, central Washington, central interior and northeastern British Columbia, northern Alberta, north-central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, extreme western Ontario, northern Minnesota, northern Michigan, and extreme southeastern Ontario south to southern California, northeastern Baja California, southwestern and
east-central Arizona, southwestern and northeastern New Mexico, northern Texas (Panhandle), western Oklahoma (Panhandle), central Kansas, and western and northern Missouri, central Illinois, northwestern Indiana, and northwestern Ohio. Formerly bred in northern Tamaulipas.

Winters from Washington, Oregon, California, central Arizona, Colorado, southeastern Texas, and (rarely) the Gulf Coast (east to Florida) south to southern Baja California, northern Guerrero (perhaps irregularly to southeastern Oaxaca), Chiapas, Puebla, and central Veracruz.

Casual north to western and northern Alaska (including in the Arctic Ocean 100 miles west of Point Hope), southern Mackenzie, and northern Manitoba, and over eastern North America from southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south; also recorded Yucatan (sight report), Costa Rica (Palto Verde), Panama (eastern Panamá province), Cuba, the northern Bahama Islands (Grand Bahama, San Salvador), Barbados, at sea in the Atlantic Ocean (300 miles northeast of New York City), and in Greenland, Iceland, Great Britain, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, and France; sight reports for the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island) and off Yucatán.

Genus **DIVES** Deppe


*Type, by tautonymy, Icterus dives Deppe.*


**Notes.**—Freeman and Zink (1995) found that *Dives* and *Euphagus* are each others’ closest relatives. An analysis of blood proteins (Smith and Zimmerman 1976) suggested a close relationship between *Euphagus* and *Quiscalus* (including *Cassidix*), but did not analyze *Dives*.

*Dives dives* (Deppe). Melodious Blackbird.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest (0–2000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southeastern San Luis Potosí, southern Tamaulipas, Puebla, México, and northern Oaxaca south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to north-central Nicaragua, and on the Pacific slope in El Salvador, casually to northwestern Costa Rica (to Tarcoles area).

**Notes.**—Also known as Singing Blackbird. *Dives dives* and the South American *D. warszewiczii* (Cabanis, 1861) [Scrub Blackbird] constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990); some authors (e.g., Hellmayr 1937) consider them conspecific.

*Dives atroviolacea* (d’Orbigny). Cuban Blackbird.

*Quiscalus atroviolaceus* d’Orbigny, 1839, in La Sagra, Hist. Fis. Pol. Nat. Cuba, Ois., p. 121, pl. 19. (Cuba.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–500 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Cuba; reports from the Isle of Pines are doubtful.

**Notes.**—Sometimes placed in the monotypic genus *Ptiloxena.*

Genus **EUPHAGUS** Cassin


**Notes.**—See comments under *Dives.*
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Euphagus carolinus (Müller). Rusty Blackbird.

Turdus Carolinus P. L. S. Müller, 1776, Natursyst., Suppl., pl. 140. (Carolina.)

Habitat.—Moist woodland (primarily coniferous), bushy bogs, and wooded edges of watercourses; in migration and winter also open woodland, scrub, pastures, and cultivated lands.


Winters from central (casually) and south-coastal Alaska, southern British Columbia, central Alberta, southern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, southern Ontario, and the northern United States (east of the Rockies) south to central and southeastern Texas, the Gulf coast, and northern Florida, and west to Montana, central Colorado, and eastern New Mexico, rarely in southern Arizona and coastal California.

Migrates regularly through southeastern Alaska, northern British Columbia, and (rarely) eastern California.

Casual elsewhere in western North America from Idaho and western Montana south to northern Baja California, Sonora (sight report), to islands in the Bering Sea (St. Lawrence, and St. Paul in the Pribilofs), and to southern Florida. Accidental in Siberia and Greenland.

Euphagus cyanocephalus (Wagler). Brewer’s Blackbird.

Psarocolius cyanocephalus Wagler, 1829, Isis von Oken, col. 758. (Temascaltepec, Mexico = Oaxaca City, Oaxaca; Binford, 1989, Ornithol. Monogr. 43, p. 348.)

Habitat.—Shrubby and bushy areas (especially near water), riparian woodland, aspen parklands, cultivated lands, marshes, and around human habitation; in migration and winter also in pastures and fields.

Distribution.—Breeds from southwestern and central interior British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), southwestern Mackenzie, north-central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, central Ontario, and northern New York south to northwestern Baja California, southern California, southern Nevada, central Arizona, southern New Mexico, western and northern Texas, Oklahoma, Colorado, northwestern Nebraska, southern Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, northeastern Illinois, northwestern Indiana, and southern Michigan. The breeding range has recently expanded along its eastern border.

Winters from southern British Columbia, central Alberta, Montana, the eastern edge of the Rockies, Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, the northern portions of the Gulf states, northern Georgia, and western South Carolina (casually farther north) south to southern Baja California, Jalisco, western Oaxaca, and central Veracruz, irregularly farther south to southeastern Oaxaca (Isthmus of Tehuantepec), southwestern Chiapas, Campeche, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida.

Migrates regularly as far east as the Appalachians from Ohio southward.

Casual north to southeastern Alaska and southern Keewatin, and in the northeast from southern Quebec (sight reports), New York, New England, and Nova Scotia southward.

Accidental in northern Alaska (Barrow) and western Guatemala (Hacienda Chanchol).

Genus Quiscalus Vieillot

Quiscalus Vieillot, 1816, Analyse, p. 36. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), Gracula quiscalis [sic] Linnaeus.

Cassidix Lesson, 1831, Traité Ornithol., livr. 6, p. 433. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), Cassidix mexicanus Lesson = Corvus mexicanus Gmelin.

Notes.—See comments under *Dives*.

**Quiscalus quiscula** (Linnaeus). Common Grackle.


**Habitat.**—Partly open situations with scattered trees, open woodland (coniferous or deciduous), forest edge, and suburbs; in migration and winter also in open situations, cultivated lands, pastures, fields, and marshes.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from northeastern British Columbia, southern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, northwestern and central Saskatchewan, central and northeastern Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec (including Anticosti Island), New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and southwestern Newfoundland south to Nevada, northern and eastern Utah, central Colorado, central and southeastern New Mexico, central and southeastern Texas (south to Corpus Christi region), the Gulf coast, and southern Florida (including the Florida Keys).

*Winters* from North Dakota, the southern Great Lakes region, southern Ontario, New England, and Nova Scotia (casually farther north) south to southern New Mexico, central and southern Texas (rarely also western Texas in the Big Bend region), the Gulf coast, and southern Florida.

Casual in western North America from northern and western Alaska south through western and southern British Columbia, Washington, and Oregon to southern California and Arizona; accidental in Denmark (possibly an escape); sight reports from northern Tamaulipas are unverified.

**Notes.**—Groups: *Q. quiscula* [Purple Grackle] and *Q. versicolor* Vieillot, 1819 [Bronzed Grackle]. The two groups were formerly considered separate species, but see Chapman (1935), Huntington (1952), Yang and Selander (1968), and Zink et al. (1991).

**Quiscalus major** Vieillot. Boat-tailed Grackle.


**Habitat.**—Brackish marshes in coastal areas, and adjacent open situations, pastures, and cultivated lands.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* along the Atlantic coast from New York (Long Island) and New Jersey southward, throughout peninsular Florida, and west along the Gulf coast to southeastern Texas (south to Aransas and Calhoun counties, casually farther south).

Casual inland to central New York and New England.

**Notes.**—See comments under *Q. mexicanus*.

**Quiscalus mexicanus** (Gmelin). Great-tailed Grackle.


**Habitat.**—Second-growth Scrub, Pastures/Agricultural Lands, Mangrove Forest, Secondary Forest (0–2300 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in southwestern and east-central California and northeastern Baja California, and from central Nevada, north-central Utah, central Colorado, southern Nebraska, northern Iowa, northern Missouri, western Arkansas, and southwestern Louisiana south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula, islands and cays off the Yucatan Peninsula and Belize, and the Bay Islands off Honduras) to Costa Rica (formerly Pacific coast only; now widespread), and Panama (Pacific slope throughout, Caribbean slope in Bocas del Toro, the Canal area, and San Blas, and widely on islands off the Pacific coast and off San Blas), and along both coasts of South America from Colombia east to northwestern Venezuela and south to Ecuador and northwestern Peru. The breeding
range has expanded greatly in the last century, and is apparently continuing to do so. Some populations at the northern edge of the breeding range leave in winter.

Casual to the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu), and north to the Queen Charlotte Islands, northeastern Montana, south-central Idaho, southern Wyoming, Minnesota, central Illinois, Indiana, western and southern Ontario, and Ohio; sight reports for southeastern South Dakota, Michigan, and Mississippi, and elsewhere in northern Baja California.

Notes.—Although *Q. mexicanus* and *Q. major* were long considered conspecific, sympatry without interbreeding is known from southwestern Texas to southeastern Texas (Selander and Giller 1961, Pratt 1991); they should probably be regarded as constituting a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970); they are sister taxa (e.g., Freeman and Zink 1995). *Quiscalus mexicanus*, *Q. major*, and *Q. palustris* are often placed in the genus *Cassidix*.

†*Quiscalus palustris* (Swainson). Slender-billed Grackle.

*Scaphidurus palustris* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 437. (marshes and borders of the lakes round Mexico [City] = marshes at headwaters of Río Lerma, México.)

Habitat.—Fresh-water marshes and lake margins (lower Temperate Zone).

Distribution.—EXTINCT. Formerly resident in marshes in the upper reaches of the Río Lerma, México.

Notes.—See comments under *Q. mexicanus*.

*Quiscalus nicaraguensis* Salvin and Godman. Nicaraguan Grackle.

*Quiscalus nicaraguensis* Salvin and Godman, 1891, Ibis, p. 612. (Momotombo, Lake Managua [Nicaragua].)

Habitat.—Fresh-water Marshes, Pastures/Agricultural Lands (Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in southwestern Nicaragua (vicinity of Lake Managua and Lake Nicaragua) and extreme northern Costa Rica (Río Frío district).

Notes.—This species is sometimes treated in the genus *Cassidix*.

*Quiscalus niger* (Boddaert). Greater Antillean Grackle.

*Oriolus niger* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 31. Based on "Troupiale Noir, de St. Domingue" Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 534. (Santo Domingo = Port au Prince, Haiti.)

Habitat.—Pastures/Agricultural Lands, Second-growth Scrub (0-1800 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Cuba (including nearby cays), the Isle of Pines, Cayman Islands (including Cayman Brac), Jamaica, Hispaniola (including Gonâve, Tortue, and Beata islands, and Ile-à-Vache), and Puerto Rico (including Vieques Island).

Notes.—*Quiscalus niger* and *Q. lugubris* appear to constitute a superspecies (Sibley and Monroe 1990). These two species are sometimes treated in the genus *Holoquiscalus*.

*Quiscalus lugubris* Swainson. Carib Grackle.

*Quiscalus lugubris* Swainson, 1838, Animals in Menageries, in Lardner, Cabinet Encyclopedia 98: 299, fig. "50c" [= 54c]. (Brazil, error = Guyana.)

Habitat.—Second-growth Scrub, Pastures/Agricultural Lands (0-600 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in the Lesser Antilles (Montserrat, Guadeloupe, Marie Galante, Dominica, Martinique, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Grenada, the Grenadines, and Barbados), Trinidad, northern Venezuela (including islands nearby), the Guianas, and extreme northeastern Brazil.

Introduced and established on St. Martin, Barbuda, Antigua, and (formerly) St. Kitts.

Notes.—Also known as Lesser Antillean Grackle. See comments under *Q. niger*.

Genus *MOLOTHRUS* Swainson

*Molothrus* Swainson, 1832, in Swainson and Richardson, Fauna Bor.-Amer. 2 (1831): 275, 277. Type, by original designation, *Fringilla pecoris* Gmelin = *Oriolus ater* Boddaert.

**Notes.**—Lanyon (1992) found that this genus is not monophyletic unless it is expanded to include *Scaphidura*; see also Freeman and Zink (1995).

*Molothrus bonariensis* (Gmelin). Shiny Cowbird.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Riparian Thickets, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Arid Lowland Scrub, Second-growth Scrub, Pastures/Agricultural Lands (0–2000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Puerto Rico (since 1955), Vieques Island (where recorded initially about 1860, possibly as an introduction), Virgin Islands, Barbados (probably an introduction), and Grenada, in recent years spreading to the Cayman Islands and throughout the Antilles (except Jamaica); and in eastern Panama (eastern Panamá province, San Blas, and Darién), and from Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south over most of South America to central Chile and central Argentina.

Recently established in southern Florida (Smith and Sprunt 1987), now occurring regularly north to central Florida and rarely to western Florida and southern Georgia.

Ranges casually west to Oklahoma and central Texas, and north to North Carolina. Accidental in Maine.

**Notes.**—Also known as Glossy Cowbird.


*Psarocolius aeneus* Wagler, 1829, Isis von Oken, col. 758. (Mexico = Mexico City.)

**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Second-growth Scrub, Pastures/Agricultural Lands (0–3000 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [aeneus group] from southeastern California, west-central and southern Arizona, southern New Mexico, western, west-central and southern Texas (with an isolated breeding population in the New Orleans area, Louisiana) south through Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula, but absent from Baja California) to central Panama (on the Caribbean slope in Bocas del Toro, and east to eastern Panamá province on the Pacific slope); and [armenti group] in coastal central northern Colombia. Northern populations [aeneus group] are mostly migratory.

Casual or accidental [aeneus group] in central eastern and southwestern California, central New Mexico, Colorado, Missouri, southern Mississippi, southern Alabama, and Florida; a sight report for northern Baja California.

**Notes.**—Often placed in the genus *Tangavius*. Groups: *M. aeneus* [Bronzed Cowbird] and *M. armenti* Cabanis, 1851 [Bronze-brown Cowbird]. The two groups were formerly considered separate species (e.g., Meyer de Schauensee 1970), but see Dugand and Eisenmann (1983). Also known as Red-eyed Cowbird.


*Oriolus ater* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 37. Based on “Troupiale, de la Caroline” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 606, fig. 1. (Carolina.)

**Habitat.**—Woodland, forest (primarily deciduous) and forest edge; in migration and winter also in open situations, cultivated lands, fields, pastures, and scrub (Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from south-coastal (rarely) and southeastern (probably) Alaska, northern British Columbia, southern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, north-central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and southern Newfoundland south (including Vancouver Island) to
southern Baja California, southeastern Oaxaca, Guerrero, Michoacán, Guanajuato, San Luis Potosí, northern Tamaulipas, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida.

Winters from southwestern British Columbia, western Washington, western Oregon, California, southern Utah, northern New Mexico, Kansas, central Missouri, the southern Great Lakes region, southern Ontario, New England, southern New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia (casually farther north) south to southern Baja California, Oaxaca (Isthmus of Tehuantepec), central Veracruz, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida.

Casual north to western and northern Alaska, northern Manitoba, and southern Labrador, and the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island), Bermuda, the northern Bahama Islands, and Cuba.

Genus SCAPHIDURA Swainson

_Scaphidura_ Swainson, 1837, Class. Birds 2: 272. Type, by virtual monotypy, _Scaphidura barita_ Swainson = _Oriolus oryzivorus_ Gmelin.


Notes.—See comments under _Molothrus_.

**Scaphidura oryzivora** (Gmelin). Giant Cowbird.


Habitat.—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Second-growth Scrub, usually in vicinity of colonies of oropendolas or caciques (0–2000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from northern Oaxaca, southern Veracruz, Tabasco, Chiapas, and southern Quintana Roo south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Central America to Honduras, in Nicaragua (both slopes), Costa Rica (Caribbean slope and central plateau), and Panama (both slopes, more widespread on Caribbean), and in South America from Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, west of the Andes to western Ecuador and east of the Andes to southern Bolivia, eastern Paraguay, extreme northeastern Argentina, and southern Brazil.

Notes.—Also known as Rice Grackle.

Genus ICTERUS Brisson

_Icterus_ Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 30; 2: 85. Type, by tautonymy, _Icterus_ Brisson = _Oriolus icterus_ Linnaeus.

_Pendulinus_ Vieillot, 1816, Analyse, p. 33. Type, by subsequent designation (Sclater, 1883), _Oriolus spurius_ Linnaeus.


_Icterus dominicensis_ (Linnaeus). Black-cowled Oriole.

_Oriolus dominicensis_ Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 163. Based on “Le Carouge de S. Domingue” Brisson, Ornithologie 2: 121, pl. 12, fig. 3. (in Dominica = Hispaniola.)

Habitat.—[prosthemelas group] Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m); [dominicensis group] Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m); (Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident [prosthemelas group] from southern Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, and the Yucatan Peninsula south on the Caribbean slope of Central America to extreme western Panama (western Bocas del Toro); and [dominicensis group] in the
northern Bahama Islands (Andros, Great Abaco, and Little Abaco), Cuba, the Isle of Pines, Hispaniola (including Tortue and Gonâve islands, and Île-à-Vache), and Puerto Rico.


**Icterus laudabilis** Sclater. St. Lucia Oriole.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–900 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on St. Lucia, in the Lesser Antilles.

**Notes.**—See comments under *I. dominicensis*.

**Icterus oberi** Lawrence. Montserrat Oriole.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (200–900 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Montserrat, in the Lesser Antilles.

**Notes.**—See comments under *I. dominicensis*.

**Icterus bonana** (Linnaeus). Martinique Oriole.

*Oriolus Bonana* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 162. Based primarily on “Le Carouge” Brisson, Ornithologie 2: 115, pl. 12, fig. 2. (in America meridionali = Martinique.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Mangrove Forest, Secondary Forest (0–700 m).

**Distribution.**—Resident on Martinique, in the Lesser Antilles.

**Notes.**—See comments under *I. dominicensis*.

**Icterus wagleri** Sclater. Black-vented Oriole.


**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest (100–2500 m; upper Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southern Sonora, central Chihuahua, Coahuila, and Nuevo León south through the highlands of Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras to central Nicaragua. Seasonal movements little understood.

Accidental in southern Arizona (Patagonia) and Texas (Big Bend, Kingsville, Austin).

**Notes.**—Also known as Wagler’s Oriole.

**Icterus maculialatus** Cassin. Bar-winged Oriole.


**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Secondary Forest (500–2100 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident on the Pacific slope from eastern Oaxaca and Chiapas south through Guatemala to El Salvador. Seasonal movements little understood.

Casual in southeastern Oaxaca (Sierra Madre de Chiapas), possibly resident.

**Icterus spurius** (Linnaeus). Orchard Oriole.

Habitat.—Scrub, second growth, brushy hillsides, partly open situations with scattered trees, open woodland, mesquite, and orchards; [fuertesi group] Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest; shrubby dunes (Subtropical and lower Temperate zones, in winter to Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Breeds [spurius group] from southeastern Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, central Minnesota, central Wisconsin, central Michigan, southern Ontario, central New York, southern Vermont, and northern Massachusetts south to eastern Chihuahua, Coahuila, southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and central Florida, west to eastern Montana, eastern Wyoming, eastern Colorado, and southeastern New Mexico, and on the Mexican Plateau from central Durango and Zacatecas to Jalisco, northern Michoacán, México, and Hidalgo (probably also in central Sonora); and [fuertesi group] in southern Tamaulipas and northern Veracruz.

Winters [spurius group] from Sinaloa, Guerrero, Puebla, and central Veracruz (casually north to coastal California and southern Texas, with occasional reports farther north) south through Middle America (including islands along the coast) to Colombia and northwestern Venezuela; and [fuertesi group] presumably in central Mexico (recorded Guerrero, Morelos, and southern Chiapas).

Migrates [spurius group] regularly through Mexico (west to southern Sinaloa), southern Florida (including the Keys), and Cuba, casually through California, Baja California, and southern Arizona, and rarely to southwestern New Mexico, Sonora, the Bahama Islands (Eleuthera, New Providence), Jamaica, and the Swan Islands.

Casual [spurius group] west to Washington, Oregon, Wyoming, central Colorado, and northern New Mexico, and north to south-central Manitoba, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia; and [fuertesi group] in southern Texas (Brownsville).

Notes.—Groups: I. spurius [Orchard Oriole] and I. fuertesi Chapman [Ochre Oriole or Fuertes’s Oriole]. Although fuertesi is usually regarded as a subspecies of I. spurius, it differs from spurius in some song features and juvenile plumage (Chapman 1911, Graber and Graber 1954). Molecular data (Freeman and Zink 1995) confirm the traditional view that I. spurius and I. cucullatus are closely related and are probably sister taxa.

Icterus cucullatus Swainson. Hooded Oriole.

Icterus cucullatus Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 436. (Temiscaltipec, Mexico = Temascaltepec, México.)

Habitat.—Riparian woodland, palm groves, mesquite, arid scrub, deciduous woodland, and around human habitation (Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Breeds from northern coastal and central California, southern Nevada, southwestern Utah, central Arizona, southern New Mexico, and western and southern California (one breeding record also from Bell County, in central Texas) south to southern Baja California and Sonora, and on Caribbean slope through Mexico, including the Yucatan Peninsula (also Mujeres, Holbox, Contoy, and Cozumel islands) to coastal Belize.

Winters from southern Baja California and southern Sonora (rarely from southern California, southern Arizona, and southern Texas) south on Pacific slope to western Oaxaca, and on Caribbean slope from southern Tamaulipas to Belize.

Casual north to southwestern Washington, west-central Oregon, eastern Texas, and Louisiana (Cameron Parish, Baton Rouge). Accidental in Ontario (Long Point) and Cuba; a sight report for the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro).

Notes.—See comments under I. spurius.

Icterus chrysater (Lesson). Yellow-backed Oriole.

Xanthornus chrysater Lesson, 1844, Echo Monde Savant (2)1: 204. (Mexico.)

Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest, lowland pine savanna (0–2500 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southern Veracruz (Sierra de los Tuxtlas), southeastern Oaxaca (Sierra Madre de Chiapas), northern Chiapas, and the Yucatan Peninsula south through the interior of Central America to northern Nicaragua and, locally, the Gulf-Caribbean
lowlands to northeastern Nicaragua; and from Panama (west to Veraguas) east through Colombia to northern Venezuela. Apparently at least partly migratory in El Salvador and probably elsewhere in northern Central America.

**Notes.**—Includes the lowland form in Colombia, once regarded as a distinct species, *I. hondae* Chapman, 1914 [Honda Oriole], but see Olson (1981d). Howell and Webb (1995) suggested that *I. chrysater* was closely related to *I. graduacauda*.

### Icterus auricapillus Cassin. Orange-crowned Oriole.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Gallery Forest (0–800 m; Tropical and Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from eastern Panama (eastern Panamá province, western San Blas, Darién) east across northern Colombia to Venezuela.

### Icterus mesomelas (Wagler). Yellow-tailed Oriole.

*Psarocolius mesomelas* Wagler, 1829, Isis von Oken, col. 755. (Mexico = Chalcatianges, Veracruz.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Gallery Forest (0–1600 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident from central Veracruz, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, and the Yucatan Peninsula south along the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Middle America to Panama (also on the Pacific slope from western Panamá province eastward), and in South America from Colombia and northwestern Venezuela south, west of the Andes, to western Peru.

### Icterus icterus (Linnaeus). Troupial.

*Oriolus Icterus* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 161. Based primarily on "Le Troupiale" Brisson, Ornithologie 2: 86, pl. 8, fig. 1. (in America calidiore = Cumaná, Sucre, Venezuela.)

**Habitat.**—Semi-arid woodland and mangroves; in South America, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, River-edge Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–700 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident [icterus group] from northern and eastern Colombia, and western and northern Venezuela (also islands to north); [croconotus group] in southeastern Colombia, southwestern Guyana, eastern Ecuador, and eastern Peru; and [jamacaii group] in Amazonian Brazil, Bolivia, Paraguay, and northern Argentina.

Introduced and established [icterus group] on Puerto Rico, Mona Island, and St. Thomas (including Water Island) in the Virgin Islands; also reported from southern Florida, Jamaica, St. John, Antigua, Dominica, Grenada, and Trinidad, presumably based on escaped cage birds.

**Notes.**—Groups: *I. icterus* [Troupial], *I. croconotus* (Wagler, 1829) [Orange-backed Oriole], and *I. jamacaii* (Gmelin, 1788) [Campo Oriole]. *Icterus icterus* and *I. jamacaii* (including *I. croconotus*) are sometimes considered distinct species (e.g., Hilty and Brown 1986; cf. Ridgely and Tudor 1989). The molecular data of Freeman and Zink (1995) strongly suggest that *I. icterus* is only distantly related to other orioles and that the genus *Icterus* is paraphyletic.

### Icterus pustulatus (Wagler). Streak-backed Oriole.

*Psarocolius pustulatus* Wagler, 1829, Isis von Oken, col. 757. (Mexico = Cuernavaca, Morelos; Binford, 1989, Ornithol. Monogr. 43, p. 348.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest, Arid Lowland Scrub (0–1900 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [pustulatus group] in the Pacific lowlands from Sonora and Chihuahua south to Nayarit; [graysonii group] in the Tres Marias Islands, off Nayarit; and
[sclateri group] on the Pacific slope from Jalisco south to northwestern Oaxaca and western Chiapas, in the arid interior of western Chiapas, Guatemala, and Honduras, and in the Pacific lowlands from El Salvador south to northwestern Costa Rica (Guanacaste). Northwestern populations are partially migratory.

Breed [pustulatus group] casually in Pinal and Santa Cruz counties, Arizona.

Casual [pustulatus group] in southern California and eastern Arizona; sight reports for southern Oregon and Baja California.

Notes.—The three groups have sometimes been regarded as distinct species, I. pustulatus [Scarlet-headed Oriole], I. graysonii Cassin, 1867 [Tres Marias Oriole], and I. sclateri Cassin, 1867 [Streak-backed Oriole], although pustulatus and sclateri intergrade in southwestern Mexico (Binford 1989). See notes under I. gularis.

Icterus auratus Bonaparte. Orange Oriole.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–200 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in southeastern Mexico on the Yucatan Peninsula (Campeche, Yucatan, and Quintana Roo) and northeastern Belize.

Icterus leucopteryx (Wagler). Jamaican Oriole.

Oriolus mexicanus (not Linnaeus, 1766) Leach, 1814, Zool. Misc. 1: 8, pl. 2. (St. Andrews, Jamaica.)


Habitat.—Secondary Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest (0–1000 m).

Distribution.—Resident on Jamaica, Grand Cayman (where extirpated, not recorded since 1967; Bradley [1995]), and Isla San Andrés, in the western Caribbean Sea.

Icterus pectoralis (Wagler). Spot-breasted Oriole.


Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in the Pacific lowlands from Colima and Guerrero south to central Costa Rica (vicinity of Puntarenas), and locally in arid interior valleys and on the Caribbean slope of Guatemala and Honduras.

Introduced and established in southeastern Florida (Palm Beach, Broward, and Dade counties, rarely north to Brevard County) and apparently also on Cocos Island.

Icterus gularis (Wagler). Altamira Oriole.

Psarocolius gularis Wagler, 1829, Isis von Oken, col. 754. (Mexico = Tehuantepec City, Oaxaca; Binford, 1989, Ornithol. Monogr. 43, p. 349.)

Habitat.—Tropical Deciduous Forest, Gallery Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident from extreme southern Texas (lower Rio Grande valley), eastern Nuevo Leon, and eastern San Luis Potosí south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to Belize and (locally) Honduras, and from Mexico and Guerrero south along the Pacific slope to west-central Nicaragua (also locally in the arid interior valleys of Guatemala and Honduras).

Notes.—Also known as Lichtenstein’s Oriole or Black-throated Oriole.
Icterus graduacauda Lesson. Audubon’s Oriole.


Habitat.—Gallery Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Tropical Deciduous Forest (0–2500 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident on Pacific slope from Nayarit to central Oaxaca, and on Caribbean slope from southern Texas (north to Val Verde, Bee, and Nueces counties) and Nuevo León south to central Veracruz. Old records from Chiapas and Guatemala (Santo Tomás) are questionable.

Notes.—Also known as Black-headed Oriole, a name now restricted to an Old World group of species in the genus Oriolus. See comments under I. chrysater.

Icterus galbula (Linnaeus). Baltimore Oriole.


Habitat.—Breeds in open woodland, deciduous forest edge, riparian woodland, orchards, and planted shade trees (Temperate Zone); in migration and winter in humid forest edge, second growth, and scrub.

Distribution.—Breeds from northeastern British Columbia, central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, southern Manitoba, western Ontario, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, central Maine, southern New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and central Nova Scotia south to eastern Texas, central Louisiana, central Mississippi, central Alabama, north-central Georgia, western South Carolina, central North Carolina, central Virginia, Maryland, and Delaware, and west to central Montana, the western edge of the Great Plains (also single breeding records from northeastern Colorado and Key West, Florida).

Winters from Nayarit and Veracruz (rarely from coastal California and Sonora) south through Middle America to northern Colombia, northern Venezuela, and Trinidad, regularly in small numbers in the Atlantic states north to Virginia, in the Greater Antilles east to the Virgin Islands, and casually elsewhere in eastern North America north to the Great Lakes region, southern Ontario, and New England;

Migrates regularly through the central and southeastern United States (west to Montana, eastern New Mexico, and western Texas) and northeastern Mexico, rarely through coastal California, the northern Bahama Islands, the Cayman Islands, and Yucatan Peninsula, and casually elsewhere in western North America west to Washington, Oregon, Arizona, and northwestern Mexico.

Casual north to northern Manitoba, western and southern Ontario, eastern Quebec, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland, and in the Lesser Antilles (Sombrero, St. Kitts, Barbados), also in Greenland, Iceland, the British Isles, Norway, and the Netherlands.

Notes.—This species has been considered conspecific with I. bullockii (with the English name Northern Oriole) because of limited interbreeding in a few areas in the Great Plains. In some areas, a hybrid zone with virtually no pure phenotypes has been found, suggesting complete breakdown of reproductive isolating mechanisms (Sibley and Short 1964, Anderson 1971, Misra and Short 1974, Rising 1970, 1983), whereas in other areas the distribution of phenotypes suggests selection against interbreeding (Rising 1970, 1973). Corbin and Sibley (1977) found a dramatic shift in phenotypes away from hybrids and toward pure parentals in areas sampled 15 years previously, but Rising (1983) found little evidence for temporal change in another contact zone. Thus, the nature of contact between these two taxa varies geographically and temporally, thereby defying traditional, typological, static classification schemes. We treat these taxa as two separate biological species because the number of important differences between them suggests in concert that gene flow between them is restricted. They differ in: male, female, and immature plumages; vocalizations (Rising 1970); thermoregulatory abilities (Rising 1969); allele frequencies (Corbin et al. 1979); number of molts (Rohwer and Manning 1990); molt-migration schedule (Rohwer and Manning 1990); nest-site placement and dispersion (Rising 1970); and body size (Sibley and Short 1964, Rising 1973, 1983). Although many of these characters vary geographically within taxa that we treat as one species, we know of no case in which there are so many discrete, abrupt,
concordant differences between populations treated as one species. Furthermore, Freeman and Zink's (1995) molecular data indicate that *I. bullockii* and *I. pustulatus* are more closely related than either is to *I. galbula*. See notes under *I. abeillei*.

**Icterus bullockii** (Swainson). Bullock’s Oriole.


**Habitat.**—Open and fragmented woodland of cottonwoods, willows, sycamores, and oaks, especially near fields, grasslands, and savannahs.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southern British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), southern Alberta, southwestern Saskatchewan, Montana, southwestern North Dakota, and central South Dakota south to northern Baja California, northwestern Sonora, northern Durango, Coahuila, and central and southern Texas, and east to western Nebraska, western Kansas, and western Oklahoma.

*Winters* sparsely in the southernmost part of the breeding range, and from southern Sonora, México, and Puebla south to Guatemala (casually to northwestern Costa Rica), and in small numbers in the Gulf coast region from eastern and southern Texas east to southern Georgia and Florida.

*Migrates* regularly through western North America west of the Rockies.


**Notes.**—This and the next species have been combined with *I. galbula* with the English name Northern Oriole. See notes under *I. galbula* and *I. abeillei*.

**Icterus abeillei** (Lesson). Black-backed Oriole.


**Habitat.**—Pine-Oak Forest, Gallery Forest (1500–3000 m); (Subtropical and Temperate zones, in winter to Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Breeds the central volcanic belt of Mexico from central Durango, Zacatecas, San Luis Potosí, and southern Nuevo León south in the Central Plateau of Mexico to Michoacán, México, Morelos, Puebla, and central Veracruz.

*Winters* in central and south-central Mexico south to Oaxaca.

**Notes.**—Long ago merged with *I. bullockii* on the basis of hybridization in Durango reported by Miller (1906), and carried with *bullockii* into the merger with *I. galbula* (see A.O.U. 1995). However, the small sample of hybrid specimens is close to *bullockii*, and the oriole population at the area of contact is evidently intermittent (Rising 1973); thus, the evidence for free interbreeding between *abeillei* and *bullockii* is weak. Also known as Abeillé’s Oriole.

**Icterus parisorum** Bonaparte. Scott’s Oriole.


**Habitat.**—Arid Montane Scrub, Arid Lowland Scrub, Pine-Oak Forest (0–3000 m; upper Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds from southern California (north in the interior to Santa Barbara and Inyo counties), southern Nevada, southern Idaho (once), southern Utah, western Colorado, southwestern Wyoming, northern New Mexico, and western Texas (locally east to the Edwards Plateau in Kerr, Kendall, and Comal counties) south to southern Baja California, southeastern Sonora, Durango, southeastern Coahuila, and, locally, to Michoacán and northwestern Oaxaca.

*Winters* from southern California (rarely), central Baja California, southern Sonora, Coahuila, and western Nuevo León south to Guerrero and central Oaxaca (west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec), Puebla, and Hidalgo.
Casual north to southern Oregon, central Idaho, central Colorado, and southwestern Kansas, and east to Louisiana. Accidental in Washington (Chehalis), Minnesota (Duluth), Wisconsin (Adams), and western Ontario (Silver Islet Landing).

**Genus AMBLYCERCUS** Cabanis


*Amblycercus holosericeus* (Deppe). Yellow-billed Cacique.

*Sturnus holosericeus* "Lichtenstein." W. Deppe, 1830, Preis.-Verz. Säugeth. Vögel, etc., Mexico, p. 1. (Mexico = Alvarado, Veracruz.)

**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–3000 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [holosericeus group] from southeastern San Luis Potosí, southern Tamaulipas, Veracruz, Puebla, and northern and (possibly) southeastern Oaxaca south along both slopes of Middle America (including the Yucatan Peninsula) to Panama and northern Colombia, south, west of the Andes to northwestern Peru; and [australis group] in South America in the Santa Marta Mountains and Andes of Colombia and northern Venezuela to northern Bolivia.

**Notes.**—Groups: *A. holosericeus* [Prévost’s Cacique] and *A. australis* Chapman, 1919 [Chapman’s Cacique]; see Kratter (1993) and Freeman and Zink (1995). Sometimes (e.g., Blake in Paynter 1968) merged in the genus *Cacicus*, but see, for example, Freeman and Zink (1995), who found that *A. holosericeus* was only distantly related to most members of *Cacicus*.

**Genus CACICUS** Lacépède


*Cassiculus* Swainson, 1827, Philos. Mag. (n.s.) 1: 436. Type, by original designation, *Cassiculus coronatus* Swainson = *Icterus melanicterus* Bonaparte.

**Notes.**—This genus may be paraphyletic (Freeman and Zink 1995).

*Cacicus uropygialis* (Lafresnaye). Scarlet-rumped Cacique.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1100 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident [microrhynchus group] on the Caribbean slope of northeastern Honduras (Olancho, Gracias a Dios) and Nicaragua, and on both slopes of Costa Rica (absent from the dry northwest) and Panama (except eastern Darién); [pacificus group] in extreme southeastern Panama (eastern Darién), western Colombia, and western Ecuador; and [uropygialis group] in South America from northeastern Colombia and northwestern Venezuela south, east of the Andes, to eastern Ecuador and northeastern Peru.

**Notes.**—Groups: *C. microrhynchus* (Sclater and Salvin, 1865) [Scarlet-rumped Cacique], *C. pacificus* Chapman, 1915 [Pacific Cacique], and *C. uropygialis* [Subtropical Cacique]; see Ridgely and Tudor (1989). The *microrhynchus* group is sometimes called Small-billed Cacique or Flame-rumped Cacique, the *uropygialis* group, Curve-billed Cacique.

*Cacicus cela* (Linnaeus). Yellow-rumped Cacique.


**Habitat.**—River-edge Forest, Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest Edge, Secondary Forest (0–100 m; Tropical Zone).
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**Distribution.** — *Resident [vitellinus group]* in Panama (west on Pacific slope to Veraguas and on Caribbean slope to the Canal area) and northern Colombia; and *[cela group]* in western Ecuador and northwestern Peru, and from eastern Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to southern Bolivia and central and eastern Brazil.

**Notes.** — Groups: *C. vitellinus* (Lawrence, 1864) [Saffron-rumped Cacique] and *C. cela* [Yellow-rumped Cacique].

*Cacicus melanicterus* (Bonaparte). Yellow-winged Cacique.


**Habitat.** — Tropical Deciduous Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1500 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.** — *Resident* in the Pacific lowlands from extreme southern Sonora (at least formerly) south to western Chiapas (Tonalá, Monserrate) and, disjunctly, southeastern Guatemala.

**Notes.** — Also known as Mexican Cacique. Often placed in the monotypic genus *Cassicus*.

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**Genus PSAROCOLIUS** Wagler


**Notes.** — This genus may be paraphyletic (Freeman and Zink 1995).

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**Subgenus PSAROCOLIUS** Wagler


**Habitat.** — Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, River-edge Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.** — *Resident* in Panama (Pacific slope of western Chiriquí, Veraguas, and from the Canal area east to Darién, and on the Caribbean slope recorded from western Colón and northern Cochlé east to the Canal area), and in South America from northern and eastern Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad, and the Guianas south, east of the Andes, to northern Argentina and southern Brazil.

*Psarocolius wagleri* (Gray). Chestnut-headed Oropendola.

*Cacicus Wagleri* G. R. Gray, 1845, *Genera Birds* 2: 342, pl. 85. (No locality given = Cobán, Alta Verapaz, Guatemala.)

**Habitat.** — Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1200 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.** — *Resident* from north-central Oaxaca, southern Veracruz, Tabasco, and Chiapas south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Central America to Honduras, on both slopes of Nicaragua, Costa Rica (absent from the dry northwest), and Panama, and in western Colombia and western Ecuador.

**Notes.** — Also known as Wagler’s Oropendola. Often placed in the monotypic genus *Zarhynchus*. 

Subgenus **GYMNOSTINOPS** Sclater


**Psarocolius montezuma** (Lesson). Montezuma Oropendola.

*Cacicus Montezuma* Lesson, 1830, Cent. Zool., livr. 2, p. 33, pl. 7. (Mexico.)

**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest (0–1000 m; Tropical and lower Subtropical zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident from southeastern San Luis Potosí, Veracruz, eastern Puebla, northern Oaxaca, Tabasco, Chiapas, Campeche, and Quintana Roo south on the Gulf-Caribbean slope of Central America (also on Pacific slope of Nicaragua) to central Panama (east to the Canal area).

**Notes.**—*Psarocolius montezuma*, *P. guatimozinus*, and two South American species, *P. cassini* (Richmond, 1898) [Chestnut-mantled Oropendola] and *P. bifasciatus* (Spix, 1824) [Olive Oropendola], appear to constitute a superspecies (Blake in Paynter 1968, Sibley and Monroe 1990); see also Ridgely and Tudor (1989).

**Psarocolius guatimozinus** (Bonaparte). Black Oropendola.


**Habitat.**—Tropical Lowland Evergreen Forest, River-edge Forest (0–800 m; Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—Resident in eastern Panama (Darién) and northwestern Colombia.

**Notes.**—See comments under *P. montezuma*.

Family **FRINGILLIDAE**: Fringilline and Cardueline Finches and Allies

Subfamily **FRINGILLINAE**: Fringilline Finches

**Genus FRINGILLA** Linnaeus


**Fringilla coelebs** Linnaeus. Common Chaffinch.

*Fringilla coelebs* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 179. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Open and partly open country, forest, and woodland.

**Distribution.**—Breeds throughout Eurasia south to the eastern Atlantic islands, Mediterranean region, Asia Minor, Iran, southern Russia, and western Siberia.

**Winters** in the southern part of the breeding range and south to northern Africa and southwestern Asia.

Casual in northeastern North America from Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, and Maine south to Massachusetts, where presumably natural vagrants (Vickery 1980, DeBenedictis 1996). Reports from Wyoming, Indiana, Ohio, Louisiana, and California are more likely to represent escaped cage-birds.

**Notes.**—Known in Old World literature as the Chaffinch.

**Fringilla montifringilla** Linnaeus. Brambling.

*Fringilla montifringilla* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 179. (in Europa = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Mixed deciduous-coniferous forest, forest edge, and birch and willow scrub; in migration and winter also in woodland and weedy fields.
**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to southern Scandinavia, central Russia, Transbaicalia, northern Amurland, Anadyrland, Kamchatka, and the Sea of Okhotsk. One nesting record from Attu, Aleutian Islands, in May 1996.

*Winters* from the British Isles and southern portions of the breeding range south to the Mediterranean region, northern Africa, the Near East, Iran, northwestern India, Tibet, China, Taiwan, and Japan, casually to the Faeroe Islands, Iceland, Madeira, and the Philippines.

*Migrates* regularly through the western Aleutian Islands (Near Islands, casually east to Adak), and casually islands in the Bering Sea (St. Lawrence, and St. Paul in the Pribilofs) and through western and south-coastal Alaska (Hooper Bay east to Cordova).

Casual in western North America from northern and southeastern Alaska, British Columbia, central Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and North Dakota south to central California, Nevada, northern Utah, Colorado, and Minnesota, and east to Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Ontario, Quebec (sight report), Pennsylvania, New York, Massachusetts, New Jersey, and Nova Scotia. Although some records from the northeastern states may be of escaped cage birds, the majority of North American records appear to be based on natural vagrants.

**Subfamily CARDUELINAE: Cardueline Finches**

**Genus LEUCOSTICTE Swainson**

*Leucosticte [subgenus] Swainson, 1832, in Swainson and Richardson, Fauna Bor.-Amer. 2 (1831): 265. Type, by monotypy, *Linaria (Leucosticte) tephrocotis* Swainson.*

**Leucosticte tephrocotis** (Swainson). Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch.

*Linaria (Leucosticte) tephrocotis* Swainson, 1832, in Swainson and Richardson, Fauna Bor.-Amer., 2 (1831), p. 265, pl. 50. (on the Saskatchewan = Carleton House, Saskatchewan.)

**Habitat.**—Barren, rocky, or grassy areas and cliffs among glaciers or beyond timberline; in migration and winter also in open situations, fields, cultivated lands, brushy areas, and around human habitation.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from western and north-central Alaska (north to the Seward Peninsula and Brooks Range), central Yukon, British Columbia, and southwestern Alberta south to southern Alaska (including St. Matthew, Nunivak, and the Pribilof and Aleutian islands), and through the Cascades, Sierra Nevada, and Rocky Mountains to northeastern Oregon, east-central California (to Tulare and Inyo counties), central Idaho, and northwestern Montana, also in the Commander Islands.

*Winters* from the Aleutians, southern mainland Alaska (rarely), British Columbia, southern Alberta, and central Saskatchewan south to western Oregon, central and eastern California, central Nevada, central Utah, northern New Mexico, northwestern Nebraska, and southwestern North Dakota.

Casual on St. Lawrence Island, east to Manitoba, Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, and Ohio, and south to southern California (Ventura County). Accidental in Ontario (Thunder Bay, Dryden), Quebec (St. Norbert, sight report), and Maine (Gorham).

**Notes.**—The three American *Leucosticte* species are sometimes (e.g., Mayr and Short 1970) treated as subspecies of the Asian *L. arctoa* (Pallas, 1811) [Rosy Finch]; limited hybridization between *L. tephrocotis* and *L. atrata* occurs from west-central Idaho to central Montana. If the three American species are merged into a single species distinct from *L. arctoa*, *L. tephrocotis* [American Rosy-Finch] would be the appropriate name.

**Leucosticte atrata** Ridgway. Black Rosy-Finch.

*Leucosticte atrata* Ridgway, 1874, Amer. Sportsman, 4, p. 241. (Cañon City, Colorado.)

**Habitat.**—Barren, rocky, or grassy areas and cliffs among glaciers or beyond timberline; in migration and winter also in open situations, fields, cultivated lands, brushy areas, and around human habitation.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in the mountains from central Idaho, southwestern and south-
central Montana, and northwestern and north-central Wyoming south to northeastern and east-central Nevada (south to the Snake Mountains) and central Utah (to the Tushar and La Sal mountains).

Winters from central Idaho and western and southeastern Wyoming south to eastern California (at least casually), southern Nevada, northern Arizona, and northern New Mexico.
Casual in eastern Oregon and eastern Montana. Accidental in Ohio (Conneaut).

Notes.—See *L. tephrocotis*.


Habitat.—Barren, rocky, or grassy areas and cliffs among glaciers or beyond timberline; in migration and winter also in open situations, fields, cultivated lands, brushy areas, and around human habitation.
Distribution.—Breeds in the mountains from southeastern Wyoming (Medicine Bow Range) south through Colorado to northern New Mexico (Santa Fe region).
Winters generally at lower elevations in the breeding range.

Notes.—See *L. tephrocotis*.

Genus **PINICOLA** Vieillot


**Pinicola enucleator** (Linnaeus). Pine Grosbeak.


Habitat.—Open coniferous (less commonly mixed coniferous-deciduous) forest and forest edge; in migration and winter also in deciduous forest, woodland, and second growth.
Distribution.—Breeds in North America from western and central Alaska, northern Yukon, northwestern and central Mackenzie, northern Manitoba, northern Ontario, northern Quebec, northern Labrador, and Newfoundland south to southern Alaska (west to the base of the Alaska Peninsula and Kodiak Island), British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte Islands), western Alberta, central California (southern Sierra Nevada), extreme west-central Nevada, northern and east-central Arizona, northern New Mexico, and, east of the Rockies, to northern Alberta, northern Saskatchewan, central and southeastern (rarely) Manitoba, south-central Ontario, northern Michigan (rarely), southwestern Quebec, northern New Hampshire, northern Vermont (probably), central Maine, and Nova Scotia; and in the Palearctic from northern Scandinavia east across northern Russia to northern Siberia, and south to northern Mongolia, Sakhalin, the Kuril Islands, Kamchatka, and Japan.
Winters in North America from western and central Alaska, southern Yukon, southern Mackenzie, and southern Canada (east to southern Labrador and Newfoundland) south through the breeding range, casually or sporadically as far as central New Mexico, northern and north-central Texas, northwestern Oklahoma, north-central Arkansas, Missouri, Kentucky, Virginia, and the Carolinas; and in the Old World south to northern Europe, the Amur River, and Ussuriland, casually to the British Isles and central Europe.
Casual or accidental in the Pribilof, western Aleutian (Attu), and Commander islands, and in Bermuda and Greenland.

Genus **CARPODACUS** Kaup


Carpodacus erythrinus (Pallas). Common Rosefinch.

Loxia erythrina Pallas, 1770, Novi Comm. Acad. Sci. Petropol. 14: 587, pl. 23, fig. 1. (Volga and Samara Rivers.)

Habitat.—Swampy woods, brushy meadows, thickets, forest edge, clearings, cultivated areas, and around human habitation.

Distribution.—Breeds from southern Finland, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to central Europe, Asia Minor, the Himalayas, Mongolia, and northern China.

Winters primarily from India east through Southeast Asia to southern China.

Migrates irregularly through the western Aleutians (Attu, Shemya, Buldir) and St. Lawrence Island, occasionally reaching the Pribilofs (St. Paul) and the mainland of western Alaska (Old Chevak), also in the British Isles, western Europe, and Japan.

Notes.—Also known as Scarlet Grosbeak. Mayr and Short (1970) considered C. erythrinus and C. purpureus to constitute a superspecies.

Carpodacus purpureus (Gmelin). Purple Finch.


Habitat.—Open coniferous (especially fir and spruce) and mixed coniferous-deciduous forest, forest edge, open woodland, and second growth; in migration and winter also in deciduous forest, tall brush, weedy areas, and around human habitation.

Distribution.—Breeds from central and northeastern British Columbia, southern Yukon, southwestern Mackenzie, northern and central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, south-central Manitoba, northern Ontario, southern Quebec (including Anticosti Island), and Newfoundland south (west of the Cascades and Sierra Nevada, except in Washington) to southern California, and (east of the Great Plains) to central Alberta, southeastern Saskatchewan, north-central North Dakota, northwestern and central Minnesota, central Michigan, northern Ohio, West Virginia, central Pennsylvania, and southeastern New York.

Winters from southwestern British Columbia south through western Washington, central and western Oregon, and California to northern Baja California, and (rarely) east across central and southern Arizona to southern New Mexico; and from southern Manitoba, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south to central and southeastern Texas, the Gulf coast, and central (casually southern) Florida.

Casual elsewhere in western North America from east-central, south-coastal and southeastern Alaska, eastern Washington, Idaho, and western Montana south to northern Arizona, New Mexico, and extreme western Texas, and north to Franklin District (off Resolution Island) and Labrador (Cartwright). Accidental on St. Lawrence Island, in the Bering Sea.

Notes.—See comments under C. erythrinus.

Carpodacus cassini Baird. Cassin’s Finch.


Habitat.—Open coniferous forest; in migration and winter also in deciduous woodland, second growth, scrub, brushy areas, and partly open situations with scattered trees.

Distribution.—Breeds from southern interior British Columbia, extreme southwestern Alberta, north-central and southeastern Montana, northern Wyoming, southwestern South Dakota (probably), and northwestern Nebraska (rarely) south (generally east of the Cascades and coast ranges) to southern California, northern Baja California (Sierra San Pedro Mártir), southern Nevada, northern Arizona, and northern New Mexico.

Winters from southern British Columbia, northwestern Montana, and east-central Wyo-
ming south to northern Baja California, southern Arizona, and western Texas, and in the Mexican highlands to Durango, Zacatecas, western San Luis Potosí, and Coahuila, casually to coastal and southeastern California, the Tres Marias Islands (off Nayarit), Michoacán, México, and west-central Veracruz.

Casual or irregular north to south-coastal Alaska (Homer, Middleton Island), southwestern British Columbia, southeastern Alberta, and east to northern Minnesota, western Nebraska, western Kansas, western Oklahoma, and central Texas; a sight report for North Dakota.

Notes.—Also known as Cassin's Purple Finch.

_Carpodacus mexicanus_ (Müller). House Finch.

_Fringilla mexicana_ P. L. S. Müller, 1776, Natursyst., Suppl., p. 165. (Mexico = valley of México.)

**Habitat.**—Arid scrub and brush, thornbush, oak-juniper, pine-oak association, chaparral, open woodland, urban areas, cultivated lands, and savanna (Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Breeds [mexicanus group] from southwestern and southern interior British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), northern Idaho, Montana, north-central and southeastern Wyoming, southwestern South Dakota, western Nebraska, west-central Kansas, and western Oklahoma south to southern Baja California (including the Channel Islands off California, and most islands off Baja California, except Guadalupe and the San Benito Islands), central Sonora (including Tiburón and San Pedro Mártir islands), in the Mexican highlands south to central Oaxaca, central Chiapas, and west-central Veracruz, and to eastern San Luis Potosí, Nuevo León, southwestern Tamaulipas, and western and south-central Texas.

Winters [mexicanus group] throughout the breeding range and east to southern Texas.

Resident [mgregori group] formerly on the San Benito Islands, off Baja California, where now extinct (last recorded in 1938), and possibly also on Cedros Island (two records, latest in 1925), where a representative of the mexicanus group is now common; and [amplus group] on Guadalupe Island, off southern Baja California.

Introduced and established [mexicanus group] in the Hawaiian Islands (about 1859, now common on all main islands from Kauai eastward, straggling casually west to Nihoa); and in eastern North America on Long Island, New York (early 1950's), now breeding from Kansas, eastern North Dakota, southern Manitoba, Minnesota, southern Wisconsin, north-central Michigan, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and (possibly) Newfoundland south to north-central and eastern Texas, the Gulf coast (east to the Florida Panhandle), Georgia, and South Carolina.

Casual [mexicanus group] north to southern Alberta and southern Saskatchewan; a sight report from southeastern Alaska (Haines). Reports from Europe probably pertain to escapes from captivity.

Notes.—Groups: _C. mexicanus_ [Common House-Finch], _C. mgregori_ Anthony, 1897 [McGregor’s House-Finch], and _C. amplus_ Ridgway, 1876 [Guadalupe House-Finch].

**Genus Loxia** Linnaeus

_Loxia_ Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 171. Type, by tautonymy, _Loxia curvirostra_ Linnaeus (_Loxia_, prebinomial specific name, in synonymy).

_LOXIA_ Linnaeus

_Loxia curvirostra_ Linnaeus. Red Crossbill.

_Loxia curvirostra_ Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 171. (in Europe = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Coniferous and mixed coniferous-deciduous forest, humid pine-oak association, lowland pine savanna, and suburban areas; in migration and winter also in deciduous forest, woodland, second growth, scrub, weedy fields, and gardens (Subtropical and Temperate zones, locally to Tropical Zone in lowland pine savanna).

**Distribution.**—Breeds in North America from south-coastal and southeastern Alaska (west to the base of the Alaska Peninsula and Kodiak Island), British Columbia (including the Queen Charlotte and Vancouver islands), southern Yukon, southern Mackenzie, northern Alberta, northwestern and central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, central Ontario, southern...
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Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland south to northern Baja California, southern California, southern Nevada, central and southeastern Arizona, in the Middle American highlands through Mexico, Belize, Guatemala, and Honduras to north-central Nicaragua (also in lowland pine savanna in Belize, eastern Honduras, and northeastern Nicaragua), in the Rockies and Plains region east to southeastern Montana, northeastern Wyoming, western South Dakota, northwestern Nebraska, central Colorado, northeastern and central New Mexico (probably), and extreme western Texas (Guadalupe and, probably, Davis mountains), and to southern Manitoba, North Dakota, northern Minnesota, central Wisconsin, northern and central Illinois, southern Michigan, southern Ontario, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, western Virginia (also in the Great Smoky Mountains of eastern Tennessee, western North Carolina, and northwestern Georgia), southeastern New York, and Massachusetts (with isolated breeding in south-central Iowa, northeastern Kansas, Ohio, central and southeastern Arkansas, and east-central Mississippi); and in the Old World from the British Isles, northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to northwestern Africa, the Mediterranean region, Caucasus, Himalayas, southern China, Vietnam, northern Philippines, and Japan.

Winters throughout the breeding range, wandering irregularly and sporadically in the nonbreeding season, occurring in North America south to central Baja California (including Santa Cruz Island off California, and Guadalupe and Cedros islands off Baja California), Sinaloa, southern and eastern Texas, the northern portions of the Gulf states, and casually to southern Georgia and central Florida; and in the Old World casually to the Faeroe Islands, Iceland, Greenland, Bear Island, and Jan Mayen.

Casual or accidental in the Pribilof and Aleutian islands, St. Lawrence Island, Bermuda, and El Salvador.

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as the Crossbill. Apparently at least nine species, differing in morphology and vocalizations, exist in North America, with some breeding sympatrically and mating assortatively (Groth 1988, 1993a, 1993b); however, morphological overlap among some species currently prevents assignment with certainty of some existing type specimens to the groups defined by call types (Groth 1993a). Additional species-level taxa almost certainly exist among the populations outside North America currently assigned to Loxia curvirostra (Groth 1993a).

Loxia leucoptera Gmelin. White-winged Crossbill.


Habitat.—Coniferous forest (especially spruce, fir, or larch), mixed coniferous-deciduous woodland, and forest edge; in migration and winter also in deciduous forest and woodland.


Winters in North America throughout the breeding range, wandering irregularly and sporadically south to western Washington, southern Oregon, southern Idaho, northern Utah, Colorado, central and northeastern New Mexico, northern Texas (Lubbock, Amarillo), central Oklahoma, Arkansas, Kentucky, Virginia, and North Carolina; in Hispaniola in the breeding range; and in the Old World irregularly south to central Europe, Sakhalin, Japan, and the Seven Islands of Izu.
Casual in the Bering Sea (Pribilofs, St. Lawrence Island, and at sea), coastal British Columbia, southern Utah, northern Manitoba, southern Baffin Island, Bermuda, Greenland, the Faeroe Islands, and British Isles; sight reports for northwestern California, northern Florida, and Jamaica.

**Notes.**—Vocal differences between New World and Old World populations suggest that more than one species is involved (Elmberg 1993).

**Genus CARDUELIS** Brisson


Subgenus **ACANTHIS** Borkhausen


**Carduelis flammea** (Linnaeus). Common Redpoll.


**Habitat.**—Forest, scrub and shrubby areas, and open tundra with bushes or dwarf trees; in migration and winter in open woodland, weedy fields, fence rows, and cultivated lands.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* in North America from western and northern Alaska, northern Yukon, northern Mackenzie, southern Victoria Island, northern Keewatin, northern Quebec, Baffin Island, and northern Labrador south to the eastern Aleutians (Unalaska), south-coastal and southeastern Alaska, northwestern British Columbia, central Alberta, northern (casually southern) Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, central and southeastern Quebec, and Newfoundland; and in the Palearctic from Greenland, Iceland, northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to the British Isles, central Europe (Alps), central Russia, southern Siberia, Amurland, Sakhalin, and Kamchatka.

**Winters** in North America from central Alaska, southern Mackenzie, northern Saskatchewan, northern Minnesota, central Ontario, southern Quebec, central Labrador, and Newfoundland south to the southern United States, irregularly or casually to western Oregon, northern California, northern Nevada, northern Utah, central Colorado, Kansas, northern Oklahoma, Arkansas, northern Alabama, and South Carolina; and in the Old World from the southern part of the breeding range south to southern Europe, the northern Mediterranean region, Balkans, Turkestan, Mongolia, eastern China, and Japan.

**Migrates** regularly through the Aleutian Islands.

Introduced and established in New Zealand and on Lord Howe Island.

Casual on Bermuda. Accidental in north-central Texas; sight reports for the Hawaiian Islands (Midway, Kure).

**Notes.**—Known in Old World literature as the Redpoll. *Carduelis flammea* and *C. hornemanni* are often placed in the genus *Acanthis* (e.g., Howell et al. in Paynter 1968); they appear to constitute a superspecies (Mayr and Short 1970). See comments under *C. hornemanni*.

**Carduelis hornemanni** (Holbøll). Hoary Redpoll.


**Habitat.**—Shrubby areas, including sparse low vegetation in open tundra; in migration and winter in open situations, fields, and open woodland.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* [*exilipes* group] in North America in western and northern Alaska (south to Hooper Bay), northern Yukon, northwestern British Columbia, northern and east-central Mackenzie, southern Victoria Island, Keewatin, northeastern Manitoba, Southampton Island, northern Quebec, and northern Labrador, and in Eurasia from northern Scandinavia
east across northern Russia to northern and eastern Siberia; and [hornemanni group] in North America on Ellesmere, Blylot, and northern Baffin islands, and in northern Greenland.

Winters [exilipes group] in North America in the breeding range (except extreme northern areas) and south, irregularly, to southern Canada (British Columbia eastward), Montana, Wyoming, South Dakota, Iowa, Wisconsin, northern Illinois, central Indiana, northern Ohio, New York, West Virginia, Maryland, and New England (sight reports from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Nebraska, and Virginia need verification), and in the Palearctic irregularly to the British Isles, central Europe, central Asia, Japan, Kamchatka, and the Commander Islands; and [hornemanni group] in southern Greenland, casually south to northern Manitoba, Keewatin, northern Michigan, southern Ontario, southern Quebec, Labrador, and the British Isles.

Accidental [hornemanni group] in central Alaska (Fairbanks).

Notes.—Also known as Arctic Redpoll. The two groups may represent separate species, C. exilipes (Coues, 1862) [Hoary Redpoll] and C. hornemanni [Hornemann’s Redpoll]. Species limits in redpolls are complex and controversial. Some authors consider all forms, including both C. flammaea and C. exilipes, to be members of a single species (e.g., Salomonsen 1951, Harris et al. 1965, Troy 1985), whereas others recognize four species (C. flammaea, C. exilipes, C. hornemanni, and C. rostrata (Coues, 1862) [Greater Redpoll] (e.g., Todd 1963, Herremans 1990). Molau (1985) found no evidence for hybridization between C. f. flammaea and C. h. exilipes in Sweden; Knox (1988b) refuted evidence for hybridization between C. f. flammaea and C. h. exilipes, or between C. f. rostrata and C. h. hornemanni. Thus, at least two species are probably involved, and that treatment is followed here. Differences in vocalizations between C. flammaea and C. hornemanni in Eurasia also suggest species rank (Knox 1988b, Herremans 1989, references therein). Nevertheless, the possibility that the two species may represent morphotypes of the same species cannot yet be completely eliminated (Seutin et al. 1992). See comments under C. flammaea.

Subgenus SPinus Koch


Carduelis spinus (Linnaeus). Eurasian Siskin.

Fringilla Spinus Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat., ed. 10, 1, p. 181. (in Europæ juniperetis = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Coniferous woodland, and birch and alder thickets.

Distribution.—Breeds from the British Isles and Scandinavia discontinuously across Eurasia to Siberia, and south to southern Europe, northern Iran, northeastern China, and Japan. Winters in much of the breeding range south to the Mediterranean region, the Middle East, eastern China, and the Philippines.

Accidental in Alaska (Attu, in the Aleutians, 21-22 May 1993, specimen, Univ. Alaska Museum; 1995, Amer. Birds 47: 445; also a sight report 4 June 1978, Roberson 1980: 482). The species has been recorded in southern Ontario (Etobicoke), St. Pierre et Miquelon, Maine (Kittery), Massachusetts (New Bedford and Rockport), and New Jersey (Bloomfield), with additional unconfirmed reports from Wisconsin, New Jersey, Massachusetts (two additional reports), Newfoundland, and Nova Scotia (McLaren et al. 1989). However, there is still question as to the natural origin of these latter birds and they may represent escaped individuals (DeBenedictis 1995).

Notes.—Mayr and Short (1970) considered C. spinus and C. pinus to constitute a superspecies.

Carduelis pinus (Wilson). Pine Siskin.

Fringilla pinus Wilson, 1810, Amer. Ornithol. 2: 133, pl. 17, fig. 1. (Bush-hill in the neighborhood of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.)
Habitat.—Coniferous and mixed coniferous-deciduous forest, woodland, parks, and suburban areas; in migration and winter in a variety of woodland and forest habitats, partly open situations with scattered trees, open fields, pastures, and savanna (Temperate Zone).

Distribution.—Breeds from central and south-coastal Alaska, central Yukon, southwestern Mackenzie, northwestern and east-central Saskatchewan, central Manitoba, northern Ontario, central Quebec, southern Labrador, and Newfoundland south to south-central California, northern Baja California (to Sierra San Pedro Mártir), southern Nevada, northern and southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, western Texas, Chihuahua, Coahuila, the central volcanic belt of Mexico, southwestern Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, central Illinois, central Indiana, southwestern and northern Ohio, Pennsylvania, and southern New Jersey, and in the Appalachian south to western Virginia and western North Carolina, with nesting irregular and sporadic in southern areas of the range east of the Rockies. Recorded in summer (and probably breeding) in the mountains of eastern Tennessee.

Winters throughout the breeding range but mainly in the southern part, and also south, irregularly, into northern Mexico to about 30°N in Baja California and east to about 25°N in Tamaulipas, and to the Gulf coast of the United States and northern Florida (casually to the Florida Keys).

Resident in the mountains of central Chiapas and western Guatemala.

Casual or accidental in the Pribilofs (St. Paul) and eastern Aleutians (Unimak), on St. Lawrence, Bathurst, Cornwallis, and Coats islands, and in northern Manitoba, southern Baja California, and Bermuda.

Notes.—This and the following eight species are often treated in the genus Spinus.

Carduelis atriceps (Salvin). Black-capped Siskin.


Habitat.—Pine Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Second-growth Scrub (2300-3100 m; Temperate Zone).

Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of Chiapas (interior highlands, and Sierra Madre de Chiapas) and Guatemala (Western Highlands).

Notes.—See comments under C. pinus.


Habitat.—Pine-Oak Forest, Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine Forest, Secondary Forest (600-3100 m; Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident from southeastern Sonora, western Chihuahua, Sinaloa, Durango, Zacatecas, eastern San Luis Potosí, southwestern Tamaulipas, and Veracruz south through the highlands of southern Mexico and northern Central America to north-central Nicaragua (also in the lowland pine savanna of northeastern Nicaragua and probably adjacent Honduras).

Notes.—See comments under C. pinus.

Carduelis xanthogastra (Du Bus de Gisignies). Yellow-bellied Siskin.


Habitat.—Montane Evergreen Forest, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (1000-3000 m; upper Tropical and Subtropical zones).

Distribution.—Resident in the highlands of Costa Rica (Cordillera Central, Dota Mountains, and Cordillera de Talamanca) and western Panama (western Chiriquí); and in South America from Colombia and northern Venezuela south to southwestern Ecuador, and in central Bolivia.

Notes.—See comments under C. pinus.
Carduelis cucullata Swainson. Red Siskin.

*Carduelis cucullata* Swainson, 1820, Zool. Illus. (1)(2): pl. 7 and text. ("Spanish Main" = Cumaná, Venezuela.)

**Habitat.**—Open grassy areas with shrubs and bushes, and scrubby hillsides (upper Tropical Zone).

**Distribution.**—*Resident*, at least formerly, in northeastern Colombia, northern Venezuela (including Monos and Gasparee islands), and Trinidad; recorded in the original range during the last 30 years only in Colombia, perhaps approaching extinction there. Introduced and established in southeastern Puerto Rico.

**Notes.**—See comments under *C. pinus*.

Carduelis dominicensis (Bryant). Antillean Siskin.


**Habitat.**—Pine Forest, Secondary Forest, Second-growth Scrub (700-3000 m).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Hispaniola (in the Dominican Republic from the province of La Vega westward, and in southeastern Haiti in the Massif de la Selle and probably also Massif de la Hotte).

**Notes.**—This species is sometimes placed in *Spinus* or in the monotypic genus *Loximitris*.

Carduelis psaltria (Say). Lesser Goldfinch.


**Habitat.**—Partly open situations with scattered trees, woodland edge, second growth, open fields, pastures, and around human habitation (upper Tropical to lower Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—*Resident* from southwestern Washington, western Oregon, northern California, southern Idaho (once), northern Utah, southern Wyoming (possibly), southwestern and central Colorado, and western Oklahoma south to southern Baja California, through Middle America (including the Tres Marías Islands off Nayarit, and Isla Mujeres off Quintana Roo, but in Nicaragua primarily on the Pacific slope), and in South America in Colombia, northern Venezuela, western Ecuador, and northwestern Peru. Introduced and established on Cuba (at least formerly). Casual or accidental in British Columbia, Montana, southwestern South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri (Kansas City), Arkansas, southern Louisiana (Cameron, Gretna), Kentucky (Elizabethtown), and Maine (Georgetown); sight reports for North Dakota, southern Ontario, and North Carolina.

**Notes.**—Also known as Dark-backed Goldfinch or Arkansas Goldfinch. See comments under *C. pinus*.

Carduelis lawrencei Cassin. Lawrence’s Goldfinch.


**Habitat.**—Oak woodland, chaparral, riparian woodland, pinyon-juniper association, and weedy areas, in arid regions but usually near water.

**Distribution.**—*Breeds* from north-central (casually northwestern) California south (west of the Sierra Nevada) to southern California, and in northwestern Baja California and (formerly) western and southern Arizona. *Winters* irregularly from north-central California, central Arizona, southwestern New Mexico (rarely), and western Texas (casually) south to northern Baja California (to lat. 30° S.), northern Sonora, and southern Arizona. Casual in southern Oregon and southern Nevada.

**Notes.**—See comments under *C. pinus*. 
Carduelis tristis (Linnaeus). American Goldfinch.


Habitat.—Weedy fields, cultivated lands, open deciduous and riparian woodland, forest edge, second growth, orchards, and farmlands.

Distribution.—Breeds from southern British Columbia (including Vancouver Island), north-central Alberta, central Saskatchewan, west-central and southern Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec (including Anticosti Island), New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and southwestern Newfoundland south to southern California (west of the Sierra Nevada and southeastern deserts), eastern Oregon, central Nevada, southern Utah, southern Colorado, northern New Mexico (probably), central Oklahoma, extreme northeastern Texas, northern Louisiana, northern Mississippi, central Alabama, central Georgia, and South Carolina.

Winters from southern British Columbia, the northern United States, southern Manitoba, southern Ontario, southwestern Quebec, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia south to northern Baja California, northern Sonora, southern New Mexico, western and southern Texas, the Gulf coast, and southern Florida (including Florida Keys), and eastern Mexico south to Veracruz.

Casual north to southeastern Alaska, northern Ontario, central Quebec, and southern Labrador, and in Bermuda, the northern Bahama Islands (Grand Bahama, Abaco, Bimini), and Cuba (Cádenas).

Notes.—See comments under C. pinus.

Subgenus CARDUELIS Brisson

Carduelis carduelis (Linnaeus). European Goldfinch.

Fringilla carduelis Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 180. (in Europæ juniperetis = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Partly open situations with scattered trees, open woodland, weedy areas, pastures, cultivated lands, forest edge, clearings, and around human habitation.

Distribution.—Breeds in Eurasia from the British Isles, central Scandinavia, central Russia, and southern Siberia south to the eastern Atlantic islands, Mediterranean region, northern Africa, the Near East, Himalayas, and Mongolia, the northern populations partially migratory.

Winters in the southern parts of the breeding range.

Introduced in Bermuda, Uruguay, and the Australian region; also introduced widely elsewhere in North America (Oregon, Missouri, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts) but not presently established in any of these localities. Occasional reports from North America in these areas and elsewhere (California, Wisconsin, Illinois, and widely in the northeastern United States) almost certainly are based on birds escaped from captivity.

Notes.—Known in Old World literature as the Goldfinch.

Carduelis sinica (Linnaeus). Oriental Greenfinch.

Fringilla sinica Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 321. Based on "Le Pinçon de la Chine" Brisson, Ornithologie 3: 175, pl. 7, fig. 2. (in China = Macao.)

Habitat.—Open woodland (including pine) and cultivated areas with trees or bushes.

Distribution.—Breeds from Amurland, Ussuriland, Sakhalin, the Kuril Islands, and Kamchatka south to central and eastern China, Japan, and the Bonin and Volcano islands.

Winters mostly in the southern portions of the breeding range, casually south to Taiwan.

Migrates casually through the western Aleutian Islands (Attu, Shemya, Buldir). A bird reported from California is regarded as of questionable origin.

Notes.—Also known as Chinese Greenfinch.
Genus **SERINUS** Koch

*Serinus* C. L. Koch, 1816, Syst. Baier. Zool. 1: 228, pl. 6A, fig. 50. Type, by monotypy, *Serinus hortulanus* Koch = *Fringilla serinus* Linnaeus.

**Serinus mozambicus** (Müller). Yellow-fronted Canary.

*Fringilla mozambica* P. L. S. Müller, 1776, Natursyst., Suppl., p. 163. (Mozambique.)

**Habitat.**—Primarily parks and open woodland (Hawaii) or coastal sea grape forest (Puerto Rico); in Africa, open woodland, grasslands, cultivated areas, and parks.

**Distribution.**—**Resident** throughout most of Africa south of the Sahara and east to Ethiopia and Somalia.

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (since 1964, common locally in western Hawaii and in small numbers on Oahu), northeastern Puerto Rico, and the Mascarene Islands (in the Indian Ocean).

**Notes.**—Also known as Green Singing-Finch.

**Serinus canaria** (Linnaeus). Common Canary.

*Fringilla Canaria* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 181. (in Canariis insulis = Canary Islands.)

**Habitat.**—Primarily groves of ironwood trees; in native range, open woodland and cultivated districts with trees and shrubs.

**Distribution.**—**Resident** in the Azores, Madeira, and western Canary Islands. Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (on Midway since at least 1912, presently surviving in small numbers) and on Bermuda. Escaped cage birds occur widely in continental areas of North America and Puerto Rico but have not established breeding populations.

**Notes.**—Also known as the Canary.

Genus **PYRRHULA** Brisson


**Pyrrhula pyrrhula** (Linnaeus). Eurasian Bullfinch.

*Loxia Pyrrhula* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 171. (in Europæ sylvis = Sweden.)

**Habitat.**—Coniferous and mixed coniferous-deciduous forest, less commonly open deciduous woodland and parks; in migration and winter also in scrub and partly open situations with scattered trees.

**Distribution.**—Breeds [pyrrhula group] from the British Isles, northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to southern Europe, the Balkans, northern Iran, Ussuriland, Sakhalin, Japan, the Kuril Islands, and Kamchatka; [cineracea group] in southern Siberia and northern Mongolia.

Winters throughout the breeding range and [pyrrhula group] south to southern Europe and central China; and [cineracea group] south to Korea, northern China, and southern Japan.

Migrates [pyrrhula group] casually in Alaska on St. Lawrence and Nunivak islands, through the western Aleutians (Attu, Shemya), and to the mainland of western and south-coastal Alaska (Aniak, Nulato, Anchorage); sight reports from central and southeastern Alaska.

Resident [murina group] in the Azores.

**Notes.**—Known in Old World literature as the Bullfinch. Groups: *P. pyrrhula* [Eurasian Bullfinch], *P. cineracea* Cabanis, 1872 [Baikal Bullfinch], and *P. murina* Godman, 1866 [Azores Bullfinch].
Genus *Coccothraustes* Brisson

*Coccothraustes* Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 36, 3: 218. Type, by tautonymy, *Coccothraustes* Brisson = *Loxia coccothraustes* Linnaeus.


*Coccothraustes abeillei* (Lesson). Hooded Grosbeak.


**Habitat.**—Montane Evergreen Forest, Pine-Oak Forest, Pine Forest (900-3200 m; Subtropical and Temperate zones).

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of Sinaloa, southern Chihuahua, and Durango; and from Michoacán, México, Hidalgo, southeastern San Luis Potosí, southwestern Tamaulipas, and west-central Veracruz south through Guerrero, Oaxaca, and Chiapas to central Guatemala and northern El Salvador.

**Notes.**—Also known as Abeillé’s Grosbeak. See comments under *C. vespertinus*.

*Coccothraustes vespertinus* (Cooper). Evening Grosbeak.


**Habitat.**—Coniferous (primarily spruce and fir) and mixed coniferous-deciduous woodland, second growth, and occasionally parks; in migration and winter in a variety of forest and woodland habitats, and around human habitation (Subtropical and Temperate zones).


**Winters** throughout the breeding range and south, sporadically, to southern California, southern Arizona, Oaxaca (Cerro San Felipe, where possibly resident), western and central Texas, the northern portions of the Gulf states, Georgia, and South Carolina, casually to the Gulf coast and central Florida.


**Notes.**—*Coccothraustes vespertinus* and *C. abeillei* are often placed in the genus *Hesperiphona*.

*Coccothraustes coccothraustes* (Linnaeus). Hawfinch.

*Loxia Coccothraustes* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 171. (in Europa australiori = Italy.)

**Habitat.**—Mixed deciduous-coniferous or deciduous forest, woodland, parks, bushy areas, scrub, and cultivated lands.

**Distribution.**—Breeds from the British Isles, southern Scandinavia, central Russia, and central Siberia south to northwestern Africa, the Mediterranean region, Asia Minor, northern Iran, Transbaicalia, Amurland, Manchuria, Ussuriland, Sakhalin, and Japan.

**Winters** throughout the breeding range and south to northern Africa, southern Iran, northwestern India, northern China, and the Ryukyu, Bonin, and Volcano islands.

Casual in the western and central Aleutians (from Attu to Adak), Pribilofs (St. Paul), and as far north as St. Lawrence Island and the mainland of western Alaska (Noatak River).
Notes.—Generic and specific limits of the Hawaiian Honeycreepers have been subjects of numerous recent studies, but remain in dispute (e.g., Raikow 1977, Sibley and Ahlquist 1982a, 1992a, 1992b, Johnson et al. 1989, Tarr and Fleischer 1993, Olson and James 1995). The taxonomy presented here differs from that in the A.O.U. Checklist 6th Ed. (1983) principally by incorporating additional species-level splits among superspecies that occur on more than one of the Hawaiian islands.

Genus *TELESPIZA* Wilson


Notes.—Relationships among the seven genera from *Telespiza* through *Chloridops* were debated for decades. All species in these genera were treated by Amadon (1950) under the single genus *Psittirostra*, whereas Greenway (in Paynter 1968) treated *Psittirostra* as distinct, with the rest combined into the genus *Loxioideos*. Banks and Laybourne (1977) and Pratt (1979) advocated recognizing the separate genera, and this treatment has been followed by subsequent authors (e.g. A.O.U. 1983, Pratt et al. 1987, Sibley and Monroe 1990, Olson and James 1982).

*Telespiza cantans* Wilson. Laysan Finch.

*Telespyza* [sic] cantans S. B. Wilson, 1890, Ibis, p. 341, pl. 9. (Midway Island, North Pacific, error = Laysan Island.)

Habitat.—*Scaevola* thickets, bunch-grass, and low bushy areas.

Distribution.—Resident on Laysan Island, in the Hawaiian Islands. Introduced and established on islets in Pearl and Hermes Reef, formerly also on Midway (but now extirpated).

Notes.—*Telespiza cantans* and *T. ultima* have been considered conspecific (e.g., Amadon 1950, Greenway in Paynter 1968), but Banks and Laybourne (1977) showed that they are distinct species. Sibley and Monroe (1990) considered them to constitute a superspecies, but fossils indicate that these taxa were broadly sympatric before human arrival (James and Olson 1991).

*Telespiza ultima* Bryan. Nihoa Finch.

*Telespiza ultima* Bryan, 1917, Auk 34: 70, 71. (Nihoa Island, Hawaiian Group.)

Habitat.—Rock outcroppings and shrub-covered slopes.


Notes.—See comments under *T. cantans*.

Genus *PSITTIROSTRA* Temminck


Notes.—See comments under *Telespiza*.

*Loxia psittacea* (Gmelin). Ou.


Habitat.—Humid montane forest.

Distribution.—Probably extinct. Resident until recently in very small numbers in the mountains of Kauai (Alakai plateau; last documented sighting in 1989) and Hawaii (Mauna Loa; extirpated 1984), formerly also on Oahu (last reported in late 1890's), Molokai (last
reported 1907, extirpated before 1948), Lanai (last reported in 1923, extirpated by 1932),
and Maui (last reported before 1930), in the Hawaiian Islands.

Genus **DYSMORODREPANIS** Perkins

monotypy, *Dysmorodrepanis munroi* Perkins.

Notes.—See comments under *Telespiza*.

†*Dysmorodrepanis munroi* Perkins. Lanai Hookbill.

*Dysmorodrepanis munroi* Perkins, 1919, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 9, 3, p. 251. (Kaih-
olena Valley, Island of Lanai.)

Habitat.—Forest.

Distribution.—**EXTINCT**. Known only from a single specimen taken in 1913 on Lanai,
in the Hawaiian Islands.

Notes.—Formerly (Greenway 1939, Amadon 1950) thought to be based on an aberrant
specimen of *Psittirostra psittacea* but shown to be a valid species by James et al. (1989).

Genus **LOXIOIDES** Oustalet

*Loxioides bailleui* Oustalet.

Notes.—See comments under *Telespiza*.

*Loxioides bailleui* Oustalet. Palila.


Habitat.—Dry mamane-naio forest at higher elevations.

Distribution.—**Resident** in the mountains of Hawaii (Mauna Kea; formerly on the western
slope of Mauna Loa and on Hualalai), in the Hawaiian Islands.

Genus **RHODACANTHIS** Rothschild

designation (Bryan and Greenway, 1944), *Rhodacanthis palmeri* Rothschild.

Notes.—See comments under *Telespiza*.

†*Rhodacanthis flaviceps* Rothschild. Lesser Koa-Finch.

Hawaii, Sandwich group.)

Habitat.—Humid montane forest, primarily koa.

Distribution.—**EXTINCT**. Formerly resident at higher elevations in the mountains of the
Kona district of Hawaii, in the Hawaiian Islands (last collected in 1891).

Notes.—Also known as Yellow-headed Koa-Finch.

†*Rhodacanthis palmeri* Rothschild. Greater Koa-Finch.

*Rhodacanthis Palmeri* Rothschild, 1892, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6)10: 111. (Kona, Ha-
waii, Sandwich Islands.)

Habitat.—Humid montane forest, primarily koa.

Distribution.—**EXTINCT**. Formerly resident at higher elevations in the mountains of the
Kona district of Hawaii, in the Hawaiian Islands (last collected in 1896).

Notes.—Also known as Orange Koa-Finch.
Genus **CHLORIDOPS** Wilson


**Notes.**—See comments under *Telespiza*.


**Habitat.**—Medium-sized trees (especially naio) on lava flows with little ground cover.

**Distribution.**—**EXTINCT.** Formerly resident on Hawaii (Kona district; last reported in about 1894), in the Hawaiian Islands.

**Notes.**—Also known as Grosbeak Finch.

Genus **PSEUDONESTOR** Rothschild


**Habitat.**—Humid montane forest, especially koa.

**Distribution.**—Resident in small numbers in the mountains of eastern Maui (windward slopes of Haleakala), in the Hawaiian Islands.

**Notes.**—Also known as the Pseudonestor.

Genus **HEMIGNATHUS** Lichtenstein


**Notes.**—Generic limits of *Hemignathus* and allies are controversial and subjects of current study. Despite protestations to the contrary (e.g., Amadon 1986, Olson and James 1988, 1995), we continue to follow Pratt (1979) in treating the enlarged genus as a natural assemblage, but this will no doubt change as current genetic analyses become available for evaluation. The enlarged genus contains three groups, referred to by Olson and James (1995) as the Amakihis, the Akialoas, and the Nukupuus (the last including the Akiapolaau). Olson and James (1988, 1995) treated these three groups as separate genera and proposed a new generic name for the Akialoas because the traditional genus for this group (*Heterorhynchus*) has the same type species as the genus *Hemignathus*, and therefore is not a valid name.

*Hemignathus virens* (Gmelin). Hawaii Amakihi.


**Habitat.**—Humid ohia forest, drier mamane-naio forest, and subalpine scrub, mostly at higher elevations but seasonally to lowland forest, including some exotic plantings; also a small population in remnant lowland dry forest in South Kohala District of Hawaii.
**Distribution.**—Resident in the Hawaiian Islands on [wilsoni group] Molokai, Lanai (formerly), and Maui, and [virens group] Hawaii.

**Notes.**—This and the following four species are sometimes placed in *Viridonia* (e.g., Greenway in Paynter 1968) or *Loxops* (Amadon 1947, 1950, James and Olson 1991). The following two species, *H. flavus* and *H. kauaiensis*, have been considered conspecific with *virens* (e.g., Greenway in Paynter 1968) but are here considered members of a superspecies based on studies by Johnson et al. (1989) and Tarr and Fleischer (1993). Johnson et al. (1989) showed that the group on Molokai, Maui, and Lanai (*H. wilsoni* Rothschild, 1893 [Maui Amakihi]) is genetically closest to *virens*. If the four taxa (*virens*, *wilsoni*, *flavus*, and *kauaiensis*) are treated as races of a single species, they are known collectively as Common Amakihi.

*Hemignathus flavus* (Bloxam). Oahu Amakihi.

*Nectarinia flava* Bloxam, 1827, in Byron, Voyage H. M. S. Blonde, App. 3, p. 249. (Oahu.)

*Himatione chloris* Cabanis, 1850, Mus. Heineanun, 1, p. 99. (Oahu.)

**Habitat.**—Humid montane forest, often with *Eucalyptus*; formerly to sea level.

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Hawaiian Islands on Oahu.

**Notes.**—Olson (1996) showed that the name *H. flavus* Bloxam, 1827, has priority over *H. chloris* Cabanis. See notes under *H. virens*.

*Hemignathus kauaiensis* Pratt. Kauai Amakihi.


**Habitat.**—Humid koa/ohia forest above 1100 m, formerly lower.

**Distribution.**—Resident in the Hawaiian Islands on Kauai.

**Notes.**—If this species is not placed in the genus *Hemignathus*, its specific name reverts to *stejnegeri*. See notes under *H. virens*.

*Hemignathus parvus* (Stejneger). Anianiau.


**Habitat.**—Humid montane forest, primarily ohia.

**Distribution.**—Resident in the mountains of Kauai (Kokee, and the Alakai plateau) in the Hawaiian Islands.

**Notes.**—Also known as Lesser Amakihi. See comments under *H. virens*.

†*Hemignathus sagittirostris* (Rothschild). Greater Amakihi.


**Habitat.**—Humid montane forest at middle elevations.

**Distribution.**—EXTINCT. Formerly resident in the mountains of Hawaii (windward slopes of Mauna Kea; last collected in 1901, and not confirmed since), in the Hawaiian Islands.

**Notes.**—See comments under *H. virens*.

†*Hemignathus obscurus* (Gmelin). Lesser Akialoa.


**Habitat.**—Humid montane forest, especially ohia, locally in lowland forest.
**Distribution.**—EXTINCT. Formerly *resident* in the mountains of Hawaii (last collected in 1903, and not confirmed since), in the Hawaiian Islands.

**Notes.**—*Hemignathus obscurus* and *H. ellisianus* are sometime treated as conspecific (e.g., Greenway *in* Paynter 1968, Olson and James 1982), in which case *H. obscurus* [Akialoa] is the appropriate name. Treated as *Akialoa obscura* [Hawaiian Akialoa] by Olson and James (1995). See comments under *H. ellisianus*.

*Hemignathus ellisianus* (Gray). Greater Akialoa.


*Hemignathus procerus* Cabanis, 1890, J. Ornithol. 39: 331. (Kauai.)

**Habitat.**—Humid montane forest.

**Distribution.**—Probably extinct. Formerly *resident* [stejnegeri group] in the mountains of Kauai (Alakai plateau; last collected in 1960, sight report in 1969), [ellisiana group] in the mountains of Oahu (last recorded 1837, sight report in 1892), and [lanaiensis group] Lanai (last collected 1892, sight report 1894), in the Hawaiian Islands.

**Notes.**—The ellisiana and lanaiensis groups were formerly (A.O.U. 1983) merged with *H. obscurus* [Hawaiian Akialoa] and the stejnegeri group was kept separate under the name *H. procerus* Cabanis, 1890 [Kauai Akialoa]. See Olson and James (1988) for replacement of procerus by stejnegeri Wilson, 1889. Because obscurus is morphologically the most distinctive member of the complex (Pratt 1979, Olson and James 1982), we recognize it as a separate species and merge the others under the oldest name, *ellisianus*. Olson and James (1995) recommended that each island's population be recognized as a separate species in the genus *Akialoa*: *A. ellisiana* [Kauai Akialoa], *A. lanaiensis* (Rothschild, 1893) [Lanai Akialoa], and *A. stejnegeri* (Wilson, 1989) [Kauai Akialoa].


**Habitat.**—Humid montane forest, especially ohia and koa.

**Distribution.**—Possibly extinct, or *resident* locally in precariously small numbers in the Hawaiian Islands, with unverified sightings in recent years on Kauai (Alakai plateau region) and eastern Maui (windward slopes of Haleakala); formerly also on Oahu (last recorded in 1839).

*Hemignathus munroi* Pratt. Akiapolaau.

*Heterorhynchus wilsoni* (not *Himatione wilsoni* Rothschild, April 1893) Rothschild, November 1893, Avifauna Laysan, p. 75. (Hawaii.)


**Habitat.**—Montane forest, especially koa or mamane-naio but also in mamane-naio parkslands.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in small numbers in widely separated areas on Hawaii (windward slopes of Mauna Kea and forested regions of Mauna Loa), in the Hawaiian Islands.

**Notes.**—Formerly known as *H. wilsoni*, but enlarging the genus *Hemignathus* to include the Amakihi and Nukupuu complexes (Pratt 1979) required the new name *munroi*. If this species is not placed in the genus *Hemignathus*, then its specific name reverts to *wilsoni*.

Genus **OREOMYSTIS** Stejneger


Notes.—Relationships in the “Hawaiian Creeper” complex were reviewed by Pratt (1992a), who showed that two genera are involved, *Oreomystis* and *Paroreomyza*. Pratt (1979) questioned the familial affinities of *Paroreomyza*, but Johnson et al. (1989) presented allozyme evidence for the sister-group relationship between *Oreomystis* and *Paroreomyza*.

### Oreomystis bairdi* (Steyneger). Akikiki.


**Habitat.**—Humid montane forest, especially ohia.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in small numbers in the mountains of Kauai (Alakai plateau and, until recently, Kokee), in the Hawaiian Islands.

**Notes.**—Known also as the Kauai Creeper.

### Oreomystis mana* (Wilson). Hawaii Creeper.


**Habitat.**—Humid montane forest, especially koa-ohia.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* on Hawaii, in the Hawaiian Islands.

**Notes.**—Placed in the genus *Loxops* by Olson and James (1995) and previous authors. Placement within *Loxops* also is supported by recent biochemical evidence (Fleischer et al. in press).

### Genus PAROREOMYZA Perkins


**Notes.**—See comments under *Oreomystis*.

### Paroreomyza maculata* (Cabanis). Oahu Alauahio.

*Himatione maculata* Cabanis, 1850, *Mus. Heineanum* 1: 100 (footnote). (Oahu.)

**Habitat.**—Humid montane forest.

**Distribution.**—*Probably extinct*. Formerly *resident* in the mountains of Oahu (Waianae and Koolau ranges; last reported in 1986), in the Hawaiian Islands.

**Notes.**—Also known as Oahu Creeper.

### Paroreomyza flammaea* (Wilson). Kakawahie.


**Habitat.**—Humid montane forest.

**Distribution.**—*Probably extinct*. Formerly *resident* in the mountains of Molokai (last reported in 1962), in the Hawaiian Islands.

**Notes.**—Also known as Molokai Creeper.

### Paroreomyza montana* (Wilson). Maui Alauahio.


**Habitat.**—Humid montane forest and subalpine scrub.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in the mountains of eastern Maui (slopes of Haleakala, formerly also on western Maui); and formerly on Lanai (last recorded in 1937), in the Hawaiian Islands.

**Notes.**—Also known as Maui Creeper.

### Genus LOXOPS Cabanis


_Habitat_.—Humid montane forest, preferring ohia.
_Distribution_.—_Resident_ in the mountains of Kauai (Kokee, and the Alakai plateau), in the Hawaiian Islands.
_Notes_.—Sometimes called the Kauai Akepa. _Loxops caeruleirostris_, formerly considered a subspecies of _L. coccineus_ (e.g., Greenway in Paynter 1968), was recognized as a distinct species by Pratt (1989b).

Loxops coccineus (Gmelin). Akepa.


_Habitat_.—Humid montane forest, primarily ohia-koa.
_Distribution_.—_Resident_ in the mountains [wolstenholmei group] on Oahu (formerly, not recorded since the early 1900’s); [ochraceus group] on eastern Maui (probably extinct); and [coccineus group] on Hawaii (rare and local).
_Notes_.—Sometimes called the Common Akepa. Groups: _L. wolstenholmei_ Rothschild, 1893 [Oahu Akepa], _L. ochraceus_ Rothschild, 1893 [Maui ], and _L. coccineus_ [Hawaii Akepa]. _Loxops rufus_, based on _Fringilla rufa_ Bloxam, 1827, and generally used for the Oahu Akepa, is preoccupied by _Fringilla rufa_ Wilson, 1811 [= _Passerella iliaca_] (Olson 1986). See comments under _L. caeruleirostris_.

Genus _CIRIDOPS_ Newton

_Ciridops_ Newton, 1892, _Nature 45_: 469. Type, by monotypy, _Fringilla anna_ Dole.

†_Ciridops anna_ (Dole). Ula-ai-hawane.

_Fringilla anna_ Dole, 1878, in Thrum, Hawaiian Almanac Annual (1879), p. 49. (Hawaii.)

_Habitat_.—Montane forest, especially loulu palm.
_Distribution_.—_Extinct_. Formerly _resident_ in the mountains of Hawaii (Kona and Hilo districts, and Kohala Mountains, last collected in early 1890’s), in the Hawaiian Islands.

Genus _VESTIARIA_ Jarocki

_Vestiaria_ Jarocki, 1821, _Zoologia_ 2: 75. Type, by monotypy, _Certhia vestiaria_ Latham = _Certhia coccinea_ Forster.

_Notes_.—Pratt (1979) proposed merging this genus with _Drepanis_.

_Vestiaria coccinea_ (Forster). Iiwi.


_Habitat_.—Native montane forest.
_Distribution_.—_Resident_ on Kauai, Oahu (very small numbers), Maui, and Hawaii, formerly Molokai and Lanai, in the Hawaiian Islands.

Genus _DREPANIS_ Temminck

_Drepanis_ Temminck, 1820, _Man. Ornithol._ (ed. 2) 1: 86. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), _Certhia pacifica_ Gmelin.

_Notes_.—See comments under _Vestiaria_.

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_Habitat_.—Humid montane forest, preferring ohia.
_Distribution_.—_Resident_ in the mountains of Kauai (Kokee, and the Alakai plateau), in the Hawaiian Islands.
_Notes_.—Sometimes called the Kauai Akepa. _Loxops caeruleirostris_, formerly considered a subspecies of _L. coccineus_ (e.g., Greenway in Paynter 1968), was recognized as a distinct species by Pratt (1989b).
†Drepanis pacifica (Gmelin). Hawaii Mamo.


Habitat.—Humid montane forest, specializing on lobeliad flowers.
Distribution.—EXTINCT. Formerly resident in the mountains of Hawaii (last recorded in 1898), in the Hawaiian Islands.
Notes.—Also known as the Mamo.

†Drepanis funerea Newton. Black Mamo.


Habitat.—Humid montane forest, specializing on lobeliad flowers.
Distribution.—EXTINCT. Formerly resident in the mountains of Molokai (last recorded in 1907), in the Hawaiian Islands.
Notes.—Also known as Perkins’s Mamo.

Genus PALMERIA Rothschild

Palmeria Rothschild, 1893, Ibis, p. 113. Type, by monotypy, Palmeria mirabilis Rothschild = Himatione dolei Wilson.

Palmeria dolei (Wilson). Akohekohe.


Habitat.—Humid montane forest, especially ohia.
Distribution.—Resident in the mountains of eastern Maui (windward slopes of Haleakala), formerly also on Molokai (last reported in 1907), in the Hawaiian Islands.
Notes.—Also known as Crested Honeycreeper.

Genus HIMATIONE Cabanis

Himatione Cabanis, 1850, Mus. Heineanum 1: 99. Type, by monotypy, Certhia sanguinea Gmelin.

Himatione sanguinea (Gmelin). Apapane.


Habitat.—Humid montane forests, primarily ohia-koa, but occasionally in mixed native-exotic forest, and [freethii group] in brushy areas and bunch-grass.
Distribution.—Resident [sanguinea group] in the mountains in the Hawaiian Islands (all main islands from Kauai eastward); and [freethii group] formerly on Laysan Island (extirpated in 1923).
Accidental [sanguinea group] on Niihau.
Notes.—Groups: H. sanguinea [Apapane] and H. freethii Rothschild, 1892 [Laysan Honeycreeper].

Genus MELAMPROSOPS Casey and Jacobi


Notes.—The affinity of this recently discovered genus within the Drepanidinae is unknown, and Pratt (1992b) presented evidence that it may not belong in this group at all.

Melamprosops phaeosoma Casey and Jacobi. Poo-uli.

FAMILY PLOCEIDAE

Habitat.—Humid montane forest, primarily ohia.

Distribution.—Resident in precariously small numbers in the mountains of Maui (Hanawi region of the windward slopes of Haleakala), in the Hawaiian Islands.

Notes.—Known also as Black-faced Honeycreeper.

Family PASSERIDAE: Old World Sparrows

Genus PASSER Brisson

Passer Brisson, 1760, Ornithologie 1: 36; 3: 71. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1840), Passer domesticus Brisson = Fringilla domestica Linnaeus.

Passer domesticus (Linnaeus). House Sparrow.

Fringilla domestica Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 183. (in Europa = Sweden.)

Habitat.—Vicinity of human habitation (Tropical to Temperate zones).

Distribution.—Resident from the British Isles, northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to northwestern Africa, the Mediterranean region, northeastern Africa, Arabia, India (including Sri Lanka), and Southeast Asia.

Introduced (initially in 1850 at Brooklyn, New York, with several subsequent introductions elsewhere in the northeast through 1867) and established in North America, presently resident from central and southeastern British Columbia, southwestern Mackenzie, northwestern and central Saskatchewan, northern Manitoba, central Ontario, southern Quebec (including Anticosti and Magdalen islands), and Newfoundland south throughout southern Canada, the continental United States, and most of Mexico to Veracruz, Oaxaca, and Chiapas, locally in Central America (where range expanding rapidly in recent years) south to Panama (east to eastern Panamá province); also in the Hawaiian Islands (Honolulu in 1871, since spreading throughout all main islands), Bahama Islands (Grand Bahama, New Providence), Cuba (late 1890's), Jamaica (1903-1966, 1992-1993), Hispaniola (1978), Puerto Rico (1978), the Virgin Islands (St. Thomas, early 1950's), Aruba, Curaçao, South America (western Colombia to Chile, and eastern Brazil to Paraguay, Argentina, and the Falkland Islands), southern and eastern Africa, islands in the Indian Ocean, Australia, and New Zealand. Sight report from the Revillagigedo Islands (Socorro Island).

Passer montanus (Linnaeus). Eurasian Tree Sparrow.

Fringilla montana Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 183. (in Europa = Bagnacavallo, Ravenna, Italy.)

Habitat.—Open woodland, fields, cultivated lands, and around human habitation.

Distribution.—Resident from the British Isles, northern Scandinavia, northern Russia, and northern Siberia south to the Mediterranean region, Iran, Afghanistan, northern India, Southeast Asia, Sumatra, Java, Bali, the Himalayas, Sea of Okhotsk, and on Pacific islands from Sakhalin and the Kuril Islands south through Japan to Hainan, Taiwan, and the Ryukyu Islands.

Introduced and established at St. Louis, Missouri (1870), whence it has spread into east-central Missouri and western Illinois, with stragglers reported in southern Manitoba, southern Ontario, Minnesota, Wisconsin, southeastern Iowa (West Branch), Indiana (Marshall), and western Kentucky (Lone Oak); sight reports to northern Illinois; introduced in Bermuda (now extirpated), and established in Borneo, Sulawesi, the Philippines, Micronesia, and Australia.

Notes.—Also known as European Tree Sparrow and, in Old World literature, as the Tree Sparrow.

Family PLOCEIDAE: Weavers

Subfamily PLOCEINAE: Typical Weavers

Genus PLOCEUS Cuvier

680 FAMILY ESTRILDIDAE

Ploceus cucullatus (Müller). Village Weaver.

Oriolus cucullatus P. L. S. Müller, 1776, Natursyst., Suppl., p. 87. (Senegal.)

Habitat.—Forest, woodland, scrub, brush, vegetation near water, and around human habitation.

Distribution.—Resident [cucullatus group] in West Africa from Senegal eastward, and across the Congo region to Sudan, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Uganda, and western Kenya; [collaris group] from Gabon to northern Angola; and [nigriceps group] from southern Somalia south through eastern Kenya and Tanzania to southern Africa.

Introduced [cucullatus group] and established on Hispaniola (including Saona and Catalина islands).

Notes.—Also known as Black-headed Weaver. Groups: P. cucullatus [Black-headed Weaver], P. collaris Vieillot, 1819 [Mottled Weaver], and P. nigriceps (Layard, 1867) [Layard’s Weaver].

Genus EUPLECTES Swainson


Notes.—Members of this genus are sometimes known under the group name Bishopbird.

Euplectes franciscanus (Isert). Orange Bishop.


Habitat.—Open grassland and edges of swamps, rice, and cane fields; weedy areas.

Distribution.—Resident in Africa from Senegal and Sudan south to Cameroon, eastern Congo region, northern Uganda, and northeastern Kenya.

Introduced and established in southern California and Puerto Rico; introductions in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu) and Bermuda are not known to have become established.

Notes.—Formerly (A.O.U. 1983) considered conspecific with E. orix (Linnaeus, 1758) [Red Bishop] but seperated following Hall and Moreau (1970). Johnston and Garrett (1994) noted that this species rather than orix is present in southern California. Also known as Northern Red Bishop.

Euplectes afer (Gmelin). Yellow-crowned Bishop.


Habitat.—Swamps, marshes, and tall grass areas in wet situations.

Distribution.—Resident [afer group] in western and central Africa from Senegal east to Sudan, Ethiopia, and northern Kenya, and south to northern Angola and Zaire; and [taha group] in eastern and southern Africa from central Angola, southeastern Zaire, southern Sudan, and central Ethiopia south to southern Africa.

Introduced and established [afer group] on Puerto Rico; introductions in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu) have not become established.

Notes.—Also known as Golden Bishop, Napoleon Bishop, or Napoleon Weaver. Groups: E. afer [Yellow-crowned Bishop] and E. taha Smith, 1836 [Taha Bishop].

Family ESTRILDIDAE: Estrildid Finches

Subfamily ESTRILDINAE: Estrildine Finches

Genus URAEGINTHUS Cabanis

Uraeginthus Cabanis, 1851, Mus. Heineanum 1: 171. Type, by subsequent designation (G. R. Gray, 1855), Fringilla bengalus Linnaeus.
Uraeginthus bengalus (Linnaeus). Red-cheeked Cordonbleu.

Fringilla bengalus Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 323. Based on “Le Bengali” Brisson, Ornithologie 3: 203, pl. 10, fig. 1. (in Bengala, error = Senegal.)

Habitat.—Weedy and grassy fields; in Africa, thornbush, savanna, forest edge, cultivated lands, and around human habitation.

Distribution.—Resident in Africa from Senegal east to Sudan, Eritrea, and Somalia, and south to Angola, Zambia, and Tanzania.

Introduced and established in very small numbers in the Hawaiian Islands (since 1965 on Oahu, where now extirpated, and locally in Puuanahulu area on Hawaii).

Genus ESTRILDA Swainson


Estrilda caeruleus (Vieillot). Lavender Waxbill.


Habitat.—Weedy and grassy fields; in Africa, bush country, scrub, gardens, and around human habitation.

Distribution.—Resident in West Africa from Senegal to Nigeria, and inland to western Central African Republic, southwestern Chad, and northern Cameroon.

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (first reported in 1965, nearly extirpated from Hawaii but becoming increasingly common on the Kona coast of Hawaii).

Notes.—Also known as Red-tailed Lavender Waxbill or Lavender Fire-Finch.

Estrilda melpoda (Vieillot). Orange-cheeked Waxbill.


Habitat.—Fields with tall grass; in Africa, savanna, grasslands, cultivated lands, and around human habitation.

Distribution.—Resident in West Africa from Senegal and Gambia east to Chad, and south to Angola and Zambia.

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (first reported in 1965, now in small numbers on Oahu, with recent sight reports from Maui), Bermuda (reported 1975, well established and breeding since 1982), and on Puerto Rico.

Estrilda troglodytes (Lichtenstein). Black-rumped Waxbill.


Habitat.—Fields with tall grass; in Africa, bush country, swampy areas, and brushy habitats.

Distribution.—Resident in Africa from Senegal and Gambia east to Sudan, Eritrea, and Ethiopia, and south to northeastern Zaire and northwestern Uganda.

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (first reported in 1965, now in small numbers on Oahu and Hawaii) and on Puerto Rico.

Notes.—Also known as Red-eared Waxbill.

Estrilda astrild (Linnaeus). Common Waxbill.

**Habitat.**—Weedy and grassy fields, usually near water; in Africa, open country, grasslands, cultivated lands, open woodland, and around human habitation.

**Distribution.**—Resident throughout Africa south of the Sahara. Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu), Bermuda (first reported 1973, now poorly established), and Puerto Rico.

**Notes.**—Also known as the Waxbill.

**Genus AMANDAVA** Blyth


**Habitat.**—Weedy and grassy fields, especially at edges of marshes; in Asia, second growth, grasslands, scrub, reed beds, and cultivated lands.

**Distribution.**—Resident from Pakistan, India, and southern Nepal south through Southeast Asia and Java to the Lesser Sunda Islands (east to Timor). Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (on Oahu, between 1900 and 1910, now also on Kauai and Hawaii), Fiji, Puerto Rico, Spain, Sumatra, and Singapore.

**Notes.**—Also known as Strawberry Finch or Red Munia.

**Genus LONCHURA** Sykes


*Lonchura malabarica* (Linnaeus). Warbling Silverbill.


**Habitat.**—Dry, grassy brush and scrub; in Africa, scrub and brush, and around human habitation.

**Distribution.**—Resident [cantans group] in Africa from Senegal east to Sudan, Ethiopia, and Somalia, and south to Kenya and northern Tanzania, also in southern Arabia; and [malabarica group] in southern Asia from eastern Arabia east to India. Introduced and established [malabarica group] in the Hawaiian Islands (first reported in 1973 on Hawaii, recently spreading to Maui, Lanai, and Molokai, with sight reports from Kauai, Oahu, and Kaho'olawe), and on Puerto Rico. A pair successfully bred on Merritt Island, Florida, in June 1965 (1965, *Amer. Birds* 19: 537; reported as *Euodice cantans*), but the species has not become established there.

**Notes.**—Also known as the Silverbill. Groups: *L. cantans* (Gmelin) 1789 [African Silverbill] and *L. malabarica* [White-throated Silverbill]. Sometimes placed in the genus *Euodice*.

*Lonchura cucullata* (Swainson). Bronze Mannikin.


**Habitat.**—Open areas with grass, including lawns, in lowlands (primarily below 300 m); in Africa, open country, bush, cultivated lands, and around human habitation.

**Distribution.**—Resident in Africa from Senegal east to Sudan, Ethiopia, and Kenya, and south to Angola, Zambia, and Rhodesia (including Zanzibar and other coastal islands in the Gulf of Guinea and along the Indian Ocean).
Introduced and established in Puerto Rico (common in coastal lowlands, but rare in hill country).

Notes.—Also known as Bronze Munia or Hooded Weaver. Often placed in the genus *Spermestes*.

**Lonchura punctulata** (Linnaeus). Nutmeg Mannikin.


**Habitat.**—Open areas and second growth with tall grass; in Asia, second growth, scrub, grasslands, cultivated lands, and around human habitation.

**Distribution.**—Resident from India, Nepal, southern China, Hainan, and Taiwan south to Sri Lanka, and through Southeast Asia to the East Indies (east to Sulawesi and Tanimbar) and Philippines.

Introduced and established in the Hawaiian Islands (about 1865, presently widespread on all main islands), in lowland central Jamaica, in Australia, and on islands in the Indian Ocean. Pairs bred successfully in Florida at Cocoa Beach in 1964 (1964, Amer. Birds 18: 504-505) and on Merritt Island in 1965 (1965, Amer. Birds 19: 537), but no population has become established; also reported (status uncertain) on Hispaniola and Puerto Rico.

Notes.—Also known as Spotted Munia, Spice Finch, Ricebird, or Scaly-breasted Mannikin.

**Lonchura malacca** (Linnaeus). Chestnut Mannikin.


**Habitat.**—Open areas with tall grass; in Asia, second growth, scrub, grasslands, cultivated lands, marshes, and around human habitation.

**Distribution.**—Resident [malacca group] in southern India and Sri Lanka; and [atricapilla group] from northern and eastern India, Nepal, Southeast Asia, southern China, Hainan, and Taiwan south to Sri Lanka, the Greater Sunda Islands, and Philippines.

Introduced and established [atricapilla group] in the Hawaiian Islands (first observed in 1959 on Oahu, presently also occurs on Kauai and possibly Hawaii), on Puerto Rico, and in the Moluccas and Micronesia. A pair bred successfully in 1965 on Merritt Island, Florida (1965, Amer. Birds 19: 537), but no population became established.

Notes.—Also known as Black-headed Munia, Black-headed Mannikin, Chestnut Munia, or Black-headed Nun. Groups: *L. malacca* [Indian Black-headed Munia] and *L. atricapilla* (Vieillot, 1807) [Southern Black-headed Munia].

Genus **PADD** Reichenbach


**Padda oryzivora** (Linnaeus). Java Sparrow.


**Habitat.**—Primarily open grassy areas of parks and lawns; in Indonesia, scrub, mangroves, cultivated lands, and around human habitation.

**Distribution.**—Resident on Java and Bali, in the East Indies.

Introduced and established in the mid-1960’s in the Hawaiian Islands (now widespread on Oahu, common on the Kona coast of Hawaii, and in small numbers on Kauai and Maui; earlier introductions on Oahu in 1865 did not become established), in southern Florida (Miami region, now extirpated), on Puerto Rico (San Juan area), and widely elsewhere, especially in Sri Lanka, Southeast Asia, Sulawesi, the Lesser Sunda Islands, Philippines, and Moluccas.

Notes.—Also known as Java Finch.
Subfamily VIDUINAE: Whydahs

Genus *VIDUA* Cuvier


*Vidua macroura* (Pallas). Pin-tailed Whydah.

*Fringilla macroura* Pallas, 1764, in Vroeg, Cat. Raisson Ois., Adumbr., p. 3. (East Indies, error = Angola.)

**Habitat.**—Areas of short grass and lawns; in Africa, arid bush country, grassland, scrub, cultivated areas, and around human habitation.

**Distribution.**—*Resident* in Africa from Senegal east to Eritrea, and south to southern Africa, including Zanzibar and other coastal islands.

Introduced and established on Puerto Rico; escapes in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu) probably bred in the mid-1970s, but are now extirpated.
APPENDIX

Part 1. Species reported from the A.O.U. Check-list area with insufficient evidence for placement on the main list. Species on this list have been reported (published) as occurring in the geographic area covered by this Check-list. However, their occurrence is considered hypothetical for one of more of the following reasons:

1. Physical evidence for their presence (e.g., specimen, photograph, video-tape, audio-recording) is lacking, of disputed origin, or unknown. See the Preface for further discussion.
2. The natural occurrence (unrestrained by humans) of the species is disputed.
3. An introduced population has failed to become established.
4. Inclusion in previous editions of the Check-list was based exclusively on records from Greenland, which is now outside the A.O.U. Check-list area.

Phoebastria irrorata (Salvin). Waved Albatross.


This species breeds on Hood Island in the Galapagos and on Isla de la Plata off Ecuador, and ranges at sea along the coasts of Ecuador and Peru. A specimen was taken just outside the North American area at Octavia Rocks, Colombia, near the Panama-Colombia boundary (8 March 1941, R. C. Murphy). There are sight reports from Panama, west of Piñas Bay, Darién, 26 February 1941 (Ridgely 1976), and southwest of the Pearl Islands, 27 September 1964. Also known as Galapagos Albatross.

Thalassarche chrysostoma (Forster). Gray-headed Albatross.


This species breeds on islands off Cape Horn, in the South Atlantic, in the southern Indian Ocean, and off New Zealand. Reports from Oregon (mouth of the Columbia River), California (coast near Golden Gate), and Panama (Bay of Chiriquí) are unsatisfactory (see A.O.U. 1957: 643, and Wetmore 1965).

Macronectes giganteus (Gmelin). Antarctic Giant-Petrel.


This species breeds in Antarctica and on subantarctic islands and ranges at sea throughout southern oceans. A report from the "coast of Oregon" (immature specimen taken by Townsend) is generally regarded to be in error as to locality (see Stone 1930, but for conflicting opinion, see also Fisher 1965). There are sight reports near Midway, Hawaiian Islands: 9 December 1962, dark-phased individual, plus two other probables in December 1959 and December 1961 (Fisher, loc. cit.). Also known as Giant Fulmar or Southern Giant-Petrel. Two forms, M. giganteus, a more southern breeding form, and M. halli Mathews, 1912, were formerly considered conspecific, but are widely sympatric in the northern portion of the range of M. giganteus (Bourne and Warham 1966, Hunter 1987). The above reports may pertain to either form.

Fulmarus glacialoides (Smith). Southern Fulmar.


This species breeds around Antarctica and on Antarctic islands in the South Atlantic and southern Indian oceans, and ranges at sea in southern oceans north to southern Australia,
New Zealand, central South America, and South Africa. A report from off western Mexico (near Mazatlán, Sinaloa; Friedmann et al. 1950) and the locality of Townsend’s specimen reported from the “mouth of the Columbia River, Oregon” (Stone 1930) are regarded as erroneous (Bourne 1967, Banks 1988b).

*Daption capense* (Linnaeus). Cape Petrel.


This species breeds on Antarctic and subantarctic islands in the South Atlantic and southern Indian oceans and in New Zealand waters. Reports from Maine (Harpswell, Cumberland County, June 1873; Norton 1922), Ireland, continental Europe, Sicily, and Sri Lanka, as well as sight reports in the Pacific Ocean off California and Atlantic Ocean off North Carolina, have been questioned; a report from off the coast of Acapulco, Guerrero, is “indefinite” (Friedmann et al. 1957), and an early California specimen (“coast of California, opposite Monterey,” before 1853; Lawrence 1853) is regarded as erroneously labeled (Lee 1993). Thus all Northern Hemisphere reports are highly questionable. Also known as Pintado Petrel or Cape Pigeon.

*Pterodroma solandri* (Gould). Solander’s Petrel.


This species breeds in the South Pacific on Lord Howe and (formerly) Norfolk islands; pelagic distribution little-known, but recorded primarily in southwestern Pacific off Australia and New Zealand north to approximately Tropic of Cancer. An individual found dead in the Hawaiian Islands (Kauai, 25 November 1986; 1987, 'Elepaio 47: 29) and previously reported as *P. solandri* is an example of *P. ultima* (R. Clapp, pers. comm.). Additional sightings of this species in Hawaiian waters are unsubstantiated (Pyle 1988). All California sightings are referable to *P. ultima* or are unidentifiable; none has been substantiated. A sight report and photograph from off Westport, Washington, 11 September 1983, by T. R. Wahl, are not definitive. Also known as Providence Petrel.

*Pterodroma rostrata* (Peale). Tahiti Petrel.

*Procellaria rostrata* Peale, 1848, U. S. Explor. Exped. 8: 296. (Mountains about 600 feet on Tahiti, Society Islands.)

This species breeds on New Caledonia and in the Society and Marquesas islands, and ranges widely in the South Pacific. Because of failure to distinguish this species from *P. alba*, sight reports in Hawaiian waters are inconclusive (Pyle 1988); there are also sight reports near Clipperton and the Revillagigedo islands.

*Pterodroma alba* (Gmelin). Phoenix Petrel.


This species breeds on islands in the South Pacific and is rather sedentary. Reports from Hawaiian waters are uncertain because of the failure to distinguish this species from *P. rostrata* (Pyle 1988).

*Pterodroma feae* (Salvadori). Fea’s Petrel.


This North Atlantic species, along with *Pterodroma madeira* Mathews, 1934 [Madeira
Petrel], has been separated from *P. mollis* (Gould, 1844) [Soft-plumaged Petrel] by Bourne (1983). Reports of birds of the complex off North Carolina in 1981 (Lee 1984) were attributed to *mollis* (A.O.U. 1985). More recent reports off North Carolina, including a bird photographed in 1991 (1992, Amer. Birds, 46: 130; 1992, Chat 56: 52) and a bird seen off Georgia in 1984 (Haney et al. 1993) are considered likely to be *feae*. Because *feae* and *madeira* may not be distinguishable in the field or in photographs, available information is insufficient for inclusion of the species in the main list (see also DeBenedictis 1996). Bretagnolle (1995) suggested on the basis of vocal similarities that *P. madeira* may be conspecific with *P. feae*.

*Pterodroma defilippiana* (Giglioli and Salvadori). Defilippe’s Petrel.

_Aestrelata defilippiana_ Giglioli and Salvadori, 1869, Ibis, p. 63. (off coast between Calao, Peru, and Valparaiso, Chile.)

The report of this southern species from Hawaiian waters (A.O.U. 1989: 537) pertains to _P. externa_. There are no valid reports of _P. defilippiana_ from the A.O.U. check-list area.

_Procellaria cinerea_ Gmelin. Gray Petrel.


This species, frequently placed in the genus _Adamastor_, breeds on islands in the South Pacific, South Atlantic, and southern Indian oceans, ranging at sea throughout all southern oceans between lat. 25° and 55° S. A specimen from California (off Monterey prior to 1853) is considered to be labeled erroneously (Lee 1993). Also known as Black-tailed Shearwater.

_Procellaria aequinoctialis_ Linnaeus. White-chinned Petrel.


This species breeds on subantarctic islands and ranges at sea, mostly in the South Atlantic and southern Indian oceans. An individual found in Texas (Rollover Pass, Galveston County, 27 April 1986, photograph; 1990, Amer. Birds 44:1158) is of controversial origin. A recent report from North Carolina (October 1996, Nat. Audubon Soc. Field Notes 51: 39) is under review.

_Oceanites gracilis_ (Elliot). White-vented Storm-Petrel.

_Thalassidroma gracilis_ Elliot, 1859, Ibis, p. 391. (West Coast of America = coast of Chile.)

The breeding grounds of this species are largely unknown, but nests have been found on islands off north-central Chile. It ranges regularly to the Galapagos Islands and along the Pacific coast of South America from Colombia to Chile. There are sight reports by R. C. Murphy in September 1937 in the Gulf of Panama and at Humboldt Bay, just south of the Darien border in Colombia (Ridgely and Gwynne 1989).

_Fregetta grallaria_ (Vieillot). White-bellied Storm-Petrel.


Lawrence (1851) reported the capture of seven individuals in the harbor of St. Marks, Florida; one specimen was preserved and given to the Academy of Natural Sciences at Philadelphia, but its present location is unknown. The report has been listed under _F. tropica_ (Gould, 1844) [Black-bellied Storm-Petrel] (see A.O.U. 1957) as well as _F. grallaria_ (see
Palmer 1962). It is uncertain to which of these two species the specimen pertains, and even more doubtful that the locality is correct.

**Oceanodroma hornbyi** (Gray). Ringed Storm-Petrel.


The type locality originally given for this species, normally found off the Pacific coast of South America from Ecuador to Chile, is deemed in error (Murphy 1936). No other specimens have been reported from North America.

**Spheniscus mendiculus** Sundevall. Galapagos Penguin.


An immature of this Galapagos endemic was captured at Puerto Armuelles, Chiriquí, Panama, in February 1955 (Eisenmann 1956); because it is unlikely, although not impossible, that this individual reached Panamanian waters on its own, the occurrence is a probable result of transport by humans.

**Phalacrocorax perspicillatus** Pallas. Pallas’s Cormorant.

*Phalacrocorax perspicillatus* Pallas, 1811, Zoogr. Rosso-Asiat. 2: 305. (in Beringii = Bering Island.)

North American reports of this species, known only from Bering Island in the Commander Islands and extinct since 1852, are unsatisfactory.

**Phalacrocorax bougainvillii** (Lesson). Guanay Cormorant.

*Carbo Bougainvillii* Lesson, 1837, in Bougainville, J. Navig. Thétis Espérance 2: 331. (Valparaíso, Chile.)

This species breeds on islands off the coast of Peru, central Chile, and southern Argentina, and ranges north to Colombia and Ecuador. There are sight reports by R. C. Murphy in Panama, off Ensenada de Guayabo Chiquito, southern Darién, 21 May 1941. A flock of 100 individuals (from which specimens were obtained) was just south of the A.O.U. Check-list area in Colombia in March and April 1941 (Ridgely 1976). The reported introduction of this species in 1953 on Isla San Gerónimo, Baja California (see A.O.U. 1957: 34), is erroneous.

**Phalacrocorax kenyoni** (Siegel-Causey). Amchitka Cormorant.


The status of this recently described species from Amchitka Island, Alaska, is uncertain, pending acquisition of additional specimen material; at present it is known only from skeletal material.

**Phalacrocorax gaimardi** (Lesson and Garnot). Red-legged Cormorant.


There is a sight report of this species for Texas (Galveston, 28 December 1946; Oberholser 1974). Its normal range is the Pacific coast of South America, and an individual in eastern Texas (even if its identity were fully verified) would probably represent an escape from captivity, perhaps a ship-transported bird.
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Ardea intermedia Wagler, 1829, Isis von Oken, col. 659. (Java.)

The specimen of this Old World species, also known as Yellow-billed Egret or Lesser Egret, reportedly taken at Vancouver, British Columbia, may actually have been obtained elsewhere (Brooks 1923, Godfrey 1986).

Platalea leucorodia Linnaeus. Eurasian Spoonbill.

Platalea Leucorodia Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 139. (in Europa = Sweden.)

This widespread Old World species has been included in previous check-lists on the basis of one specimen from Greenland, where accidental. There are no known reports from the A.O.U. area now treated. Also known as European Spoonbill, White Spoonbill, Common Spoonbill, or the Spoonbill.

Ciconia ciconia (Linnaeus). White Stork.

Ardea Ciconia Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 142. (in Europe, Asia, Africa = Sweden.)

There is one sight report of this Palearctic stork from Antigua, Lesser Antilles (Gricks 1994).

Phoenicopterus chilensis Molina. Chilean Flamingo.

Phoenicopterus chilensis Molina, 1782, Saggio Storia Nat. Chili, pp. 242, 344. (Chile.)

Individuals of this South American species have been reported in California, Delaware, and other states; they are regarded as escaped individuals. Many other reports of this species have not reached the scientific literature because the birds are assumed to be escapes from captivity.

Anser anser (Linnaeus). Graylag Goose.


An individual of this widespread Eurasian species captured on the Housatonic River near Lenox, Massachusetts, 2 December 1932, was considered later to be a domestic bird (Snyder 1957). More recent sight reports, mostly in the eastern United States, are thought also to pertain to escapes from captivity; a report from Attu (1987, Amer. Birds 41: 476) pertains to Anser fabalis (1988, Amer. Birds 42: 121).


Anser indica Latham, 1790, Index Ornithol. 2: 839. (in India; hyeme gregaria; e Thibeto = India in winter, and Tibet.)

Individuals of this central Asian species reported from California, Saskatchewan, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Quebec, Texas, and elsewhere in North America are probable escapes from captivity (Palmer 1976; for discussion see Lahrman 1994).

Branta ruficollis (Pallas). Red-breasted Goose.

Anser ruficollis Pallas, 1769, Spic. Zool. 1 (6): 21, pl. 4. (lower Ob, southern Russia.)

This western Siberian species has been reported in North America between September and April from California (six reports, 1890s to 1969), Maine (1962), and Texas (1969–1970). It is widely kept by aviculturists, and these reports probably pertain to escapes from captivity (Palmer 1976).
**Tadorna ferruginea** (Pallas). Ruddy Shelduck.

*Anas ferruginea* Pallas, 1764, in Vroeg, Cat. Raisonn Ois., Adumbr., p. 5. (No locality given = Tartary.)

This Eurasian species has been reported as accidental in western Greenland. Reports from California, and in eastern North America from Iowa, Indiana, Ohio, Quebec, Vermont, Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey south to Florida, probably pertain to escapes from captivity.

**Tadorna tadorna** (Linnaeus). Common Shelduck.

*Anas Tadorna* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 122. (in Europæ maritimis = Sweden.)

This Eurasian species, known in Old World literature as the Shelduck and kept widely in captivity, has been reported from Quebec (Cap Saint-Ignace, 1982), Massachusetts (Ipswich Bay, 1921), and Delaware (Bombay Hook, 1970–1976); these reports likely pertain to escaped individuals. Several other reports of birds definitely known to have escaped have appeared in the literature.

**Aix galericulata** (Linnaeus). Mandarin Duck.


An introduced population of this Eurasian species may be established as a breeding species in Sonoma County, California. The first nest was recorded in 1972, and by the mid-1980s, the population had grown to several hundred (Shurtleff and Savage 1996). Reports from elsewhere are regarded as escapes from captivity.

**Netta rufina** (Pallas). Red-crested Pochard.

*Anas rufina* Pallas, 1773, Reise Versch. Prov. Russ. Reichs 2: 713. (in Mari Caspio lacubusque vastissimis deserti Tatarici = Caspian Sea.)

The report of a specimen of this Eurasian species from Long Island Sound (1881) is unsatisfactory; the specimen cannot be located. Sight reports of individuals in Washington and in eastern North America almost certainly pertain to individuals escaped from captivity.

**Aythya baeri** (Radde). Baer’s Pochard.

*Anas (Fuligula) Baeri* Radde, 1863, Reisen SOd. Ost-Sib. 2: 376, pl. 15. (in der oberen Salbatsche-Ebene auf dem rechten Amurufer = upper Salbatch Plains, middle Amur River, eastern Siberia.)

This species has been included in the North American avifauna on the basis of two specimens (one still extant) reportedly taken about 1841 by Peale in "Oregon" (= southern British Columbia to Oregon; Friedmann 1949). The extant specimen does not agree with examples of *A. baeri* in plumage or bill shape and may be a hybrid (P. Rasmussen, pers. comm., contra Palmer 1976).

**Aythya nyroca** (Güldenstädt). Ferruginous Duck.

*Anas nyroca* Güldenstädt, 1770, Novi Commentarii Acad. Sci. Imp. Petropolitanae 14 (1769): 403 (southern Russia.)

This Eurasian species was reported on Bermuda, 5 January–1 March 1987 (Amos 1991), but the report was evidently undocumented.

**Accipiter nisus** (Linnaeus). Eurasian Sparrowhawk.

*Falco Nisus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 92. (in Europa = Sweden.)

An immature female believed to be this Old World species was reported from New Jersey.
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(Cape May, 24 October 1978; 1979, New Jersey Audubon Suppl. 5: 11); the individual photographed is not identifiable.

**Buteo polyosoma** (Quoy and Gaimard). Red-backed Hawk.


An individual thought to be of this Andean and southern South American species was reported from Colorado (Gunnison, first from mid-August-31 October 1987, photographs; 1988, Amer. Birds 42: 112); the bird returned the next year and was paired with a *B. swainsoni*. Identification as another South American species, *B. poecilochrous* Gurney, 1879, cannot be ruled out; furthermore, the origin of the bird remains highly questionable (Allen 1988).

**Buteo buteo** (Linnaeus). Common Buzzard.

*Falco Buteo* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 1. (in Europa = Sweden.)

An individual thought to be of this Eurasian species was reported from Alaska (Nizki, in the Aleutian Islands, 26 May 1983; 1983, Amer. Birds 37: 902); this sight report of a highly variable species often difficult to identify in the field is unsatisfactory.

**Hieraaetus pennatus** (Gmelin). Booted Eagle.


This species of southern Eurasia was reported on Bermuda, 8–13 September 1989; an African origin and transportation by Hurricane Gabrielle were postulated (Amos 1991). The report was evidently undocumented.

**Rallus aquaticus** Linnaeus. Water Rail.

*Rallus aquaticus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 153. (in Europa = Great Britain.)

This Eurasian species was included in former check-lists on the basis of several stragglers taken in Greenland. There are no known reports from the A.O.U. area now treated.

**Porphyrio porphyrio** (Linnaeus). Purple Swamphen.

*Fulica Porphyrio* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 152. (in Asia, America = lands bordering the western Mediterranean Sea.)

An individual thought to be a molting sub-adult and possibly from one of the Middle Eastern subspecies appeared in suburban Wilmington, Delaware, 5 December 1990, and it remained two weeks (1991, Amer. Birds 45: 255). Its origin is questionable, but given the unusual dispersal abilities of many Rallidae, a natural origin cannot be dismissed.

**Hoploxypterus cayanus** (Latham). Pied Lapwing.

*Charadrius cayanus* Latham, 1790, Index Ornithol. 2: 749. Based mainly on "Le Pluvier armé de Cayenne" Buffon, Hist. Nat. Ois. 8: 102. (in Cayana = Cayenne.)

The report of this South American species from Honduras, based on a reputed specimen from the "Aloof River" [= Río Ulúa] region (1855–1856), is unsatisfactory (Monroe 1968).

**Charadrius pecuarius** Temminck. Kittlitz’s Plover.

*Charadrius pecuarius* Temminck, 1823, Planches Color., livr. 31, pl. 183. (Cape of Good Hope.)

A banded individual of this African species was photographed at the mouth of the San
Diego river, San Diego County, California, 26 December 1970, but the origin of this individual is highly questionable (Langham 1991).

**Charadrius veredus** Gould. Oriental Plover.


This Asiatic species was included in former check-lists on the basis of a record from Greenland (A.O.U. 1957: 165–166, footnote, as *C. asiaticus veredus*). There are no known reports from the A.O.U. area now treated.

**Gallinago media** (Latham). Great Snipe.


This Eurasian species, which winters in Africa, was supposedly photographed in New Jersey (Cape May, 7 September 1963; 1964, Audubon Field Notes 18: 21), but the report has not been verified.

**Catharacta chilensis** (Bonaparte). Chilean Skua.


Birds reported to be of this Southern Hemisphere species in Pacific waters off the coast of North America have been re-identified as *C. maccormicki* (Devillers 1977a). A pre-1853 specimen reportedly taken off Monterey, California, was re-identified as *C. lonnbergi*, and the locality is probably erroneous (Lee 1993).

**Larus cirrocephalus** Vieillot. Gray-hooded Gull.


This species breeds on bays, estuaries, and lagoons along the Pacific coast of Ecuador and Peru, the Atlantic coast of South America from southern Brazil to central Argentina, and in tropical and southern Africa and Madagascar; it winters in coastal areas and on inland lakes near the breeding areas, occasionally north along the coasts of South America and Africa. There is a sight report of an adult in Panama, Panama Bay at Panama City, 25 September 1955 (Ridgely 1976).

**Larus dominicanus** Lichtenstein. Kelp Gull.


This species breeds from Tierra del Fuego north to southwestern Ecuador and southern Brazil, and elsewhere at subantarctic latitudes in the Southern Hemisphere. A pair of “mated” gulls and possibly a third individual appeared in 1989 in coastal Louisiana and were tentatively identified as *L. dominicanus*. The following summer, one bred with *L. argentatus*, the only report of breeding of the latter species in Louisiana (1990, Amer. Birds 44: 1147); additional individuals identified as *L. dominicanus* have been reported there in subsequent years. Three records from the Yucatan in 1991, 1993, and 1994 have been accompanied by photos (Howell et al. 1993), as have reports from Texas and Indiana. Because of the difficulty of positive identification to species without a specimen, and also because it seems unlikely that a sub-Antarctic species would colonize the subtropical Gulf of Mexico, the species is retained in the Appendix until confirmation is obtained. Also known also as Dominican Gull and Southern Black-backed Gull.

**Creagrus furcatus** (Néboux). Swallow-tailed Gull.

This species breeds on the Galapagos Islands and ranges to the Pacific coast of South America. A sight report from Panama (northwest of Piñas Bay, Darién, 18 July 1957; Robins 1958) is unsatisfactory. The identification of a bird from California (Monterey Bay, 6–8 June 1985, photograph; 1985, Amer. Birds 39: 879–880, 958–959) is not questioned, but the origin of the bird is uncertain (DeBenedictis 1996). There is also a published report referring to a photograph from the Bay of Panama, 14 June 1983 (Reed 1988), but the photograph has not been examined.

**Sterna sumatrana** Raffles. Black-naped Tern.


This species ranges throughout much of the Indian Ocean, and in the Pacific from south-eastern China, and the Ryukyu, Caroline, Gilbert, and Phoenix islands south to Australia, New Caledonia, and the Loyalty Islands. Old reports from the Hawaiian Islands (Kauai, Hawaii) are erroneous and based on specimens of *S. hirundo* (Kauai, Hawaii) are erroneous and based on specimens of *S. hirundo* (Clapp et al. 1983).

**Sterna trudeaui** Audubon. Trudeau’s Tern.

*Sterna Trudeaui* Audubon, 1838, Birds Amer. (folio) 4: pl. 409, fig. 2 (1839, Ornithol. Biogr. 5: 125). (Great Egg Harbor, New Jersey.)

This species breeds in Chile, southern Brazil (Rio Grande do Sul province), Uruguay, and Argentina (Santa Fé, Entre Ríos, and Buenos Aires provinces), and winters along the coast of Chile, occasionally to Peru. The type was supposedly taken at Great Egg Harbor, New Jersey; the natural occurrence of this species in North America is highly questionable. Also known also as Snowy-crowned Tern.

**Cepphus carbo** Pallas. Spectacled Guillemot.


The original type locality of this Asiatic species, known also as Sooty Guillemot, is regarded as erroneous; there is no evidence for its occurrence in North American waters.

**Columba goodsoni** Hartert. Dusky Pigeon.


This species is a resident of western Colombia and western Ecuador. There is a sight report of two individuals in Panama (upper Tuira valley, Darién, 7 March 1981; Ridgely and Gwynne 1989).

**Nandayus nenday** (Vieillot). Black-hooded Parakeet.

*Psittacus nenday* Vieillot, 1823, in Bonnaterre and Vieillot, Tabl. Encycl. Méth. (Ornithol.) 3 (93): 1400. (Paraguay.)

This southern South American species, known also as Nanday Parakeet or Conure, is widely reported in the United States and Puerto Rico as an escape. Breeding has been reported in peninsular Florida, where it may be established (Robertson and Woelffen 1992), and in southern California, where it seems to have existed for more than 15 years (Johnston and Garrett 1994). A small population that existed at Coney Island, Brooklyn, New York, has now disappeared.

**Forpus xanthopterygius** (Spix). Blue-winged Parrotlet.

*Psittacula xanthopterygius* Spix, 1824, Avium Spec. Nov. Bras. 1: 42, pl. 31. (Amazon Basin.)

This South American species was doubtfully reported from Panama, as *F. passerinus*
spengeli (Hartlaub, 1885) by Wetmore (1968). The blue-rumped forms, including spengeli, were separated from the green-rumped passerinus by Gyldenstolpe (1945).

_Brotogeris chiriri_ (Vieillot). Yellow-chevroned Parakeet.


Although details of introduction are unknown and establishment is uncertain, this South American species has been replacing *B. versicolorus* [White-winged Parakeet] in southern California (Johnston and Garrett 1994) and Florida (Smith and Smith 1993) in recent years. The two forms have been treated as conspecific but are considered separate species on the basis of morphological differences and near sympatry in southern Pará, Brazil (Pinto and Camargo 1957).

_Amazona amazonica* (Linnaeus). Orange-winged Parrot.


Small numbers of this recently introduced South American species are now resident and apparently breeding in Puerto Rico (San Juan area, Mayaguez, Salinas, Río Piedras). Populations in southern Florida are considered to be escaped individuals or their descendants (Robertson and Woolfenden 1992).

_Coccyzus pumilus* Strickland. Dwarf Cuckoo.

_Coccyzus pumilus* Strickland, 1853, in Jardine, Contrib. Ornithol. (1852): 28, pl. 82. (Trinidad, error = Venezuela.)

This species is found in northern Colombia and northern Venezuela (including Margarita Island). There is a sight report in Panama (Tocumen, eastern Panamá province, 9 February 1979; Braun and Wolf 1987).

_Coccyzus lansbergi* Bonaparte. Gray-capped Cuckoo.

_Coccyzus lansbergi* Bonaparte, 1850, Conspl. Gen. Avium 1 (1): 112. (Sta. Fé de Bogotá [Colombia].)

This South American species is resident in northern Colombia, northern Venezuela, and western Ecuador, migrating, at least in part, south to western Peru. This species was listed from Panama initially by Shelley (in Sclater and Shelley 1891: 303), but it seems clear from the comments of Wetmore et al. (1984) that there are no reports from Panama prior to 1980. There are more recent sight reports in Panama (Tocumen, eastern Panamá province, 10 February 1980, 7 January 1982, 23 December 1985; Braun and Wolf 1987).

_Anthracothis viridigula* (Boddaert). Green-throated Mango.

_Trochilus viridigula* Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 41. Based on Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 671, fig. 1. (Cayenne.)

This species is found from eastern Venezuela, Trinidad, and the Guianas south to northeastern Brazil. There is a sight report of an immature individual on Union Island in the Grenadines, Lesser Antilles (Bond 1956: 91, footnote).

_Chlorostilbon mellisugus* (Linnaeus). Blue-tailed Emerald.

_Trochilus mellisugus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 121. (In Indiis = Cayenne.)

Simon (1921: 290) erroneously listed “Prasitis melanorrhynchus pumila (Gould)” = *Chlorostilbon pumilus* Gould, 1872, from the Republic of Panama (Wetmore 1968). That
subspecies, known from western Colombia and western Ecuador, is placed in the species *mellisugus* by Meyer de Schauensee (1966) but was referred to *C. gibsoni* (Fraser, 1840) by Peters (1945). Stiles (1996a), who reviewed the taxonomy of this group, agreed with the latter author.

**Amazilia chionopectus** (Gould). White-chested Emerald.

*Thaumatias chionopectus* Gould, 1859, Monogr. Trochil., pt. 18, pl. [8] and text. (Trinidad).

This species is found in the Guianas, northeastern Venezuela, and on Trinidad. Four specimens in the Museum of Comparative Zoology are labeled "Grenada W. I. Peter Gel-lineau"; because these are of a typical Trinidad “trade skin” make, they are regarded as mislabeled (Ridgway 1911: 431, footnote).

**Amazilia tobaci** (Gmelin). Copper-rumped Hummingbird.


This species is known primarily from Tobago, Trinidad, and Venezuela. Specimens in the Boucard collection, labeled “Grenada,” may have been taken on Tobago (Bond 1956: 91, footnote), and the occurrence of the species in the Lesser Antilles is doubtful.

**Acestrura heliodor** (Bourcier). Gorgeted Woodstar.

*Ornismya heliodor* Bourcier, 1840, Rev. Zool. [Paris] 3: 275. (Santa-Fé de Bogota [Colombia].)

A resident of humid mountain forest in northwestern South America, this species was erroneously reported from eastern Panama (see account of *Calliphlox mitchelli* in Robbins et al. 1985).

**Ramphastos brevis** Meyer de Schauensee. Choco Toucan.


This species, found in the Pacific lowlands of western Colombia and western Ecuador, was attributed to eastern Panama (as *Ramphastos ambiguus*) by Ridgway (1914) on the basis of a specimen in the Museum of Comparative Zoology reported from Loma del León (eastern Darién). Wetmore (1968) and subsequent authors regard the locality as uncertain, and recent field workers in eastern Darién have failed to discover it.

**Thamnophilus multistriatus** Lafresnaye. Bar-crested Antshrike.

*Thamnophilus multistriatus* Lafresnaye, 1844, Rev. Zool. [Paris] 7: 82. (Colombie = Bogotá, Colombia.)

This species, known from the northern Andes in extreme western Venezuela and Colombia, was reported by Sclater (1890) from Panama; there is apparently no basis for this listing, and the report is considered erroneous (Wetmore 1972).

**Urocissa erythrorhyncha** (Boddaert). Red-billed Blue-Magpie.

*Corvus erythrorynchus* [sic] Boddaert, 1783, Table Planches Enlum., p. 38. Based on the “Geay de la Chine à bec rouge” Daubenton, Planches Enlum., pl. 622. (China = Canton, China.)

A few individuals of this Southeast Asian species were released on Oahu in the Hawaiian
Islands in the mid-1960s. They persisted at least into 1970 and bred (Berger 1972), but no population became established. The species was also introduced in Puerto Rico but did not become established (Raffaele 1983).

**Corvus frugilegus** Linnaeus. Rook.

*Corvus frugilegus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 105. (in Europa = Sweden.)

This Eurasian species was included in former check-lists on the basis of a report from southeastern Greenland. There are no known reports from the A.O.U. area now treated. Also known as Eurasian Rook.

**Corvus corone** Linnaeus. Carrion Crow.

*Corvus Corone* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 105. (in Europa = England.)

The distinct form of this Eurasian species occurring in Ireland, Scotland, and from eastern Europe eastward, formerly treated as a separate species, *C. cornix* Linnaeus, 1758 [Hooded Crow], has been included previously on the basis of specimens from Greenland, which is no longer included in the A.O.U. area. A report from southeastern California (Salton Sea) is considered an escape from captivity.

**Melanocorypha calandra** (Linnaeus). Calandra Lark.

*Alauda calandra* Linnaeus, 1766, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12) 1: 288. (Pyrenees.)

A specimen of this Old World species was obtained at Glenolden, Pennsylvania, on 6 May 1928, after being observed since 15 April (1928, Cassinia [Proc. Delaware Valley Ornithol. Club] 27: 35); it was most likely an escaped cage-bird.

**Parus major** Linnaeus. Great Tit.

*Parus major* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 189. (in Europa = Sweden.)

There is a sight report of this Eurasian species in Alaska (Little Diomede Island, 2 September 1988; 1989, Amer. Birds 43: 153; see DeBenedictis 1994a).

**Parus varius** Temminck and Schlegel. Varied Tit.

*Parus varius* Temminck and Schlegel, 1848, in Siebold, Fauna Jpn., Aves, p. 71, pl. 35. (Japon = Honshu, Japan.)

This species, a native of eastern Asia south to Japan, was introduced into the Hawaiian Islands about 1890 (on Kauai, Oahu, Maui, and Hawaii) and established on Kauai and Oahu. Numbers diminished during the 1940s, and it was last reported in the 1960s (Pyle 1979).

**Phylloscopus trochilus** (Linnaeus). Willow Warbler.

*Motacilla Trochilus* Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 188. (in Europa = Sweden.)

A specimen, reported as this widespread Eurasian species (which has also straggled to Greenland), was taken at Barrow, Alaska, on 10 June 1952 (Pitelka 1974); however, re-examination of the specimen indicated that it is an example of *P. borealis* (Roberson and Pitelka 1983).

**Copsychus saularis** (Linnaeus). Magpie Robin.


Various introductions of this southern Asian species were made in the Hawaiian Islands (Kauai and Oahu) between 1922 and 1950, but there is no evidence of establishment; there have been no reliable reports since 1967.
**Saxicola rubetra** (Linnaeus). Whinchat.


A sight report of this European species from Massachusetts (Lincoln, 22 October 1964; 1965, *Audubon Field Notes* 19:8) is considered unsatisfactory.

**Garrulax caerulatus** (Hodgson). Gray-sided Laughing-thrush.


Introduced in the Hawaiian Islands (Oahu), this laughing-thrush from southern Asia was frequently reported in the northern Koolau Mountains along the Poamoho Trail during the 1940s and 1950s; well-substantiated reports in the same locality in 1978 (Taylor and Collins 1979) and 1986 (Bremer 1987) suggest that the species may persist in small numbers.

**Acridotheres javanicus** Cabanis. White-vented Myna.


A native of southeast Asia, this species has been introduced in Puerto Rico (Bayamón area), but its present status is uncertain (Raffaele 1983).

**Anthus pratensis** (Linnaeus). Meadow Pipit.

*Anthus pratensis* Linnaeus, 1758, *Syst. Nat.* (ed. 10) 1: 166. (in Europæ pratis = Sweden.)

This Palearctic species breeds in Greenland and has been included in previous Checklists on that basis.

**Euphonia mesochrysa** Salvadori. Bronze-green Euphonia.


The locality "Honduras" on the label of a specimen in the Academy of Natural Sciences at Philadelphia is regarded as erroneous (Monroe 1968); the species is found in the Andes from Colombia to Bolivia.

**Piranga rubriceps** Gray. Red-hooded Tanager.

*Pyrrhula rubriceps* G. R. Gray, 1844, *Genera Birds* 2: 364, pl. 89, lower fig. (No locality given = Bogotá, Colombia.)

A specimen of this South American species was taken at Dos Pueblos [= Naples], Santa Barbara County, California, about 1871 (Bryant 1887). It is assumed to have been an escape from captivity (Ridgway 1902: 776; Grinnell and Miller 1944). Also known as Gray's Tanager.

**Sporophila bouvronides** (Lesson). Lesson's Seedeater.

*Pyrrhula bouvronides* Lesson, 1831, *Traité Ornith.*, livre 6: 450. (No locality given; Trinidad designated by Hellmayr [1938].)

This species breeds in South America in northern and eastern Colombia, Venezuela, Tobago, Trinidad, Guyana, and Surinam; it winters south to northern Peru and Amazonian Brazil. There are sight reports in Panama (Yaviza, Darién, 30 April 1979, two pairs, J. Pujals; Ridgely 1981). Although *S. bouvronides* and *S. lineola* (Linnaeus, 1758) [Lined Seedeater], a southern South American breeder that migrates to northern South America in nonbreeding season (Silva 1995 and references therein), have been considered conspecific (e.g., A.O.U. 1983), species limits were clarified by Schwartz (1975).
Icterus nigrogularis (Hahn). Yellow Oriole.

_Xanthornus nigrogularis_ Hahn, 1819, Vögel Asien, Afr., etc., lief 5, pl. 1. (Jamaica, Mexico, and Cayenne = Brazil.)

One or two specimens said to have come from the Isthmus of Panama formed the basis for the description of _Icterus xanthornus dubusii_ Dubois, 1875; _nigrogularis_ is a replacement name for _xanthornus_, which was preoccupied. The origin of these specimens of this South American species is indefinite, but they were probably not from Panama, where there are no other records (Hellmayr 1937). Wetmore et al. (1972) did not mention the species.

Carduelis magellanica (Vieillot). Hooded Siskin.

_Fringilla magellanica_ Vieillot, 1805, Ois. Chant., pl. 30. (southern America and vicinity of Straits of Magellan, error = Buenos Aires, Argentina.)

A specimen of this widespread South American species taken at Henderson, Kentucky, was described and figured by Audubon (1838: pl. 394, fig. 2; 1839: 46); the origin of the specimen is uncertain.

Carduelis chloris (Linnaeus). European Greenfinch.

_Loxia chloris_ Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 174. (in Europa = Sweden.)

An individual of this European finch was present and photographed at St. John, New Brunswick, 31 March-3 April 1977 (1977, Amer. Birds 31: 977); although this report as well as a more recent sight report from Quebec may represent natural vagrants, a pattern of such vagrancy in a cage-bird species should be demonstrated before the species is removed from hypothetical status. Also known as the Greenfinch.


Successful breeding of escaped pairs of this widespread African species was reported at Pacific Grove, Monterey County, California, in 1965 and 1966 (1966, Amer. Birds 20: 90, 598), but no population became established. It was also introduced in the 1960s in the Hawaiian Islands, but it has since disappeared; there is no evidence that the species was ever established (R. L. Pyle, in litt.).

Part 2. Forms of doubtful status or of hybrid origin that have been given a formal scientific name. Because these taxa are of uncertain specific status or of presumed hybrid origin, their generic placement is also uncertain. Therefore, we retain the original generic and specific names even when certain that the generic designation is incorrect; the probable generic relationships are indicated in the comments under each species. An exception is made for Brewster’s and Lawrence’s warblers, which are known to be intrageneric hybrids.

Anas breweri Audubon.

_Anas breweri_ Audubon, 1838, Ornithol. Biogr. 3: 302. (Lake Barataria, Louisiana).

This bird is a hybrid between _A. platyrhynchos_ and _A. strepera_. (Cockrum 1952).

Lophortyx leucoprosporon Reichenow.


Known only from a pair in a private aviary, believed to have been bought from a sailor arriving at Hamburg, Germany, this quail is regarded as a hybrid between _Callipepla douglasii_ and _C. gambelii_ (Hellmayr and Conover 1942).
**Tringa cooperi** Baird. Cooper's Sandpiper.


Known only from the unique type specimen, taken in May 1833. Although probably a representative of the present genus *Calidris*, the status of this form remains undetermined (Ridgway 1919, Cox 1989).

**Calidris paramelanotos** Parker. Cox's Sandpiper.


Christidis et al. (1996) have shown on the basis of molecular data that this form is a hybrid between Curlew Sandpiper (*Calidris ferruginea*) and Pectoral Sandpiper (*C. melanotos*). It has been found during nonbreeding seasons in Australia (Cox 1989 and references therein). Reports from Massachusetts (Kasprzyk et al. 1987, Vickery et al. 1987) have been disputed by Monroe (1991), who noted that this observation “cannot be definitely ascribed to anything.”


This gull is regarded as a hybrid between *L. hyperboreus* and *L. argentatus* (Jehl 1987).

**Zenaida plumbea** Gosse. Plumbeous Dove.


This bird is known only from Gosse’s colored plate. No specimens are known, although it may have occurred on Jamaica until the mid-1850s (Ridgway 1916).

**Conurus labati** Rothschild. Guadeloupe Parakeet.


Described from accounts by early travelers, this bird is believed to have been endemic to Guadeloupe, Lesser Antilles. No specimens are known.

**Anodorhynchus martinicus** Rothschild. Martinique Macaw.


Described from the account of an early traveler, this bird was believed to be endemic to Martinique, Lesser Antilles. No specimens are known.

**Anodorhynchus purpurascens** Rothschild. Guadeloupe Violet Macaw.


Based on a description by an early traveler, this bird was apparently restricted to the island of Guadeloupe, Lesser Antilles. No specimens are known.

**Ara atwoodi** Clark. Dominican Macaw.

*Ara atwoodi* Clark, 1908, *Auk* 25: 310. (Dominica.)

This bird, apparently occurring on Dominica, Lesser Antilles, was named on the basis of a description in an early book. No specimens are known.


This bird was reported only from Jamaica. One bird, perhaps a captive, was mentioned by Gosse (1847), but there are no specimens.

Ara erythrura Rothschild. Red-tailed Macaw.

_Ara erythrura_ Rothschild, 1907, Extinct Birds, p. 54, pl. 15. (“One of the West Indian Islands.”)

Described from the accounts of early travelers, this bird was believed to occur on an unspecified Antillean island. No specimens are known.

Ara gossei Rothschild. Yellow-headed Macaw.


This bird was reported only from Jamaica. A specimen collected about 1765 was described by Gosse (1847), although he apparently did not see the bird.

Ara guadeloupensis Clark. Guadeloupe Macaw.

_Ara guadeloupensis_ Clark, 1905, Auk 22: 272. (Guadeloupe, Lesser Antilles.)

Described from accounts of early travelers, this bird evidently occurred on Guadeloupe and Martinique, Lesser Antilles. No specimens are known.

Amazilia bangsi Ridgway. Bangs’s Hummingbird.


This hummingbird is regarded as a hybrid between _Amazilia rutila_ and _A. tzacatl_ (Bangs 1930).

Amazilia ocai Gould. d’Oca’s Hummingbird.


This unique hummingbird is regarded as a hybrid between _Amazilia cyanopephala_ and _A. beryllina_ (Berlioz 1932).

Thaumatias lerdi d’Oca.

_Thaumatias lerdi_ d’Oca, 1875, La Naturaleza 3: 24. (Paso del Macho, Vera Cruz, Mexico.)

This is often considered to be the same as _Amazilia ocai_ (Peters 1945).

Saucerottia fiorenceae van Rossem and Hachisuka. Florence’s Hummingbird.

_Saucerottia fiorenceae_ van Rossem and Hachisuka, 1938, Trans. San Diego Soc. Nat. Hist. 8: 408. (Rancho Santa Barbara, 5000 feet, 20 miles northeast of Guirocoba, Sonora.)

The unique type is probably an intrageneric hybrid in _Amazilia_ (Peters 1945).
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*Cyanomyia salvini* Brewster. Salvin's Hummingbird.

*Cyanomyia salvini* Brewster, 1893, Auk 10: 214. (Nacosari, Sonora, Mexico.)

This form is regarded as a hybrid between *Amazilia violiceps* and *Cynanthus latirostris* (Griscom 1934).

**Trochilus violajugulum** Jeffries. Violet-throated Hummingbird.

*Trochilus violajugulum* Jeffries, 1888, Auk 5: 168. (Santa Barbara, California.)

This form is regarded as a hybrid between *Archilochus alexandri* and *Calypte anna* (Ridgway 1911, Banks and Johnson 1961).

**Phasmornis mystica** Oberholser. Chisos Hummingbird.

*Phasmornis mystica* Oberholser, 1974, Bird Life Texas 1: 485. (Boot Spring, Chisos Mts., Texas.)

Described from the unique type (subsequently lost) as a new species (and genus), this form probably represents a hybrid (of unknown parentage) or an aberrant individual of *Archilochus alexandri* (Browning 1978).

**Selasphorus floresii** Gould. Floresi’s Hummingbird.

*Selasphorus floresii* Gould, 1861, Monogr. Trochil., pt. 23, pl. [10] and text; vol. 3, pl. 139. (Bolaños, Jalisco, Mexico.)

This hummingbird is regarded as a hybrid between *S. sasin* and *Calypte anna* (Banks and Johnson 1961).

**Celeus immaculatus** Berlepsch. Immaculate Woodpecker.

*Celeus immaculatus* Berlepsch, 1880, Ibis, p. 113. (Agua Dulce, Panama.)

Both the identity and source of the unique type specimen of *C. immaculatus* have been questioned (see Wetmore 1968). The type locality was based on the “make” of the type specimen, a trade skin of uncertain origin. Short (1982) considered the specimen to be an aberrant example of the extralimital *Celeus elegans* [Chestnut Woodpecker]; he did not comment on the locality.

**Vireosylva propinqua** Baird. Vera Paz Vireo.

*Vireosylva [sic] propinqua* Baird, 1866, Rev. Amer. Birds 1: 345, 348. (Cobán, Vera Paz, Guatemala.)

This form is probably a hybrid between *Vireo flavifrons* and *V. solitarius* (Ridgway 1904).

**Regulus cuvieri** Audubon. Cuvier’s Kinglet.

*Regulus cuvieri* Audubon, 1829, Birds Amer. (folio), 1, pl. 55 (1831, Ornithol. Biogr. 1: 288). (Fatland Ford, about ten miles west of Norristown, Pennsylvania.)

This form is known only from Audubon’s description and plate of a specimen taken in 1812 but not saved. It probably represents an aberrant plumage of *R. satrapa* (fide Watson, in Parkes 1985).

**Vermivora lawrencii** (Herrick). Lawrence’s Warbler.


This warbler is a hybrid between *Vermivora pinus* and *V. chrysoptera*, displaying the face pattern of *V. chrysoptera*. It has been recorded from the contact zone between the two species
and from much of their nonbreeding distributions (Parkes 1951). See comments under V. pinus.


*Helminthophaga leucobronchialis* Brewster, 1874, Amer. Sportsman 5 (3): 33. (Newtonville, Massachusetts.)

This warbler is a hybrid between *Vermivora pinus* and *V. chrysoptera*, displaying the face pattern of *V. pinus*. It has been recorded from the contact zone between the two species and from much of their nonbreeding distributions (Parkes 1951). See comments under *V. pinus*.


This warbler is regarded as a hybrid between *Vermivora pinus* and *Oporornis formosus* (Ridgway 1880, McCamey 1950, Graves 1988).

*Dendroica potomac* Haller. Sutton’s Warbler.

*Dendroica potomac* Haller, 1940, Cardinal 5: 50. (Berkeley County, elev. 450 ft., twelve miles south of Martinsburg, West Virginia.)

This warbler is generally regarded as a hybrid between *Dendroica dominica* and *Parula americana* (Brooks 1945, Morse 1989). Sightings have been reported from West Virginia, Virginia, District of Columbia, South Carolina, Florida, Indiana, and Texas (Carlson 1981).

*Sylvia carbonata* Audubon. Carbonated Warbler.

*Sylvia carbonata* Audubon, 1829, Birds Amer. (folio), 1. pl. 60 (1831, Ornithol. Biogr. 1, p. 308. (near Henderson, Kentucky.)

The two birds represented in Audubon’s description and plate are probably young *Dendroica tigrina* (Parkes 1985).


*Sylvia montana* Wilson, 1812, Amer. Ornithol. 5: 113, pl. 44, fig 2. (near the Blue Mountains [Pennsylvania].)

This form is known only from descriptions and paintings by Wilson of a bird from Pennsylvania (not Virginia, as often stated) and by Audubon of a bird from California (Parkes 1985). They have not been identified with certainty but are not in the Old World genus *Sylvia*.

*Sylvia microcephala* Ridgway. Small-headed Flycatcher.

*Muscicapa minuta* (not Gmelin, 1789) Wilson, 1812, Amer. Ornithol. 6: 62, pl. 50, fig. 5. (New Jersey.)


This bird is known only from the works of Wilson and Audubon, whose specimens were from New Jersey and Kentucky, respectively (Parkes 1985). When Ridgway proposed a new name for *minuta*, preoccupied in *Muscicapa*, he transferred it to the genus *Sylvia*, a synonym of modern *Wilsonia*, but generic placement is uncertain; thus, we retain the former generic designation. Sometimes called Small-headed Warbler (A.O.U. 1957).


*Emberiza townsendii* Audubon, 1834, Ornithol. Biogr. 2: 183. (near New Garden, Chester County, Pennsylvania.)
Known only from the unique type, taken 11 May 1833 by John K. Townsend, this bird is often treated in the genus *Spiza*. Parkes (1985) suggested that it is a female *Spiza americana* that lacks the normal carotenoid pigment in its plumage.

**Aegiothus brewsterii** Ridgway. Brewster’s Linnet.

*Aegiothus (flavirostris var.) brewsterii* Ridgway, 1872, Amer. Nat. 6: 433. (Waltham, Massachusetts.)

Known only from the type, taken 1 November 1870, this form is possibly a hybrid between *Carduelis flammeus* and *C. pinus* (Ridgway 1901).
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A French name is provided for each species appearing in the main list and the appendix of the 7th Edition of the Check-list of North American Birds. Except for a few cases, the French names are those of the Standing Committee on French Names of the Birds of the World (Commission internationale des noms français des oiseaux) (International Ornithological Committee—I.O.C.), and derived from the publication: NOMS FRANÇAIS DES OISEAUX DU MONDE. 1993. Éditions MultiMondes, Sainte-Foy, Québec, Canada. 452 pages. Some French names have been added or modified because of new taxonomic decisions and reflect these taxonomic changes. They have been reviewed by the North American members of the Standing Committee on French Names and will be included in the next edition of the world list of French names. This list follows the taxonomic sequence and arrangement of the Check-list.

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Oceanodroma furcata
Océanite à queue

Oceanodroma leucorhoa
Océanite cul-blanc

Oceanodroma homochroa
Océanite cendré

Oceanodroma castro
Océanite de Castro

Oceanodroma tethys
Océanite téthys

Oceanodroma melania
Océanite noir

Oceanodroma macrodactyla
Océanite de

Oceanodroma markhami
Markham

Oceanodroma tristrami
Océanite de Tristram

Oceanodroma microsoma
Océanite minute

PHAETHONTIDAE
Phaethon lepturus
Phaeton à bec jaune

Phaethon aethereus
Phaeton à bec rouge

Phaethon rubricauda
Phaeton à brins rouges

SULIDAE
Sula dactylatra
Fou masqué

Sula nebouxii
Fou à pieds bleus

Sula variegata
Fou varié

Sula leucogaster
Fou brun

Sula sula
Fou à pieds rouges

Morus bassanus
Fou de Bassan

PELECANIDAE
Pelecanus erythrorhynchos
Pélican d’Amérique

Pelecanus occidentalis
Pélican brun

PHALACROCORACIDAE
Phalacrocorax penicillatus
Cormoran de Brandt

Phalacrocorax brasilianus
Cormoran vigua

Phalacrocorax auritus
Cormoran à aigrettes

Phalacrocorax carbo
Grand Cormoran

Phalacrocorax urile
Cormoran à face rouge

Phalacrocorax pelagicus
Cormoran pélagique

ANHINGIDAE
Anhinga anhinga
Anhinga d’Amérique

FREGATIDAE
Fregata magnificens
Frégate superbe

Fregata minor
Frégate du Pacifique

Fregata ariel
Frégate ariel

ARDEIDAE
Botaurus pinnatus
Butor mirasol

Botaurus lentiginosus
Butor d’Amérique

Ixobrychus sinensis
Blongios de Chine

Isobrychus exilis
Petit Blongios

Tigrisoma lineatum
Onoré rayé

Tigrisoma fasciatum
Onoré fascié

Tigrisoma mexicanum
Onoré du Mexique

Ardea herodias
Grand Héron

Ardea cinerea
Héron cendré

Ardea cocoi
Héron cocoï

Ardea alba
Grande Aigrette

Egretta eulophotes
Aigrette de Chine

Egretta garzetta
Aigrette garzette

Egretta gularis
Aigrette à gorge blanche

Egretta thula
Aigrette neigeuse

Egretta caerulea
Aigrette bleue

Egretta tricolor
Aigrette tricolore

Egretta rufescens
Aigrette roussâtre

Bubulcus ibis
Héron garde-boeufs

Butorides virescens
Héron vert

Butorides striatus
Héron strié

Agamia agami
Héron agami

Pilherodius pileatus
Héron coiffé

Nycticorax nycticorax
Bihoreau gris

Nyctanassa violacea
Bihoreau violacé

Cochlearius cochlearius
Savacou huppé

THRESKIORNITHIDAE
Eudocimus albus
Ibis blanc

Eudocimus ruber
Ibis rouge

Plegadis falcinellus
Ibis falcinelle

Plegadis chihi
Ibis à face blanche

Mesembrinibis cayennensis
Ibis vert

Theristicus caudatus
Ibis mandore

Ajaia ajaja
Spatule rosé

CICONIIDAE
Jabiru mycteria
Jabiru d’Amérique

Mycteria americana
Tantale d’Amérique

CATHARTIDAE
Coragyps atratus
Urubu noir

Cathartes aura
Urubu à tête rouge

Cathartes burrovianus
Urubu à tête jaune

Gymnogyps californianus
Condor de Californie

Sarcoramphus papa
Sarcoramphus roi

PHOENICOPTERIDAE
Phoenicopterus ruber
Flamant rose

ANATIDAE
Anser fabalis
Oie des moissons

Botaurus pinnatus
Oie des moissons

Anser albifrons
Oie à bec court

Oie rieuse
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Anser erythropus
Chen canagica
Chen caerulescens
Chen rossii
Branta canadensis
Branta sandvicensis
Branta bernicla
Branta leucopsis
Cygnus olor
Cygnus buccinator
Cygnus columbianus
Cygnus cygnus
Sarkidiornis melanotos
Neochen jubata
Cairina moschata
Aix sponsa
Anas strepera
Anas falcata
Anas penelope
Anas americana
Anas rubripes
Anas platyrhynchos
Anas fulvigula
Anas wvylillana
Anas laysanensis
Anas poecilorhyncha
Anas discors
Anas cyanoptera
Anas cygnea
Anas bahamensis
Anas acuta
Anas querquecula
Anas forbesi
Anas creca
Aythya valisineria
Aythya americana
Aythya ferina
Aythya collaris
Aythya fuligula
Aythya marila
Aythya affinis
Polysticta stelleri
Somateria fischeri
Somateria spectabilis
Somateria mollissima
Histricus histricus
Cardtorhybus labradorius
Melanitta perspicillata
Melanitta fusca
Melanittas nigra
Clangua hyemalis
Bucephala albeola
Bucephala clangula
Bucephala islandica
Mergellus albellus
Lophodytes cucullatus
Mergus merganser
Mergus serrator
Oie naine
Oie empereur
Oie des neiges
Oie de Ross
Bernache du Canada
Bernache née
Bernache crvant
Bernache nonnette
Cygne tuberculé
Cygne trompette
Cygne siffleur
Cygne chanteur
Canard à bosse
Ouette de l'Orénoque
Canard musqué
Canard chipeau
Canard à fauclles
Canard siffleur
Canard d'Amérique
Canard noir
Canard colvert
Canard brun
Canard des Hawai
Canard de Laysan
Canard à bec tacheté
Sarcelle à ailes bleues
Sarcelle cannelle
Canard souchet
Canard des Bahamas
Canard pilet
Sarcelle d'été
Sarcelle élégante
Sarcelle d'hiver
Fuligule à dos blanc
Fuligule à tête rouge
Fuligule milouin
Fuligule à collier
Fuligule morillon
Fuligule milouinan
Petit Fuligule
Eider de Steller
Eider à lunettes
Eider à tête grise
Eider à duvet
Arlequin plongeur
Eider du Labrador
Macreuse à front blanc
Macreuse brune
Macreuse noire
Harelde kakawi
Petit Garrot
Garrot à œil d’or
Garrot d’Islande
Harle piette
Harle couronné
Grand Harle
Harle huppé
Nonomyx dominicus
Oxyura jamaicensis
ACCIPITRIDAE
Pandion haliaetus
Leptodon cayanensis
Chondrohierax uncinatus
Elanoides forficatus
Gampsonyx swainsonii
Elanus leucurus
Rostrhamus sociabilis
Rostrhamus hamatus
Harpagus bidentatus
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Ictinia plumbea
Halieaeus leucocephalus
Halieaeus albicilla
Halieaeus pelagicus
Busarellus nigricollis
Circus cyaneus
Accipiter solomensis
Accipiter superciliosus
Accipiter striatus
Accipiter cooperi
Accipiter gundlachi
Accipiter bicolor
Accipiter gentilis
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Leucopternis plumbea
Leucopternis princeps
Leucopternis semiplumbea
Leucopternis albicollis
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anthracinus
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Buteo galloalus urubitinga
Buteo galloalus meridionalis
Parabuteo unicinctus
Harpyhalaeatus solitarius
Buteo magnirostris
Buteo lineatus
Buteo ridgwayi
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Buteo brachyurus
Buteo swainsoni
Buteo albicaudatus
Érismature routoutou
Érismature roussé
Balbuzard pêcheur
Milan de Cayenne
Milan bec-en-croc
Milan à queue fourchue
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Buse barrée
Buse semiplombée
Buse blanche
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Buse urubu
Buse roussâtre
Buse de Harris
Buse solitaire
Buse à gros bec
Buse à épaulettes
Buse de Ridgway
Petite Buse
Buse à queue courte
Buse de Swainson
Buse à queue blanche
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Buteo albonotatus  Buteo solitarius  Buteo jamaicensis  Buteo regalis  Buteo lagopus  Morphnus guianensis  Harpia harpyja  Aquila chrysaetos  Spizastur melanoleucus  Spizaetus tyrannus  Spizaetus ornatus  

FALCONIDAE  

Micrastur ruficollis  Micrastur mirandollei  Daptrius americanus  Caracara plancus  Milvago chimachima  Herpetotheres cachinnans  Falco tinnunculus  Falco sparverius  

Falco columbarius  Falco subbuteo  Falco femoralis  Falco rufigularis  Falco deiroleucus  Falco rusticolus  Falco peregrinus  Falco mexicanus  

CRACIDAE  

Ortalitis vetula  Ortalis cinereiceps  Ortalis ruficauda  

Ortalitis wagneri  Ortalis poliocephala  Ortalis leucogastra  

Penelope purpurascens  Chamaepetes unicolor  Penelope nigra  Oreophaxis derbianus  Crax rubra  

PHASIANIDAE  

Alectoris chukar  Francolinus ponderosianus  Francolinus francolinus  Francolinus erckelli  Tetraogallus himalayensis  

Perdix perdix  Coturnix japonica  Gallus gallus  Lophura leucometanlos  Phasianus colchicus  Pavo cristatus  Bonasa umbellus  Centrocercus urophasianus  Falcipennis canadensis  Lagopus lagopus  Lagopus mutus  Lagopus leucurus  

Dendragapus obscurus  Tymanuchus phasianellus  Tymanuchus cupido  Tymanuchus pallicinctus  Meleagris gallopavo  Meleagris ocellata  Numida meleagris  

ODONTOPHORIDAE  

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Scolopax minor
Phalaropus tricolor
Phalaropus lobatus
Phalaropus fulicaria

GLAREOLIDAE
Glareola maldivarum

LARIDAE
Catharacta skua
Catharacta maccormicki
Stercorarius pomarinus
Stercorarius parasiticus
Stercorarius longicaudus

Barge marbrée
Tournepierré à collier
Tournepierré noir
Bécasseau du ressac
Bécasseau de l’Ananby
Bécasseau maubèche
Bécasseau sanderling
Bécasseau à col roux
Bécasseau minute
Bécasseau de Temminck
Bécasseau à longs doigts
Bécasseau minuscule
Bécasseau à croupion blanc
Bécasseau de Baird
Bécasseau à poitrine cendré
Bécasseau à queue pointue
Bécasseau violet
Bécasseau des Aléoutiennes
Bécasseau variable
Bécasseau cocorli
Bécasseau à échasses
Bécasseau spatule
Bécasseau falcinelle
Bécasseau roussâtre
Combattant varié
Bécassin roux
Bécassin à long bec
Bécassine sourde
Bécassine des marais
Bécassin à queue pointue
Bécasseau des bois
Bécasseau d’Amérique
Phalarope de Wilson
Phalarope à bec étroit
Phalarope à bec large

Glareole orientale

Grand Labbe
Labbe de McCormick
Labbe pomarin
Labbe parasite
Labbe à longue queue

Larus atricilla
Larus pipixcan
Larus minutus
Larus ridibundus
Larus philadelphia
Larus heermanni
Larus modestus
Larus belcheri
Larus crassirostris
Larus canus
Larus delawarensis
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Larus schistisagus
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Rissa brevirostris
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Petite Sterne
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Sterne des Aléoutiennes
Sterne à dos gris
Sterne bridée
Sterne fuligineuse
Sterne à gros bec

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Guifette noire
Sterne inca
Noddi brun
Noddi noir
Noddi bleu
Gygis blanche
Bec-en-ciseaux noir
ALCIDAE
Alle alle Mergule nain
Uria aalge Guillemot marmette
Uria lomvia Guillemot de Brünnich
Alca torda Petir Pingouin
Pinguinus impennis Grand Pingouin
Cephus grylle Guillemot à miroir
Cephus columba Guillemot colombin
Brachyramphus perdir Guiemot à long bec
Brachyramphus marmoratus Guillemot marbré
Brachyramphus brevirostris Guillemot de Kittlitz
Synthliboramphus hypoleucus Guillemot de Xantus
Synthliboramphus craveri Guillemot de Craveri
Synthliboramphus antiquus Guillemot à cou blanc
Psychoramphus aleuticus Starique de Cassin
Aethia psittacula Starique perroquet
Aethia pusilla Starique minuscule
Aethia pygmaea Starique pygmée
Aethia cristatella Starique cristatelle
Cerorhinca monocerata Macareux rhinocéros
Fratercula arctica Macareux moine
Fratercula corniculata Macareux cornu
Fratercula cirrhata Macareux huppé

PTEROCLIDIDAE [Incertae sedis]
Pterocles exustus Ganga à ventre brun

COLUMBIDAE
Columba livia Pigeon biset
Columba cayennensis Pigeon rousset
Columba speciosa Pigeon ramiret
Columba squamosa Pigeon à cou rouge
Columba leucocephala Pigeon à cou blanc
Columba flavirostris Pigeon à bec rouge
Columba inornata Pigeon simple
Columba fasciata Pigeon à queue barrée
Columba caribaea Pigeon de la Jamaïque
Columba subvinacea Pigeon vigneux
Columba nigripennis Pigeon à bec noir

Streptopelia orientalis Tourterelle orientale
Streptopelia risoria Tourterelle rieuse
Streptopelia turtur Tourterelle des bois
Streptopelia decaocto Tourterelle turque
Streptopelia chimensis Tourterelle tigrine
Geopelia striata Géopélie zébrée
Zenaida asiatica Tourterelle à ailes blanches
Zenaida aurita Tourterelle à queue carrée

PSITTACIDAE
Melopsittacus undulatus Perruche ondulée
Psittacula krameri Perruche à collier
Psittaculus pictus Conure versicolore
Myiopsitta monachus Conure de Hoffmann
Conuropsis carolinensis Conure de Caroline
Aratinga holochlora Conure verte
Aratinga strenua Conure de Ridgway
Aratinga finschi Conure de Finsch
Aratinga chloroptera Conure maîtresse
Aratinga euops Conure de Cuba
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Aratinga canicularis Conure à front rouge
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Alapi immaculé
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Fourmilier à joues blanches
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Machetornis rixosus Moucherolle querelleur
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Rhytiperna holerythra Aulia roux
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Tyrannus forficatus Tyran à longue queue
Tyrannus savana Tyran des savanes
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Sapayoa aenigma Sapayoa à bec large
Schiffornis turdinus Antiade turbide
Piprites griseiceps Pipritre à tête grise
Lipaugus unirufus Piahuau roux
Laniocera rufescens Aulia tacheté
Pachyramphus versicolor Bécarde barric
Pachyramphus rufus Bécarde cendrée
Pachyramphus cinnamomeus Bécarde cannelle
Pachyramphus alboeirse Bécarde à ailes blanches
Pachyramphus aglaiae Bécarde à bec rose
Pachyramphus homochrous Bécarde de la Jamaïque
Pachyramphus niger Tityra masqué
Tityra semisacriata Tityre à tête noire
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Cotinga ridgwayi Cotinga turquoise
Cotinga nattereri Cotinga bleu
Carpodectes hopkei Cotinga blanc
Carpodectes antoniae Cotinga à bec jaune
Carpodectes nitidus Cotinga neigeux
Querula purpurata Coracine noire
Cotinga polychroma Coracine ombrelle
Procnias tricolor Araponga
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Oxyruncidae
Oxyruncus cristatus Oxyrhyneque huppé
Cotingidae
Manacis candei Manakin vert
Manacis aurantiacus Manakin à col blanc
Manacis vitellinus Manakin à col orange
Corapipio altera Manakin à col d’or
Chiroxipha lanceolata Manakin à fraise
Chiroxipha linearis Manakin lancéolé
Pipra pipra Manakin fastueux
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Quiscale noir
Quiscale merle

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Psophiidae
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Pluvier oriental
Bécassine double
Labbé du Chili
Mouette à tête grise
Goéland dominicain
Mouette à queue fourchue
Sterne diamant
Sterne de Trudeau
Guillemot à lunettes
Pigeon de Goodson
Conure nanday
Toui de Spix
Toui à ailes jaunes
Amazon aourou
Coulcou nain
Coulcou à tête grise
Mango à cravate verte
Émeraude orvert
Ariane à poitrine blanche
Ariane de Félicie
Colibri héliodore
Toucan du Choco
Batara de Lafresnaye
Pirole à bec rouge
Corbeau freux
Cornelle noire
Alouette calandre
Mésange charbonnière
Mésange variée
Pouillot fitis
Shama dayal
Tairier des prés
Garrulaxe à flancs gris
Martin à ventre blanc
Pipit farlouse
Organiste mordoré
Tangara à capuchon
Sporophile faux-bouvron
Oriole jaune
Chardonnet de Magellan
Verdier d’Europe
Amarante foncé
Canard de Brewer
Colin de Reichenow
Bécasseau de Cooper
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- *Larus nelsoni*
- *Zenaida plumbea*
- *Conurus labati*
- *Anodorhynchus martinicus*
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**Trochilus**
- violajugulum
- *Phasmornis mystica*
- *Selasphorus floresii*
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**Viréo de Vera Paz**
- *Roitelet de Cuvier*
- *Paruline de Lawrence*
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