

DESTINATION AND DATES

2019-05-27 - Volcán Nevado de Colima in Jalisco and La Cumbre in Colima

PARTICIPANTS

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Christy Caldwell (cca)
Jesper Bay Jacobsen (guide, driver, preparations and report) (bj)

TRIP PURPOSE

Day trip to see landscapes and find endemics in general, with Balsas Screech-Owl as a special focus point.

TRIP RESULT

Species total: 72. Total endemic species: 17. Total regional species: 14. Total heard-only species: 11 (Squirrel Cuckoo, Eared Poorwill, Mexican Whip-poor-will, Mountain Trogon, Ladder-backed Woodpecker, Greenish Elaenia, Greater Pewee, Bright-rumped Attila, Great Kiskadee, Sinaloa Wren, Grayish Saltator).

We didn't get the Balsas Screech-Owl. But with 17 true endemics, almost 20 % of the Mexican endemics, and a few more being almost endemic, this itinerary speaks for itself as a trip worth while, if you have a spare day to spend when you visit the region.

ITINERARY - ACCOMMODATION

None, but Richard and Christy stayed at [Hotel Fuerte Real](#) in Cd. Guzmán, two nights.

ITINERARY - LOCALITIES

2019-05-27 | [Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal](#) | 06:10:00 | 09:08:00

Only got to the steep turn by the first house from below. The road was only suitable for high-clearance and 4-wheel drive. Don't really understand why it was in such a bad shape since we haven't had any rain, but maybe there has been extra traffic with heavy vehicles because of the many forest fires. | Richard Meyer, Christy Caldwell

2019-05-27 | [Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal](#) | 09:35:00 | 12:35:00

7/8, hazy 20 C. | Richard Meyer, Christy Caldwell

2019-05-27 | [Piscila - col](#) | 16:43:00 | 18:59:00

Beginning of access road and along the road from the village to the river. | Richard Meyer

2019-05-27 | [La Cumbre - col](#) | 19:08:00 | 21:30:00

6/8 very hazy, 25 C, as always wind in the afternoon | Richard Meyer

TRIP DESCRIPTION

After weeks with difficult access to the volcanoes because of forest fires, it had finally calmed down, and it was possible to bird without being molested by smoke.

The plan was to start pre-dawn, in Jalisco, on the main access road up to the national park Nevado de Colima, to try for nightjars on the lower slope, and then continue up to the good forest for the rest of the species. In the afternoon we would then drive to Colima to try for the Balsas Screech-Owl and the other good endemics to be found down there.

We did pretty well with the nightjars, since we had all three common species in the same spot, even though only the Buff-collared was seen. But well so. Unfortunately it took off before we managed to get cover photos of it, which would absolutely have been possible if it had stayed just a little longer!

When it got light we slowly moved up the slope, but still in the open below the evergreen forest. You normally see many birds in this part, and we had good views of a Chestnut-sided Shrike-Vireo, Gray Silky-Flycatchers and also got to see the skulking Orange-billed Nightingale-Thrush. Later both a Rusty Sparrow and a Rufous-capped Brushfinch showed poorly while one Collared Towhee acted as it should, allowing Richard to get photos of it from close range.

It was Richards first birding trip to Mexico, why most species were interesting. However, he had been to Arizona and seen some of the species that reach their northern limit just across the border. Northern Beardless-Tyrannulet and Buff-breasted Flycatcher were some of them, but both were still much appreciated.

Two Acorn Woodpeckers became the next species, and then we hit the obstacle that has made access to the volcanoes a tricky and less pleasant experience through the later years. In a very steep curve the road had become so eroded and dusty that it wasn't passable in a car without 4-wheel drive. And my car is not that. Normally this has been a problem only on the southern slope when driving up Volcán de Fuego from Atenquique, but now it seems that the main access road is suffering from the same lack of maintenance as down there.

Making it worse is of course the poor land management, where Avocado farmers are allowed to destroy the terrain high up on the slope, causing the landscapes to erode, with the consequence that dust piles up everywhere, and rain water to flow more aggressively down the mountain, worsening the eroding impact by a large degree. Sad!

We then retired, and decided to try the northern slope where there is an access at the pass called Floripondio. There you have access to the good forest directly from the road. It was only a 25 minutes drive from the other road, why we would still have good time to bird. Had the highway been in a good condition along this stretch we could even have been there in 10 minutes, but it is probably one of the worst potholed roads left in all of Mexico, why we were forced to take it easy.

At Floripondio we birded the first 3-4 kilometers of the road, and got a nice collection of the sought-after species: Red Warbler, Golden-browed Warbler, Crescent-chested Warbler, Green-striped Brushfinch, White-striped Woodcreeper, Gray-barred Wren, Russet Nightingale-Thrush. All seen. Two Mountain Trogons were only heard. Tufted Flycatcher and the only empidonax in the forest, Cordilleran Flycatcher, we also got.

Again a Rufous-capped Brushfinch didn't show well, contrary to what the Green-striped Brushfinch had done, and a very excited Gray-breasted Wood-Wren too. The latter to a degree where I think it was the best views I've ever had of the species!

The Red Warbler was Richard's favorite. Not unexpected.

A single Yellow-eyed Junco then followed us for a while driving up, and above us hidden in the foliage several Brown-backed Solitaires were singing their awkward musical song so characteristic to the mountains of Mexico.

In all the birding was rather modest, but the quality of the species we managed to find, still made it a very successful experience, and when we past midday decided to head back to Cd. Guzmán for lunch, we were all content.

After lunch in restaurant Los Portales, just off the main square by a block, Christy decided to decline from further birding exercises, why only Richard and I headed toward Colima, for the second leg of the trip.

It takes a good hour to get to La Cumbre, just outside of Colima City, and we arrived around a quarter to 5 pm.

At this time of year it doesn't get dark until 8:30 pm, and that would be when we would try for the Balsas Screech-Owl. Therefore we had plenty of time to bird for many of the other interesting species to be found in the area.

Below La Cumbre there is a nice river, El Salado, and there is a road leading to a small village, Piscila, along which the birding can be good. The habitat is dry thorn forest, and among other species especially some of the good sparrows and buntings can be found here.

But before getting there we made a quick stop in a more open area to try for a Banded Quail. This without luck though, but we got Striped-headed Sparrows and Golden-cheeked Woodpecker plus a heard-only Squirrel Cuckoo.

Normally the very top of La Cumbre is a reliable spot to find the Black-chested Sparrow. A family flock hangs out there, but it can also be found down by the Piscila road, and this we did indeed. Just one bird, though, but it posed well. And even twice, which allowed us to walk back to the car to get our cameras, and then get a few good photos of it.

Leaving your camera behind, is always a good approach if you as a photo-oriented birder has a species you really want to see, and can live without the pixels. I'm sure all photo-birders have tried it: You're just going a few meters down the road, just to check. And then all of a sudden you end up too far from your gear, and all the good birds pop up. So indeed an unusually well-behaved sparrow.

Now with cameras in hand, and one good endemic on the list, there was no reason not to try of the most popular of them all, which could also be seen here, The Orange-breasted Bunting! And certainly: After a few rounds of playback, sounds came out of the dry leafless trees somewhere, and then first one and then two males came out to defend their territories, and we could enjoy this attractive gem with its so intense colors that makes it continuously difficult to understand that it is for real!

And then it was time for a refreshment.

Birding on both sides of the volcanoes in the same day, makes you experience directly how different the climate is from one side to the other. Less hot and more dry on the Jalisco side, and very hot and humid on the Colima side. And after having walked in the Colima sun for almost an hour, we headed to Piscila and the first Abarrotes in sight.

Refreshed, we still had plenty of time to try for the owl, so from there we drove down to the river (without diving in it), which gave us a few more species of interest. The river itself didn't give much despite the appealing green vegetation. But on the way down, and up, we got two Plain-capped Starthroats that showed well and two Cinnamon Hummingbirds that did not (think only I saw them). But there was also a bunch of Yellow-winged Caciques squawking around, and just before we were about to leave, we heard the characteristic sound of the

White-throated Magpie-Jay and while trying to get the two of them into photo view, a Russet-crowned Motmot came in and landed in a tree close by. Richard was pleased and got his photos.

By the river we had heard a Citreoline Trogon, and knowing that it could also be found on the road up to La Cumbre we decided to go there to try for it. We would then also try for the Colima Pygmy-Owl which is very regular there too.

So the two of them were on the agenda as we drove through the gate at the bottom of the hill. The gate doesn't really close, but the entrepreneurial woman living next door, has found it an easy income to ask everybody who wants to drive up the road for a tip. You don't have to, but since it is nothing in the larger picture, one might as well play along, and you might even be improving your karma by doing so. I gave her 20 pesos. In retrospective I probably have to think about that amount in the future, but more about that later.

We stopped a good way up, and started to playback the trogon. It was windy, as it always is up there in the afternoon, so we walked down the road to get to a more protected part. Apart from being windy it is also winding, so that we accomplished fairly easy. But still no trogon. I then tried to play the Colima Pygmy-Owl, and certainly! After a little while one was responding downslope. And while insisting, it was obvious that it came closer, and the hope to actually get to see it grew big, and perhaps we would even be able to get photos of it..! The last part, of course, would require that we had our cameras at hand. Even though we had been in the same situation just an hour ago, we had done it again: Walked away from the car without our cameras, thinking it would just be a quick and close stop. I ran the good 100 meters up the slope and got both of them, and ran back too. Healthy and strong. Just like we want him!

Again, mercy upon us, and the owl kept coming closer and closer. So close now that a Black-capped Gnatcatcher showed up too, to express its dismay. Finally Richard spotted it in the nearest tree, and through the next half hour the persisting bird stayed present and finally got on to a good unobstructed perch, and we got our photos. A number two bird also showed up, but stayed out of sight all the time, just calling. That experience in itself was good enough for me to call it a success, but when a Citreoline Trogon also showed up and stayed long enough for Richard to enjoy the bird in-between shooting at the owl, we were to be called truly blessed. Our wish list nearly completed.

We then drove up to the top to relax a while before trying for the Balsas on the way down. I was confident that we would get it, and allowed us to take our time enjoying the spectacular view overlooking the hills and the river far below us. Along with many Mexicans and a single foreigner. We did not try to find the Black-chested Sparrows.

People come here to exercise and enjoy the sunset (or to paraglide). It was preferable if they all would walk down before we tried for the owl. Not that they would be hindering the bird to come out, but it might happen in an unfortunate moment, when they would walk by, and we could miss our chance of a photo. But when it was getting dark and there were still many people left, we had to act.

The last two times I've been up there, we've had a bird just below the antennas, and that was where I would start first. The good and promising thing about that spot is also, that it is protected from the wind, why it makes it more pleasant to watch and listen, and probably easier for the birds to hear your playback too.

So I played it. But we didn't get it. Not a single sound or movement were we able to pull out of the darkness this evening late in May. We tried it several places but nothing.

Theories:

Perhaps they are in the height of the breeding now, laying on eggs, and therefore being very discrete as many birds are.

That's probably the most likely explanation, but I prefer another one: Because maybe the old woman down by the gate is not only a money collector, but also a being that moves the flow of magical things. I don't remember what we paid two times ago, but the last time my friend Eduardo paid her 50 pesos, and we had the bird instantly, when we tried for it.

Now, my 20 pesos might not have been enough. Perhaps it would have been enough if we had just had the Balsas owl on the wish list, but now when we also had the pygmy-owl and the trogon, and got both of them, there might simply not have been enough energy left for the magic to work with number three also. Just an idea, but I'll definitely try with 50 pesos the next time!

And so ended the day.

And even though we had to accept this major dip at the end, I think I speak for both Richard, Christy and me, when I conclude that it had been a very pleasant, interesting and rewarding one.

Thank you Rich and Christy. Looking forward to an encore. Anytime!

SPECIES DATE LOCALITY

Legend at the end of the report, under Practical Information ebird/Clements(2018)

Chachalacas, Guans and Curassows (Cracidae)

West Mexican Chachalaca (*Ortalis poliocephala*) (E)

2019-05-27 Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (1) ~ Piscila - col (1)

Pigeons and Doves (Columbidae)

Inca Dove (*Columbina inca*)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (4)

White-tipped Dove (*Leptotila verreauxi*)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (3) ~ La Cumbre - col (1)

Cuckoos (Cuculidae)

Groove-billed Ani (*Crotophaga sulcirostris*)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (5)

Squirrel Cuckoo (*Piaya cayana*)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (1 HE)

Nightjars and Allies (Caprimulgidae)

Eared Poorwill (*Nyctiphrynus mcleodii*) (E)

2019-05-27 Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (2 HE)

Buff-collared Nightjar (*Antrostomus ridgwayi*) (R)

2019-05-27 Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (3 ridgwayi one seen)

Mexican Whip-poor-will (*Antrostomus arizonae*)

2019-05-27 Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (3 HE)

Hummingbirds (Trochilidae)

Plain-capped Starthroat (*Heliomaster constantii*)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (2)

Cinnamon Hummingbird (*Amazilia rutila*)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (2) (jbj)

White-eared Hummingbird (*Hylocharis leucotis*) (R)

2019-05-27 Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (1) ~ Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal (3)

Hérons, Egrets and Bitterns (Ardeidae)

Great Egret (*Ardea alba*)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (2)

New World Vultures (Cathartidae)

Black Vulture (*Coragyps atratus*)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (6)

Turkey Vulture (*Cathartes aura*)

2019-05-27 Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (1)

Hawks, Eagles and Kites (Accipitridae)

Red-tailed Hawk (*Buteo jamaicensis*)

2019-05-27 Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal (1)

Owls (Strigidae)

Colima Pygmy-Owl (*Glaucidium palmarum*) (E)

2019-05-27 La Cumbre - col (2)

Trogons (Trogonidae)

Citreoline Trogon (*Trogon citreolus*) (E)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (1 HE) ~ La Cumbre - col (1)

Mountain Trogon (*Trogon mexicanus*) (R)

2019-05-27 Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal (2 HE)

Motmots (Momotidae)

Russet-crowned Motmot (*Momotus mexicanus*) (R)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (1)

Woodpeckers (Picidae)

Acorn Woodpecker (*Melanerpes formicivorus*)

2019-05-27 Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (3)

Golden-cheeked Woodpecker (*Melanerpes chrysogenys*) (E)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (2)

Ladder-backed Woodpecker (*Dryobates scalaris*)

2019-05-27 Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (1 HE sinaloensis)

Ovenbirds and Woodcreepers (Furnariidae)

White-striped Woodcreeper (*Lepidocolaptes leucogaster*) (E)

2019-05-27 Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal (3)

Tyrant Flycatchers (Tyrannidae)

Northern Beardless-Tyrannulet (*Camptostoma imberbe*)

2019-05-27 Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (2)

Greenish Elaenia (*Myiopagis viridicata*)

2019-05-27 Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (1 HE jaliscensis [West Mexico]) (jbj)

Tufted Flycatcher (*Mitrephanes phaeocercus*)

2019-05-27 Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal (2)

Greater Pewee (*Contopus pertinax*) (R)

2019-05-27 Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (2 HE pertinax [Mexican]) (jbj)

Cordilleran Flycatcher (*Empidonax occidentalis*)

2019-05-27 Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (2) ~ Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal (1)

Buff-breasted Flycatcher (*Empidonax fulvifrons*) (R)

2019-05-27 Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (1)

Vermilion Flycatcher (*Pyrocephalus rubinus*)

2019-05-27 Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (1)

Bright-rumped Attila (*Attila spadiceus*)

2019-05-27 Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (2 HE)

Dusky-capped Flycatcher (*Myiarchus tuberculifer*)

2019-05-27 Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (2) ~ Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal (2)

Nutting's Flycatcher (*Myiarchus nuttingi*)

2019-05-27 La Cumbre - col (1)

Great Kiskadee (*Pitangus sulphuratus*)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (1 HE)

Social Flycatcher (*Myiozetetes similis*)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (2)

Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher (*Myiodynastes luteiventris*)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (1) ~ La Cumbre - col (1 HE)

Tropical Kingbird (*Tyrannus melancholicus*)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (3)

Vireos, Shrike-Babblers and Erpornis (Vireonidae)

Chestnut-sided Shrike-Vireo (*Vireolanius meliophrys*) (R)

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Hutton's Vireo (*Vireo huttoni*)

2019-05-27 Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal (1)

Crows, Jays and Magpies (Corvidae)

White-throated Magpie-Jay (*Calocitta formosa*)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (5) ~ La Cumbre - col (4)

Swallows (Hirundinidae)

Northern Rough-winged Swallow (*Stelgidopteryx serripennis*)

2019-05-27 La Cumbre - col (1 Nest whole in the wall below La Ermita.)

Barn Swallow (*Hirundo rustica*)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (5) ~ La Cumbre - col (2)

Wrens (Troglodytidae)

Gray-barred Wren (*Campylorhynchus megalopterus*) (E)

2019-05-27 Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal (6)

Rufous-naped Wren (*Campylorhynchus rufinucha*)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (4 humilis [Sclater's])

Happy Wren (*Pheugopedius felix*) (E)

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Sinaloa Wren (*Thryophilus sinaloa*) (E)**2019-05-27** Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (1 HE) ~ La Cumbre - col (1 HE)**Gray-breasted Wood-Wren** (*Henicorhina leucophrys*)**2019-05-27** Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal (1)

Gnatcatchers (Poliopitidae)

Black-capped Gnatcatcher (*Poliopitila nigriceps*) (R)**2019-05-27** La Cumbre - col (1)

Thrushes and Allies (Turdidae)

Brown-backed Solitaire (*Myadestes occidentalis*) (R)**2019-05-27** Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal (4)**Orange-billed Nightingale-Thrush** (*Catharus aurantiirostris*)**2019-05-27** Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (3)**Russet Nightingale-Thrush** (*Catharus occidentalis*) (E)**2019-05-27** Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal (6)**White-throated Thrush** (*Turdus assimilis*)**2019-05-27** Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal (4)**Rufous-backed Robin** (*Turdus rufopalliatu*) (E)**2019-05-27** Piscila - col (2)

Mockingbirds and Thrashers (Mimidae)

Blue Mockingbird (*Melanotis caerulescens*) (E)**2019-05-27** Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (2)

Silky-flycatchers (Ptilionotidae)

Gray Silky-flycatcher (*Ptilionotus cinereus*) (R)**2019-05-27** Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (3)

New World Sparrows (Passerellidae)

Stripe-headed Sparrow (*Peucaea ruficauda*)**2019-05-27** Piscila - col (8)**Black-chested Sparrow** (*Peucaea humeralis*) (E)**2019-05-27** Piscila - col (1)**Yellow-eyed Junco** (*Junco phaeonotus*) (R)**2019-05-27** Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal (3)**Rusty-crowned Ground-Sparrow** (*Melospiza kieneri*) (E)**2019-05-27** Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (1) (jbj)**Canyon Towhee** (*Melospiza fusca*)**2019-05-27** Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (3)**Rusty Sparrow** (*Aimophila rufescens*)**2019-05-27** Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (1)**Collared Towhee** (*Pipilo ocai*) (E)**2019-05-27** Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (3) ~ Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal (1)**Rufous-capped Brushfinch** (*Atlapetes pileatus*) (E)**2019-05-27** Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (1) ~ Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal (1)

Troupials and Allies (Icteridae)

Yellow-winged Cacique (*Cassiculus melanicterus*) (R)**2019-05-27** Piscila - col (10)**Streak-backed Oriole** (*Icterus pustulatus*)**2019-05-27** Piscila - col (8)**Great-tailed Grackle** (*Quiscalus mexicanus*)**2019-05-27** Piscila - col (20)

New World Warblers (Parulidae)

Crescent-chested Warbler (*Oreothlypis superciliosa*) (R)**2019-05-27** Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal (4)**Golden-browed Warbler** (*Basileuterus belli*) (R)

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Slate-throated Redstart (*Myioborus miniatus*)

2019-05-27 Nevado de Colima - acceso Floripondio - jal (6)

Cardinals and Allies (Cardinalidae)

Hepatic Tanager (*Piranga flava*)

2019-05-27 Volcán Nevado de Colima - acceso principal (1)

Orange-breasted Bunting (*Passerina leclancherii*) (E)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (3)

Tanagers and Allies (Thraupidae)

Grayish Saltator (*Saltator coerulescens*)

2019-05-27 Piscila - col (1 HE)

DATE LOCALITY SPECIES

2019-05-27

VOLCÁN NEVADO DE COLIMA - ACCESO PRINCIPAL 06:10:00 - 09:08:00

West Mexican Chachalaca (1) - Eared Poorwill (2) - Buff-collared Nightjar (3) - Mexican Whip-poor-will (3) - White-eared Hummingbird (1) - Turkey Vulture (1) - Acorn Woodpecker (3) - Ladder-backed Woodpecker (1) - Northern Beardless-Tyrannulet (2) - Greenish Elaenia (1) - Greater Pewee (2) - Cordilleran Flycatcher (2) - Buff-breasted Flycatcher (1) - Vermilion Flycatcher (1) - Bright-rumped Attila (2) - Dusky-capped Flycatcher (2) - Chestnut-sided Shrike-Vireo (1) - Happy Wren (1) - Sinaloa Wren (1) - Orange-billed Nightingale-Thrush (3) - Blue Mockingbird (2) - Gray Silky-flycatcher (3) - Rusty-crowned Ground-Sparrow (1) - Canyon Towhee (3) - Rusty Sparrow (1) - Collared Towhee (3) - Rufous-capped Brushfinch (1) - Hepatic Tanager (1)

NEVADO DE COLIMA - ACCESO FLORIPONDIO - JAL 09:35:00 - 12:35:00

White-eared Hummingbird (3) - Red-tailed Hawk (1) - Mountain Trogon (2) - White-striped Woodcreeper (3) - Tufted Flycatcher (2) - Cordilleran Flycatcher (1) - Dusky-capped Flycatcher (2) - Chestnut-sided Shrike-Vireo (1) - Hutton's Vireo (1) - Gray-barred Wren (6) - Gray-breasted Wood-Wren (1) - Brown-backed Solitaire (4) - Russet Nightingale-Thrush (6) - White-throated Thrush (4) - Yellow-eyed Junco (3) - Collared Towhee (1) - Rufous-capped Brushfinch (1) - Crescent-chested Warbler (4) - Golden-browed Warbler (2) - Slate-throated Redstart (6)

PISCILA - COL 16:43:00 - 18:59:00

West Mexican Chachalaca (1) - Inca Dove (4) - White-tipped Dove (3) - Groove-billed Ani (5) - Squirrel Cuckoo (1) - Plain-capped Starthroat (2) - Cinnamon Hummingbird (2) - Great Egret (2) - Black Vulture (6) - Citreoline Trogon (1) - Russet-crowned Motmot (1) - Golden-cheeked Woodpecker (2) - Great Kiskadee (1) - Social Flycatcher (2) - Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher (1) - Tropical Kingbird (3) - White-throated Magpie-Jay (5) - Barn Swallow (5) - Rufous-naped Wren (4) - Rufous-backed Robin (2) - Stripe-headed Sparrow (8) - Black-chested Sparrow (1) - Yellow-winged Cacique (10) - Streak-backed Oriole (8) - Great-tailed Grackle (20) - Orange-breasted Bunting (3) - Grayish Saltator (1)

LA CUMBRE - COL 19:08:00 - 21:30:00

White-tipped Dove (1) - Colima Pygmy-Owl (2) - Citreoline Trogon (1) - Nutting's Flycatcher (1) - Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher (1) - White-throated Magpie-Jay (4) - Northern Rough-winged Swallow (1) - Barn Swallow (2) - Happy Wren (2) - Sinaloa Wren (1) - Black-capped Gnatcatcher (1)

OTHER WILDLIFE

MAMMALS:

Mexican Gray Squirrel (*Sciurus aureogaster*)

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

For questions, comments and trip requests: www.jesperbayjacobsen.com

My photos from the trip can be found [here](#)

The taxonomy follows ebird/Clements 2018.

Hotels:

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Code description:

BR: Breeding
CA: Calling
DE: Dead
FO: Foraging
HE: Heard only
MI: Migrating
MO: Local movement
NI: Night roost
PE: Perched
RO: Roosting
SH: Seen and heard
SI: Singing

(E): Endemic

(R) Regional endemics (US border states plus area covered in Howell & Webb -95)

Redlist status:

LC: Least Concern
NT: Near Threatened
VU: Vulnerable
EN: Endangered
CR: Critically Endangered
EW: Extinct in the wild
EX: Extinct
DD: Insufficient data
NA: Taxon not recognized by IUCN
NE: Not evaluated