

THE BRAZILIAN CAATINGA ALAGOAS, NORTHERN BAHÍA & CEARÁ STATES TRIP REPORT

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Araripe Manakin

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Dec 9. Early transfer from Belo Horizonte (after finishing with the successful scouting of the Mergansers and Cherry-throated Tanager scouting trip), morning Flight to the city of Recife on the Pernambuco State to continue with our scouting trip this time on the Caatinga region, where we arrive in the late morning then we drove out the State of Pernambuco to enter Alagoas State to the small city of Uniao dos Palmares where we arrive late in the afternoon. Night in Uniao dos Palmares.

Dec 10. The visit to the Murici Forest (AKA Bananeira Forest) require to start at an absurd time because the long drive to commute with arriving to the site at first light in the morning. The too early morning had us arriving slightly after 6:00 AM, after PM we went to visit the Cerro do Ouro forest before returning to our Hotel in Uniao dos Palmares. Some of the highlights of the day included: Collared Forest-Falcon, Ash-throated Crake, Red-shouldered Macaw, Reddish Hermit, Margaretta's Hermit, Black Jacobin, Black-throated Mango, Black-eared Fairy, Stripe-breasted Starthroat, Black-necked Aracari, Golden-spangled Piculet, Red-stained Woodpecker, Rufous-winged Antwren, Willis's Antbird, White-backed Fire-Eye (*ssp pernambucensis*), Scalloped Antbird, Black-cheeked Gnatcatcher (*ssp nigrifrons*), White-eyed Tody-Tyrant, Grayish Mourner, Bright-rumped Attila, Black-headed Berryeater, Blue-backed Manakin, White-bearded Manakin, Red-headed Mankin, Long-billed Gnatwren, Yellowish Pipit, Opal-rumped Tanager, Red-necked Tanager, Red-legged Honeycreeper, Yellow-backed Tanager, Flame-crested Tanager and Violaceous Euphonia. We tried for the White-collared Kite but the birds were not around.

Dec 11. One more morning visiting the Muricí forest for most of the day, returning to our Hotel in time to bird its grounds. Today we found many of the birds of the previous day and added a few others including: Speckled Chachalaca (spp araucuan), Long-tailed Woodnymph, Rusty-breasted Nunlet, Black-tailed Leaf-tosser, White-shouldered Antshrike (ssp distans), White-fringed Antwren and Screaming Piha despite all the effort and looking the Alagoas Endemic species proved to be rare and manage to elude us and we fail in finding Jandaya Parakeet, Alagoas Foliage-gleaner, Alagoas Antwren, Orange-bellied Antwren, Alagoas Tyrannulet and Seven colored Tanager.



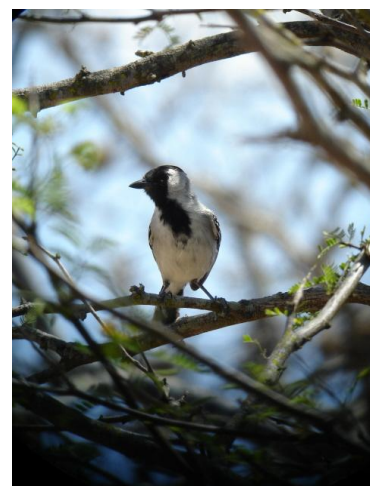
Lear's Macaw
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Dec 12. This day we had a long drive ahead and we decided to bird the Hotel grounds before heading out, besides we did not have time to drive to and back the Murici forest but the birding near the Hotel in the morning was quite rewarding including Rufous-breasted Hermit, Swallow-tailed Hummingbird, White-vented Violetear, Ruby-topaz Hummingbird, Long-tailed Woodnymph, Sombre Hummingbird, Golden-spangled Piculet, a pair of Alagoas Tyrannulet were seen at the forest edge while they were vocalizing which was what drew our attention to them, Green-backed Becard, Chestnut-vented Conebill and Guira Tanager, one another highlight was a family group of the Tufted Marmosets; then we headed for our long drive to Jeremoabo where we arrive in the mid-afternoon which gave us the chance to make a quick dash for the Lear's Macaw finding 11 of them right before dusk, this afternoon we also saw some other Caatinga specialties among other species

including: Muscovy Duck, Whistling Heron, Blue-winged Parrotlet, Turquoise-fronted Amazon, Caatinga Cachalote, Suiriri Flycatcher, White Monjita, Masked Water Tyrant, White-headed Marsh-Tyrant, Tropical Gnatcatcher, White-throated Seedeater and Pale Baywinged. Night in Jeremoabo.

Silver-cheeked Antshrike
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Dec 13. We started quite early to pay one more visit to the Lear's Macaw are in a better light before heading out to Petrolina, the experience was supreme since we saw near 60 Macaws (nearly 15% of the known population) others species included: Red-legged Seriema, Blue-crowned Parakeet, Spot-backed Puffbird, Green-barred Flicker, Narrow-billed Woodcreeper, Silvery-cheeked Antshrike, Barred Antshrike, Stripe-backed Antbird, White Monjita, Long-billed Wren, Hooded Tanager, Pileated Finch, Red-cowled Cardinal and Campo Oriole; then we endured the long drive to Petrolina where we stayed for the night, some of the species we saw along the way were Cactus Parakeet, Spotted Piculet, Mouse-colored Tyrannulet, Lesser Wagtail-Tyrant and White-naped Jay.



Day 14. Early morning drive from Petrolina towards Crato close by the Serra do Araripe with several stops in the way adding White-bellied Nothura, Plain-breasted Ground-Dove, Spotted Piculet, Ochre-checked Spinetail, Rufous-breasted Leaf-tosser (ssp cearensis), Planalto Slaty-Antshrike, Caatinga Antwren, Black-bellied Antwren and Flavescent Warbler. We arrive in

Crato early enough to go and find our first male Araripe Manakin (One of the star birds of the trip). Night in Crato.



Pygmy Nightjar
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Dec 15. Today we went up to the upper part of the Serra do Araripe and birded the early morning before returning to Crato and head to visit the Aracaja water park for more Araripe Manakin experience, the late afternoon was expend in the upper part of the Serra do Araripe, some of the birds for the day included: White-browed Guan, brief views of Spot-winged Wood-Quail, Tropical Screech-Owl, Common (Gray) Potoo, Little Nightjar, Cinnamon-throated Hermit, Tawny Piculet, Gray-headed Spinetail, Great Xenops, Red-shouldered Spinetail, Silvery-cheeked Antshrike, Planalto Slaty-Antshrike, Caatinga Antwren, White-browed Antpitta, Ash-throated

Casiornis, Araripe Manakin, White-naped Jay, Moustached Wren and Cinnamon Tanager. Night In Crato.

Dec 16. We had one more early morning in the Serra do Araripe before heading to our hotel in Baturite located on top of the Serra do Baturite. This was a long drive and we pretty much did not stop, other than a few stops where was word mentioning the stop near the small of Morada Nova to look for the Pygmy Nightjar, the morning birding gave us the chance to find: Black-bellied Whistling-Duck, Yellow-chinned Spinetail, Rufous-fronted Thornbird, Caatinga Cachalote, Tawny-crowned Pygmy-tyrant, Pale-bellied Tyrant-Manakin, Gray-eyed Greenlet and Ultramarine Grosbeak. Night in Hotel in Baturité.

Dec 17. In the morning we stayed in the grounds and trails close to our hotel, then the remaining time of the morning was dedicated to search the grounds of a much bigger Hotel, the afternoon was dedicated to study and enjoy great views of the critically endangered Gray-breasted Parakeet, some of the highlights for the day were: Laughing Falcon, Yellow-chevroned Parakeet, Ruby-topaz Hummingbird, Gould's Toucanet, Ocraceous Piculet, Little Woodpecker, Wing-banded Hornero, Pale-legged Hornero, Rufous-capped Spinetail, Ochre-cheeked Spinetail, Gray-headed Spinetail, Great Antshrike, Short-tailed Antthrush, Rufous Gnateater (ssp cearae), Buff-breasted Tody-Tyrant, Band-tailed Mankin, Orange-headed Tanager, Red-necked Tanager (ssp cearensis) and Pectoral Sparrow.



Gray-breasted Parakeet
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Dec 18. In our last day of birding we remained near the Hotel for the early morning but a heavy rain stop us to walk the inside forest trails, then we drove for a long way to Icapuí to see some mangrove forest and mud-flats before heading to Fortaleza. Night in Fortaleza
Some of the species we were able to find today included: Black-bellied (Gray) Plover, Semipalmated Plover, Stilt Sandpiper, Semipalmated Sandpiper, Willet, Buff-throated Woodcreeper and Slender-footed Tyrannulet.

Day 19. Flights out to Rio de Janeiro to catch the international flights back home.

Species Account:

- White-bellied Nothura – One bird was seen walking across the road in our drive from Petrolina to Crato.
- Tataupa Tinamou – One bird was heard in the Serrado Araripe forest.
- Speckled Chachalaca – A small family was seen inside the Murici forest, this is the subspecies araucuan.
- White-browed Guan – Small numbers (3-2) were seen in the Serra do Araripe forest in two different days.
- Spot-winged Wood-Quail – A small group of what probably was this species was briefly seen while the birds were crossing the forest path in the upper part of the Serra do Araripe.
- Black-bellied Whistling-Duck – Some 10 were seen in some of the lakes along the drive from Araripe to Baturité.
- Muscovy Duck – A Pair was seen flying in the distance the first afternoon we went to visit the Lear's Macaw site.
- Least Grebe – A pair was seen along the drive from Uniao dos Palmares to Jeremoabo and at least a dozen were seen along the drive from Serra do Araripe to the Serra do Baturite.
- Pied-billed Grebe – At least some 30 birds were seen along the drive from Serra do Araripe to the Serra do Baturite.
- Neotropic Cormorant – Several were seen along the drive from Uniao dos to Jeremoabo, also numerous (30+) along the drive from Serra do Araripe to the Serra do Baturite, at least 20 were seen along the drive to Icapuí.
- Striated Heron – Several (6) were seen in some of the lakes along the drive from Araripe to Baturite and a pair more along the drive to Icapuí.
- Cattle Egret – A numerous and common bird near water.
- Great Egret – Small numbers in water ponds near Petrolina and Crato and numerous (20) along the drive from Serra do Araripe to the Serra do Baturite.
- Whistling Heron – At least four were seen along the drive from Uniao dos Palmares to Jeremoabo.
- Snowy Egret – Numerous along the drive from Serra do Araripe to the Serra do Baturite.
- Black Vulture – A common bird seen almost daily.
- Turkey Vulture – Small numbers almost daily.
- Lesser Yellow-headed Vulture – A pair was seen flying over along the road to the Murici forest.
- Hook-billed Kite – Only one was seen flying over the Serra do Baturite forest.
- Crane Hawk – Only one bird was seen flying by and landing for a scope view in the Cerro do Ouro forest near Murici.
- Roadside Hawk – Single birds almost daily.
- Southern Crested Caracara – Small numbers (1 – 2) were seen almost daily, numerous (30) along the drive from Serra do Araripe to the Serra do Baturite.
- Yellow-headed Caracara – One single bird was seen at the Lear's Macaw site.
- Laughing Falcon – It was only heard the first day at the Serra do Baturite forest.
- Collared Forest-Falcon – It was only heard from inside the Murici forest.
- American Kestrel – One seen along the drive from Recife to Uniao dos Palmares, others (4) along the drive from Uniao do Palmares to Jeremoabo and a pair more along the drive from Petrolina to Crato.
- Ash-throated Crake – One was briefly seen in a marshy pond near the Murici forest and it was later on heard the next day in the same general area.
- Common Moorhen – One was seen along the drive from Petrolina to Crato and numerous (30) along the drive from Serra do Araripe to the Serra do Baturite.

- Purple Gallinule – Three were seen along the drive from Serra do Araripe to the Serra do Baturite.
- Red-legged Seriema – A pair was seen at the Lear’s Macaw site.
- Wattled Jacana – Small numbers (4 -6) almost daily in any water body throughout the trip.
- White-backed Stilt – At least 20 along the drive from Petrolina to Crato and at least some 50 along the drive from Serra do Araripe to the Serra do Baturite.
- Southern Lapwing – Numerous in almost single grassland habitat.
- Black-bellied (Gray) Plover –A pair was seen at some muddy stream near Icapuí.
- Semipalmated Plover - A pair was seen at some muddy stream near Icapuí.
- Greater Yellowlegs - A pair was seen at some muddy stream near Icapuí.
- Stilt Sandpiper – Some 4-5 were seen at some muddy stream near Icapuí.
- Semipalmated Sandpiper – At least some 30-40 were seen at some muddy stream near Icapuí.
- Willet – A pair was seen at some muddy stream near Icapuí.
- Greater Yellowlegs – A pair was seen at some muddy stream near Icapuí.
- Spotted Sandpiper – Some 5-6 were seen at some muddy stream near Icapuí.
- Picazuro Pigeon – A couple each day but only near Jeremoabo.
- Eared Dove – A few (6-8) at the Lear’s Macaw site and common along (50) the drive from Serra do Araripe to the Serra do Baturite also (30) along the drive from Petrolina to Crato.
- Plain-breasted Ground-Dove – A few (3-4) were seen along the drive from Uniao dos Palmares to Jeremoabo, at least 10 along the drive from Petrolina to Crato and few others along the drive from Serra do Araripe to the Serra do Baturite.
- Ruddy Ground-Dove – A common bird throughout the trip (10 -30) almost daily.
- Picui Ground-Dove – Common (30) along the drives from Petrolina to Crato and the drive from Serra do Araripe to the Serra do Baturite (20).
- Scaled Dove – Half a dozen seen only near Morada Nova.
- White-tipped Dove – A pair was seen at the Murici forest visit also along the drive from Petrolina to Crato.
- Gray-fronted Dove –I was the only one that saw one inside forest in the Serra do Baturite.
- Lear’s Macaw - 11 of them were seen right before dusk in our first visit to the site and the next morning the experience was supreme since we saw some 60 Macaws (nearly 15% of the known population).
- Red-shouldered Macaw – At least some 30+ birds were seen in the Murici forest area.
- Blue-crowned Parakeet – At least some 8 birds were seen at the Lear’s Macaw site.
- Cactus Parakeet – A common bird (60) along the drive from Petrolina to Crato, small numbers near Crato (2-6) and a few (10+) near Morada Nova.
- Gray-breasted Parakeet – Split from Maroon-faced Parakeet, a group of 8 where seen at the vicinity of a traditional roosting tree.
- Blue-winged Parrotlet – Common (50) in the grounds of our Hotel in Uniao dos Palmares and some 20+ at the Lear’s Macaw site.
- Yellow-chevroned Parakeet – A fairly common (20+) bird in Serra do Baturite.
- Turquoise-fronted Amazon –It was only heard flying by at the Lear’s Macaw site.
- Squirrel Cuckoo – A pair was seen in the Murici forest and a pair more at the Serra de Baturite forest.
- Smooth-billed Ani – A couple of family groups were seen in the way to the Murici forest and several others (20-30) along the drives from along the drive from Uniao dos Palmares to Jeremoabo, at least 20 along the drive from Petrolina to Crato and few others (10) along the drive from Serra do Araripe to the Serra do Baturite.
- Guira Cuckoo – Small numbers (12) along the Murici forest drive and also (20) along the drives from along the drive from Uniao dos Palmares to Jeremoabo, at least 10 along the drive from Petrolina to Crato.

- Striped Cuckoo – Was only heard at the Lear’s Macaw site and at the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Tropical Screech-Owl – One was seen at close in the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Spectacled Owl – A bird was seen in front of the Cabins at the Serra de Baturite forest.
- Burrowing Owl – Small numbers (1-2) along the way to the Murici forest.
- Common Potoo – A couple seen flying by and others heard at the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Pauraque – Small numbers (2-4) along the drive to the Murici forest and (1-2) in the Serra do Araripe Plateau.
- Little Nightjar – One seen and others heard in the Serra do Araripe Plateau.
- Pygmy Nightjar – At least 4 pairs were seen at a site near Morada Nova in the drive from Serra do Araripe to the Serra do Baturite.
- Fork-tailed Palm-Swift – Only 3 were seen in some area near Crato.
- Rufous-breasted Hermit – A pair was seen at the Uniao dos Palmares hotel grounds and one another pair at the Serra de Baturite hotel grounds.
- Reddish Hermit – At least 8+ were seen inside forest in the Murici preserve and 3 were seen Serra de Baturite forest.
- Cinnamon-throated Hermit – Only one bird was seen in the undergrowth of the Aracaja water park forest.
- Margaretta’s Hermit – Single birds were seen in two separate days inside the Murici forest.
- Planalto Hermit – One single bird was seen in the Aracaja water park forest.
- Swallow-tailed Hummingbird – Single birds almost every day were seen in the Lear’s Macaw site, Serra de Baturite and Serra do Araripe.
- Black Jacobin - Single birds inside the Murici forest in two consecutive days.
- White-vented Violetear - One single bird in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel grounds.
- Black-throated Mango – One single bird seen in the Cerro do Ouro forest.
- Ruby-topaz Hummingbird – A pair was in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel grounds and one single in the grounds of the Serra de Baturite Hotel.
- Glittering-bellied Emerald – Small (1-4) numbers were seen almost every day only basent from the Murici forest and Uniao dos Palmares.
- Fork-tailed Woodnymph – Six were seen in the Serra do Barurite forest.
- Long-tailed Woodnymph – A close by female was seen inside forest in the Murici reserve and a male was seen attending an Inga tree in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel grounds.
- Versicolored Emerald – One single bird was seen in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel grounds then two more in the grounds of the Serra de Baturite Hotel.
- Sapphire-spangled Emerald – One single bird was seen in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel grounds.
- Glittering-throated Emerald – A pair in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel grounds.
- Sombre Hummingbird – One single bird was seen in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel grounds.
- Black-eared Fairy – Two birds were seen inside forest in the Murici reserve.
- Stripe-breasted Starthroat – A male was briefly seen in the Cerro do Ouro forest and probably a female of this species was seen at the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Black-throated Trogon – It was only heard in the Murici forest.
- Blue-crowned Trogon – It was heard in two separated days in the Serra do Araripe plateau and one male was seen in the grounds of the Serra de Baturite Hotel.
- Ringed Kingfisher – One was seen flying by in the way to the Murici forest and one more along the drive from Serra do Araripe to the Serra do Baturite.
- Amazon Kingfisher – A pair was seen in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel grounds.
- Green Kingfisher – A single bird was seen in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel grounds and one more was also seen along the drive from Serra do Araripe to the Serra do Baturite.
- Rufous-tailed Jacamar – Small numbers (1-3) almost every day, it was only missing in the Serra de Baturite.
- Spot-backed Puffbird – A pair was seen at the Lear’s Macaw site.

- Rusty-breasted Nunlet – It was only heard inside the Murici forest.
- Black-necked Aracari – A small group (6) was seen in the Cerro do Ouro forest.
- Gould's Toucanet – A small group of 3 birds was seen inside forest at the Serra do Baturite.
- Golden-spangled Piculet – At least 6 were seen in the Murici forest and the Cerro do Ouro forest near Murici and one was also seen in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel grounds.
- Tawny Piculet – A pair was seen in the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Spotted Piculet – One was seen in the way from Jeremoabo to Petrolina and three more were seen in the far west side bottom rimmed of the Serra do Araripe Plateau.
- Ocraceous Piculet – At least 6 birds were seen in the Serra do Baturite forest.
- Little Woodpecker – One was only heard in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel grounds and a pair more in the Serra do Baturite forest.
- Red-stained Woodpecker – At least 4 were seen inside the Murici forest.
- Green-barred Flicker – At least half a dozen were seen in the Lear's Macaw site and one more along the drive from Uniao dos Palmares to Jeremoabo.
- Campo Flicker - A pair was seen in the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Blond-crested Woodpecker – It was only heard in the lower part of the Serra de Baturite.
- Lineated Woodpecker – Heard only inside the Murici forest.
- Buff-throated Woodcreeper – A pair was seen in the grounds of the Serra de Baturite Hotel.
- Straight-billed Woodcreeper – A pair was seen in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel grounds and one more was heard in the Serra do Baturite forest.
- Narrow-billed Woodcreeper – A pair was seen in the Lear's Macaw site.
- Wing-banded Hornero - A pair was seen in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel grounds and one more in the the grounds of the Serra de Baturite Hotel.
- Pale-legged Hornero – One was seen in the grounds of the Serra de Baturite Hotel.
- Pinto's Spinetail - A bird was seen in the grounds of the Serra de Baturite Hotel, at first it was misidentified as the Rufous-caped Spinetail (due its similar vocalization) but this bird obviously does not occurs here.
- Ochre-cheeked Spinetail – At least 4+ were seen inside forest in the Serra do Araripe plateau and one more in the grounds of the Serra de Baturite Hotel.
- Gray-headed Spinetail – Single birds seen in the upper part of the Serra do Araripe plateau and at least 4 more in the grounds of the Serra de Baturite Hotel.
- Yellow-chinned Spinetail – A pair seen in some marshy area along the drive from Serra do Araripe to the Serra do Baturite.
- Rufous-fronted Thornbird – A pair was seen attending their nest along the drive from Serra do Araripe to the Serra do Baturite.
- Great Xenops- One or two daily in the forest at the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Caatinga Cachalote – A pair along the way from along the drive from Uniao dos Palmares to Jeremoabo, at least 3 at the in the Lear's Macaw site, and at least three more near Morada Nova many others heard and nest seen in the same areas.
- Red-shouldered Spinetail – A pair seen and at least 3 more heard in the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Rufous-breasted Leaf-tosser – One or two seen each day in the Serra do Araripe plateau and only heard in the Serra de Baturite forest.
- Black-tailed Leaf-tosser – Only one bird was seen inside forest while It was tossing aside forest litter in the Murici reserve.
- Plain Xenops – A pair in the Murici forest.
- Great Antshrike – It was heard from the drive from Petrolina to Crato and at least 2 pairs were seen in the lower part of the Serra de Baturite forest.
- Silvery-cheeked Antshrike – A pair was seen near Jeremoabo in the way to the Lear's Macaw site and at least a pair every day in the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Barred Antshrike - A pair was seen along the way from Jeremoabo to the Lear's Macaw site and at least a pair heard every day in the Serra do Araripe plateau.

- Planalto Slaty-Antshrike – Pairs were seen along the drive from Petrolina to Crato and at least 2 pairs each day in the forests at the Serra do Araripe plateau and the Serra de Baturite forest.
- White-shouldered Antshrike – We saw a male and a female of the he very remote an isolated ssp distans inside forest the Murici preserve.
- Plain Antwreio – A male was seen inside forest in the Murici preserve.
- Black-capped Antwren – Several (4) seen from the western rim of the Serra do Araripe plateau and one more pair from the Serra de Baturite forest.
- Rufous-winged Antwren – A common bird inside canopy in the Murici reserve where we saw 6-12 daily with many others heard.
- Caatinga Antwren – Seen daily (2-4) every day in the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- White-fringed Antwren – A pair was seen at the forest edge along the start of the Murici preserve.
- Black-bellied Antwren – A pair was seen north of Petrolina in the way to Crato.
- Willis’s Antbird – A pair was seen at the forest edge at the start of the Murici forest.
- White-backed Fire-Eye – A couple was seen inside forest the Murici reserve, here it is the pernambucensis race but many others were also heard.
- Scalloped Antbird –At least 2-3 each day were seen in the Murici reserve but many others were heard.
- Stripe-backed Antbird – A nice pair was seen along the way from Jeremoabo to the Lear’s Macaw site and many others were heard in near Petrolina and the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Short-tailed Antthrush – It was only heard in the Serra de Baturite forest.
- White-browed Antpitta – It is a common voice at the Serra do Araripe plateau where we after much trying manage to see one doing the “balanca da bunda” dance.
- Black-cheeked Gnateater – It was only heard from inside forest in the Murici reserve, here it is the nigrifrons race.
- Rufous Gnateater – A pair was seen in the Serra de Baturite forest here the cearae race .
- Rough-legged Tyrannulet – It was only heard from the canopy in the Serra de Baturite forest another one heard in from the canopy forest in the Aracaja water park.
- Planalto Tyrannulet – Heard in the grounds of the Uniao dos Palmares hotel, a very common bird (20-30) in the Serra de Baturite forest.
- Slender-footed Tyrannulet – A pair was seen at the canopy of the Serra de Baturite forest.
- Gray Elaenia – I was the only one that saw a male at the canopy of the Uniao dos Palmares hotel forest.
- Yellow-bellied Elaenia – A common bird from all the open areas where small numbers (2-5) seen almost every day.
- Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet – Heard at the forest edge in the Murici forest and others were heard in seen (6-8) near Petrolina and the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Suiriri Flycatcher –Small numbers (3-6) were seen in Lear’s Macaw site.
- Lesser Wagtail-Tyrant – At least three were seen along the drive from Jeremoabo to Petrolina.
- Alagoas Tyrannulet – We thought we had missed this species for we did not find it in the Murici forest but lucky us a pair was singing from the forest edge at the Uniao dos Palmares hotel forest.
- Pearly-vented Tody-Tyrant – A pair was seen between Jeremoabo and the Lear’s Macaw site and others were heard near Petrolina and in the Serra do Araripe.
- White-eyed Tody-Tyrant – At least three birds were seen inside forest at the Murici reserve where many others were heard.
- Buff-breasted Tody-Tyrant – It was a fairly common bird inside the Serra de Baturite forest, many others were heard.
- Tawny-crowned Pygmy-tyrant – One bird was heard near Petrolina and at last one was seen at the the Serra do Araripe plateau.

- Common Tody-Flycatcher – Small numbers (2-6) at the Uniao dos Palmares hotel, also near Petrolina, Serra do Araripe and Serra de Baturite.
- Yellow-breasted Flycatcher – Some (4) seen in the Lear's Macaw site and a pair more in the Serra de Baturite forest.
- White-throated Spadebill – Heard in the Murici forest and a pair was seen in the Serra de Baturite forest.
- Bran-colored Flycatcher – A pair was seen near Petrolina and also near Crato, I was the only one that saw it in the Serra de Baturite.
- Black-tailed Flycatcher – One was seen north of Petrolina and a pair more in the Serra do Araripe.
- Cliff Flycatcher – A pair was seen in the Lear's Macaw site.
- Fuscous Flycatcher – A pair was seen near Petrolina.
- Euler's Flycatcher – A pair was seen inside forest Serra de Baturite.
- Alder Flycatcher – Apparently this species was seen near Crato (Not sure!)
- White Monjita – Small numbers (2-4) each day in the Lear's Macaw site.
- Masked Water Tyrant – Small numbers (2 -8) almost daily in the open areas, specially near water.
- White-headed Marsh-Tyrant – Small numbers (2-4) in some pond when driving to the Murici forest and also in ponds.
- Piratic Flycatcher – Small numbers (2-6) in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel grounds and a few more (6) in the Lear's Macaw site.
- Great Kiskadee – A couple in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel grounds and a few others along the Petrolina-Jeremoabo road and in the Lear's Macaw site.
- Streaked Flycatcher – A resident pair in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel grounds and one more in the Serra de Baturite forest.
- Boat-billed Flycatcher – Small numbers (2-4) at the grounds in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel and one more in the Serra de Baturite hotel.
- Variegated Flycatcher – A resident pair in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel grounds much more common (6-8) in the Serra do Araripe plateau where we saw them in a daily basis.
- Tropical Kingbird – Common bird throughout the trip.
- Grayish Mourner – A couple per day inside forest in the Murici preserve.
- Ash-throated Casiornis – Single birds seen in to separated days in the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Dusky-capped Flycatcher –It was only heard in the Murici forest.
- Swainson's Flycatcher – A pair was seen at the Lear's Macaw site and one more along the drive from Jeremoabo to Petrolina.
- Short-crested Flycatcher – A pair was seen near the Murici forest.
- Bright-rumped Attila – It was only heard inside forest in the Murici reserve.
- Green-backed Becard – A pair was seen at the grounds in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel and one more pair in the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- White-winged Becard – Small numbers (2-4) were seen in the Murici forest and one more in Serra do Araripe Forest.
- Crested Becard – A young male was seen at the grounds in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel.
- Black-headed Berryeater –A pretty looking bird was located inside forest after looking for his far carrying voice in the Murici protected forest.
- Screaming Piha – A few were heard and at least 3 birds were seen in the Murici protected forest.
- Pale-bellied Tyrant-Manakin – A pair was seen after much effort only in the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Blue-backed Manakin – Small numbers (6-8) every day in the Murici forest.
- Araripe Manakin – A male was seen in poor light near Crato in the late afternoon but the views in the Aracaja water park in the subsequent day worth the all scouting trip.

- White-bearded Manakin – Fairly common inside forest in the Murici reserve where we manage to see at least some six-eight every day.
- Band-tailed Mankin – At least 3 males and 1 female was seen in the Remanso Hotel forest.
- Red-headed Mankin - Fairly common (2-6 every day) inside forest in the Murici reserve
- Rufous-browed Peppershrike – Small numbers (2-8) every day in Jeremoabo, Petrolina, Serra do Araripe and in the Serra de Baturite.
- Red-eyed Vireo – Small numbers (2-6) every day but absent from Jeremoabo and Petrolina areas.
- Rufous-crowned Greenlet – It was only seen in some caatinga forest close to Jeremoabo.
- Gray-eyed Greenlet – A pair was seen in the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Long-billed Gnatwren – A few (4-6) seen in the Murici forest where a common voice.
- White-naped Jay – Fairly common around Petrolina (20) and a few in the Serra do Araripe.
- Gray-breasted Martin – A few (6-10) near the Uniao dos Palmares hotel, common in the Crato Hotel where there was a nesting colony.
- Blue-and-white Swallow – Few birds (2-4) in the Lear's Macaw site and Serra do Araripe, much more common in the Serra de Baturite.
- Southern Rough-winged Swallow – Small numbers (2-10) almost in a daily basis throughout the trip.
- Moustached Wren – Seen well in the Aracaja Water park, others heard.
- Long-billed Wren – A few (4) seen between Jeremoabo and the Lear's Macaw site and others seen in the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Southern House Wren - Common bird throughout the trip.
- Tropical Gnatcatcher – Small numbers seen every day (2-10) missing only from the Murici area and the Serra de Baturite.
- Rufous-bellied Thrush – Only one in the base of Serra do Araripe plateau and at list half a dozen in the Serra de Baturite.
- Pale-breasted Thrush – Common bird throughout the trip.
- Chalk-browed Mockingbird - Common bird throughout the trip.
- Yellowish Pipit – A few (5-6) were seen in the way from Uniao dos Palmares to the Murici forest.
- Bananaquit – Common bird throughout the trip.
- Chestnut-vented Conebill – At least 4 were seen in the grounds of the Uniao dos Palmares hotel.
- Cinnamon Tanager – Small numbers (2-4) in the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Orange-headed Tanager – One seen in the grounds of the Uniao dos Palmares hotel and a pair seen in the lower part of the Serra de Baturite.
- Sayaca Tanager - Common bird throughout the trip.
- Palm Tanager – Common bird throughout the trip.
- Burnished-buff Tanager - Small numbers (2-4) in the Uniao dos Palmares hotel, Serra do Araripe and Serra de Baturite.
- Opal-rumped Tanager – A few (3-5) were seen inside forest in the Murici forest.
- Red-necked Tanager – At least half a dozen in the Murici forest and a pair in lower part of the Serra de Baturite.
- White-lined Tanager – Only seen (a pair) along the way from Jeremoabo to Petrolina.
- Blue Dacnis – Small numbers (2-6) in the grounds of the Uniao dos Palmares hotel, Murici forest and the Serra de Baturite.
- Red-legged Honeycreeper – Only one male was seen in the Murici forest.
- Green Honeycreeper – A pair was seen in the Murici forest.
- Yellow-backed Tanager – At least half a dozen was seen in the Murici forest.
- Guira Tanager – Four were seen in the grounds of the Uniao dos Palmares hotel and four more in the Serra de Baturite forest.
- Flame-crested Tanager – A common bird (20+ each day) in the Murici forest.

- Hooded Tanager – A pair was seen in the Lear’s Macaw site.
- Lowland Hepatic Tanager – It was only heard in the way to Jeremoabo to Petrolina.
- Purple-throated Euphonia – It was heard in the grounds of the Uniao dos Palmares hotel, a pair was seen in the Lear’s Macaw site, at least four were seen in the Serra do Araripe and at least the same number in the Serra de Baturite.
- Violaceous Euphonia – A pair in the Murici forest and also in the grounds of the Uniao dos Palmares hotel.
- Rufous-collared Sparrow – A few (2-8) near Jeremoabo, Crato and the Serra de Baturite.
- Blue-black Grassquit – Common in the grasslands.
- Dubois’s Seedeater – A fairly big group (20+) with a couple of males and many females/juveniles were seen in the grounds of the Hotel in Serra de Baturite.
- White-throated Seedeater – Small numbers (1-4) along the drive from Uniao dos Palmares to Jeremoabo, along the drive from Jeremoabo to Petrolina, Petrolina to Crato.
- Pectoral Sparrow – At least some 6 were seen in the grounds of the Hotel in Serra de Baturite.
- Pileated Finch – Some 20 were seen in the way from Jeremoabo to the Lear’s Macaw site, 10 + along the drive from Petrolina to Crato and common 40+ in the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Red-cowled Cardinal - Some 20 were seen in the way from Jeremoabo to the Lear’s Macaw site, 2 + along the drive from Petrolina to Crato and common 20+ in the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Buff-throated Saltator – Three were only seen in the grounds of the Hotel in Serra de Baturite.
- Ultramarine Grosbeak – One male was seen in the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Golden-crowned Warbler – A pair was seen at the base of the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Flavescent Warbler – One was seen at the base of the Serra do Araripe plateau.
- Campo Oriole – At least some 10 in the Lear’s Macaw site and also along the drive from Jeremoabo to Petrolina.
- Chopi Blackbird – A common bird along the drive from Uniao dos Palmares to the Murici forest and from Uniao dos Palmares to Jeremoabo.
- Pale Baywinged – A small group of 6 were seen in the drive from Uniao dos Palmares to Jeremoabo.
- Shiny Cowbird – Common around Uniao dos Palmares and Jeremoabo, then a few scattered birds in Petrolina, Crato and Serra de Baturite.
- White-browed Blackbird – A pair was seen along the drive from Uniao dos Palmares to the Murici forest
- Rock Dove
- House Sparrow

247 species

White-browed Guan
 Lear’s Macaw
 Cactus Parakeet
 Gray-breasted Parakeet
 Pygmy Nightjar
 Margaretta’s Hermit
 Long-tailed Woodnymph
 Stripe-breasted Starthroat
 Spot-backed Puffbird

Golden-spangled Piculet
Tawny Piculet
Spotted Piculet
Ocraceous Piculet
Pinto's Spinetail
Gray-headed Spinetail
Great Xenops
Caatinga Cachalote
Red-shouldered Spinetail
Silvery-cheeked Antshrike
Caatinga Antwren
White-fringed Antwren
Willis's Antbird
Scalloped Antbird
Stripe-backed Antbird
White-browed Antpitta
Rough-legged Tyrannulet
Alagoas Tyrannulet
Buff-breasted Tody-Tyrant
Ash-throated Casiornis
Black-headed Berryeater
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