NEW BIRDS IN THE PHILATELIC AVIARY

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Corrections

The Mao (Gymnomyza samoensis) was previously shown on issues from Samoa in 1969 (\$2) and 1988 (40s).





PLUMBEOUS PIGEON, Patagioenas plumbea Columbidae

St. Martin, 2013 August 23, not yet cataloged, 25c

Length: 14 inches, sexes similar, resident. Gray with dark grayish-brown back, rump and tail.

Habitat: Forest and secondary growth.

Range: Colombia to Paraguay.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of

the World, Volume 4.



BLACK-BELLIED CUCKOO. Piaya melanogaster Cuculidae

St. Martin, 2013 August 23, not yet cataloged, 300c

Length: 15 inches, sexes alike, resident. Rufous-chestnut above and orange-buff below with a gray cap, dark belly, and white-spotted tail.

Habitat: Tropical lowland evergreen forest and shrubby growth.

Range: Southeastern Colombia to northern Bolivia and central Brazil.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of

the World, Volume 4.



LITTLE CUCKOO, Piaya minuta Cuculidae

St. Martin, 2013 August 23, not yet cataloged, 350c

Length: 10 inches, sexes alike, resident. Chestnut above and rufous-chestnut

below with rufous wings and a white-spotted brown tail.

Habitat: Forest and low vegetation.

Range: Colombia to northern Bolivia and central Brazil.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of

the World, Volume 4.



WHITE-TUFTED SUNBEAM, Aglaeactis castelnaudii Trochilidae

Guinea-Bissau, 2013 May 20, not yet cataloged, 500fr

Length: 5 inches, sexes similar, resident. Fuscous-black with a magenta back, tawny

tail, and dull brown belly.

Habitat: Evergreen montane forest.

Range: Andes of central Peru.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the

World, Volume 5.



ROYAL SUNANGEL, Heliangelus regalis Trochilidae

Peru, 2013, not yet cataloged, 5p

Length: 5 inches, resident. The male (shown) is all dark blue. The female is dark green above and bronzy-green and spotted cinnamon below with a pale buff breast band.

Habitat: Montane elfin forest and scrub.

Range: Andes of northern Peru.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 5.



PURPLE-COLLARED WOODSTAR, Myrtis fanny Trochilidae

Peru, 2013, not yet cataloged, 5p

Length: 3 inches, resident. The male (shown) is bronze-green above and white below with an aquamarine neck bordered by a violet band. The female is green above and buffy below.

Habitat: Dry coastal scrub, open woodland, and gardens.

Range: Southwestern Ecuador to western Peru.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 5.



OASIS HUMMINGBIRD, *Rhodopis vesper* Trochilidae (previously on an issue from Staffa)

Peru, 2013, not yet cataloged, 5p

Length: 5 inches, resident. The male (shown) is olive-green above and white below with a rufous rump and a rosy-violet throat. The female has a white throat.

Habitat: Arid steppes, oases, and gardens.

Range: Northwestern Peru to northern Chile.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 5.



GRAY-BELLIED COMET, Taphrolesbia griseiventris Trochilidae

Peru, 2013, not yet cataloged, 5p

Length: 6 to 7 inches, resident. The male is bronzy-green above and light gray below with a blue throat. The female lacks the blue throat.

Habitat: Bushy semi-arid areas with scattered trees or thickets.

Range: Andes of northwestern Peru.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 5.



BLUE-MOUSTACHED BEE-EATER, Merops mentalis Meropidae

Liberia, 1997, Sc#1284, 15c

Length: 8 inches, sexes similar, resident. Blue with deep chestnut back wings and throat.

Habitat: Lowland rainforest.

Range: Sierra Leone to southwestern Mali and Bioko (Fernando Po).

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the

World, Volume 6.



SPOT-WINGED ANTSHRIKE, *Pygiptila stellaris* Thamnophilidae

St. Martin, 2013 August 23, not yet cataloged, 400c

Length: 5 inches, resident. The male (shown) is gray with a black cap and white spots on the wing. The female is gray above and pale clay below with cinnamontawny wings.

Habitat: Evergreen forest and adjacent tall second growth.

Range: Guianas to Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 6.



RUFOUS-BELLIED ANTWREN, Myrmotherula guttata Thamnophilidae

St. Martin, 2013 August 23, not yet cataloged, 225c

Length: 3.5 inches, resident. The male (shown) is gray with a tawny belly and blackish-brown wings with pale cinnamon wing bars. The female is similar, but olive-gray above and tawny below.

Habitat: Forest understory.

Range: Eastern Venezuela to northern Brazil.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 6.



OCHRE-BELLIED FLYCATCHER, Mionectes oleagineus Tyrannidae

St. Martin, 2013 August 23, not yet cataloged, 150c

Length: 5 inches, sexes similar, resident. Olive above and cinnamon-buff below with a streaky gray throat.

Habitat: Forest, woodland, and adjacent clearings and gardens.

Range: Southern Mexico to Trinidad, northern Bolivia, and southeastern Brazil. Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 9.



RED-TAILED SHRIKE, Lanius phoenicuroides Laniidae

Turkmenistan, 2002 December 1, Sc#87b, 3000m

Length: 7 inches, migratory. The male (shown) is gray above and white below with a black mask and a rufous crown and tail. The female has a gray crown. Habitat: Breeds in tamarisk thickets. Winters in semi-desert.

Range; Breeds from Iran to Pakistan, southern Kazakhstan, and western China. Winters from West Africa to Arabia.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 13.



PURPLISH JAY, Cyanocorax cyanomelas Corvidae

St. Martin, 2013 August 23, not yet cataloged, 75c

Length: 15 inches, sexes similar, resident. Violet-tinged dark drab brown with a black head and neck.

Habitat: Forest and adjacent areas.

Range: Southeastern Peru to southwestern Brazil and northern Argentina.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 14.



IBERIAN MAGPIE, Cyanopica cooki Corvidae

Spain, 1973 July 3, Sc#1763, 5p

Length: 14 inches, sexes similar, resident. Grayish-brown with a black hood and blue

wings and tail.

Habitat: Open woodland with grassy clearings.

Range: Spain and Portugal.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the

World, Volume 14.



MAGNIFICENT SUNBIRD, Aethopyga magnifica Nectariniidae

Philippines, 2007 December 12, Sc#3122, 4p

Length: 6 inches, resident. The male (shown) is red with dark forehead, wings, belly and tail and a bright orange-yellow rump.

Habitat: Forest, forest edge, parkland, and gardens.

Range: West central Philippines.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the

World, Volume 13.



TAWNY PIPIT, Anthus campestris Motacillidae

Lithuania, 2013 September 7, not yet cataloged, 2.90L

Length: 7 inches, sexes alike, migratory. Sandy-brown above and creamy-white below with a pale supercilium.

Habitat: Open dry areas.

Range: Breeds from Denmark and Morocco to northwestern China. Winters from West

Africa to India.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the

World, Volume 9.



JAPANESE TIT, Parus minor Paridae

Korea (North), 1965 December 30, Sc#635, 10c

Length: 5 inches, sexes similar, resident. Olive above and pinkish-white below with a white face and black crown, throat, and central belly.

Habitat: Forest edges and clearings.

Range: Southeastern Russia to Thailand, Japan, and the northern and central Ryukyu

Islands.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 12.



CINEREOUS TIT, Parus cinereus Paridae

Vietnam (North), 1973 July 15, Sc#706, 50xu

Length: 5 inches, sexes similar resident, Gray above and whitish face and below with a black crown, throat, and central belly.

Habitat: Forest edges and clearings.

Range: Afghanistan to Java, Hainan, and the southern Ryukyu Islands.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds

of the World, Volume 12.



COCOA THRUSH, Turdus fumigatus Turdidae

St. Martin, 2013 August 23, not yet cataloged, 475c

Length: 8.5 to 9.5 inches, sexes similar, resident. Brown above and orange-brown below with a pale vent.

Habitat: Forest, woodland, and adjacent clearings.

Range: Southern Lesser Antilles, Grenada, and Colombia to southeastern Brazil. Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 10.



GRAY-HEADED TANAGER, Eucometis penicillata Thraupidae

St. Martin, 2013 August 23, not yet cataloged, 100c

Length: 7 inches, sexes similar, resident. Yellowish-olive above and yellow

below with a gray head.

Habitat: Forest, woodland, undergrowth, and shrubs.

Range: Southeastern Mexico to Paraguay.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of

the World, Volume 16.