

## NEW BIRDS IN THE PHILATELIC AVIARY

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### Corrections

During the assembly of this column for Vol. 64(4), the editor mistakenly mixed up the images and descriptions for the Burchell's, Three-banded, and Bronze-winged Coursers. Because the name of the bird on the stamp itself is easily discerned, you can match the correct description to each one.

### New Birds



**BRAZILIAN TEAL**, *Amazonetta brasiliensis* Anatidae  
St. Martin, 2016 May 25, not yet cataloged, 25c

Length: 14 to 16 inches. The male (shown) is dark brown above and speckled rufous below with a red bill and gray face and throat. The female has a dark bill and white face and throat.

Habitat: Inland ponds and small lakes in densely wooded areas.

Range: Eastern Colombia to northern Argentina. Southern birds winter closer to the equator.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 1.



**EASTERN CHANTING GOSHAWK**, *Melierax poliopterus* Accipitridae  
Djibouti, 2016 May 5, not yet cataloged, 280fr

Length: 18 to 20 inches, sexes alike, resident. Ash gray with a barred white belly and a black tail.

Habitat: Dry thorn woodland and savanna.

Range: Somalia to northern Tanzania.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 2.



**SHARP-TAILED GROUSE**, *Tympanuchus phasianellus*  
Phasianidae

Previously on a Saskatchewan Conservation stamp.

Canada, 2016 July 12, not yet cataloged, (85c)

Length: 16 to 19 inches, resident. The male is speckled brown with a short pointed tail and an inflatable purple neck sac.

The female lacks the neck sac.

Habitat: Open areas and forests.

Range: Alaska to Hudson Bay and Wyoming.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 2.



**SLATY-BREASTED WOOD-RAIL** *Aramides saracura* Rallidae  
St. Martin, 2016 May 25, not yet cataloged, 125c

Length: 14 to 15 inches, sexes alike, resident. Brown above and gray head and below with a rufous nape and mostly green bill.  
Habitat: Swampy areas in forests and woodland.  
Range: Southeastern Brazil to eastern Paraguay.  
Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 3.



**SHORE PLOVER**, *Thinornis novaeseelandiae* Charadriidae  
Togo, 2016 May 20, not yet cataloged, 3000fr SS

Length: 8 inches, sexes similar, resident. Gray-brown above and white below with a black face, neck, and throat and a white-edged gray-brown crown.  
Habitat: Rocky shores.  
Range: Rangatira Island, Chatham Islands, New Zealand.  
Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 3.



**BAIRD'S SANDPIPER**, *Calidris bairdii* Scolopacidae  
St. Martin, 2016 May 25, not yet cataloged. 200c

Length: 6 to 7 inches, sexes alike, migratory. Brown above and white below with a buffy breast.  
Habitat: Low mountain tops, river terraces, and coastal barren areas.  
Range: Breeds from northern Alaska to western Greenland. Winters in western and southern South America.  
Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 3.



**SCALED DOVE**, *Columbina squammata* Columbidae  
St. Martin, 2016 January 6, not yet cataloged, 500c

Length: 7 to 9 inches, sexes alike, resident. Brown above and grayish pink below with a white throat and a patch of spots on the wings.  
Habitat: Arid tropical savanna and thickets.  
Range: Colombia to French Guiana; Central and eastern Brazil and adjacent Argentina and Paraguay.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 4.



**SULAWESI GROUND-DOVE**, *Gallicolumba tristigmata* Columbidae  
Sierra Leone, 2016 January 28, not yet cataloged, 6000Le

Length: 13 to 14 inches, sexes alike, resident. Olive-brown above and gray below with a bright golden forehead, gold lower breast, and whitish belly.  
Habitat: Lowland primary forest.  
Range: Sulawesi, Indonesia.  
Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 4.

**WHITE-CRESTED TURACO, *Tauraco leucolophus*** Musophagidae

Liberia, 2016 February 20, not yet cataloged, \$100

Length: 16 inches, sexes alike, resident. Violet-blue above and grass green below with a white crest and red eye-ring on a black face.

Habitat: Riverine gallery forest and wooded savannas.

Range: Southeastern Nigeria to western Kenya.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 4.

**LARGE HAWK-CUCKOO, *Hierococcyx sparveroides*** Cuculidae

Sierra Leone, 2016 January 28, not yet cataloged, MS/4 (L margin)

Length: 15 to 16 inches, sexes alike, migratory. Brown above and barred white below with a rufous or rufous-streaked breast.

Habitat: Deciduous evergreen woods.

Range: Breeds from the Himalayas and China to Borneo and the Philippines. Winters from eastern India to Borneo and the Philippines.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 4.

**ASIAN EMERALD CUCKOO, *Chrysococcyx maculatus*** CuculidaeSierra Leone, 2016 January 28, not yet cataloged. 6000Le (Cap: *C. cupreus*)

Length: 7 inches, migratory. The male is green with a green-barred white belly; the female (shown) is green with a light rufous crown and nape and barred pale throat.

Habitat: Dense forest.

Range: Breeds from central China to the Andaman Islands and central Vietnam.

Winters from southern China to Malaysia.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 4.

This set also includes a stamp captioned *Cacomantis merulinus* (Plaintive Cuckoo) that would be a new species, but the illustration shows a different bird, unidentified but definitely not a cuckoo.

**LEWIS'S WOODPECKER, *Melanerpes lewis*** Picidae

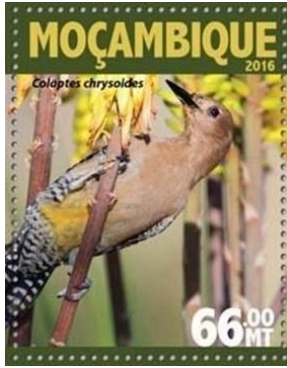
Central African Republic, 2016 June 20, not yet cataloged, 750fr (on left)

Length: 10.5 to 11.5 inches, sexes alike, migratory. Blackish above and pinkish below with a crimson face, black throat, and silver-gray neck and breast.

Habitat: Breeds in open woodlands. Winters in oak woodland and orchards.

Range: Breeds from southern British Columbia to North Dakota, Arizona, and New Mexico. Winters in the southwestern U.S.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 7.



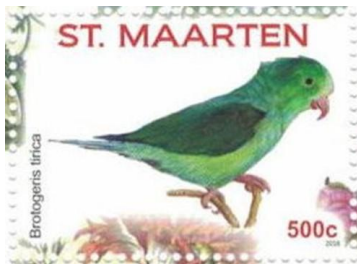
**GILDED FLICKER, *Colaptes chrysoides*** Picidae  
Mozambique, 2016 January 15, not yet cataloged, 66m

Length: 10 to 12 inches, resident. The male (shown) is black-barred brownish above and black-spotted whitish below with a rufous crown and mustache and white rump. The female lacks the mustache.

Habitat: Arid areas with large cacti and yucca plants.

Range: Southeastern California to northern Mexico and Baja California.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 7.



**PLAIN PARAKEET, *Brotogeris tirica*** Psittacidae  
St. Martin, 2016 January 6, not yet cataloged, 500c

Length: 9 inches, sexes alike, resident. Green with bronzy green shoulders.

Habitat: Rainforests, open areas, parks, and plantations.

Range: Coastal southeastern Brazil.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 4.



**RED-RUFFED FRUITCROW, *Pyroderus scutatus*** Cotingidae  
Colombia, 2016 July 29, label on SS

Length: 17 to 18 inches, sexes similar, but female is smaller, resident. Black above and reddish below.

Habitat: Forest and forest borders.

Range: Colombia, central Peru, eastern Venezuela, and southeastern Brazil.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 9.



**CAVE SWALLOW, *Petrochelidon fulva*** Hirundinidae  
Kosovo, 2010 September 23, Sc#169, €1

Length: 5 inches, sexes alike, migratory. Glossy blackish above and cinnamon and white below with white streaks on the mantle and a cinnamon rump.

Habitat: Open areas often near water.

Range: Breeds from southern New Mexico and Texas to southern Mexico and the West Indies. U.S. birds winter in Mexico and Central America.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 4.



**RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH, *Sitta canadensis*** Sittidae  
Previously on a local stamp from Eynhallow, Scotland.  
United States, 2016 August 4, not yet cataloged, (47c)

Length: 5 inches, sexes similar, resident. Gray above and rufous below with a white face and a black crown and eye-stripe.

Habitat: Temperate forests.

Range: Southern Alaska to Newfoundland, western North Carolina, and New Mexico.

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

**BROWN CREEPER, *Certhia americana*** Certhiidae

Central African Republic, 2016 June 20, not yet cataloged, 750fr

Length: 5 inches, sexes alike, migratory. White-streaked brown above and whitish below.

Habitat: Coniferous forests.

Range: Breeds from southern Alaska to Newfoundland and Nicaragua. Winters in the breeding area except northern Canada.

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

**BALLMAN'S MALIMBE, *Malimbus ballmanni*** Ploceidae

Sierra Leone, 2016 May 27, not yet cataloged, 6000Le

Length: 6 to 7 inches, resident. The male is black with a yellow nape, breast, and undertail. The female (shown) lacks the yellow nape.

Habitat: Lowland evergreen forest.

Range: Extreme eastern Sierra Leone and adjacent Liberia.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 15.

**BLACK-HEADED WEAVER, *Ploceus melanocephalus*** PloceidaeTanzania, 2016 January 28, not yet cataloged, 6000sh SS (Cap: *P. intermedius*)

Length: 6 inches, resident. The male (shown) is greenish-yellow above and yellow or chestnut below with a black head and yellow nape. The female is greenish above and white below with a pale yellow breast.

Habitat: Tall grass in damp areas near water.

Range: Mauritania to Kenya and Zambia.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 15.

**CHESTNUT-EARED BUNTING, *Emberiza furcata*** Emberizidae

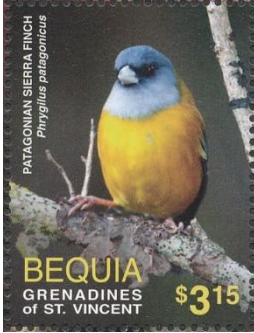
Japan, 2016 August 10, not yet cataloged, 82¥

Length: 6 inches, migratory. The male (shown) is brown above and pale below with a gray head, chestnut ears, black mustache and neck stripe, and rufous breast band. The female is paler with no black.

Habitat: Scrubby hillsides and open areas.

Range: Breeds from eastern Mongolia to Korea and Japan. Winters from Japan to the Himalayas and Myanmar.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 16.



**PATAGONIAN SIERRA-FINCH, *Phrygilus patagonicus*** Emberizidae  
St. Vincent (Bequia), 2016 March 1, not yet cataloged, \$3.15

Length: 6 inches, resident. The male (shown) is dusky above and yellow below with a blue-gray head and russet nape. The female lacks the russet nape and has streaks below.

Habitat: Forest, roadsides, and clearings.

Range: Chile and western Argentina.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 16.