

## NEW BIRDS IN THE PHILATELIC AVIARY

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### New Birds



**FLUTTERING SHEARWATER, *Puffinus gavia*** Procellariidae  
Solomon Islands, 2017 April 12, Sc#2229b, \$10

Length: 12 to 15 inches, sexes alike, partial migrant. Brown above and white below with white below the eyes.

Habitat: Marine, but near shores.

Range: Breeds on islands north of New Zealand. Winters near southeastern Australia and Tasmania.

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



**NEW ZEALAND STORM-PETREL, *Fregetta maoriana*** Hydrobatidae  
Sierra Leone, 2016 December 29, Sc#4056c, 6000le

Length: 8 inches, sexes alike, migratory. Brown above and white below with a gray upper tail and a grayish-brown patch below the eye,

Habitat: Marine and pelagic.

Range: Breeds on islands north of New Zealand. Migrates across the Pacific to tropical South America.

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



**STRIPE-BACKED BITTERN, *Ixobrychus involucris*** Ardeidae  
Suriname, 2017 December 19, not yet cataloged, \$5

Length: 11 to 13 inches, sexes alike, resident. Rufous with bold black stripes on the back.

Habitat: Tropical marshes.

Range: Northern Colombia to Suriname, and southern Brazil to central Chile.

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



**SNOW PARTRIDGE, *Lerwa lerwa*** Phasianidae  
Bhutan 2017 November 30, not yet cataloged, 20nu

Length: 15 to 16 inches, sexes similar, resident. Finely barred gray head and above and brown-spotted white below with bright red bill and feet.

Habitat: Alpine meadows and open, rocky hillsides.

Range: Eastern Afghanistan to central China.

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



**TIBETAN PARTRIDGE, *Perdix hodgsoniae*** Phasianidae  
Bhutan, 2017 November 30, not yet cataloged, 20nu

Length: 11 inches, sexes alike, resident. Scaly gray above and black-barred white below with a chestnut crown and hindneck, white superciliary and throat, and a black mustache.

Habitat: Dry hillsides with scattered bushes.

Range: Tibet and western China to northern India.

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



**THICK-BILLED GROUND-DOVE, *Gallicolumba salamonis*** Columbidae  
Solomon Islands, 2017, Sc#2321c, \$10 (on R)

Length: 10 inches, sexes alike, resident. Reddish brown above and dark reddish brown below with a chocolate brown head and upper breast and purple patches on the sides of the breast.

Habitat: Lowland forest:

Range: Ramos Island, Solomon Islands.

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



**WEDGE-TAILED PIGEON, *Treron sphenurus*** Columbidae  
Niger, 2017 December 28, not yet cataloged, 800fr

Length: 12 to 14 inches, resident. The male (shown) is yellowish green with purplish-chestnut scapulars and a salmon-pink breast. The female is pale yellowish green above and dark green below.

Habitat: Forest.

Range: Eastern Kashmir and south-central China to Vietnam and Lombok, Indonesia.

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

the World, Volume 4.



**GOLDEN MASKED-OWL, *Tyto aurantia*** Tytonidae  
Niger, 2017 November 20, not yet cataloged, 800fr

Length: 11 to 13 inches, sexes similar, resident. Black-mottled golden-buff with a whitish facial disc.

Habitat: Rainforest.

Range: New Britain.

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



**CHESTNUT-BACKED OWLET, *Glaucidium castanonotum*** Strigidae  
Sri Lanka, 2017 December 16, not yet cataloged, 10r

Length: 8 inches, sexes alike, resident. Black-barred chestnut above and black-barred white below with a barred brown-and-cream head.

Habitat: Dense wet forest.

Range: Western and central Sri Lanka.

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



**SAW-BILLED HERMIT, *Ramphodon naevius*** Trochilidae  
Cuba, 2017, not yet cataloged, 75p

Length: 6 inches, sexes similar, resident. Brownish above and black-streaked white below with rufous cheeks and a serrated bill.

Habitat: Understory of humid littoral forest.

Range: Southeastern Brazil.

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

of the World, Volume 5.



**GREEN-AND-WHITE HUMMINGBIRD, *Amazilia viridicauda*** Trochilidae  
Peru, 2018 January 15, not yet cataloged, 8s

Length: 4 inches, sexes similar, resident. Green above and white below with green spots on the sides of the chin and throat.

Habitat: Forest edges, clearings, and second growth.

Range: Eastern slope of the Andes in central Peru.

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



**DUSKY STARFRONTLET, *Coeligena orina*** Trochilidae  
Colombia, 2018 January 23, not yet cataloged, 1000p

Length: 6 inches, resident. The male (shown) is very dark with a greenish sheen and a small bluish throat spot. The female is unknown.

Habitat: Forest and open terrain with scattered bushes.

Range: North-central Colombia.

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



**BLACK-BACKED THORNBILL, *Ramphomicron dorsale*** Trochilidae  
Colombia, 2018 January 23, not yet cataloged, 1000p

Length: 4 inches, resident. The male (shown) is velvety black above and dark gray below with a yellow throat. The female is grass green above and green-spotted white below.

Habitat: Forest edges.

Range: Santa Marta Mountains, northeastern Colombia.

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



**PERIJÁ METALTAIL *Metallura iracunda*** Trochilidae  
Colombia, 2018 January 23, not yet cataloged, 1000p

Length: 4 inches, resident. The male (shown) is blackish above and bronzy green below with a glittering emerald green throat and ruby red tail. The female is rich buff below with an ochre-orange throat and upper breast.

Habitat: Open bushy terrain.

Range: Perijá Mountains, northern Colombia.

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



**SMALL BLUE KINGFISHER, *Alcedo coerulescens*** Alcedinidae  
Togo, 2017 December 15, not yet cataloged, 800fr

Length: 5 inches, resident. The male (shown) is blue with a white front, throat, neck patch, and belly. The female is similarly marked, but greenish blue.

Habitat: Freshwater wetlands and tidal estuaries.

Range: Eastern Sumatra to Flores, Indonesia.

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



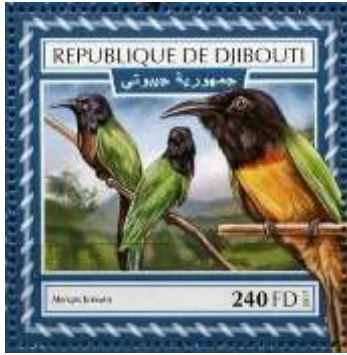
**PHILIPPINE DWARF-KINGFISHER, *Ceyx melanurus*** Alcedinidae  
Togo, 2017, not yet cataloged, 800fr

Length: 5 inches, sexes alike, resident. Rufous above and white below with darker wings and a white neck spot.

Habitat: Dense forest.

Range: Philippines.

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



**BLACK-HEADED BEE-EATER, *Merops breweri*** Meropidae  
Djibouti, 2017 December 11, not yet cataloged, 240fr

Length: 11 to 13 inches, sexes alike, resident. Green above and rich ochre below with a black head and a cinnamon outer tail.  
Habitat: Forest edges and savanna.  
Range: Southeastern Nigeria to northern Angola.  
Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 6.



**INDIAN GRAY HORNBILL, *Ocyrceros birostris*** Bucerotidae  
Togo, 2017 December 15, not yet cataloged, 800fr

Length: 29 inches, sexes similar, resident. Silvery-gray above and white below with a blackish bill, narrow casque, and stripe behind the eye.  
Habitat: Forest, parks, and gardens.  
Range: Northeastern Pakistan to northwestern Bangladesh and India (except coasts).  
Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 6.



**SOOTY-CAPPED PUFFBIRD, *Nystactes noanamae*** Bucconidae  
Colombia, 2018 January 23, not yet cataloged, 1000p

Length: 7 inches, sexes alike, resident. Blackish above and buffy below with a broad black pectoral band, grayish black cap, and white throat.  
Habitat: Lowland forest.  
Range: Coastal western Colombia.  
Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 7.



**WHITE-MANTLED BARBET, *Capito hypoleucus*** Capitonidae  
Colombia, 2018 January 23, not yet cataloged, 1000p

Length: 7 inches, sexes similar, resident. Black above and yellowish white below with a pale brown breast band, red forehead, and white mantle and throat.  
Habitat: Forest and forest edges.  
Range: Northwestern Colombia.  
Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 7.



**LONG-BILLED CORELLA, *Cacatua tenuirostris*** Cacatuidae  
Solomon Islands, 2016 December 12, Sc#2180a, \$12

Length: 15 to 16 inches, sexes similar, resident. White with an orange-scarlet forehead, blue eye patches, and a scarlet band across the throat.

Habitat: Grassland and grassy eucalypt woodland.

Range: South central New South Wales to southeastern South Australia.

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



**GREEN-CHEEKED PARAKEET, *Pyrrhura molinae*** Psittacidae  
Djibouti, 2017 December 11, not yet cataloged, SS 950fr (Bot margin)

Length: 19 inches, sexes alike, resident. Green with a dull brown forehead, green cheeks, scaled brown breast and neck, and a dull red tail and belly patch,

Habitat: Woodland and forest.

Range: Eastern Bolivia, southwestern Brazil, and northwestern Argentina.

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



**SANTA MARTA PARAKEET, *Pyrrhura viridicata*** Psittacidae  
Colombia, 2018 January 23, not yet cataloged, 1000p

Length: 10 inches, sexes alike, resident. Green with a red front, maroon ear patches, and a red band across the belly.

Habitat: Humid montane forest and adjacent areas.

Range: Santa Marta Mountains, northern Colombia.

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



**BROWN-BREASTED PARAKEET, *Pyrrhura calliptera*** Psittacidae  
Colombia, 2018 January 23, not yet cataloged, 1000p

Length: 9 inches, sexes alike, resident. Green with a reddish brown ears, breast, sides of the neck, and tail.

Habitat: Forest and clearings.

Range: Eastern Andes of Colombia.

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



**TEPUI PARROTLET, *Nannopsittaca panychlora*** Psittacidae  
Niger, 2017 December 28, not yet cataloged, 800fr

Length: 6 inches, sexes similar, resident. Green, paler below with yellow chin, lores, and behind the eyes.

Habitat: Cool humid subtropical forest.

Range: Southern Venezuela, southern Guyana, and northern Brazil.

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



**NARROW-BILLED WOODCREEPER, *Lepidocolaptes angustirostris***  
Furnariidae

Suriname, 2017 December 19, not yet cataloged, \$5

Length: 7 to 9 inches, sexes alike, resident. Rufous brown above and yellow or scaly white below with a dark crown and eye stripe and white throat and superciliary.

Habitat: Open woodland and savanna.

Range: Southern Suriname to eastern Bolivia and northern Argentina.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 8.



**AMAZONIAN ANTSHRIKE, *Thamnophilus amazonicus*** Thamnophilidae  
Suriname, 2017 December 19, not yet cataloged, \$5

Length: 6 inches, resident. The male (shown) is black above and gray below with a black crown and white wing bars. The female is deep olive above and bright yellowish red-brown below with a bright rufous crown.

Habitat: Lowland evergreen forest.

Range: Southern Venezuela to northern Bolivia and Amazonian Brazil.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 8.



**PARKER'S ANTBIRD, *Cercomacra parkeri*** Thamnophilidae  
Colombia, 2018 January 23, not yet cataloged, 1000p

Length: 5 inches, resident. The male (shown) is slate gray above and paler below with white wing bars. The female is olive-gray above and tawny-buff below.

Habitat: Borders and undergrowth of forest and woodlands.

Range: Andes of west-central Colombia.

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



**MASKED FRUITEATER, *Pipreola pulchra*** Cotingidae  
Peru, 2018 January 15, not yet cataloged, 8s

Length: 7 inches, resident. The male (shown) is green above and yellow below with a black hood, orange-yellow breast patch with a black lower border, and green-streaked flanks. The female is green above and streaked green and yellow below.

Habitat: Montane forest.

Range: Eastern slope of the Andes in Peru.

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



**SRI LANKA DRONGO, *Dicrurus lophorinus*** Dicruridae  
Sri Lanka, 2017 December 16, not yet cataloged, 35r

Length: 12 to 14 inches, sexes alike, resident. Black with a deeply forked tail and a frontal tuft.

Habitat: Tall dense humid forest,

Range: Southwestern Sri Lanka.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 10.



**BLACK-CAPPED BULBUL, *Pycnonotus melanicterus*** Pycnonotidae  
Sri Lanka, 2017 December 16, not yet cataloged, 4r

Length: 7 inches, sexes alike, resident. Dusky olive-green above and rich saffron-yellow below with a black head,

Habitat: Forest, forest edges, and adjacent gardens.

Range: Sri Lanka.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 10.



**BLACK-CRESTED BULBUL, *Pycnonotus flaviventris*** Pycnonotidae  
Laos, 1988 September 30, Sc#881. 63k

Length: 7 to 8 inches, sexes similar, resident. Dark golden olive-green above and bright rich yellow below with a black head and recurved crest.

Habitat: Open forest, clearings, and gardens.

Range: Northern India to southern China, Malaya, and Vietnam.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 10.





**SRI LANKA BUSH-WARBLER, *Elaphornis palliseri*** Sylviidae  
Sri Lanka, 2017, not yet cataloged, 35r

Length: 6 inches, sexes similar, resident. Olive-brown above and olive-gray below with black-streaked gray ear coverts.

Habitat: Oak forest and grassy hollows.

Range: South-central Sri Lanka.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 11.



**VIEILLOT'S WEAVER, *Ploceus nigerrimus* ssp. *castaneofuscus*** Ploceidae  
Sierra Leone, 2016 May 9, Sc#3747, 300le

Length: 7 inches, resident. The male (shown) is black with a chestnut-brown back and belly. The female is brownish above and buffy yellow below,

Habitat: Forest clearings, wooded regions, and tall-grass savanna.

Range: Gambia to southern Nigeria.

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



**PURPLISH-MANTLED TANAGER, *Iridosornis porphyrocephalus***  
Thraupidae

Incorrectly captioned *Bangsia melanochlamys* on the stamp. Previously appeared on a local issue from Bernera.

Colombia, 2018 January 23, not yet cataloged, 1000p

Length: 6 inches, sexes alike, resident. Dark blue with a yellow throat and buff and chestnut lower belly to undertail.

Habitat: Very wet forest and adjacent areas.

Range: Central Colombia to northwestern Ecuador.

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

the World, Volume 16.



**GILT-EDGED TANAGER, *Tangara cyanoventris*** Thraupidae  
Cuba, 2017, not yet cataloged, 45p

Length: 5 inches, sexes similar, resident, Black-streaked green above and turquoise blue below with a yellow head and black around the bill and eyes,  
Habitat: Humid forest band forest borders.

Range: Eastern Brazil.

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



**YELLOW-HEADED BRUSH-FINCH, *Atlapetes flaviceps*** Emberizidae  
Colombia, 2018 January 23, not yet cataloged, 1000p

Length: 7 inches, sexes alike, resident. Olive above and yellow below with a grizzled yellow head.

Habitat: Forest undergrowth and brushy areas on mountainsides.

Range: Eastern slope of the central Andes in Colombia.

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

## BIRDPEX 8

BIRDPEX is a thematic philatelic exhibition that focuses on the Bird theme and takes place in a different city every four years.

BIRDPEX 8 will be held from 19–21 May 2018, in Mondorf-les-Bains, Luxembourg as part of the philatelic exhibition EXPHIMO 2018. The exhibition is celebrating the 60th Anniversary of Foundation of the Salon thematic philately Show hours are 10 AM to 6 PM on Saturday and Sunday, and 10 AM to 4 PM on Monday.



EXPHIMO is the annual thematic stamp exhibition of the Luxembourg Philatelic Association organized by PHILCOLUX, the thematic collector club. It is a national exhibition with international participation. The jury will judge the exhibits using *Fédération Internationale de Philatélie* (FIP) criteria for thematic exhibits.

At least five countries have already issued sets of stamps depicting birds that commemorate the BIRDPEX exhibition. One should expect that other countries will jump on board with more issues.



BIRDPEX 2018  
Brazil, 2017, Sc#3352

On 19 June 2017, Brazil issued two horizontal strips of three stamps for BIRDPEX 8 depicting birds. The designs of each strip are similar, but the stamps are a different size. One strip (Sc#3352) is perf 12×11½ with water-activated gum and denominated 1.25r. The other strip (Sc#3353) is shorter, die cut 12¼, self-adhesive, and denominated 1st class postage (1.25r). The stamps show images of the following species:

Purple-winged Ground Dove (*Claravis geoffroyi*) a critically endangered species native to the Atlantic forest in southeastern Brazil, eastern Paraguay, and northeastern Argentina.

Blue-eyed Ground Dove (*Columbina cyanopis*) a threatened species endemic to the Cerrado region of Brazil. This bird was thought to be extinct until 12 birds were spotted in 2016.

Araripe Manakin (*Antilophia bokermanni*) a rare, critically endangered species that was not discovered until 1996. It is endemic to a very small area in the Araripe Uplands in northeast Brazil.