# **NEW BIRDS IN THE PHILATELIC AVIARY**

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#### **New Birds**



# VANUATU PETREL, Pterodroma occulta Procellariidae

Vanuatu, 2012, not yet cataloged, 160v

Length: 16 inches, sexes alike, disperses. Dark gray above and white below with a

white collar and black wing tips.

Habitat: Marine and pelagic

Range: Breeds on islands in eastern Vanuatu. Disperses in the southwestern Pacific Reference: Onley, D. and P. Scofield. Albatrosses, Petrels and Shearwaters of the

World



# PACIFIC BAZA, Aviceda subcristata Accipitridae

Solomon Islands, 2012, not yet cataloged, \$9

Length: 14 to 18 inches, sexes alike, resident. Dark above and white below with a gray crested head and bold ventral barring.

Habitat: Forest, farms, and urban areas

Range: Lesser Sundas to northern and eastern Australia and the Solomon Islands Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds

of the World. Volume 2



# FLORES HAWK-EAGLE, Nisaetus floris Accipitridae

Indonesia, 2012, not yet cataloged, 2500r

Length: 23 to 32 inches, sexes alike, resident. Dark brown above and white below with

a banded tail.

Habitat: Forest and plantations

Range; Sumbawa and Flores, Indonesia

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

World, Volume 2



# VANUATU MEGAPODE, Megapodius layardi Megapodiidae

Vanuatu, 2012, not yet cataloged, 90v

Length; 12 to 14 inches, sexes alike, resident. Brownish-black with a pinkish

forehead and face.

Habitat: Lowland forest and thickets

Range: Vanuatu and Banks Islands

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



# INVISIBLE RAIL, Habroptila wallacii Rallidae

Indonesia, 2012, not yet cataloged, 2500r

Length: 14 inches, sexes alike, resident. All dark with red eye-ring, frontal shield, bill, and legs.

Habitat: Dense impenetrable swampy thickets

Range: Halmahera, Indonesia

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

World, Volume 3



# LESSER COUCAL, Centropus bengalensis Cuculidae

Bangladesh, 2012, not yet cataloged, 20t

Length: 12 to 14 inches, sexes alike, resident. Black with pale rufous-brown wings.

Habitat: Tall grass, swamps, marshes, second-growth forest, thickets, scrub, and farms

Range: India to eastern China, the Philippines and the Moluccas Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 4



# MOUNTAIN SCOPS-OWL, Otus spilocephalus Strigidae

Taiwan, 2012, not yet cataloged, \$5

Length: 7 to 8 inches, sexes alike, resident. Rufous-brown above and rufous-buff below with barred wings and tail.

Habitat: Dense evergreen forest

Range: Northern Pakistan to Taiwan, Sumatra, and northern Borneo

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

World, Volume 5



# SULAWESI SCOPS-OWL, Otus manadensis Strigidae

Indonesia, 2012, not yet cataloged, 2500r

Length: 8 inches, sexes alike, resident. Brown above and streaked below with small ear-tufts.

Habitat: Humid forest, forest edges and clearings Range: Sulawesi and nearby islands, Indonesia

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

World, Volume 5



# GRAYISH EAGLE-OWL, Bubo cinerascens Strigidae

Togo, 2012, not yet cataloged, 750f

Length: 17 inches, sexes alike, resident. Grayish above and pale below with dense vermiculations, with brown eyes.

Habitat: Dry rocky desert, semi-desert, and savanna

Range: Senegal to Somalia and northern Kenya

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



# BROWN HAWK-OWL, Ninox scutulata Strigidae

Taiwan, 2012, not yet cataloged, \$25

Length: 11 to 13 inches, sexes similar, migratory. Dark brown above and streaked buffish-white or brown below with a white spot between yellow eyes.

Habitat: Forest, farms, and parks

Range: Breeds from eastern Siberia and India to the Philippines and Bali; winters from

India and southern China to Celebes and Bali

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

World, Volume 5



# LITTLE HERMIT, Phaethornis longuemareus Trochilidae

Surinam, 2012, not yet cataloged, \$4

Length: 4 inches, sexes similar, resident. Olive-green above and orange-ochraceous below and rump with a white undertail and a pointed central tail.

Habitat: Understory, thickets, scrub, and plantations

Range: Trinidad to French Guiana

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

Volume 5



# RUFOUS-TAILED HUMMINGBIRD, Amazilia tzacatl Trochilidae

Ecuador, 2010, not yet cataloged, 75c

Length: 3 to 4 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is golden-green with a rufous tail, dark wings, ashy-gray belly, and a straight black-tipped red bill. The female has a white belly.



Habitat: Forest edges, clearings and plantations Range: Central Mexico to western Ecuador

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

of the World, Volume 5



# BLACK-EARED FAIRY, Heliothryx aurita Trochilidae

Surinam, 2012, not yet cataloged, \$9

Length: 4 to 5 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is green above and white below with black under the eye and glittering purple ear-coverts. The female lacks the ear-coverts and has grayish dots on the throat and breast.

Habitat: Forest and forest edges

Range: Southeastern Columbia to central Bolivia and eastern Brazil

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

World, Volume 5



# SPOTTED PUFFBIRD, Bucco tamatia Bucconidae

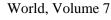
Surinam, 2012, not yet cataloged, \$3

Length: 7 inches, sexes alike, resident. Dark brown above and Black-spotted white below with white cheek stripes, triangular neck patches and rufous throat.

Habitat: Woodland, shrubs and bushes, usually near water

Range: Southeastern Colombia to northeastern Peru and Amazonian Brazil

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





# RUSTY-BREASTED NUNLET, Nonnula rubecula Bucconidae

Surinam, 2012, not yet cataloged, \$11

Length: 6 inches, sexes alike, resident. Gray-brown above and rusty below with nasal tufts and black moustachial.

Habitat: Forest and forest edges

Range: Southeastern Colombia to northeastern Peru, the Guianas, southeastern Brazil, and

eastern Paraguay

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

World, Volume 7



# WAVED WOODPECKER, Celeus undatus Picidae

Surinam, 2012, not yet cataloged, \$3.50

Length: 9 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is boldly barred rufous-chestnut, paler on the crown, with broad red facial patches. The female lacks the red patches.

Habitat: Dense forest

Range: Eastern Venezuela to the Amazon delta

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

World, Volume 7



#### BUFF-THROATED WOODCREEPER, Xiphorhynchus guttatus Furnariidae

Surinam, 2012, not yet cataloged, \$1.45

Length: 9 to 12 inches, sexes alike, resident. Reddish olive-brown above, paler below, with lighter streaking on the neck and below, pale eye rings, buff throat, and a spotted crown.

Habitat: Humid evergreen and semi-deciduous forest

Range: Venezuela, the Guianas and Brazil

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

World, Volume 8



# **MOUSE-COLORED ANTSHRIKE**, *Thamnophilus murinus* Thamnophilidae Surinam, 2012, not yet cataloged, \$1

Length: 5 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is gray, paler below, with yellowish-brown wings and a faintly barred crown. The female is brown, paler below.

Habitat: Lowland evergreen forest

Range: Eastern Colombia to the Guianas, northern Bolivia and Brazil

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

World, Volume 8



# DARK-BROWN HONEYEATER, Lichmera incana Meliphagidae

Vanuatu, 2012, not yet cataloged, 140v

Length: 5 to 7 inches, sexes alike but the male is larger, resident. Dark olive-brown above and light gray-brown below, paler on the belly.

Habitat: All habitats except humid forest

Range: New Caledonia and Vanuatu

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

World, Volume 13



# STREAKED FANTAIL, Rhipidura spilodera Rhipiduridae

Vanuatu, 2012, not yet cataloged, 100v

Length: 7 inches, sexes alike, resident. Rufous-brown above and streaked white below with a plain belly and white streaks in front of and in back of the eyes.

Habitat: Forest, forest edges and gardens

Range: New Caledonia to Fiji

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

World, Volume 11



# ${\bf SOUTHERN~SHRIKEBILL,~\it Clytorhynchus~pachycephaloides~Monarchidae} \\ \\$

Vanuatu, 2012, not yet cataloged, 10v

Length: 8 inches, sexes similar, resident. Dull dark olive-brown above, paler below, with a white undertail.

Habitat: Dense, tangled native forest.

Range: New Caledonia, Vanuatu, and Banks Islands

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

World, Volume 11



# **RUFOUS-VENTED PRINIA,** *Prinia burnesii* [Ed. note: family is Cisticolidae] Nepal. 2012, not yet cataloged, 10r

Length: 7 inches, sexes similar, resident. Streaked grayish-brown above and streaked

whitish below with a white throat and long graduated tail.

Habitat: Grassy plains with scattered trees and shrubs

Range: Pakistan to Nepal

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

World, Volume 11



# PLAIN-BACKED SUNBIRD, Anthreptes reichenowi Nectariniidae

South Africa, 2012, not yet cataloged, International Airmail Small Letter

Length: 4 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is dull green-olive above and grayish-olive below with a metallic blue or green forehead and throat. The female has a plain forehead and throat.

Habitat: Forest and gardens

Range: Southeastern Kenya to northeastern South Africa

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

World, Volume 13



# ELEGANT SUNBIRD, Aethopyga duyvenbodei Nectariniidae

Indonesia, 2012, not yet cataloged, 2500r

Length: 5 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is dark olive-green above and yellow below with a metallic green crown and maroon-red neck. The female is dark golden-olive above and yellow below.

Habitat: Forest, scrub and plantations

Range: Sangihe and Siau, near Sulawesi, Indonesia

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

World, Volume 13



# RED-WINGED PYTILIA, Pytilia phoenicoptera Estrildidae

Togo, 2012, not yet cataloged, 750f

Length: 5 inches, sexes similar, resident. Gray above and gray-barred white below

with red wings and tail.

Habitat: Dry woodlands and bushy thickets

Range: Senegal to northern Uganda

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

the World, Volume 15



#### LONG-TAILED ROSEFINCH, Uragus sibiricus Fringillidae

North Korea, 2012, not yet cataloged, 90w

Length: 7 inches, migratory. The male (shown on the stamp) is black-streaked pinkish-red above and rose below with white wing patches. The female is pale gray above and streaked dull buffish-brown below with two whitish wing bars. Habitat: Thickets, grasslands, meadows and woodlands

Range: Breeds from central Siberia to northern Japan and central China; winters in Siberia, Korea, Japan, and China

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