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The Atacama Desert and surroundings are the habitat of a rich and diverse flora and fauna. In spite of being the driest place on Earth, its lagoons and the San Pedro oasis are a source of life and home to more than 60 bird species.

The types of birds that can be spotted depend mainly on the location, since our explorations take place at different altitudes. Weather conditions at 4000 m.a.s.l. are different from those at 2500 m.a.s.l., and that has an impact on existing flora and fauna.

The list below follows the taxonomic order of the eBird / Clements checklist of birds of the world, including the August 2016 updates.

The list features species like the horned coot, the aplomado falcon and the hen harrier.



Rheiformes

Rheidae

- Ñandú - Suri. LESSER RHEA
Rhea Pennata Tarapacensis

Tinamiformes

Tinamidae

- Perdíz de la Puna - Kiula. PUNATINAMOU
Tinamotis pentlandii

Anseriformes

Anatidae

- Piuquén - Guallata. ANDEAN GOOSE
Oressochen melanopterus
- Pato Juarjua. CRESTED DUCK
Lophonetta specularioides alticola
- Pato Jergón Grande. YELLOW-BILLED PINTAIL
Anas georgica
- Pato Jergón Chico. YELLOW-BILLED (SPECKLED) TEAL
Anas flavirostris oxyptera
- Pato Puna. PUNA TEAL
Anas puna

☐ Pato Colorado. CINNAMON TEAL
Anas cyanoptera

☐ Pato Rana de Pico Ancho. RUDY DUCK
Oxyura jamaicensis

Galliformes

Odontophoridae

☐ Cordoníz. CALIFORNIA QUAIL
Callipepla californica

Podicipediformes

Podicipedidae

☐ Pimpollo común. WHITE-TUFTED GREBE
Rollandia rolland

☐ Blanquillo. SILVERY GREBE
Podiceps occipitalis juninensis

Phoenicopteriformes

Phoenicopteridae

☐ Flamenco Andino, Parina grande.
ANDEAN FLAMINGO
Phoenicoparrus andinus

- ☐ Flamenco de James, Parina Chica.
JAMES FLAMINGO
Phoenicoparrus jamesi

Suliformes

Phalacrocoracidae

- ☐ Yeco. NEOTROPIC CORMORANT
Phalacrocorax brasilianus

Pelecaniformes

Ardeidae

- ☐ Huairavo común. BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON
Nycticorax nycticorax hoactli
 - ☐ Garza Grande. GREAT EGRET
Ardea alba
 - ☐ Garza Bueyera. CATTLE EGRET
Bubulcus ibis
- ### Threskiornithidae
- ☐ Cuervo del Pantano común. PUNA IBIS
Plegadis rigdwayi

Accipitriformes

Cathartidae

- Jote de Cabeza Colorada. TURKEY VULTURE
Cathartes aura
- Cóndor. ANDEAN CONDOR
Vultur gryphus



Accipitridae

- Vari Ceniciento. CINEREUS HARRIER
Circus cinereus
- Aguilucho común. VARIABLE HAWK
Geranoetus polyosoma
- Águila. BLACK-CHESTED BUZZARD-EAGLE *Geranoetus melanoleucus*

Gruiformes

Rallidae

- Pidén común. PLUMBEOUS RAIL
Pardirallus sanguinolentus
- Taguita del Norte. COMMON GALLINULE
Gallinula galeata
- Tagua Gigante. GIANT COOT
Fulica gigantea



- Tagua Cornuda. HORNED COOT
Fulica cornuta
- Tagua Andina. SLATE-COLORED (ANDEAN) COOT
Fulica ardesiaca

Charadriiformes

Recurvirostridae

- Caití. ANDEAN AVOCET
Recurvirostra andina

Charadriidae

- Chorlo de Campo. TAWNY-THROATED DOTTEREL
Oreopholus ruficollis
- Chorlo de la Puna. PUNA PLOVER
Charadrius alticola
- Chorlo Cordillerano. DIADEMED SANDPIPER-PLOVER
Phegornis mitchellii
- Chorlo Dorado. AMERICAN GOLDEN-PLOVER
Pluvialis dominica
- Queltehue de la Puna. ANDEAN LAPWING
Vanellus resplendens



Thinocoridae

- ☐ Perdicita Cordillerana. RUFIOUS-BELLIED SEEDSNIPE
Attagis gayi

- ☐ Perdicita Cojón. GRAY-BREASTED SEEDSNIPE
Thinocorus orbignyianus

- ☐ Perdicita chica. LEAST SEEDSNIPE
Thinocorus rumicivorus

Scolopacidae

- ☐ Pitotoy Grande. GREATER YELLOWLEGS
Tringa melanoleuca

- ☐ Pitotoy Chico. LESSER YELLOWLEGS
Tringa flavipes

- ☐ Batitú. UPLAND SANDPIPER
Bartramia longicauda

- ☐ Zarapito de Pico Recto. HUDSONIAN GODWIT
Limosa haemastica

- ☐ Playero de Patas Largas. STILT SANDPIPER
Calidris himantopus

- ☐ Playero de Baird. BAIRD'S SANDPIPER
Calidris bairdii

- ☐ Becacina de la Puna. PUNA SNIPE
Gallinago andina

☐ Pollito de Mar Tricolor. WILSON'S PHALAROPE
Phalaropus tricolor

☐ Playero Pectoral. PECTORAL SANDPIPER
Calidris melanotos

☐ Playero Semipalmado.
SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPER
Calidris pusilla

Laridae

☐ Gaviota Andina. ANDEAN GULL
Chroicocephalus serranus

☐ Gaviota Garuma. GREY GULL
Leucophaeus modestus

Columbiformes

Columbidae

☐ Paloma doméstica. ROCK PIGEON
Columba livia

☐ Paloma Picazuro. PICAZURO PIGEON
Patagioenas picazuro

☐ Paloma Manchada. SPOT-WINGED PIGEON
Patagioenas maculosa

- ☐ Tortolita cordillerana.
Black-winged GROUND-DOVE
Metropelia melanoptera
- ☐ Tortolita de la Puna.
GOLDEN-SPOTTED GROUND-DOVE
Metropelia aymara
- ☐ Paloma de Alas Blancas.
WEST PERUVIAN DOVE
Zenaida meloda
- ☐ Tórtola. Eared DOVE
Zenaida auriculata

Strigiformes

Strigidae

- ☐ Tucúquere. GREAT HORNED OWL
Bubo virginianus
- ☐ Pequén. BURROWING OWL
Athene cunicularia



Tytonidae

- ☐ Lechuza. BARN OWL
Tyto alba

Caprimulgiformes

Caprimulgidae

- ☐ Gallina ciega - Plastilla. BAND-WINGED NIGHTJAR
Systemellura longirostris atripunctata

Apodiformes

Apodidae

- ☐ Vencejo de Chimenea. CHIMNEY SWIFT
Chaetura pelagica

Trochilidae

- ☐ Picaflor de la Puna. ANDEAN HILLSTAR
Oreotrochilus estella
- ☐ Picaflor Gigante. GIANT HUMMINGBIRD
Patagonas gigas
- ☐ Picaflor del Norte. OASIS HUMMINGBIRD
Rhodopsis vesper

Falconiformes

Falconidae

- ☐ Carancho Cordillerano.
MOUNTAIN CARACARA
Phalcoboenus megalopterus

- Cernícalo. AMERICAN KESTREL
Falco sparverius
- Halcón Perdiguero. APLOMADO FALCON
Falco femoralis
- Halcón Peregrino. PEREGRINE FALCON
Falco peregrinus

Psittaciformes

Psittacidae

- Perico Cordillerano. MOUNTAIN PARAKEET
Psilopsiagon aurifrons

Passeriformes

Furnariidae

- Minero común. COMMON MINER
Geositta cunicularia
- Minero de la Puna. PUNA MINER
Geositta punensis
- Minero Chico. GRAYISH MINER
Geositta marítima
- Minero Grande. CREAMY-RUMPED MINER
Geositta isabellina





- Bandurrilla de Pico Recto.
STRAIGHT-BILLED EARTH CREEPER
Ochetorhynchus ruficaudus

- Bandurrilla común.
SCALE-THROATED EARTH CREEPER
Upucerthia dumetaria

- Churrete de Alas Crema.
CREAM-WINGED CINCLODES
Cinclodes albiventris

- Churrete de Alas Blancas.
WHITE-WINGED CINCLODES
Cinclodes atacamensis

- Tijeral común. PLAIN-MANTLED SPINETAIL
Leptasthenura aegithaloides

- Canastero Chico. CORDILLERAN CANASTERO
Asthenes modesta

- Tyrannidae**
- Saca-tu-real. VERMILION FLYCATCHER
Pyrocephalus rubinus

- Colegial del Norte. ANDEAN NEGRITO
Lessonia oreas

- Dormilona Chica. SPOT-BILLED GROUND-TYRANT
Muscisaxicola maculirostris

- ☐ Dormilona de la Puna. PUNA GROUND-TYRANT
Muscisaxicola juninesis
- ☐ Dormilona Cenicienta.
CINEREOUS GROUND-TYRANT
Muscisaxicola cinereus
- ☐ Dormilona Fraile. OCHRE-NAPED GROUND-TYRANT
Muscisaxicola flavinucha
- ☐ Dormilona Nuca Rojiza.
RUFIOUS-NAPED GROUND-TYRANT
Muscisaxicola rufivertex
- ☐ Dormilona de Ceja Blanca.
WHITE-BROWED GROUND-TYRANT
Muscisaxicola albilora
- ☐ Dormilona Rufa.
CINNAMON-BELLIED GROUND-TYRANT
Muscisaxicola capistratus
- ☐ Dormilona de Frente Negra.
BLACK-FRONTED GROUND-TYRANT
Muscisaxicola frontalis
- ☐ Mero Gaucho. BLACK-BILLED SHRIKE-TYRANT
Agriornis montanus
- ☐ Mero de la Puna. WHITE-TAILED SHRIKE-TYRANT
Agriornis albicauda

- Mero de Tarapacá.
GRAY-BELLIED SHRIKE-TYRANT
Agriornis micropterus

Hirundinidae

- Golondrina de Dorso Negro.
BLUE-AND-WHITE SWALLOW
Pygochelidon cyanoleuca
- Golondrina de los Riscos. ANDEAN SWALLOW
Orochelidon andeacola
- Golondrina Bermeja. BARN SWALLOW
Hirundo rustica
- Golondrina Barranquera. BANK SWALLOW
Riparia riparia

Troglodytidae

- Chercán. HOUSE WREN
Troglodytes musculus

Turdidae

- Zorzalito de Swainson. SWAINSON'S THRUSH
Catharus ustulatus
- Zorzal Negro. CHIGUANCO TRUSH
Turdus chiguanco



Motacillidae

- Bailarín Chico Común. CORRENDERA PIPIT
Anthus correndera

Thraupidae

- Comesebo de los tamarugales
TAMARUGO CONEBILL
Conirostrum tamarugense
- Cometocino del Norte.
BLACK-HOODED SIERRA-FINCH
Phrygilus atriceps
- Yal común. MOURNING SIERRA-FINCH
Phrygilus fruticeti
- Pájaro plomo. PLUMBEOUS SIERRA-FINCH
Phrygilus unicolor
- Cometocino del Dorso Castaño
RED-BLACKED SIERRA-FINCH
Phrygilus dorsalis
- Plebeyo. ASH-BREASTED SIERRA-FINCH
Phrygilus plebejus
- Chirihue Cordillerano
BRIGHT-RUMPED YELLOW-FINCH
Sicalis uropygialis



- Chirihue Dorado. GREATER YELLOW-FINCH
Sicalis auriventris

- Chirihue Verdoso. GREENISH YELLOW-FINCH
Sicalis olivascens

Emberizidae

- Chincól. RUFOUS-COLLARED SPARROW
Zonotrichia capensis

Fringillidae

- Jilguero Negro. BLACK SISKIN
Spinus atratus
- Jilguero Cordillerano. YELLOW-RUMPED SISKIN
Spinus Uropygialis

Passeridae

- Gorrión. HOUSE SPARROW
Passer domesticus

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