PICHINCHA · ECUADOR

Mindo and the Tandayapa Valley



Chocó cloud forest two hours from Quito, with more than twenty kinds of hummingbird at the feeders, toucan barbets and a cock-of-the-rock lek at dawn.

121 animals 18 mammals, 92 birds, 5 reptiles, 3 amphibians and 3 butterflies **Best time:** All year

Seen _____ of 121

01 Cloud forest stars 24

ANIMAL	DATE AND PLACE
☐ Toucan Barbet	
☐ Andean Cock-of-the-rock	
☐ Crimson-rumped Toucanet	
☐ Golden-headed Quetzal	
☐ Masked Trogon	
☐ Choco Toucan	
☐ Collared Araçari	
☐ Rufous Motmot	
☐ Red-headed Barbet	
☐ Green-and-black Fruiteater	
☐ Sickle-winged Guan	
☐ Chestnut-crowned Antpitta	
☐ Plate-billed Mountain Toucan	
☐ Giant Antpitta	
☐ Moustached Antpitta	
☐ Yellow-breasted Antpitta	
☐ Ochre-breasted Antpitta	
☐ Club-winged Manakin	
☐ Choco Trogon	
☐ Scaled Fruiteater	
☐ Turquoise Jay	
☐ Beautiful Jay Rare	
☐ Dark-backed Wood Quail Rare	
☐ Long-wattled Umbrellabird Rare	

02 Hummingbirds 27

ANIMAL	DATE AND PLACE
☐ Violet-tailed Sylph	
☐ White-booted Racket-tail	
☐ Velvet-purple Coronet	
☐ Buff-tailed Coronet	
☐ Brown Inca	
☐ Collared Inca	
☐ Andean Emerald	
☐ Rufous-tailed Hummingbird	
☐ Green-crowned Brilliant	
☐ Fawn-breasted Brilliant	
☐ White-necked Jacobin	
☐ Brown Violetear	
☐ Lesser Violetear	
☐ Sparkling Violetear	
☐ Speckled Hummingbird	
☐ Tawny-bellied Hermit	
☐ White-whiskered Hermit	
☐ Empress Brilliant	
☐ Purple-throated Woodstar	
☐ Purple-bibbed Whitetip	
☐ Green Thorntail	
☐ Western Emerald	
☐ Tourmaline Sunangel	
☐ Sword-billed Hummingbird	



Tick them off in Wilder

ANIMAL DATE AND PLACE

02 Hummingbirds continued

- [ ] Great Sapphirewing
- [ ] Gorgeted Sunangel
- [ ] Sapphire-vented Puffleg

03 Tanagers and other birds 29

- [ ] Flame-faced Tanager
- [ ] Golden Tanager
- [ ] Golden-naped Tanager
- [ ] Silver-throated Tanager
- [ ] Blue-winged Mountain Tanager
- [ ] Black-capped Tanager
- [ ] Flame-rumped Tanager
- [ ] Blue-grey Tanager
- [ ] Palm Tanager
- [ ] Glistening-green Tanager
- [ ] Rufous-throated Tanager
- [ ] Black-chinned Mountain Tanager
- [ ] Moss-backed Tanager
- [ ] Orange-bellied Euphonia
- [ ] Golden-olive Woodpecker
- [ ] Crimson-mantled Woodpecker
- [ ] Powerful Woodpecker
- [ ] Golden-crowned Flycatcher
- [ ] Slate-throated Whitestart
- [ ] Russet-backed Oropendola
- [ ] Common Squirrel-cuckoo
- [ ] Red-billed Parrot
- [ ] Bronze-winged Parrot
- [ ] Maroon-tailed Parakeet
- [ ] Band-tailed Pigeon
- [ ] Smoke-coloured Pewee
- [ ] Tropical Kingbird
- [ ] Yellow-bellied Siskin
- [ ] Rufous-collared Sparrow

ANIMAL DATE AND PLACE

04 River birds 3

- [ ] Torrent Tyrannulet
- [ ] White-capped Dipper
- [ ] Torrent Duck

05 Birds of prey and owls 9

- [ ] Swallow-tailed Kite
- [ ] Roadside Hawk
- [ ] Turkey Vulture
- [ ] Black Vulture
- [ ] Barred Hawk
- [ ] Mottled Owl
- [ ] Common Potoo
- [ ] Lyre-tailed Nightjar
- [ ] Andean Pygmy Owl Rare

06 Mammals 18

- [ ] Red-tailed Squirrel
- [ ] Mantled Howler Monkey
- [ ] Kinkajou
- [ ] Olinguito
- [ ] Tayra
- [ ] White-nosed Coati
- [ ] Central American Agouti
- [ ] Lowland Paca
- [ ] Brown-throated Three-toed Sloth
- [ ] Hoffmann's Two-toed Sloth
- [ ] Nine-banded Armadillo
- [ ] Common Opossum
- [ ] Western Mountain Coati Rare
- [ ] Northern Tamandua Rare
- [ ] Spectacled Bear Rare
- [ ] Cougar (Mountain Lion) Rare
- [ ] Ocelot Rare
- [ ] Central American Red Brocket Rare

	ANIMAL	DATE AND PLACE
07	**Reptiles and amphibians** 8	
☐	Western Basilisk	
☐	Blunt-headed Treesnake	
☐	Fer-de-lance Rare	
☐	Helmeted Iguana Rare	
☐	Green Iguana Rare	

	ANIMAL	DATE AND PLACE
07	**Reptiles and amphibians** continued	
☐	Mesoamerican Cane Toad	
☐	Emerald Glass Frog	
☐	Common Tink Frog	
08	**Butterflies** 3	
☐	Glasswing	
☐	Yellow-edged Giant Owl	
☐	Blue Morpho	

My trip

FROM _____ TO _____

TRAVELLING WITH _____

STAYING AT _____ SEEN _____ OF 121

FIRST ANIMAL WE SAW _____

BEST MOMENT _____

FIELD NOTES AND SKETCHES

ALSO SEEN, NOT ON THIS LIST

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KEEP IT IN WILDER

Tick them off in the app

Scan to open this checklist in Wilder. Add your photos, see your whole trip, earn badges and the Mindo passport stamp, and watch your life list grow.

BEST TIME

All year

Mindo is wet and green all year, with birds active in every month.

A guide, not a guarantee: what you see depends on season, luck and patience. Give wildlife space and never feed it. Follow the local rules on distance.