

Lesser Antilles Endemics: A 3-Island Classic Species List | December 3 – 14, 2024 with Naturalist Journeys



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The group of four participants, met with guides Chris and Adé at St Lucia airport, then drove to the fabulous Balenbouche Estate to begin our wonderful three-island trip. We were to visit St Lucia, Dominica and St Vincent with a short stop on the bonus island of Barbados. Our main targets were the island and regional endemic birds, as well as any other wonderful wildlife on the way. We had local guides on each island who took us to the very best places for the special birds. We were at the tail end of a very wet rainy season and only had a few of periods of downpour during the trip.

85 bird species were recorded of which two were heard only and three were only seen by the guide, 24 were endemic to Lesser Antilles or individual islands, and 3 were introduced. Details are included below.

The eBird link below details the 85 species of birds our group observed during the tour. If you're new to eBird, be sure to click "Show All Details" on the right side of the list to expand the report and reveal where and when each of the birds were seen and how many.

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Following is a list of the mammals, reptiles, amphibians, butterflies and dragonflies we were fortunate to record during the trip.

MAMMALS (3):

OLD WORLD MONKEYS: Cercopithecidae — (1)

Green Monkey (1) *Chlorocebus sabaesus*

Seen on Barbados while driving between airport and South Point Hotel, on Dec 11.

MONGOOSES: Herpestidae — (1)

Small Indian Mongoose (1) *Herpestes javanicus*

Seen in the road while driving on St Lucia and St Vincent.

AGOUTIS: Dasyproctidae — (1)

Red-rumped Agouti *Dasyprocta leporina*

REPTILES (9):

SEA TURTLES: Cheloniidae — (2)

Loggerhead Turtle *Caretta caretta*

Seen on Bequia boat trip

Green Sea Turtle *Chelonia mydas*

Seen on Bequia boat trip

SPHAERIID GECKOS: Sphaerodactylidae — (1)

House Gecko – *Hemidactylus mabouia*

Heard at Balenbouche and Tamarind Tree Hotels.

IGUANAS: Iguanidae — (1)

Lesser Antillean Iguana (E-L Antilles) *Iguana delicatissima*

Seen on St Lucia and Dominica

ANOLES: Dactyloidae — (4)

Dominican Anole (E-Dominica) *Anolis oculatus*

Common on Dominica

Saint Vincent Bush Anole (E-St. Vincent) *Anolis trinitatis*

Common on St Vincent

Saint Vincent Tree Anole (E-St. Vincent) *Anolis griseus*

Seen near Montreal Gardens, St Vincent

Saint Lucian Anole (E-St. Lucia) *Anolis luciae*

Common on St Lucia

AMEIVAS AND WHIPTAILS: Teiidae — (1)

Dominican Ameiva (E-Dominica) *Pholidoscelis fuscatus*

Seen along Lower Colihaut, Dominica

AMPHIBIANS (3):

RAIN FROGS: Eleutherodactylidae — (1)

Lesser Antilles Whistling Frog *Eleutherodactylus johnstonei*

Seen (and heard) on St Lucia

CLOUD FOREST LANDFROGS: Strabomantidae — (1)

St Vincent Frog (E-St. Vincent) *Pristimantis shrevei*

Seen near Montreal Gardens, Dominica

TOADS: Bufonidae — (1)

Cane Toad *Bufo marinus*

Seen at Balenbouche, St Lucia

BUTTERFLIES & MOTHS: Lepidoptera (14):

Great Southern White *Ascia monuste*

Seen on St Lucia

Florida White *Appias drusilla*

Seen on Dominica

Cloudless Sulphur *Phoebis sennae*

Common on all islands

Pale Yellow *Eurema venusta*

Common on all islands

St Vincent Blue Hairstreak (E-St. Vincent) *Pseudolycaena Cybele*

Seen near Montreal Gardens, St Vincent

Hanno Blue *Hemiargus hanno*

Tiny blue butterfly, seen on St Lucia and Dominica

Gulf Fritillary *Agraulis vanilla*

Common on all islands

Julia Heliconian *Dryas iulia*

Common on all islands

West Indian Mangrove Buckeye *Junonia neildi*

Seen on several islands.

Orion Cecropian *Historis odius*

Seen on St Lucia

Orcus Checkered Skipper *Pyrgus orcus*

Seen at Macoucherie, Dominica,

Purple-washed Skipper *Panoquina lucas*

Seen on St Lucia

Cucumber Moth (I) *Diaphania indica*

An introduced species, seen on wall of Tamarind Tree Hotel, Dominica.

Fig Sphinx *Pachylia ficus*

Seen on wall of Tamarind Tree Hotel, Dominica.

DRAGONFLIES & DAMSELFLIES: Odonata (3):

Rambur's Forktail *Ischnura ramburii*

Common. Seen at Balenbouche, St Lucia

Antillean Skimmer *Orthemis macrostigma*

Seen on wall of Tamarind Tree Hotel, Dominica.

Very common. Seen on St Lucia and Dominica

Band-winged Dragonlet *Erythrodiplax umbrata*

A widespread species, seen in Dominica and Barbados.