



WildWings

WILDWINGS JAGUAR TOUR

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SPECIES CHECKLIST

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MAMMALS

A total of 33 species was seen excluding feral Buffalo & Pigs and unidentified bats.

<p>Giant Anteater <i>Myrmecophaga tridactyla</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Difficult in Canastra this year. After 2 or 3 claims by Regina and Richard of individuals disappearing over ridges Richard finally found one that gave excellent scope views to the whole group. Regina later spotted an extremely distant second animal that most of the group saw. ▪ On the second afternoon we quickly found a close one but the clouds immediately opened making photography difficult. A second individual carrying a baby on her back but was seen distantly shortly afterwards. ▪ In the Pantanal superb close range views were obtained on our final afternoon at Araras to the delight of the whole group including the leaders.
<p>Forest (Brazilian) Rabbit <i>Sylvilagus brasiliensis</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One seen briefly by some of the group on the second night drive at Araras.
<p>Guianan Squirrel <i>Sciurus aestuans</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Daily counts of 8 & 4 at Caraca. ▪ One running across the main road east of Formigga on our return journey to Belo Horizonte.
<p>Paca <i>Agouti paca</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One seen briefly on the second spotlighting walk at Caraca, only seen well by Richard & Conny, the rest of the group only seeing eyeshine or a silhouette.
<p>Azara's Agouti <i>Dasyprocta azarai</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Only seen at Araras this year with two on the first afternoon & B 6+ on the second day including a female suckling a young one.
<p>Brazilian Cavy <i>Cavia aperea</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Daily counts of 4 & 10+ around the vegetable garden at Caraca
<p>Capybara <i>Hydrochaeris hydrochaeris</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Common in the Pantanal with large numbers of young this year.
<p>Jaguar <i>Panthera onca</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ After 17 hours cruising the Rio Cuiaba & its tributaries without success & meeting numerous other boats having a similar lack of success it was with some relief when we had superb prolonged close range views of a female along the Rio Cuiaba. First found by a Finnish group it was still there when we arrived 3 hours later and after watching it for 45 minutes we left it in peace. Returning 40 minutes later it had only moved about 5 metres. ▪ Returning to the lodge a stop to look at fishing bats proved beneficial when Richard noticed a young male on the bank nearby. This, much more active individual gave great views in fading light, and later in the spotlight, drinking, swimming & walking the bank. A great finale to another successful stay at Poto Jofre.

<p>Maned Wolf <i>Chrysocyon brachyurus</i></p>	<p>An exceptional year with 11 being seen including 4 cubs. Caraca,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One seen at the monastery tip a good two hours before dusk was an unusual daytime sighting. ▪ On the first evening the first wolf appeared before 7 pm and at least 2 individuals visited the terrace to feed on meet put out by the monks & two including the individual at the tip were seen on a spotlighting walk. ▪ On the second evening the first wolf again appeared before 7 pm and at one stage two wolves fed together on the terrace, an extremely unusual occurrence. <p>Canastra</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A total of 8 seen on our first day in Canastra including a female with four tiny young that ran to greet her return & then started suckling albeit distantly (a Wildwings first), two adults chasing each other & a solitary adult late in the day. Interestingly when we spoke to the researchers from Pro-Carnivora that evening it transpired that they were not aware of the female with cubs, a real coup for Wildwings.
<p>Crab-eating Fox <i>Cerdocyon thous</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Three on the Pixaim night drives, 2 along the Santa Theresa road and one north of Pixaim. ▪ Two along Santa Isabel road at dawn. ▪ Four on the first Araras night drive, six at Araras at dusk on the second evening but only one on the second night drive at Araras.
<p>Neotropical River Otter <i>Lutra longicaudis</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One seen briefly crossing the road behind the truck just south of Pousada Jaguar was unfortunately only seen by Richard.
<p>Giant Otter <i>Pteronura brasiliensis</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One seen swimming past the hotel at Pixaim & another on the Pixaim boat trip. ▪ Six seen near a den along the Rio Piquiri.
<p>Spotted Hog-nosed Skunk <i>Conepatus semistriatus</i></p>	<p>One on the terrace & in the carpark on the second night at Caraca.</p>
<p>South American Coati <i>Nasua nasua</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One seen by our local guide at Caratinga. ▪ A single and a group of 3 just south of Araras on route to the lodge. ▪ 14 from the tower at Araras. ▪ Two & a single on one of the private trails at Araras.
<p>Crab-eating Raccoon <i>Procyon cancrivorus</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Four on the first night drive at Araras, two on the second drive.
<p>Greater Fishing (Bulldog) Bat <i>Noctilio leporinus</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Seen along the rivers at Pixaim and Porto Jofre in large numbers and from several bridges while spotlighting along the southern Transpantaneira.
<p>Lesser Fishing (Bulldog) Bat <i>Noctilio albiventris</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Seen along the Rio Cuiaba & along the southern Transpantaneira.
<p>Seba's Short-tailed (Fruit) Bat <i>Carollia perspicillata</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 40+ roosting in a disused building at Caratinga.
<p>Black-tailed Marmoset <i>Callithrix melanura</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Although allegedly due to be split as a separate species we will treat the marmosets seen in the Pantanal as Black-tailed Marmoset in line with Groves Primate Taxonomy for the time-being. ▪ 3 along the Rip Pixaim ▪ One along the Transpantaneira south of Pixaim & another heard.
<p>Buffy-headed Marmoset <i>Callithrix flaviceps</i></p>	<p>Great views of 12+ along the river near Caratinga.</p>
<p>Geoffroy's Marmoset <i>Callithrix geoffroyi</i></p>	<p>c.10 Sitia Graciema</p>
<p>Black-tufted Marmoset <i>Callithrix penicillata</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One along the Tanque Grande trail at Caraca (MM/TA/BC) ▪ Six near the coach park at Caraca ▪ 10+ in the garden of Chapadao do Canastra
<p>Black-striped Capuchin <i>Cebus libidinosus</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Two along the Rio Pixaim ▪ Two groups of 6 & another of two at Araras
<p>Black Capuchin <i>Cebus nigritus</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 20+ Caratinga ▪ Two capuchins along the Tankwe Grande trail at Caraca appeared to be this species
<p>Masked Titi (Monkey) <i>Callicebus personatus</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Three seen distantly from the carpark at caraca ▪ Great views of 8 along the Tanque Grande trail. Other groups heard.

Northern Muriqui <i>Brachyteles hypoxanthus</i>	50+ at Caratinga
Black (and Gold) Howler Monkey <i>Alouatta caraya</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Four on Rio Pixaim boat trip ▪ Groups of six & eight on the boat trips at Porto Jofre ▪ Counts of eight & seven along the boardwalk at Araras ▪ A single along the river trail at Araras
Brown Howler Monkey <i>Alouatta guariba</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Several groups totalling 20+ individuals at Caratinga
Pampas Deer <i>Ozotoceros bezoarticus</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One seen briefly by Junior near the corral on the first day at Canastra. ▪ A female seen twice on the first day at Canastra & a male on the night drive on the second day at Canastra.
Red Brocket <i>Mazama americana</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Seven plus a fawn on the night drive north of Pixaim. ▪ Singles at Porto Jofre & Araras
Gray Brocket <i>Mazama gouazoubira</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Two on the night drive north of Pixaim ▪ Two Araras
Brocket sp <i>Mazama sp?</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Singles north of Pixaim & Araras
Marsh Deer <i>Blastoceros dichotomous</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Excellent numbers this year ▪ Nine north of Pixaim on the drive south from Araras. ▪ One north of Pixaim on the night drive. ▪ Three between Pixaim & Pousada Jaguar ▪ Two Hotel Beiro Rio on the drive back north & 10 north of Pixaim the same day. ▪ Daily counts of 9+ & 10+ from the tower at Araras
Brazilian Tapir <i>Tapirus terrestris</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Prolonged views of one on the night drive north of Pixaim ▪ Good views of a female & brief views of her stripy youngster (another Wildwings first) on the first night drive at Araras.

Ferals

Cape Buffalo <i>Syncerus caffer</i>	Up to 20 seen daily in the Pantanal
Feral Pig <i>Sus domesticus</i>	Seen along the Transpantaneira north of Araras & at Araras. Up to 6 Wild Boar types <i>Sus scrofa</i> seen from the tour at Araras