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# Prominent Birds of the



## Altamira Oriole

The largest oriole in the U.S. with a stout and pointed bill. Males and females look similar and are bright orange overall with a black throat, mask, tail, and upper back.



## Aplomado Falcon

A medium sized Falcon with a bold black-and-white facial pattern. Individuals in the U.S. and northern Mexico have thicker breast bands that extend all the way across the breast. Individuals in the Andes of South America tend to have darker backs and have a narrow, incomplete breast band.



## Buff-bellied Hummingbird

Medium-sized hummingbird with a red bill that is black at the tip. Males have an iridescent green throat that can appear dark depending on the light and a buffy belly. Found in scrubby woodlands, forest edges, parks, and gardens.



## Plain Chachalaca

Large, often arboreal chickenlike bird with a small head and long tail tipped in white. Brownish gray above with a buffy belly. Often found in small groups. Forages in shrubs and trees as well as on the ground for seeds, plant material, and fruits.



## Great Kiskadee

Large, blocky flycatcher with a thick neck and a stout bill. Bright yellow below and reddish brown above. Head is boldly striped black and white. Often found in thorn-scrub in South Texas and in tropical deciduous forest elsewhere. They are also found in suburban areas and plantations.



## Green Jay

Large and unmistakable. Bright green above with a blue head and black throat. Individuals farther south tend to be brighter yellow below. Eats mainly insects, but also eats seeds and visits bird feeders.



## Hooded Oriole

Long and slender with more delicate bodies than other orioles. Adult males vary from brilliant yellow to flame orange with a black throat that extends up around the eye. Females are olive-yellow overall with grayer backs and thin white wing bars. Found in open woodlands with scattered trees, including cottonwoods, willows, sycamores, and especially palm trees.



## Common Pauraque

Well camouflaged, brown and gray nightjar. Feathers on the shoulder have buffy tips. Individuals in Texas and Lower Rio Grande Valley are grayer than others. Throat patch, which is often very difficult to see, is buffy on females and white on males. Forages at dawn and dusk near clearings for insects. Rests on the ground and becomes motionless when spotlighted.