

Golden-rumped Euphonia



Euphonia cyanocephala
Gaturamo-rei
11 cm. Unmistakable euphonia with turquoise blue crown. Male above shiny, blackish-blue with largely golden orange rump and blackish-blue tail. Crown and nape bright, pale turquoise.

Forehead, sides of head and throat blackish. Rest of underparts golden orange. Female above yellowish-olive with bright pale turquoise crown and nape. Small forehead patch orange-yellow; underparts uniform bright orange-yellow.

SSP. *E. c. ssp.* SE Brazil, NE Argentina, E Paraguay
VOICE: Song is a fast, twittering phrase of high-pitched notes, length of phrase varies between 3 to 15 seconds. Call is a plaintive whistle *twueee*.

HABITAT: Woodland, gardens, parks, clearings with scattered trees.
IN AN AREA: Rare, recorded in Itatiaia NP.
IN SE BRAZIL: Uncommon.



Golden-rumped Euphonia, male

Chestnut-bellied Euphonia



Euphonia pectoralis
Ferro-velho
11 cm. Male unmistakable; female olive-green with rufous vent. Male above uniform glossy bluish-black, wings duskier; throat and breast bluish-black. Prominent yellow breast-sides;

belly, flanks and vent dark chestnut-brown. Female above olive-green, nape greyish; throat, breast and belly grey; flanks yellowish-olive; vent rufous.

SSP. Monotypic
VOICE: Characteristic call is a raspy, fast, rolling phrase *tri-ri-ri-ri-ri-ri*, lasting less than a second, repeated at intervals of 5-10 seconds.

HABITAT: Rainforest, clearings, forest edge, gardens.
IN AN AREA: Fairly common in the region. Penedo, Itatiaia NP, Mauá.
IN SE BRAZIL: Common.



Golden-rumped Euphonia, female



Chestnut-bellied Euphonia, male



Chestnut-bellied Euphonia, female

Blue-naped Chlorophonia



Blue-naped Chlorophonia, male

Chlorophonia cyanea
Bandeirinha



11 cm. Stunning chlorophonia with the colours of the Brazilian flag. Male above bright blue and greenish with bright blue nape, upper back and rump; wing coverts bluish-green; rest of the wing feathers bright grass green. Head and breast bright grass green; ocular area bright blue; belly, sides and vent bright yellow. Female is similar to the male, but the upperparts are predominantly green, the blue being restricted to the nape.

SSP. *C. c. cyanea* SE Brazil, NE Argentina, Paraguay
VOICE: Calls include a plaintive, soft note *twee*, repeated constantly; a varied phrase is a plaintive double-note *twee-te, twee-te, twee-te*, the last syllable lower in pitch.

HABITAT: Rainforest, forest edge, clearings. Unobtrusive bird of canopy.
IN AN AREA: Uncommon in the region. Itatiaia NP, Penedo.
IN SE BRAZIL: Uncommon.



Blue-naped Chlorophonia, male