

## BIRDS OF PANAMA WORD SEARCH



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Panama has over 1,000 different species of birds. Read about some of the different groups of birds that live there *and find the **BOLDED** words in the word search above.*

**MANAKIN** - Generally small, rotund birds with short tails and bills. Many species form leks – areas where many males get together during breeding season to attract females through elaborate courtship dances.

**TOUCANET** – Smaller and with generally shorter bills than Toucans, there are 12 toucanet species in the world.

**COTINGA** – Brightly-colored birds found in tropical rainforest that often forage high up in the canopy.

**HUMMINGBIRD** – Found only in the Americas, these small birds are amazing aerial acrobats. They are the only birds that can fly backwards as well as forwards. They have long bills and tongues to drink nectar from flowers.

**NUNLET** – A type of puffbird. Like other puffbirds it can sit still for long periods of time with its neck feathers puffed out.

**POTOO** – Potoos, nocturnal insectivorous birds, are so well camouflaged, they resemble tree branches when roosting during the day.

**PARROT** – Both loud and colorful, parrots have extremely powerful beaks which they use to break open tough seeds and nuts. They use their feet and beaks for climbing along branches.

**VULTURE** – Nature’s “clean-up crews”, vultures feed on carrion – animals that are already dead. They help to clean up the carcasses and are important in preventing the spread of harmful bacteria and disease.

**BARBET** – These birds are named for the bristles at the base of their stout beaks. They are closely related to toucans.

**ANHINGA** – Also known as the “snake bird” for its long neck. Found near water, this bird feeds mainly on fish.

**TROGON** – Colorful, medium-sized birds with broad bills. They feed on fruits and insects which they snatch from the trees.

**ANTBIRD** – Found throughout the Neotropics, these birds are famous for foraging for insects escaping from army ant swarm.