

Splits, lumps and shuffles

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This series focuses on recent taxonomic proposals – descriptions of new taxa, splits, lumps or reorganisations – that are likely to be of greatest interest to birders. This latest instalment includes tantalizing teases about one or two potential new species of tapaculo; a split in Black-and-white Becard; resolution of the question of how many species of blue seedeater to recognize; and confirmation of Sayaca Tanagers.



1 Puna Tapaculo *Scytalopus simonsi*, Ruta 3 stop, La Paz, Bolivia, September 2022 (Rob Jansen Photography: robjansenphotography.com). The genus *Scytalopus* is rarely short of intrigue, and a recent paper offers food for thought in terms of three species.