

## Meet Blue Gray Tanager in Machu Picchu Birding Tours



**Madre de Dios, Peru Jan 6, 2023** ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - [Birdsofperutours](https://www.birdsofperutours.com) is based in South America and provides bird watching and bird photography activities with top bird guides, customized itineraries, and logistics for your visit to the Pacific coast, the Andes, and the Amazon in Peru, as well as other top birding destinations in South America. Even more so amongst birds kept in captivity because blue is a rare color in the avian globe. Blue Jays, for instance, almost never fail to capture notice; in fact, a coworker observed that a duo had often been the centre of attraction in the [Machu Picchu Birding Tours](https://www.birdsofperutours.com/machu-picchu-birding-tours). When blue does appear, it is typically rather surprising.

Today, I'd like to showcase the Blue Gray Tanager, one of the very few "all blue" birds accessible to enthusiasts in the USA.

### Classification

The Blue Gray Tanager belongs to the Thraupidae relatives, which have members all across North, Central, as well as South America. Several have vivid colours, such as the Scarlet Tanager. Natural species are not permitted to be kept in the United States, but Blue and Gray are acceptable, and specimens held in captivity are frequently accessible.

## Range

Blue-grey tanagers at [Birds Of Machu Picchu](#) can be found from southern Mexico to northern Bolivia and Brazil. Imported populations have taken root in southern Florida around Lima, Peru. A Tobago-endemic race of extra-bright azure has been classified as a species.

## Habitat

They like open areas that are surrounded by vegetation such as trees or shrubs, such as farms and gardens. These 6-inch-long creatures are confident to the point of being brash, and they easily adjust to human habitation. They are known and adored over their entire range; therefore, they frequently receive regional nicknames, such as "Blue Jean" in Tobago and Trinidad.

## Experience of Witnessing Blue Gray Tanager

The Blue as well as Gray Tanager adapts to life in captivity well because of its fearlessness. When it was time to feed the birds I looked after in a sizable mixed-species aviary, they would frequently arrive first and land on the food pan before I'd even set it down. Two of the birds eventually ate from my hand; I hardly ever kept such alert, energetic birds.

## Nest Housing

They can acclimatize to a big indoor cage, but an outdoor aviary is where they really shine. There, one could take pleasure in seeing their nesting habits and the never-ending search for insects.

Blue greys could comfortably withstand temperatures of around 60 °F if provided with a dry shelter; some people apparently keep them outside in considerably colder conditions.

## Diet

Blue greys primarily consume fruit and insects for food. If you want this species to thrive, you must feed it a diet rich in both. If you are unable to provide for their requirements, do not try to maintain them.

To help the tanagers in our care have a varied diet, I've always kept insect catchers, such as the Zoo Med Bug Nester.

These tiny guys thrive on fresh fruit that has been blended with Softbill Select and Eggs Diet, an insect larvae bird food. Regular offerings should include a boiled egg as well as some nectar.

It is necessary to supply alive katydids, insects, spiders, bugs, beetles, flies, caterpillars, mealworms, waxworms, and other organisms every day

## Breeding: Blue Grey Tanager

Successful reproduction practically demands outdoor living, at least during the summertime. In dense cover, a cup-shaped nest structure is constructed for the two to three eggs. The chicks hatch in 14 days, and between days 14 and 20, they begin to fly. If the babies are to survive, insects are necessary.

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