



Insects found in birds' nests from Argentina: *Coryphistera alaudina* Burmeister, 1860 (Aves: Furnariidae), their inquiline birds and mammals, new hosts for *Psammolestes coreodes* Bergroth, 1911 and *Triatoma platensis* Neiva, 1913 (Hemiptera: Reduviidae: Triatominae)

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Abstract

The insect fauna in nests of *Coryphistera alaudina* Burmeister, 1860 (Aves: Furnariidae) were studied in the provinces of Santiago del Estero, Chaco, Córdoba, and La Pampa in Argentina. A total of 7364 insect specimens comprising 77 taxa in a total of 29 families and 7 orders was found in their nests: 40 identified to species, 23 identified to genus, and 14 identified to family. *Coryphistera alaudina* and some of their vertebrate inquilines are new host records for the triatomine bugs *Psammolestes coreodes* Bergroth, 1911 and/or *Triatoma platensis* Neiva, 1913 (Hemiptera: Reduviidae). The insects in the nests of *C. alaudina* are separated by functional guilds, and their permanence time inside the nests are presented in a new manner and discussed.

Key words: stick nests, kissing bugs, southern South America

Introducción

Coryphistera alaudina Burmeister, 1860 (Aves: Furnariidae) is distributed in southeastern Bolivia, southwestern Brazil, west of Paraguay (Paraguayan Chaco), through the center of Argentina, and west of Uruguay (Vaurie 1980, Areta & Bodrati 2007). In Argentina, it is distributed from the north (Formosa, south of Salta and Jujuy) through the south of Mendoza, La Pampa, and the extreme south of Buenos Aires (Fig. 1).

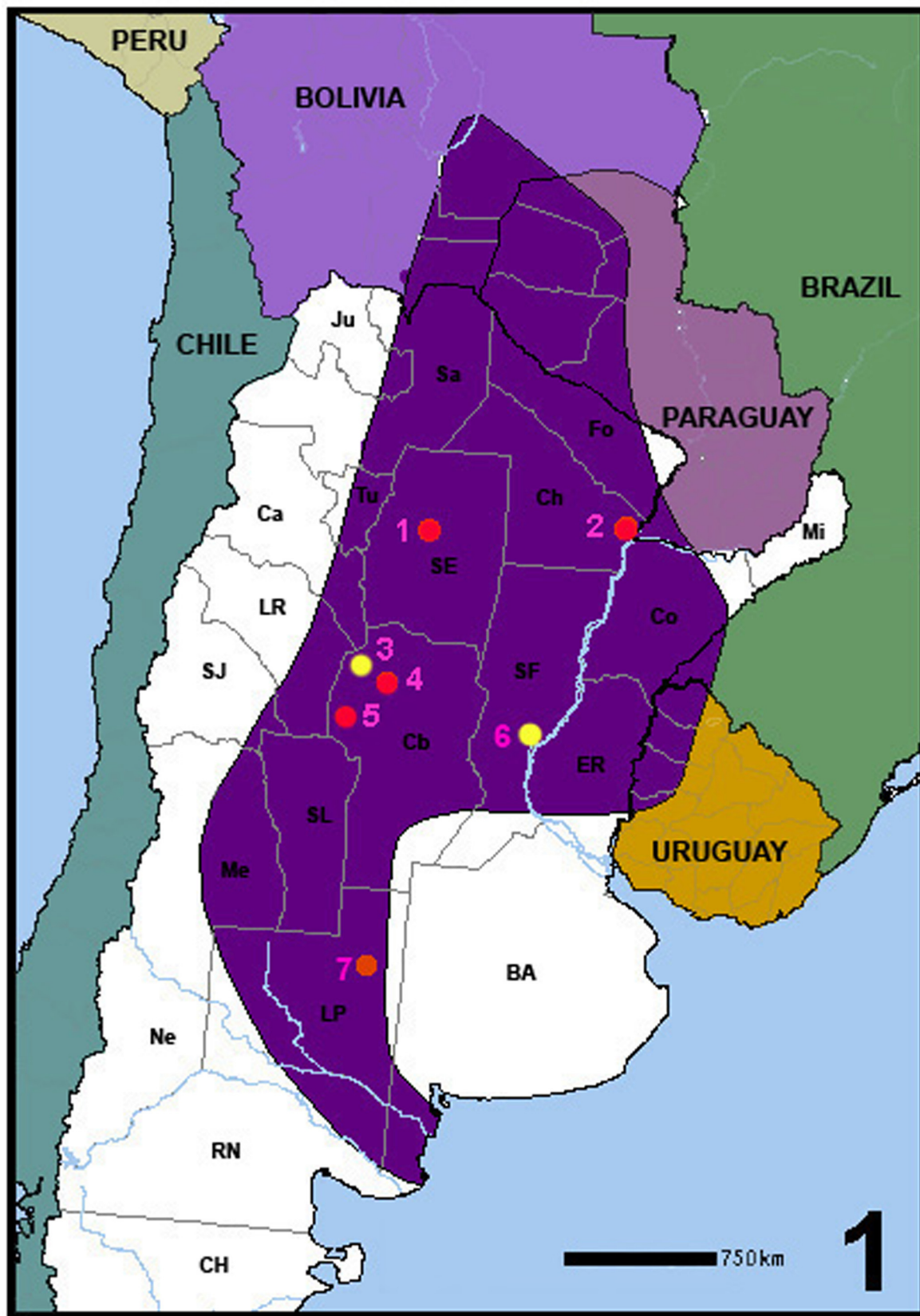


FIGURE 1. Distribution of *Coryphistera alaudina* in Brazil, Bolivia, Paraguay, and Argentina (modified from InfoNatura 2005). Red circles, localities with sampled nests; yellow circles, localities with insects mentioned in the literature. 1, “La María”; 2, Ruta 90, km 21; 3, Guanaco Muerto; 4, Huerta Grande; 5, Mina Clavero; 6, Reserva de la Escuela Granja, Universidad Nacional del Litoral (31° 23’S, 60° 55’W); 7, Santa Rosa.

This species has a complex social behavior in the building of their nests. Each nest is built in approximately one day by a reproductive couple with between two and four helpers with different roles (Areta & Bodrati 2007). Furthermore, more than a couple lay eggs in the same nest in some occasions (Narosky *et al.* 1983); and the nests are also used as dormitories (autoinquilism) by a bonded pair together with its parents (Appendix 1).

The nests of *C. alaudina* are globular or ovate-shaped, made with thorny sticks, whose entrance (10 cm diameter) is on the superior side directed upwards (Figs. 2–5). From the entrance a vertical tunnel of 25 cm long with a terminal bent is communicated to the breeding chamber, lined with soft vegetal materials and dung (Narosky *et al.* 1983, De la Peña 2005, Areta & Bodrati 2007).

Phylogenetically, *C. alaudina* always appeared as the sister species of *Anumbius annumbi* (Vieillot, 1817) (Irestedt *et al.* 2006, Olson *et al.* 2013). The nests of both birds are very similar in size and aspect, but they have two remarkable differences. First, in the nests of *C. alaudina*, the entrance is located on the superior side, oriented upwards (Figs. 3–4), whereas in the nest of *A. annumbi* also superior but located laterally (although this difference is not clearly visible in some nests). Second, *C. alaudina* always intercalates a thick layer of dung between the floor of sticks and the breeding bed of soft vegetal materials, whereas in *A. annumbi* there is a single but thick layer of vegetal materials forming the bed.

Like other stick nests of Furnariidae and Psittacidae, the nests of *C. alaudina* were also used by a number of vertebrate inquilines: nine species of birds, and unidentified species of rodents (Appendix 1).

Insects in nests of *Coryphistera alaudina*

Very few insects have been mentioned in the nests of *C. alaudina* from Argentina: 1) undetermined species of *Philornis* [Diptera: Muscidae] in Chaco and Córdoba (Salvador 2013, Salvador & Bodrati 2013); 2) *Philornis torquans* Nielsen, 1913 in Santa Fe (De la Peña *et al.* 2003), later mentioned as *Philornis* sp. (Antoniazzi *et al.* 2006) (see also Di Iorio & Turienzo 2011b); 3) *Triatoma infestans* Klug in Meigen, 1834 in two nests (one adult in each); and 4) unidentified nymphs of Triatominae (Hemiptera: Reduviidae) in three nests (including one of the nests with one adult of *T. infestans*) in Córdoba: Guanaco Muerto (Di Iorio & Turienzo 2011b) (Fig. 1).

Egg-traps of *Triatoma infestans* were located inside diverse birds' nests for detection of the egg-parasite *Telenomus fariai* Costa Lima, 1927 (Hymenoptera: Scelionidae). This parasite wasp appeared in six nests with egg-traps from a total of 11 tested nests of *C. alaudina*, including the four nests in which specimens of Triatominae were present (Brewer *et al.* 1978, Di Iorio & Turienzo 2011b).

Triatoma platensis Neiva, 1913 (Hemiptera: Reduviidae) was mentioned in nests of *C. alaudina* from Córdoba: Guanaco Muerto (Brewer *et al.* 1978), a record omitted by Di Iorio & Turienzo (2011b). This omission was probably because in the work of Brewer *et al.* (1978), *T. platensis* was included in a table (without number) inserted in the text at the beginning of the results, but in the Table 4, when the Triatominae in the nests and the results with the egg-traps were detailed, *T. platensis* is not mentioned. The data included by Di Iorio & Turienzo (2011b) were extracted from this last table.

Apparently specimens of *Philornis torquans* reared from *Coryphistera alaudina* from Santa Fe (De la Peña *et al.* 2003) were not sent to M. Couri for identification (Couri *et al.* 2009): for *P. torquans* was reared in the same locality on other Furnariidae (De la Peña *et al.* 2003), but also *Philornis seguyi* García, 1952 (= *P. torquans*, not Nielsen, 1913: De la Peña *et al.* 2003) on *Certhiaxis cinnamomea russeola* (Vieillot, 1817) [Aves: Furnariidae] (Couri *et al.* 2009); therefore identification of *P. torquans* given by De la Peña *et al.* (2003) for *C. alaudina* needs further corroboration.

Material and methods

Thirty-eight nests of *C. alaudina* (Figs. 2–5) were sampled in the provinces of Santiago del Estero (12 nests), Chaco (eight nests), Córdoba (14 nests), and La Pampa (four nests) (Fig. 1; Appendix 2). The nests from Santiago del Estero were kindly provided by Eduardo Martín (Fundación e Instituto Mihuel Lillo, Tucumán, Argentina). Measurements of the nests are given in cm (L, length; h, high; w, width) (Appendix 2). The thick layer of dung below the beds of *C. alaudina* was always clearly visible in all sampled nests. The methods were previously described by Turienzo & Di Iorio (2008, 2011). The species of insects in different groups according to their permanent time inside birds' nests are presented here in a new manner after tabulation of the times in which each species was found inside birds' nests, and the instars present in the nests (Table 1).

TABLE 1. Permanence time of the insects inside the nests of *Coryphisterra alaudina* from Argentina. AUT, autumn; WIN, Winter; SPR, Spring; SUM, Summer. Letter e preceding the season names indicates early seasons. Violet, entire life cycle inside the nests (permanent and/or temporal inhabitants); light blue, only adults found in the nest during most part of the year, not found and/or rarely outside the nests; green, hibernation (temporal inhabitants); orange, aseasonal quiescence (temporal inhabitants); yellow, accidental and/or occasional; without color, uncertain status. Letters between parentheses after seasons: e, eggs; L, larvae; n, nymphs; a, adults; without letters between parentheses after seasons are all adults.

Insect species	Seasons				
	late SUM (L)	AUT (L)	WIN (L)	late SPR (L)	SUM (L)
Undetermined sp. (Stratiomyidae)	late SUM (a)		WIN (A)	late SPR (L, A)	SUM (L, A)
<i>Phobellus crenatus</i>	late SUM (L)			late SPR (A)	SUM (A)
<i>Megatoma</i> ? sp. (sp. 7)	late SUM (Lc)				SUM (Lc)
<i>Metallactus</i> sp.	late SUM (n, A)			late SPR (n, A)	SUM (n, A)
<i>Psammolestes coreodes</i>	late SUM (n, A)				SUM (n, A)
<i>Triatoma platensis</i>	late SUM (L)	AUT (L)			SUM (L, A)
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 1	late SUM (L)		WIN (L)	late SPR (L, A)	SUM (L, A)
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 6			WIN (L)		SUM (L, A)
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 8			WIN		SUM
Undet. gen., undet. sp. (Dermestidae)			WIN		SUM
<i>Saprinus</i> sp.	late SUM	AUT	WIN	late SPR	SUM
Undetermined sp. (Anobiidae)	late SUM	AUT	WIN	late SPR	SUM
<i>Ctenomyophila striata</i>	late SUM	AUT	WIN	late SPR	SUM
Undetermined sp. (Aphodiidae)	late SUM			late SPR	SUM
Undetermined sp. (Scenopinidae)	late SUM (L)			late SPR (L)	SUM
<i>Epitragus</i> sp.	late SUM	AUT	WIN	late SPR	SUM
<i>Myssipus variabilis</i>	late SUM	AUT	WIN	late SPR	SUM
<i>Cycloneda ancoralis</i>	late SUM	AUT		late SPR	SUM
<i>Lema bilineata</i>	late SUM	AUT	WIN	late SPR	SUM
<i>Chinavia musiva</i>	late SUM	AUT	WIN		SUM
<i>Camponotus</i> sp.	late SUM	AUT	WIN		SUM
<i>Stenadalia nordenskjöldi</i>	late SUM	AUT			SUM
<i>Heteroderes rufangulus</i>	late SUM			e SPR	SUM
<i>Lobopoda breyeri</i>	late SUM			e SPR	
<i>Scutobrachius</i> sp.	late SUM			e SPR	
Undetermined sp. (Grylloidea)	late SUM			late SPR	
<i>Dromius negrei</i>	late SUM			late SPR	SUM
Undetermined sp. (Ptinidae)	late SUM			late SPR	SUM
<i>Alphitobius diaperinus</i>	late SUM				SUM
<i>Tropicoptinus bruchi</i>	late SUM				SUM
<i>Strongilum</i> sp.	late SUM				SUM
<i>Cycloneda livida</i>	late SUM				SUM
<i>Crematogaster</i> sp.	late SUM				SUM
<i>Eucheyla (Inna) megala</i>	late SUM				SUM
<i>Mimodromius</i> sp.	late SUM				SUM
<i>Omaliodes marseuli</i>	late SUM				SUM

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TABLE 1. (Continued)

Insect species	Seasons	
<i>Periplaneta fuliginosa</i>	late SUM	
<i>Taphroptestes plaumanni</i>	late SUM	
Tenebrionini undetermined	late SUM	
Undetermined sp. 35 (Curculionidae)	late SUM	
<i>Menetypus platenensis</i>	AUT	WIN e SPR
Undetermined sp. 4 (Elateridae)	AUT	
<i>Hiperaspis</i> sp. 1	AUT	
<i>Hiperaspis</i> sp. 2	AUT	
<i>Euchistus longipes</i>		WIN
<i>Galgupha</i> sp.		WIN
<i>Harmostes prolixus</i>		WIN
<i>Macrocephalus tuberosus</i>		WIN
Undetermined sp. (Eumenidae)		WIN
<i>Cycloneda sicardi</i>		WIN e SPR
<i>Cycloneda fulvipennis</i>		WIN e SPR
<i>Corizus pictipes</i>		WIN e SPR
<i>Botanochara octoplagiata</i>		WIN e SPR
<i>Botanochara duocinverrucata</i>		late SPR
<i>Camponotus mus</i>		WIN
<i>Solanophila paenulata</i>		e SPR
<i>Stator</i> sp.		e SPR
<i>Polistes cavapya</i>		e SPR
Undetermined sp. 3 (Tachinidae)		e SPR
<i>Coeliodes bruchi</i>		e SPR
<i>Mimodromius rugosus</i>		late SPR
Undetermined sp. 14 (Curculionidae)		late SPR
<i>Aeolus</i> sp. 1		late SPR
<i>Allecula</i> sp.		late SPR
<i>Zacryptocerus</i> sp.		late SPR
Undetermined sp. (Blattaria)		late SPR
Undet. sp. (Acanthocimini)		late SPR
<i>Selenophorus mendicus</i>		late SPR
<i>Pseudomyrmex</i> sp.		late SPR
<i>Polistes carnifex</i>		late SPR
<i>Camponotus rufipes</i>		late SPR
<i>Olbia caprina</i>		late SPR
<i>Blaptica dubia</i>		late SPR
<i>Conoderus pseudoscalaris</i>		late SPR
Undetermined sp. (Pyralidae)		late SPR
		SUM
		SUM
		SUM (L)



FIGURES 2–4. General aspects of the nests of *Coryphistera alaudina*: 2, general view in autumn (Mina Clavero); 3–4, details of the entrance in the superior side, directed upwards (3, Santa Rosa; 4, Huerta Grande); **FIGURE 5.** Nidification of the ant *Camponotus rufipes* inside a nest of *C. alaudina* (Route 90, km 21).

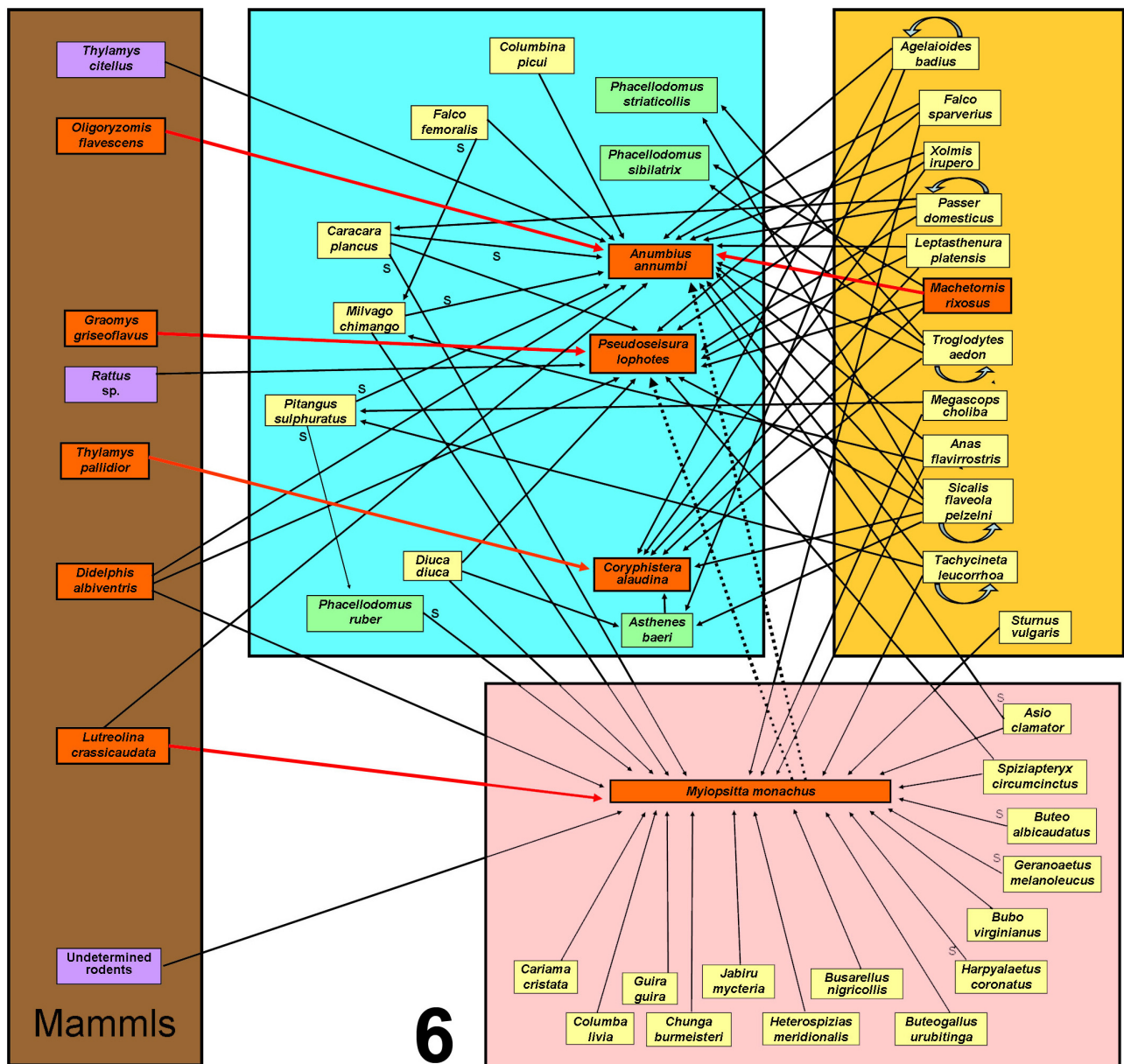


FIGURE 6. Hosts of *Triatoma platensis* in relation to the nests of *Coryphistera alaudina* and other Furnariidae birds, *Myiopsitta monachus* (Psittacidae), and their bird and mammal inquilines. Color inside frames of names: pale yellow, bird inquilines; violet, mammal inquilines; pale green, primary builders; orange, hosts of *Triatoma platensis*. Arrows: thin black, inquilines in the nests; thick red, inquilines found together with *T. platensis*, also recorded as hosts; curved arrows, intraspecific brood parasitism; S, superimposed nests.

Part of the materials was identified by Diego Carpintero (Museo Argentino de Ciencias Naturales, Buenos Aires) [Hemiptera, except Reduviidae: Triatominae], Armando Cicchino (Universidad Nacional de Mar del Plata, Buenos Aires) [Coleoptera: Carabidae], and David Flores (Museo Argentino de Ciencias Naturales, Buenos Aires) [inquiline mammals]. All insects and some inquine specimens (Appendix 2) were deposited in the collection of the second author (DIOC).

Abbreviations of Argentinean provinces used in figures, tables, and appendices.

BA, Buenos Aires; **Ca**, Catamarca; **Cb**, Córdoba; **Ch**, Chaco; **CH**, Chubut; **Co**, Corrientes; **ER**, Entre Ríos; **Fo**, Formosa; **Ju**, Jujuy; **LP**, La Pampa; **LR**, La Rioja; **Me**, Mendoza; **Mi**, Misiones; **Ne**, Neuquén; **RN**, Río Negro; **Sa**, Salta; **SF**, Santa Fe; **SE**, Santiago del Estero; **SL**, San Luis; **SJ**, San Juan; **Tu**, Tucumán.

I. Systematic account of the insects found in nests of *Coryphisteryter alaudina* from Argentina

A total of 7364 insect specimens comprising 77 taxa (40 identified to species, 23 identified to genus, and 14 identified to family) in a total of 29 families and 7 orders (Tables 1–2; Appendix 3) was found in the nests of *Coryphisteryter alaudina* from Argentina as follows: **COLEOPTERA**: **Anobiidae** [Undetermined sp.]; **Aphodiidae** [Undetermined sp.]; **Carabidae** [*Dromius negrei* Mateu, 1973; *Eucheyla* (*Inna*) *megala* (Reichardt, 1966); *Mimodromius rugosus* Mateu, 1955; *Mimodromius* sp.; *Selenophorus mendicus* Putzeys, 1878]; **Cavognathidae** [*Taphropiestes plaumanni* Slipinski & Tomaszewska, 2010]; **Chrysomelidae**: **Bruchinae** [*Scutobrachus* sp.; *Stator* sp.]; **Cassidinae** [*Botanochara duocecimverrucata* (Boheman, 1850); *Botanochara octoplagiata* (Klug, 1829)]; **Clytrinae** [*Metallactus* sp.]; **Criocerinae** [*Lema bilineata* Germar, 1824]; **Coccinellidae** [*Cycloneda ancoralis* (Germar, 1824); *Cycloneda fulvipennis* (Mulsant, 1850); *Cycloneda livida* Weise, 1906; *Cycloneda sicardi* (Bréthes, 1925); *Epilachna paenulata* (Germar, 1824); *Hiperaspis* sp. 1; *Hiperaspis* sp. 2; *Stenadalia nordenskjoldi* Weise, 1926]; **Curculionidae** [*Coeliodes bruchi* Hustache, 1927 (sp. 5); *Ctenomyophila striata* Hustache, 1927 (sp. 12); Undetermined sp. 14; *Pandeleiteius platensis* (Bréthes, 1911) (sp. 19); Undetermined sp. 35]; **Dermestidae** [*Dermestes peruvianus* Castelnau, 1840; *Megatoma* sp.; *Trogoderma* sp. 1; *Trogoderma* sp. 6; *Trogoderma* sp. 8; Undet. genus, undet. sp. (larvae, adults)]; **Elateridae** [*Aeolus* sp. 1; *Conoderus pseudoscalaris* (Schwarz, 1896); *Heteroderes rufangulus* (Gyllenhal, 1817); Undetermined sp. 4]; **Histeridae** [*Omalodes marseuli* Schmidt, 1889; *Saprinus* sp.]; **Ptinidae** [*Tropicoptinus bruchi* (Pic, 1905); Undetermined sp.]; **Tenebrionidae** [*Alleculla* sp.; *Alphitobius diaperinus* (Panzer, 1797); *Epitragus* sp.; *Lobopoda breyeri* Bréthes, 1910; *Phobelius crenatus* Blanchard, 1842; *Strongilium* sp.; *Tenebrionini* sp.]; **DIPTERA**: **Fanniidae** [*Fannia* sp.]; **Muscidae** [*Philornis* sp.]; **Scenopinidae** [Undetermined sp. (larvae)]; **Stratiomyidae** [Undetermined sp.]; **Tachinidae** [Undetermined sp. 3]; **HYMENOPTERA**: **Formicidae** [*Camponotus mus* Roger, 1863; *Camponotus rufipes* (Fabricius, 1775); *Camponotus* sp. (prob. more than one species); *Crematogaster* sp.; *Pseudomyrmex* sp.; *Zacryptocerus* sp.]; **Vespidae** [*Polistes carnifex* (Fabricius, 1775); *Polistes cavapyta* Saussure, 1853]; **LEPIDOPTERA**: **Pyralidae** [Undetermined sp.]; **ORTHOPTERA**: **Grylloidea** [Undetermined sp.]; **BLATTARIA**: **Blaberidae** [*Blaptica dubia* (Audinet-Serville, 1839)]; **Blattidae** [*Periplaneta fuliginosa* (Serville, 1839); Undetermined sp.]; **HETEROPTERA**: **Cydnidae** [*Galgupha* sp.]; **Pentatomidae** [*Chinavia musiva* (Berg, 1878); *Euchistos longipes* (Berg, 1891); *Olbia caprina* Stål, 1862]; **Reduviidae**: **Phymatinae** [*Macrocephalus tuberosus* (Westwood, 1843)]; **Triatominae** [*Psammolestes coreodes* Bergroth, 1911; *Triatoma platensis* Neiva, 1913; *Triatoma* sp. (eggs)]; **Rhopalidae** [*Corizus pictipes* Stål, 1862; *Harmostes prolixus* Stål, 1860]; **Scutelleridae** [*Myssipus variabilis* (Spinola, 1852)].

II. Functional guilds of the insects in nests of *Coryphisteryter alaudina*

Group 1. Predators

COLEOPTERA: **Carabidae** [*Dromius negrei*; *Eucheyla* (*Inna*) *megala*; *Mimodromius rugosus*; *Mimodromius* sp.; *Selenophorus mendicus*]; **Coccinellidae** [*Cycloneda ancoralis*; *Cycloneda fulvipennis*; *Cycloneda livida*; *Cycloneda sicardi*; *Hiperaspis* sp. 1; *Hiperaspis* sp. 2; *Stenadalia nordenskjoldi*]; **Histeridae** [*Omalodes marseuli*; *Saprinus* sp.]; **DIPTERA**: **Scenopinidae** [Undetermined sp. (larvae)]; **HYMENOPTERA**: **Eumenidae** [Undetermined sp.]; **Formicidae** [*Camponotus mus*; *Camponotus rufipes*; *Camponotus* sp.; *Crematogaster* sp.; *Pseudomyrmex* sp.; *Zacryptocerus* sp.]; **Vespidae** [*Polistes carnifex*; *Polistes cavapyta*]; **HETEROPTERA**: **Reduviidae**: **Phymatinae** [*Macrocephalus tuberosus*].

Inna megala was described from Paraguay: Villarrica [type-locality]: Amambay (Reichardt 1966), without no data on biology. The species of the subgenus *Inna* Putzeys, 1863 are known to "live on tree boles. Proper of lowlands, in tropical wet and deciduous forests. Nocturnal, probably depredator. Six species in América (with two subspecies) exist" (Martínez 2005). As was stated for other species of Carabidae found in birds' nests (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2008), "it is not possible to say if the species [of *Dromius* and *Mimodromius*] are exclusive inhabitants of the nests, and they live under bark as an extension, or if they are subcorticolous insects and the nests are an extension."

A noteworthy point is that *Polistes carnifex* is mentioned in Argentina only from Misiones (Willink 1951; Richards 1978; Carpenter 1996). This species is one of the most common wasps in the province of Chaco, known by one of the authors (ODI) for more than 30 years ago, commonly named "calabazan." Its occurrence in the nests

is considered here as accidental and/or occasional (Table 1), for no paper nests were seen as inquiline inside birds' nests as in other wasps (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2008 2010, 2011, 2014).

The phymatine reduvid bug *Macrocephalus tuberosus* was first cited from Argentina (Misiones; Chaco) by Kormilev (1951). Therefore, the province of Córdoba is a new record, far 850 km southwest from Chaco (Resistencia), and the first citation in a bird nest.

Group 2. Hematophages and parasitoids

DIPTERA: Muscidae [*Philornis* sp.]; **Tachinidae** [Undetermined sp. 3]; **HYMENOPTERA: HETEROPTERA: Reduviidae: Triatominae** [*Psammolestes coreodes*; *Triatoma platensis*; *Triatoma* sp. (eggs)].

As was mentioned above, only *Triatoma infestans* and unidentified nymphs of Triatominae were previously found in nests of *C. alaudina* from Córdoba (Di Iorio & Turienzo 2011b), with some doubts concerning the record of *T. platensis*. Therefore, *Psammolestes coreodes* in Santiago del Estero, and *Triatoma platensis* in Santiago del Estero, Chaco, and Córdoba are new records for the nests of *C. alaudina* (Appendix 3), and this bird is a new host record for both triatomine bugs. As the nests are used by *C. alaudina* as dormitories all year round (Appendix 1), both triatomines have available food throughout.

From a total of 64 nests in which *P. coreodes* was found between 1936 and 1979, 12 were referred as "Dendrocolaptidae" (from Salta, Chaco, and Santa Fe), two as Psittacidae (Chaco, Santa Fe), one as *M. monachus* (Salta), 36 as "bird nest" (one from Bolivia, and the rest from Jujuy, Salta, Tucumán, Santiago del Estero, and Chaco), one as a "stick nest" (Santiago del Estero), 8 as "colgadito" (probably *Phacellodomus*, all from Jujuy), and one as "leñatero" (Jujuy) (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2007). Thus, few bird hosts of *P. coreodes* identified to species are known.

From the total of 38 nests of *C. alaudina* examined here, *P. coreodes* appeared in six (15.7%) nests, and only from Santiago del Estero (Appendix 3). Probably some of the 18 unidentified birds' nests examined from Santiago del Estero by Salvador Mazza (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2007) may belong to *C. alaudina*. *Psammolestes coreodes* is shared between nests of *A. annumbi*, *M. monachus*, *P. lophotes*, and *C. alaudina* (Table 2).

Triatoma platensis was found in 7 (18.4%) from the total of 38 examined nests of *C. alaudina* (Appendix 3). Only one nest from Chaco was inhabited by *C. alaudina* in the incubation period (Appendix 2), an indication that this bird is a host for *T. platensis*. This last constitutes the first reliable record of *C. alaudina* as a new host for *T. platensis* (see in Introduction: "Insects in nests of *Coryphistera alaudina*").

Coincidentally, the nests of *C. alaudina* from Córdoba: Mina Clavero (Appendix 3) were located in the same property contiguous to the nests of *Pseudoseisura lophotes* Reichenbach, 1853 [Aves: Furnariidae], where *T. platensis* was also found (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2014). In this place, all nests of *C. alaudina* were generally located at lower altitudes in bushes and/or small trees (Fig. 2; Appendix 2), but the nests of *P. lophotes* were located at higher altitude in *Prosopis* trees (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2014) and some of these last nests were sometimes occupied by *Myiopsitta monachus* (Boddaert, 1783) [Aves: Psittacidae] (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2011).

A noteworthy point is that one nest of *C. alaudina* from Córdoba: Mina Clavero inhabited by *T. platensis* (Appendix 3) was also inhabited by the small opossum *Thylamys pallidior* (Thomas, 1902) [Mammalia: Didelphidae] (Appendix 2). Evidence that *T. platensis* can also feed on mammals (rodents) inhabiting a bird nest was reported by Rosa *et al.* (1997) in Uruguay, but *T. platensis* was also found in other Furnariidae nests also inhabited by rodents and opossums (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2007 2014). Therefore, the small opossum *Thylamys pallidior* may be a new host for *T. platensis* (Fig. 6).

Grupo 3. Detritivores

COLEOPTERA: Aphodiidae [Undetermined sp.]; **Cavognathidae** [*Taphropiestes plaumanni*]; **Chrysomelidae: Clytrinae** [*Metallactus* sp.]; **Curculionidae** [*Ctenomyophila striata*]; **Dermestidae** [*Dermestes peruvianus*; *Megatoma* sp.; *Trogoderma* sp. 1; *Trogoderma* sp. 6; *Trogoderma* sp. 8; Undetermined larva]; **Ptinidae** [*Tropicoptinus bruchi*; Undetermined sp.]; **Tenebrionidae** [*Alleculla* sp.; *Alphitobius diaperinus*; *Epitragus* sp.; *Lobopoda breyeri*; *Phobelius crenatus*; *Strongilium* sp.; Tenebrionini sp.]; **DIPTERA: Fanniidae** [*Fannia* sp.];

Stratiomyidae [Undetermined sp.]; **LEPIDOPTERA: Pyralidae** [Undetermined sp.]; **BLATTARIA: Blaberidae** [*Blaptica dubia*]; **Blattidae** [*Periplaneta fuliginosa*; Undetermined sp.].

Trogoderma sp. 8 is added to the fauna of insects in birds' nests. This species appeared only in Mina Clavero (Córdoba), mostly in nests of *C. alaudina* (Appendix 3), except for one specimen in a nest of *Pseudoseisura lophotes* from the same locality (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2014). Their larvae are indistinguishable at first sight from those of *Trogoderma* sp. 1, a common species in other birds' nests of the country (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2008, 2010, 2011, 2014).

Other undetermined larvae of Dermestidae which does not correspond to any other larvae of Dermestidae in birds' nests, were found in the nests of *C. alaudina* from Mina Clavero (Appendix 3), but the generic identification of the adults was not possible.

Group 4. Phytophages and fungivores

COLEOPTERA: Anobiidae [Undetermined sp.]; **Chrysomelidae: Bruchinae** [*Scutobrachus* sp.; *Stator* sp.]; **Cassidinae** [*Botanochara duoecimverrucata*; *Botanochara octoplagiata*]; **Criocerinae** [*Lema bilineata*]; **Coccinellidae** [*Epilachna paenulata*]; **Curculionidae** [*Coeliodes bruchi*; Undetermined sp. 14; *Pandeleiteius platensis* (sp. 19); Undetermined sp. 35]; **Elateridae** [*Aeolus* sp. 1; *Conoderus pseudoscalaris*; *Heteroderes rufangulus*; Undetermined sp. 4]; **HETEROPTERA: Cydnidae** [*Galgupha* sp.]; **Pentatomidae** [*Chinavia musiva*; *Euchistos longipes*; *Olbia caprina*]; **Scutelleridae** [*Myssipus variabilis*].

III. Permanence time of the insects inside birds' nests

The separation of the insects by the permanence time in birds' nests is a difficult task that has many controversial points. This classification was first proposed by Nordberg (1936) in Finland, later modified by Woodroffe (1953) in England, and partially adopted by Turienzo & Di Iorio (2008 and earlier works). The insects are classified in order of their constancy, influence, and fidelity to the birds' nests, but this classification cannot be entirely applied here because more data of the occurrence of the insects in other habitats different than birds' nests are needed. This is also because 1) the insect fauna in closed thorny stick nests of American Furnariidae and Psittacidae is by far the highest in the number of species and specimens than in the single open cup-shaped nests of European birds; 2) the insect fauna in North America and Europe is better known regarding habitats and habits of each species, unlike to the South American fauna; 3) the role of most Neotropical insects in birds' nests are completely unknown, as well as outside birds' nests.

First, true nidicolous insects were considered as those species that accomplished their entire life cycle inside birds' nests; they were never found outside them (except some specimens that may be cases of dispersal), and their development depends exclusively on the birds' nests. Therefore, they can be found in the nests in all instars all year round (larvae, pupae, and adults), but in some of cases, only adults are found in autumn–winter–early spring and their reproduction is accomplished in late spring and summer, e.g., *Phobelius crenatus* (Coleoptera: Tenebrionidae), and some Dermestidae (*Trogoderma*). In other nidicolous insects, immature instars in some birds' nests were always absent, probably because the life cycle may be accomplished in the nests of some bird species, and other bird nests with adults only serve as dispersal points, e.g., *Taphropiestes plaumanni*, whose adults are shared among different birds' nests (Table 2). Their larvae and pupae were found only in the nests of *Furnarius rufus* (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2010). Therefore, although it is a true nidicolous insect, *T. plaumanni* has a restricted temporal occurrence in some birds' nests (Table 1).

To this group of nidicolous insects may belong other species that are found only as larvae and whose adults are not known outside the nests or they are unknown, e.g., Stratiomyidae and Scenopinidae, respectively. The case of the Stratiomyidae was first presented by Di Iorio & Turienzo (2011a), and later discussed by Turienzo & Di Iorio (2014).

Other true nidicolous insects which accomplished their entire life cycle in the nests are temporal inhabitants, restricted to a short period of the year, e.g., the subcutaneous larvae of Muscidae, parasites of the nestlings during the breeding period, Triatominae (Reduviidae). Other insects which also accomplished their entire life cycle in the

nests found all year round in all instars accomplished their life cycles in other suitable habitats, e.g., some species of Dermestidae, Tenebrionidae (*Alphitobius diaperinus*), *Blaptica dubia*, *Graptocleptes bicolor*). These insects are also permanent inhabitants in birds' nests but not true nidicolous insects.

An intermediate position is integrated by insects whose adults are found in birds' nests all year round but the larvae were never found in this habitat: some Carabidae, Curculionidae (*Ctenomyophila striata*), Histeridae (*Saprinus*) (Table 1). Particularly, the predator larvae of Histeridae require a very humid environment, such as the wet bed below water suppliers in poultry houses (Turienzo & Di Iorio unpublished data), but that is not present in the nests.

Much of the insects found in birds' nests used them as a shelter in unfavorable weather conditions. The most known situation occurs during autumn and winter, entering into diapause (hibernation). Diapause in insects is induced by climatic conditions, and it is a long process involving several physiological changes some time before the proper unfavorable season. Therefore, the insects begin to go to protected places for hibernation (birds' nests among them) a time before the unfavorable conditions begin. In the opposite side, the exit from the diapause period also take a certain time because of other physiological changes (Tauber *et al.* 1986).

At the same time, it was observed that the resting period in autumn-winter (hibernation) is extended until the end of October (early spring) in specimens of *Botanochara* from Córdoba that still remain in birds' nests when their host plant *Ipomoea hieronymi* var. *kurtziana* (Convolvulaceae) is beginning to grow (Turienzo & Di Iorio pers. obs.). Therefore, the process of hibernation comprises from the late summer (February, March) through the early spring (September and October).

Also unfavorable weather conditions may be present in Spring and Summer, like high temperatures. Thus some insects enter into aseasonal quiescence as a rapid response that does not require any physiological change (Tauber *et al.* 1986). A better example is the aggregations of *Cycloneda ancoralis* in birds' nests and other protected places during different times of the year. Several times, the same species may be in diapause and in aseasonal quiescence inside birds' nests (Table 1).

Hibernation in some Heteroptera is well known, intensively studied in some pest crops such as the pentatomid bug *Nezara viridula* (see color changes in diapause specimens, a summarization of color polymorphisms and references in Turienzo & Di Iorio 2011). In Heteroptera, "it is known that different member species overwinter in different stages. Thus, in nine out of 38 families included into analysis there are examples each representing one of all three (i.e. egg, nymphal, and adult) overwintering stages (e.g., Veliidae, Corixidae, Aphelocheiridae, Reduviidae, Tingidae, and Pentatomidae). However, within the four better studied infraorders (i.e. Gerromorpha, Nepomorpha, Cimicomorpha, and Pentatomomorpha), the adult stage is the only known overwintering stage for 14 out of 38 analyzed families (e.g., Hebridae, Macroveliidae, Hydrometridae, Belostomatidae, Anthocoridae, Coreidae, Acanthosomatidae, and Cydnidae) and this stage may be considered typical (or dominant) overwintering stage for a few other families (e.g., Gerridae, Naucoridae, Tingidae, and Pentatomidae)" Also "a few species of true bugs are known to have summer diapause, an adaptation that allows survival of the hot and, thus, unfavorable periods in mid-summer, better synchronization of the seasonal cycle with resources and/or maintenance of the univoltinism (e.g. in the scutellerid *Eurygaster integriceps* and the pentatomid *Picromerus bidens*)" (Saulich & Musolin 2007).

Nevertheless, the following coincidences and differences were found regarding the Heteroptera in birds' nests: 1) the adult stage is the only known overwintering stage for Anthocoridae, Coreidae, and Cydnidae (Table 1). All active instars of *Lyctocoris campestris* (Anthocoridae, sometimes considered as Lyctocoridae) were found all year round inside birds' nests (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2008 2011 2014), but strangely this species was not found in the nests of *C. alaudina*; 2) only adults (but never nymphs) of Pentatomidae (Table 1) were found hibernating inside birds' nests (Table 1), or in other protected places such as under bark of trees (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2008), and not the adults "as typical (or dominant) overwintering stage" for Pentatomidae (although this may imply that there are overwintering specific differences in the family); 3) other species of true bugs were also found in birds' nests during summer, probably in estival quiescence, because they were active but not inactive as in estivating insects (Tauber *et al.* 1986), e.g., *Myssipus variabilis* (Table 1).

According to these above statements, the period considered for hibernation is late summer (February through 21th March), early autumn (21th March and April), autumn (May to 21th July), winter (21th July to 21th September), and early spring (22th September to the end of October), and for aseasonal quiescence late spring (November through 21th December) and summer (22th December to the end of January) (Table 1).

A final group of insects was considered as accidental and/or occasional because they appeared in low numbers in single nests, and/or in high numbers but they are known in similar high numbers in very diverse places. The better example of these last insects are the ants (Hymenoptera: Formicidae), particularly when the species located their colonies and/or nests in every suitable place above the ground level. This insect group is also problematic: if isolated specimens are found in birds' nests in late spring–summer, they clearly are accidentals because ants run everywhere in search of food sources; but if several adult specimens are found together with larvae and nymphs in winter and summer, they can be they considered as inquilines because adults are active and complete ant nests are found inside birds' nests ?, or can be they considered as accidentals because they can overwinter in other places ? (e.g., *Camponotus bonariensis*, *Camponotus mus*). Some other ants, such as true arboricolus species in the genera *Pseudomyrmex* and *Zacryptocerus* (that nidificate in hollow stems and/or vacated larval tunnels of xylophagous insects), may be considered as accidentals and/or occasionals (Table 1).

When the accidental and/or occasional insects are tabulated per season, it can be seen that they were mostly present in the nests during summer (Table 1). There are two possibilities: 1) if the insects are phytophagous, such as some Heteroptera, they can stay in the nests in aseasonal quiescence (because their food sources are not obviously present inside birds' nests); 2) if the insects are predators, they may stay in aseasonal quiescence (if their prey are outside the nests), or they are accidentals (if they has a wide range of prey, and some of the prey are also present in birds' nests). Thus, it is difficult to designate each species as accidental and/or occasional (only by the number of specimens), or to the group of insects in aseasonal quiescence (Table 1), taking into account that various of these species are also shared with other birds' nests (Table 2), but also because their biologies are in most cases unknown.

At least, an explanation for some accidental and/or occasional insects in birds' nests that was never previously presented may be caused by the sampling method. When the nests are sampled, some tree branches surrounding the nests are lopped, and finally the branch containing the nest. During these operations, the nests could be contaminated with some insect that was occasionally resting on the leaves of the branches. A good example of this situation may be the single specimen of the pentatomid *Olbia caprina* (Appendix 3), found in late spring (Table 1).

IV. Inquiline insects in the nests of *Coryphistera alaudina*

Although some isolated specimens of *Camponotus rufipes* were found inside some nests of *C. alaudina* (Appendix 3), a particular situation in which *C. rufipes* build their own nest inside a bird nest allows to consider this ant as an inquiline insect.

Camponotus rufipes is a unique species of the genus because its nests are built with very fine particles of vegetal matter, located in the bases of grasses and/or shrubs. Nevertheless, this species can also build arboreal nests with the same materials in places of periodical floods (Kusnezov 1951).

In the area of km 21 of the Route 90 (Chaco), small nests of *C. rufipes* (no larger than the size of an apple) were observed in trees in a floodable part, where no nests were found on the ground. Furthermore, one nest of *C. alaudina* was totally occupied by *C. rufipes* in other floodable part, with all spaces among the sticks of the bird nest filled with the very fine particles of vegetal matter that constitutes its own nest (Fig. 5). With a minor movement of the tree, several hundreds of ants come out to defend its nest, and thus it was not sampled. This nest of *C. rufipes* was larger (of the same size as the nest of *C. alaudina*) than the previous observed arboreal nests.

V. Vertebrate inquilines in the nests of *Coryphistera alaudina*

As was previously stated, nine species of birds and unidentified species of rodents were recorded in the literature as inquilines in the nests of *C. alaudina* (Appendix 1). From the total of 38 nests of *C. alaudina* sampled now (Appendix 2), nine (23.6%) were inhabited by vertebrate inquilines. Among the birds, two nests (5.2%) were occupied by *Machetornis rixosus* (Vieillot, 1819) [Aves: Tyrannidae], and one (2.6%) by *Passer domesticus* (Linnaeus, 1758) [Aves: Passeridae]. Among mammals, five nests (13.1%) were occupied by unidentified rodents (one from Chaco, and four from Córdoba). One nest (2.6%) from Córdoba was occupied by seven small opossums, *Thylamys pallidior*, a new inquiline record, and one nest from this locality were occupied twice, first by *M. rixosus*, and after by rodents (Appendix 2).

Unlike the nests of *Anumbius annumbi* and *Pseudoseisura lophotes*, that can be occupied by *M. monachus* (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2011), no nests of *C. alaudina* were found occupied by this parrot (Appendices 1–2). As was previously discussed, in these occupied nests two exclusive ectoparasites of *M. monachus* were found (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2011 2014).

Very recently, an interesting observation was made in the Paraguayan Chaco that can not be strictly included in the records of vertebrate inquilines (Appendix 2). *Coryphistera alaudina* and *Myiopsitta monachus* were observed simultaneously building the same nest without antagonism. An adult parrot was observed “to repeatedly depart some distance from the beginnings of a bowl-shaped nest platform (approximately 40 x 30 cm) and return with thorny twigs. These were incorporated into the lower part of the construction by the birds. At the same time, at least three individuals of *Coryphistera* were observed collecting sticks from the ground in the area around the nest tree and flying up to the same nest platform on the upper side carrying a stick. On most occasions, birds entered into the nest out of sight of the observer, departing shortly after incorporating the stick into the nest. On two occasions birds were observed incorporating sticks into the outer part of the structure, confirming that they were involved in nest-building. When not actively nest building, both species were observed loafing on or near the nest platform, without apparent antagonism” (Smith & Fretes 2013). As these interactions were observed by only four hours (Smith & Fretes 2013), the final user of the nest was not stated.

Regrettably, as this nest was not revised after the last occupation, one of the two following new records was lost: 1) *Coryphistera alaudina* as a new host record of *Psitticimex uritui* (Hemiptera: Cimicidae) if the final user was *C. alaudina*; 2) *Coryphistera alaudina* as a new records of a nest of Furnariidae occupied by *M. monachus* if the final user was *M. monachus* (see the records of Furnariidae nests occupied by *M. monachus* in Turienzo & Di Iorio 2011).

VI. Insects species shared between *Coryphistera alaudina* and other birds' nests from Argentina

From a total of 77 insects species found in the nests of *C. alaudina*, 63 (81.8%) are shared with nests of other birds from Argentina as follows:

- 17 species (22.0% of the total species in the nests of *C. alaudina*) are shared with *Anumbius annumbi*, *Furnarius rufus*, *Myiopsitta monachus* and *Pseudoseisura lophotes* (Table 2).
- other 19 species (24.6%) are shared with *Anumbius annumbi*, *Myiopsitta monachus* and *Pseudoseisura lophotes* (Table 2).
- other three species (3.8%) are shared with *Anumbius annumbi* and *Pseudoseisura lophotes* (Table 2).
- other seven species (9.0%) are shared with *Myiopsitta monachus* and *Pseudoseisura lophotes* (Table 2).
- other two species (2.5%) are shared with *Furnarius rufus*, *Myiopsitta monachus* and *Pseudoseisura lophotes* (Table 2).
- other two species (2.5%) are shared with *Anumbius annumbi*, *Furnarius rufus*, and *Myiopsitta monachus* (Table 2).
- other three species (3.8%) are shared with *Anumbius annumbi*, and *Myiopsitta monachus* (Table 2).
- other three species (3.8%) are shared only with *Anumbius annumbi* (Table 2).
- other six species (7.7%) are shared only with *Myiopsitta monachus* (Table 2).
- other two species (2.5%) are shared only with *Pseudoseisura lophotes* (Table 2).
- a total of 56 species (72.7%) are shared with *Myiopsitta monachus* (Table 2).
- a total of 50 species (64.9%) are shared with *Pseudoseisura lophotes* (Table 2).
- a total of 47 species (61.0%) are shared with *Anumbius annumbi* (Table 2).
- a total of 21 species (27.2%) are shared with *Furnarius rufus* (Table 2).
- 14 species (18.1%) appeared only in nests of *Coryphistera alaudina* (Table 2).

TABLE 2. Insect species shared among the nests of *Coryphistera alaudina* and other bird nests from Argentina. Aa, *Anumbius annumbi* (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2008); Aa II, *Anumbius annumbi* (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2014); Fr, *Furnarius rufus* (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2010); Mm, *Myiopsitta monachus* (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2011); Pl, *Pseudoseisura lophotes* (Turienzo & Di Iorio 2014); Ca, *Coryphistera alaudina* (present work). e, egg/eggs; eP, emerged pupae; L, larvae; Lc, larval cases; LIT, literature record only.

	Aa	Aa II	Fr	Mm	Pl	Ca	Totals
<i>Cycloneda ancoralis</i> [Col.: Coccinellidae]	9430	17938	2	34000	28260	4977	94607
<i>Chinavia musiva</i> [Hem.: Pentatomidae]	5356	3282	29	51177	1309	451	61604
<i>Alphitobius diaperinus</i> [Col.: Tenebrionidae]	7	453	251	4578	137	2	5428
<i>Phobellus crenatus</i> [Col.: Tenebrionidae]	1136	1288	1	609	218	177	3429
<i>Misippus variabilis</i> [Hem.: Scutelleridae]	144	236	1	830	1689	66	2966
<i>Heteroderes rufangulus</i> [Col.: Elateridae]	495	1735	75	354	7	2	2668
<i>Camponotus mus</i> [Hym.: Formicidae]	33	138	1331	3	886	224	2615
<i>Taproscistes plaumanni</i> [Col.: Cavognathidae]	13	67	991	1	3	1	1076
<i>Saprinus</i> sp. [Col.: Histeridae]	169	189	85	300	54	36	833
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 1 [Col.: Dermestidae]	6	32	385	25	7	272	727
<i>Galgapha</i> sp. 1 [Hem.: Cydnidae]	613	57	2	11	18	1	702
<i>Blaptica dubia</i> [Blattaria: Blaberidae]	14	14	13	8	233	1	269
Undetermined sp. [Col.: Anobiidae]	26	78	2	12	34	14	166
<i>Lobopoda breyeri</i> [Col.: Tenebrionidae]	35	32	30	4	46	4	151
Undetermined sp. [Ort.: Grylloidea]	51	65	1	18	7	5	147
<i>Dermestes peruvianus</i> [Col.: Dermestidae]		2	49	2	6	12	71
<i>Pseudomyrmex</i> sp. [Hym.: Formicidae]	14	29	2	8	1	2	56
<i>Botanochara dioecimverrucata</i> [Col.: Chrysomelidae]	36	113		1174	6103	140	7566
<i>Lema bilineata</i> [Col.: Chrysomelidae]	787	621		250	995	90	2743
<i>Ctenomyophila striata</i> (sp. 12) [Col.: Curculionidae]	39	132		236	30	87	524
<i>Crematogaster</i> sp. [Hym.: Formicidae]	4	246		42	12	1	305
<i>Psammolestes coreodes</i> [Hem.: Reduviidae]	5	23		21	LIT	216	265
<i>Stenudalia nordenskjoldi</i> [Col.: Coccinellidae]		10		37	179	8	234
<i>Epilachna paenulata</i> [Col.: Coccinellidae]		2		4	219	2	227
<i>Scutobrachus</i> sp. [Col.: Chrysomelidae]	54	2		12	71	88	227
Undetermined sp. [Col.: Aphodiidae]		3		102	2	75	182
<i>Tropicoptinus bruchi</i> [Col.: Pitidae]		1		69	90	1	161
Undetermined spp. [Blattaria]	75	35		13	4	2	129
<i>Pandeleius platensis</i> (sp. 19) [Col.: Curculionidae]	2	4		2	61	23	92
<i>Corizus picipes</i> [Hem.: Rhopalidae]	27	27		1	20	8	83
<i>Epitragus</i> sp. [Col.: Tenebrionidae]	2	2		3	49	27	83
<i>Coeliodes bruchi</i> (sp. 5) [Col.: Curculionidae]	2	5		41	25	4	77
<i>Triatoma platensis</i> [Hem.: Reduviidae]	8	10		13	17	9	57
<i>Dromius negrei</i> [Col.: Carabidae]	8	9		4	12	12	45
<i>Zacryptocerus</i> sp. [Hym.: Formicidae]		1		3	4	4	12
<i>Metallactus</i> sp. [Col.: Chrysomelidae]		11c		2	5	304 Lc	7
<i>Cycloneda fulvipennis</i> [Col.: Coccinellidae]		3			53	2	58
<i>Cycloneda sicardi</i> [Col.: Coccinellidae]		1			10	2	13

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TABLE 2. (Continued)

<i>Allecula</i> sp. 1 [Col.: Tenebrionidae]	4			1	2	7
<i>Camponotus</i> sp. [Hym.: Formicidae]				19	117	572
<i>Triatoma infestans</i> [Hem.: Reduviidae]		78 LIT	358 LIT	LIT	LIT	LIT
Undetermined sp. [Dip.: Stratiomyidae]			187	2072	768 L	2259
<i>Botanochara octoplagiata</i> [Col.: Chrysomelidae]			41	259	23	323
<i>Hiperaspis</i> sp. 2 [Col.: Coccinellidae]			2	4	11	17
<i>Hiperaspis</i> sp. 1 [Col.: Coccinellidae]			1	11	5	17
<i>Harmostes prolixus</i> [Hem.: Rhopalidae]			1	12	1	14
Undetermined sp. 14 [Col.: Curculionidae]			4	2	1	7
Undetermined sp. 4 [Col.: Elateridae]			2	1	2	5
<i>Aeolus</i> sp. 1 [Col.: Elateridae]	1	1	1		3	17
Undetermined sp. (larvae) [Scenopinidae]	17 L	11 258 L	45 L		9 L	
<i>Selenophorus mendicus</i> [Col.: Carabidae]	19	35	303		18	375
<i>Megatoma</i> sp. [Col.: Dermestidae]	59		15		11	85
<i>Cycloneda livida</i> [Col.: Coccinellidae]	2	1	1		3	7
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 6 [Col.: Dermestidae]	4	375			8	387
<i>Tenebrionini</i> sp. [Col.: Tenebrionidae]	1				8	9
<i>Macrocephalus tuberosus</i> [Hem.: Phymatidae]	3				1	4
<i>Polistes cavapyta</i> [Hym.: Vespidae]			25		10	35
Undetermined sp. [Col.: Ptinidae]			3		6	9
<i>Omalodes marseuli</i> [Col.: Histeridae]			3		2	5
<i>Stator</i> sp. [Col.: Chrysomelidae]			3		2	5
<i>Mimodromius</i> sp. [Col.: Carabidae]			2		2	4
<i>Eucheyla (Inna) megala</i> [Col.: Carabidae]			1		1	2
<i>Mimodromius rugosus</i> [Col.: Carabidae]				32	5	37
<i>Euchistus longipes</i> [Hem.: Pentatomidae]				4	2	6
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 8 [Col.: Dermestidae]					46	46
<i>Fannia</i> sp. [Dip.: Fanniidae]					24 eP	24 eP
<i>Camponotus rufipes</i> [Hym.: Formicidae]					7	7
<i>Polistes carnifex</i> [Hym.: Vespidae]					7	7
<i>Triatoma</i> sp. [Hem.: Reduviidae]					4 e	4 e
<i>Conoderus pseudoscalaris</i> [Col.: Elateridae]					3	3
Undet. gen., undet. sp. [Col.: Dermestidae]					3	3
<i>Periplaneta fuliginosa</i> [Blattaria: Blattidae]					2	2
<i>Philornis</i> sp. [Dip.: Muscidae]					1 eP	1 eP
<i>Olbia caprina</i> [Hem.: Pentatomidae]					1	1
<i>Strongilium</i> sp. [Col.: Tenebrionidae]					1	1
Undetermined sp. 3 [Dip.: Tachinidae]					1	1
Undetermined sp. 35 [Col.: Curculionidae]					1	1
Undetermined sp. [Lep.: Pyralidae]					L	L
Total exx. per bird species	18603	27364	94922	43293	7364	194885

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APPENDIX 1. Vertebrate inquilines in nests of *Coryphistera alaudina* mentioned in literature.

***Agelaioides badius* [badius (Vieillot, 1819)] [ICT]**

ARGENTINA: **Formosa:** Reserva El Bagual (Di Giacomo 2005a); **Córdoba:** central area [localities not stated], 30 nests inside abandoned nests (Salvador 2012); **Santa Fe:** Esperanza, 15-I-1999 [1], 13-III-1999 [1 (ps)] (De la Peña 2005).

***Asthenes baeri* (Berlepsch, 1909) [FUR]**

ARGENTINA: **Tucumán:** Tapia, two eggs inside an abandoned nest, Dinelli leg. (Hartert & Venturi 1909).

***Coryphistera alaudina* Burmeister, 1860 [FUR]**

ARGENTINA: [locality not stated], eight individuals sleeping in the same nest (the nests of previous years are re-aconditioned) (Canevari *et al.* 1991); **Chaco:** Parque Nacional Chaco, 1997-2003, four individuals per nest roosting in four nests, five individuals per nest roosting in one nest, six individuals per nest roosting in two nests, seven individuals per nest roosting in four nests, eight individuals per nest roosting in five nests, nine individuals per nest roosting in three nests, ten individuals per nest roosting in two nests, 11 individuals roosting in one nest, 13 four individuals per nest roosting in two nests, 14 individuals nest roosting in one nests, from a total of 25 examined nests; the nests are used all year for roosting (Areta & Bodrati 2007).

***Leptasthenura platensis* Reichenbach, 1853 [Aves: Furnariidae]**

ARGENTINA: **Córdoba:** central area [locality not stated], inside 7 disused nests (Salvador 2012).

***Machetornis rixosus* [rixosus (Vieillot, 1819)] [TYR]**

ARGENTINA: **Formosa:** Reserva El Bagual (Di Giacomo 2005a); **[Tucumán ?]** (Dinelli 1918); **Córdoba:** central area [locality not stated], 14 nests inside abandoned nests (Salvador 2012); **Santa Fe:** Esperanza, 17-X-2002 [1], 23-X-2002 [2], 21-I-2003 [1], 31-XII-03 [1] (Narosky & Salvador 1998, De la Peña 2005).

***Passer domesticus* (Linnaeus, 1758) [Aves: Passeridae]**

ARGENTINA: **Córdoba:** central area [localities not stated], 2 nests inside abandoned nests (Salvador 2012).

***Sicalis flaveola* [pelzelni Sclater, 1872] [EMB]**

BRAZIL: **Rio Grande do Sul:** Arroio Quarai-chico, 15-II-1971, “one defended woven stick house against attack of *Coryphistera alaudina*, believed to have been original owner” (Belton 1985).

ARGENTINA: [locality not stated], the recently build nests are usurped, or it occupied desused nests (Canevari *et al.* 1991); **Formosa:** Reserva El Bagual (Di Giacomo 2005a); **Córdoba:** central area [localities not stated], 7 nests inside abandoned nests (Salvador 2012); **Santa Fe:** Universidad Nacional del Litoral, Reserva de la Escuela de Agricultura, Ganadería y Granja, 7 km al N de Esperanza, 1998 [12], 2002 [6] (De la Peña 2003); Esperanza, 12-IX-1998 [1], 21-IX-1998 [2], 26-IX-1998 [2], 29-IX-1998 [1], 3-X-1998 [1], 8-X-1998 [1], 13-X-1998 [1], 17-X-1998 [1], 30-X-1998 [1], 7-XII-1998 [1], 11-XII-1998 [1], 12-XII-1998 [1], 4-I-1999 [1], 7-I-1999 [1], 15-I-1999 [1], 22-I-1999 [3], 14-II-1999 [1], 4-X-2002 [1], 11-X-2002 [1], 17-X-2002 [2], 24-X-2002 [2] (De la Peña 2005).

***Troglodytes aedon* Vieillot, 1809 [Aves: Troglodytidae]**

ARGENTINA: **Córdoba:** central area [locality not stated], 6 nests inside abandoned nests (Salvador 2012).

Undetermined species of rodents [ROD]

[ARGENTINA] (De la Barrera 1959).

***Xolmis irupero* [irupero (Vieillot, 1823)] [TYR]**

ARGENTINA: **Formosa:** Reserva El Bagual [1] (Di Giacomo 2005a); **Santa Fe:** Villa Ocampo, 27-XI-1995 [1 (3 pi)] (De la Peña 2005); **Córdoba:** central area [locality not stated], nidificating inside 3 abandoned nests (Salvador 2012).

APPENDIX 2. Localities, data, supports and description of the contents in the nests of *Coryphistera alaudina* from Argentina.

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- SE # 1b**, Ruta 9, km 1108, La María, I-2009, *Prosopis* sp., 40 L x 45 h x 38 w, build XI-2007, 1.70 m high.
SE # 2b, Ruta 9, km 1108, La María, I-2009, *Acacia aroma*, 46 L x 34 h x 28 w, build XII-2008, 1.60 m high.
SE # 1, Ruta 9, km 1108, La María, II-2009, *Ziziphus mistol*, build X-2008, 4.20 m high.
SE # 2, Ruta 9, km 1108, La María, II-2009, *Prosopis* sp., build X-2008, 3.30 m high.
SE # 3, Ruta 9, km 1108, La María, II-2009, *Cercidium praecox*, build I-2008, 4.50 m high.
SE # 4, Ruta 9, km 1108, La María, II-2009, *Prosopis* sp., build X-2008, 3.00 m high.
SE # 5, Ruta 9, km 1108, La María, II-2009, *Prosopis* sp., build X-2008, 4.50 m high.
SE # 6, Ruta 9, km 1108, La María, II-2009, *Geoffroea decorticans*, build X-2008, 3.00 m high.
SE # 7, Ruta 9, km 1108, La María, II-2009, *Acacia praecox*, build X-2008, 2.50 m high.
SE # 8, Ruta 9, km 1108, La María, II-2009, *Geoffroea decorticans*, build X-2008, 2.00 m high.
SE # 9 (=3b), Ruta 9, km 1108, La María, II-2009, *Cercidium praecox*, 38 L x 30 h x 30 w, build 2008, 3.00 m high.
SE # 10 (=4b), Ruta 9, km 1108, La María, II-2009, *Acacia aroma*, 30 L x 49 h x 22 w, build 2008, 3.00 m high.

Chaco

- Ch # 1 Ca**, Ruta 90, km 21, 3-XII-08 # 1, *Prosopis alba*, inhabited by a rodent, bed of grasses with two lactants.
Ch # 2 Ca, Ruta 90, km 21, 3-XII-08 # 3, *Prosopis alba*, 40 L x 45 h x 40 w, non inhabited.
Ch # 3 Ca, Ruta 90, km 21, 4-XII-08, *Erythrina crista-galli*, non inhabited, with an inquiline bird nest inside.
Ch # 4M Ca, Ruta 90, km 21, 4-XII-08, *Acacia caven*, 34 L x 33 h x 24 w, non inhabited.
Ch # 5M Ca, Ruta 90, km 21, 4-XII-08, *Acacia caven*, 35 L x 29 h x 29 w, non inhabited.
Ch # 6 Ca, Avia Terai, 6-I-09, *Patagonula americana*, inhabited with one egg and two nestlings; sticks 2,000 gr, breeding bed 353 gr.

Córdoba

- Cb # 1 Ca**, Huerta Grande, 21-I-08, *Ulmus* sp., 28 L x 37 h x 23 a, non inhabited.
Cb # 2 Ca, Huerta Grande, 22-X-08 # 1, *Acacia caven*, 30 L x 34 h x 30 w, non inhabited.
Cb # 3 Ca, Huerta Grande, 22-X-08 # 2, *Acacia caven*, 32 L x 34 h x 25 w, non inhabited.
Cb # 6 Ca, Mina Clavero, 14-VII-09 # 1, *Acacia farnesiana*, 30 L x 40 h x 22 w, old nest, with a nest of *Machetornis rixosus* (two broken eggs) + nest of a rodent, new bed with pod fragments of *A. farnesiana*, and numerous fecal pellets.
Cb # 7 Ca, Mina Clavero, 14-VII-09 # 2, *Acacia farnesiana*, old nest, with a nest of a rodent with pod fragments of *A. farnesiana*.
Cb # 8 Ca, Mina Clavero, 14-VII-09 # 3, *Ulmus* sp., non inhabited, with a nest of *Machetornis rixosus*.
Cb # 9 Ca, Mina Clavero, 23-IX-09 # 1, *Acacia farnesiana*, 35 L x 53 h x 28 w, old nest, with a nest of a rodent, new bed with numerous fecal pellets.
Cb # 10 Ca, Mina Clavero, 23-IX-09 # 2, *Acacia farnesiana*, old nest, with a nest of a rodent and fecal pellets.
Cb # 11 Ca, 3 km W La Falda, 28-X-09 # 1, *Acacia farnesiana*, non inhabited.
Cb # 12 Ca, Mina Clavero, 25-XI-09 # 1, *Prosopis* sp., 26 L x 38 h x 22 w, with a dead nestling of *C. alaudina*.
Cb # 13 Ca, Mina Clavero, 25-XI-09 # 2, *Acacia farnesiana*, non inhabited.
Cb # 14 Ca, Mina Clavero, 22-I-10 # 1, *Acacia farnesiana*, with seven individuals of *Thylamys pallidior* (Thomas, 1902) [Mammalia: Didelphidae] (4 scaped, 3 captured).
Cb # 14 Ca, Mina Clavero, 22-I-10 # 2, *Acacia farnesiana*, non inhabited.
Cb # 16 Ca, Mina Clavero, 22-I-10 # 3, *Acacia farnesiana*, non inhabited.

La Pampa

- LP # 1 Ca**, Santa Rosa, 7-II-08, *Prosopis caldenia*, 33 L x 30 h x 33 w, non inhabited; with two eggs at 4-XI-07.
LP # 2 Ca, Santa Rosa, 2-III-08, *Prosopis caldenia*, 34 L x 34 h x 30 w, non inhabited; with one uninhabited paper nest of *Polistes buyssoni* [Hymenoptera: Vespidae] inside the breeding chamber.
LP # 3 Ca, Santa Rosa, 6-V-08, *Prosopis caldenia*, 33 L x 49 h x 27 w, non inhabited.
LP # 4 Ca, Santa Rosa, 23-IV-09, *Prosopis caldenia*, old nest, collapsed, with a nest of *Passer domesticus* [Aves: Passeridae] inside.

APPENDIX 3. Insects found in nests of *Coryphistera alaudina* from Argentina.

eP, emerged pupae; L, larvae; Lc, larval cases; oe, operculated egg; P, pupae. Dead specimens are indicated between square brackets.

Santiago del Estero									TOTALS
	La María I-2009 # 1b	La María I-2009 # 2 b	La María II-2009 # 1	La María II-2009 # 2	La María II-2009 # 3	La María II-2009 # 4	La María II-2009 # 5	per sp.	
COLEOPTERA									
Aphodiidae									
Undetermined sp.	6	8	-	1	-	-	2	17	
Carabidae									
<i>Dromius negrei</i>	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	3	
<i>Eucheyla (Inna) megala</i>	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	
<i>Mimodromius</i> sp.	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	
Coccinellidae									
<i>Cycloneda ancoralis</i>	-	39	-	-	-	-	-	39	
Curculionidae									
<i>Ctenomyophila striata</i>	1	1	1	2	5	-	5	15	
Dermestidae									
Larvae									
Long black larvae (sp. 1)	21 L	125 L (*)	-	-	-	2 L	-	148 L	
Big brown hairy larvae (sp. 6)	1 L	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 L	
Adults emerged									
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 1	18	4	1	-	-	-	-	23	
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 6	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	
Elateridae									
<i>Heteroderes rufangulus</i>	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	
Undetermined sp. 4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	
Histeridae									
<i>Saprinus</i> sp.	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	3	
Ptinidae									
Undetermined sp.	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	4	
<i>Tropicoptinus bruchi</i>	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	
Tenebrionidae									
<i>Alphitobius diaperinus</i>	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	
<i>Epiragus</i> sp.	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	
<i>Phobelius crenatus</i>	7	1	5	8	-	1	23	45	
<i>Strongilium</i> sp.	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	

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Santiago del Estero (continuation)										
	La María I-2009 # 1b	La María I-2009 # 2 b	La María II-2009 # 1	La María II-2009 # 2	La María II-2009 # 3	La María II-2009 # 4	La María II-2009 # 5	TOTALS per sp.		
BLATTARIA										
Blattidae										
<i>Periplaneta fuliginosa</i>	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1		
ORTHOPTERA										
Grylloidea										
Undetermined sp.	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1		
HETEROPTERA										
Cydnidae										
<i>Galgupha</i> sp.	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1		
Reduviidae										
Triatominae										
<i>Psammolestes coreodes</i>										
Nymphs	1	-	-	4	-	-	3	8		
Adults	3	-	4	-	-	-	-	7		
<i>Triatoma platensis</i>										
Nymphs	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1		
Adults	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1		
DIPTERA										
Scenopinidae										
Undetermined sp.	-	-	-	2 L	-	1 L	-	3 L		
Stratiomyidae										
Undetermined sp.	-	7 L	-	-	-	-	-	7 L		
TOTALS per nest	40	55	13	18	12	5	36	179		

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Santiago del Estero (continuation)						
	La María II-2009 # 6	La María II-2009 # 7	La María II-2009 # 8	La María II-2009 # 9 (=3b)	La María II-2009 # 10 (=4b)	TOTALS per sp.
COLEOPTERA						
Undetermined larvae	-	4 L	-	-	-	4 L
Anobiidae						
Undetermined sp.	-	-	-	-	1	1
Aphodiidae						
Undetermined sp.	3	-	-	4	1	8
Carabidae						
<i>Mimodromius</i> sp.	1	-	-	-	-	1
Chrysomelidae						
Bruchinae						
<i>Scutobrachus</i> sp.	-	-	1	-	-	1
Clytrinae						
<i>Metallactus</i> sp.	-	44 Lc	-	192 Lc	51 Lc	287 Lc
Coccinellidae						
<i>Cycloneda ancoralis</i>	-	70	386	-	-	456
<i>Cycloneda puncticollis</i>	-	1	2	-	-	3
Curculionidae						
<i>Ctenomyophila striata</i>	6	6	2	18	3	35
Dermestidae						
Larvae						
Long black larvae (sp. 1)	2 L	27 L	14 L	188 L	213 L [3 L]	444 L
Big brown hairy larvae (sp. 6)	-	1 L	-	-	-	1 L
Adults emerged						
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 1	1	1	-	67	178	247
Histeridae						
<i>Omalodes marseuli</i>	1	-	-	1	-	2
<i>Saprinus</i> sp.	-	-	-	1	6	7
Ptinidae						
Undetermined sp.	1	-	-	-	-	1
Tenebrionidae						
Tenebrionini undetermined	-	-	3	-	-	3
<i>Phobellus crenatus</i>	-	5	3	-	1	9

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Santiago del Estero (continuation)					
	La María II-2009 # 6	La María II-2009 # 7	La María II-2009 # 8	La María II-2009 # 9 (=3b)	La María II-2009 # 10 (=4b)
BLATTARIA					
Blattidae					
<i>Periplaneta fuliginosa</i>	-	-	1	-	-
HETEROPTERA					
Reduviidae					
Triatominae					
<i>Psammolestes coreodes</i>					
Nymphs		38	1	-	-
Adults		17	-	-	-
<i>Triatoma platensis</i>					
Nymphs	3	-	-	-	-
Adults	1	-	-	-	-
HYMENOPTERA					
Formicidae					
<i>Camponotus</i> sp.	17	-	-	-	-
DIPTERA					
Scenopinidae					
Undetermined sp.	-	-	-	-	3 L
Stratiomyidae					
Undetermined sp.	1 L	-	-	-	22 L
TOTALS per nest	34	142	399	91	190
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Chaco	R 90 3-XII-08 # 1	R 90 3-XII-08 # 3	R 90 3-XII-08 # 3 M	R 90 3-XII-08 # 4 M	R 90 3-XII-08 # 5 M	R 90 4-XII-08 # 4 ceibo	A. Terai 6-I-09 # 6	TOTALS per sp.
COLEOPTERA								
Anobiidae								
Undetermined sp.	-	-	2	3	-	-	-	5
Aphodiidae								
Undetermined sp.	-	30	-	-	18	1	1	50
Carabidae								
<i>Selenophorus mendicus</i>	14	4	-	-	-	-	-	18
Cerambycidae								
Undet. sp. (Acanthocinini)	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Chrysomelidae								
Clytrinae								
<i>Metallactus</i> sp.	-	-	-	-	-	-	17 Lc	17 Lc
Curculionidae								
<i>Ctenomyophila striata</i>	3	2	-	6	11	1	-	23
<i>Coelodes bruchi</i>	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	2
Undetermined sp. 14	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Dermestidae								
Larvas								
Big brown hairy larvae (sp. 6)	-	-	-	-	-	-	9 L	9 L
Adults emerged								
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 6	-	-	-	-	-	-	5 [1 P]	5
Adults in the nest								
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 6	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
Elateridae								
<i>Aeolus</i> sp. 1	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	3
Histeridae								
<i>Saprinus</i> sp.	-	3	-	-	-	4	2	9
Ptinidae								
Undetermined sp.	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Tenebrionidae								
<i>Allecula</i> sp.	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
<i>Epiragus</i> sp.	-	-	[1]	-	-	-	1	1
<i>Phobellus crenatus</i>								
Larvae	2 L	-	-	-	-	125 L	10 L	137 L
Adults	6	3	-	1	4 [1]	82	16	112

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Chaco (continuation)	R 90 3-XII-08 # 1	R 90 3-XII-08 # 3	R 90 3-XII-08 # 3 M	R 90 3-XII-08 # 4 M	R 90 3-XII-08 # 5 M	R 90 4-XII-08 # 4 ceibo	A. Terai 6-I-09 # 6	TOTALS per sp.
BLATTARIA								
Undetermined sp.	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
ORTHOPTERA								
Grylloidea								
Undetermined sp.	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	4
HETEROPTERA								
Pentatomidae								
<i>Olbia caprina</i>	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Reduviidae								
Triatominae								
<i>Psammolestes coreodes</i>								
Eggs	-	-	-	-	-	2 e	2 e (1 oe)	4 e
Nymphs	-	-	-	-	-	28	137	165
Adults	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	8
HYMENOPTERA								
Formicidae								
<i>Camponotus rufipes</i>	-	-	-	6	1	-	-	7
<i>Pseudomyrmex</i> sp.	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
<i>Zacryptocerus</i> sp.	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	4
Vespidae								
<i>Polistes carnifex</i>	4	3	-	-	-	-	-	7
DIPTERA								
Muscidae								
<i>Philornis</i> sp.	-	-	-	1 eP	-	-	-	1 eP
Stratiomyidae								
Undetermined sp.	4 L	-	1 eP	-	-	-	65 L	69 L, 1 eP
LEPIDOPTERA								
Pyrallidae								
Undetermined sp.	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 L	1 L
TOTALS per nest	28	49	5	18	34	130	171	435

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	H. Grande 21-I-08	H. Grande 22-X-08 # 1	H. Grande 22-X-08 # 2	3 km E 28-X-09	TOTALS per sp.
Chrysomelidae					
Bruchinae					
<i>Scutobrachius</i> sp.	-	76	-	2	78
Cassidinae					
<i>Botanochara duodecimverrucata</i>	-	26	-	71	97
<i>Botanochara octoplagiata</i>	-	4	7	6	17
Clytrinae					
<i>Metallactus</i> sp.	1 L	-	-	-	1 L
Coccinellidae					
<i>Cycloneda ancoralis</i>	-	-	7	10	17
Curculionidae					
<i>Coeliodes bruchi</i>	-	1	-	-	1
<i>Menetypus platensis</i>	1	-	-	-	1
Dermestidae					
<i>Dermestes peruvianus</i>	-	-	-	1	1
Elateridae					
<i>Conoderus pseudoscalaris</i>	3	-	-	-	3
<i>Heteroderes rufangulus</i>	-	-	-	1	1
Histeridae					
<i>Saprinus</i> sp.	-	1	-	1	2
Tenebrionidae					
<i>Lobopoda breyeri</i>	-	1	-	-	1
HETEROPTERA					
Pentatomidae					
<i>Chinavia musiva</i>	-	-	-	3	3
Rhopalidae					
<i>Corizus pictipes</i>	-	6	-	-	6
Scutelleridae					
<i>Myssipus variabilis</i>	-	-	1	-	1
HYMENOPTERA					
Formicidae					
<i>Camponotus</i> sp.	85	-	-	-	85
Vespidae					
<i>Polistes cavapyta</i>	-	10	-	-	10
DIPTERA					
Stratiomyidae					
Undetermined sp.	27 L	-	-	-	27 L
Tachinidae					
Undetermined sp. 3	-	-	-	1	1
TOTALS per nest	89	125	15	96	325

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Córdoba (continuation)					
	M. Clavero 14-VII-09 # 1	M. Clavero 14-VII-09 # 2	M. Clavero 14-VII-09 # 3		TOTALS por sp.
Anobiidae					
Undetermined sp.	-	1	-		1
Chrysomelidae					
Cassidinae					
<i>Botanochara duodecimverrucata</i>	-	12 [1]	[1]		12
<i>Botanochara octoplagiata</i>	-	[13]	[3]		[16]
Criocerinae					
<i>Lema bilineata</i>	1	10	36 [4]		47
Coccinellidae					
<i>Cycloneda ancoralis</i>	-	-	[2]		
<i>Cycloneda fulvipennis</i>	-	1	-		1
<i>Cycloneda sicardi</i>	-	1	-		1
Curculionidae					
<i>Ctenomyophila striata</i>	-	1	-		1
<i>Menetypus platensis</i>	-	12	-		12
Dermestidae					
Larvae					
Long black larvae (sp. 8)	-	-	6 L (**)		6 L
Undetermined larvae	2 L	1 L	2 L		5 L
Adults emerged					
Undetermined gen., undet. sp.	1	-	1		2
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 8	-	-	1		1
Adults in the nest					
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 8	-	-	[1]		[1]
Histeridae					
<i>Saprinus</i> sp.	1	2	-		3
Tenebrionidae					
<i>Epitragus</i> sp.	1	19	-		20
<i>Phobellus crenatus</i>	-	[1]	6 [3]		6
Undetermined sp. (Tenebrionini)	-	-	[1]		

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Córdoba (continuation)

	M. Clavero 14-VII-09 # 1	M. Clavero 14-VII-09 # 2	M. Clavero 14-VII-09 # 3	TOTALS por sp.
HETEROPTERA				
Phymatidae				
<i>Macrocephalus tuberosus</i>	1	-	-	1
Pentatomidae				
<i>Chinavia musiva</i>	19 [7]	16 [5]	6 [4]	41
<i>Euchistus longipes</i>	1	1	-	2
Rhopalidae				
<i>Corizus pictipes</i>	-	1	-	1
<i>Harmostes prolixus</i>	1	-	-	1
Scutelleridae				
<i>Myssipus variabilis</i>	9	1	1 [1]	11
HYMENOPTERA				
Eumenidae				
Undetermined sp.	-	5	-	5
Formicidae				
<i>Camponotus mus</i>	224	-	-	224
DIPTERA				
Fanniidae				
<i>Fannia</i> sp.	24 eP [5 P]	-	-	24 eP [5 P]
Stratiomyidae				
Undetermined sp.				
Larvae	112 L	99 L [2 L]	[6 L]	211 L [8 L]
Emerged puparia in the nest	-	-	13 eP	13 eP
Adults emerged	2	-	-	2
TOTALS per nest	261	83	51	395

(**) five larvae die.

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Córdoba (continuation)	M. Clavero 23-IX-09 # 1	M. Clavero 23-IX-09 # 2	M. Clavero 25-XI-09 # 1	M. Clavero 25-XI-09 #2	TOTALS Per sp.
COLEOPTERA					
Carabidae					
<i>Dromius negrei</i>	-	-	-	5	5
<i>Mimodromius rugosus</i>	1	-	1	1	3
Chrysomelidae					
Bruchinae					
<i>Scutobrachus</i> sp.	9	-	-	-	9
<i>Stator</i> sp.	2	-	-	-	2
Cassidinae					
<i>Botanochara duocecimverrucata</i>	12	8	-	11	31
<i>Botanochara octoplagiata</i>	4	2	-	-	6
Criocerinae					
<i>Lema bilineata</i>	11	4	-	-	15
Coccinellidae					
<i>Cycloneda ancoralis</i>	38	2	-	16	56
<i>Cycloneda fulvipennis</i>	1	-	-	-	1
<i>Cycloneda sicardi</i>	1	-	-	-	1
<i>Solanophila paenulata</i>	2	-	-	-	2
Curculionidae					
<i>Ctenomyophila striata</i>	-	-	1	-	1
<i>Menetypus platensis</i>	6	2	-	-	8
Dermestidae					
Larvae					
<i>Dermestes peruvianus</i>	-	-	3 L	-	3 L
Long black larvae (sp. 8)	6 L	-	-	3 L	9 L
Undetermined larva	1 L	-	-	-	1 L
Adults emerged					
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 8	6	-	3	3	12
Undetermined gen., undet. sp.	1	-	-	-	1
Adults in the nests					
<i>Dermestes peruvianus</i>	-	3	3	-	6
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 8	-	-	11	-	11
<i>Megatoma</i> ? sp. (sp. 7)	-	-	9	-	9
Histeridae					
<i>Saprinus</i> sp.	-	2	1	3	6
Tenebrionidae					
<i>Epitragus</i> sp.	2	-	-	-	2
<i>Phobellus crenatus</i>	-	1	-	1	2

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Córdoba (continuation)

	M. Clavero 23-IX-09 # 1	M. Clavero 23-IX-09 # 2	M. Clavero 25-XI-09 # 1	M. Clavero 25-XI-09 # 2	TOTALS Per sp.
HETEROPTERA					
Pentatomidae					
<i>Chinavia musiva</i>	3	-	-	-	3
Reduviidae					
Triatominae					
<i>Triatoma</i> sp. (Note)	-	-	4 e	-	4 e
Scutelleridae					
<i>Myssipus variabilis</i>	22	-	-	1	23
DIPTERA					
Scenopinidae					
Undetermined sp.	-	-	3 L	-	3 L
Stratiomyidae					
Undetermined sp.	-	-	-	422 L	422 L
TOTALS per nest	121	24	29	41	215

Note: Probably of *Triatoma platensis* because this species was found in other nests from the same locality.

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Córdoba (continuation)

	M. Clavero 22-I-10 # 1	M. Clavero 22-I-10 # 2	M. Clavero 22-I-10 # 3	TOTALS per sp.
COLEOPTERA				
Anobiidae				
Undetermined sp.	-	1	-	1
Carabidae				
<i>Dromius negrei</i>	2	1		3
<i>Mimodromius rugosus</i>	-	-	2	2
Chrysomelidae				
Criocerinae				
<i>Lema bilineata</i>	-	2	-	2
Coccinellidae				
<i>Cycloneda ancoralis</i>	-	15	-	15
Curculionidae				
<i>Coeliodes bruchi</i>	-	1	-	1
<i>Ctenomyophila striata</i>	-	3	6	9
Dermestidae				
Larvae				
<i>Dermestes peruvianus</i>	-	35 L	1 L	36 L
Long black larvae (sp. 8)	-	13 L	33 L	46 L
Adults emerged				
<i>Dermestes peruvianus</i>	-	4	1	5
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 8	-	5	11	16
Adults in the nests				
<i>Megatoma</i> ? sp. (sp. 7)	-	1	-	1
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 1	1	-	-	1
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 8	-	1	5	6
Histeridae				
<i>Saprinus</i> sp.	-	5	-	5
Tenebrionidae				
<i>Phobellus crenatus</i>	1	-	2	3
HYMENOPTERA				
Formicidae				
<i>Camponotus mus</i>	3	-	-	3
<i>Camponotus</i> sp.	1	-	-	1

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Córdoba (continuation)

	M. Clavero 22-I-10 # 1	M. Clavero 22-I-10 # 2	M. Clavero 22-I-10 # 3	TOTALS per sp.
HETEROPTERA				
Reduviidae				
Triatominae				
<i>Triatoma platensis</i>				
Nymphs in the nests	8 n	-	2 n	10 n
Nymphs died	[6]	-	-	
Adults emerged	1	-	2	3
Scutelleridae				
<i>Myssipus variabilis</i>	-	-	1	1
BLATTARIA				
Blaberidae				
<i>Blaptica dubia</i>	-	1	-	1
TOTALS per nest	5	40	30	75

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	Santa Rosa 7-II-08	Santa Rosa 2-III-08	Santa Rosa 6-V-08	Santa Rosa 23-IV-09	TOTALS per sp.
Anobiidae					
Undetermined sp.	2	-	-	4	6
Carabidae					
<i>Dromius negrei</i>	-	1	-	-	1
Cavognathidae					
<i>Taphropestes plaumanni</i>	1	-	-	-	1
Chrysomelidae					
Criocerinae					
<i>Lema bilineata</i>	5	[1]	21	-	26
Coccinellidae					
<i>Cycloneda ancoralis</i>	1416 [1]	574 [9]	2404	-	4394
<i>Hiperaspis</i> sp. 1	-	-	3	2	5
<i>Hiperaspis</i> sp. 2	-	-	1	10	11
<i>Stenadalia nordenskjoldi</i>	-	1	-	7	8
Curculionidae					
<i>Ctenomyophila striata</i>	1	-	2	-	3
<i>Menelypus platensis</i>	[1]	-	-	2	2
Undetermined sp. 35	1	-	-	-	1
Dermeestidae					
Larvae					
Long black larvae	-	3 L	-	7 L	10 L
Adults emerged					
<i>Trogoderma</i> sp. 1	-	1	-	-	1
<i>Megatoma</i> ? sp. (sp. 7)	-	1	-	-	1
Elateridae					
Undetermined sp. 4	-	-	-	1	1
Histeridae					
<i>Saprinus</i> sp.	-	-	1	-	1
Tenebrionidae					
<i>Epitragus</i> sp.	-	-	-	3	3
<i>Lobopoda breyeri</i>	1	2	-	-	3

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La Pampa (continuation)

	Santa Rosa 7-II-08	Santa Rosa 2-III-08	Santa Rosa 6-V-08	Santa Rosa 23-IV-09	TOTALS per sp.
HETEROPTERA					
Pentatomidae					
<i>Chinavia musiva</i>	148 [9]	11 [15]	122	123	404
Scutelleridae					
<i>Myssipus variabilis</i>	-	1 [1]	22	7	30
HYMENOPTERA					
Formicidae					
<i>Camponotus</i> sp.	13	-	2	-	15
<i>Crematogaster</i> sp.	1	-	-	-	1
DIPTERA					
Stratiomyidae					
Undetermined sp.	1 L	-	8 L	-	9 L
TOTALS per nest	1589	592 [26]	2578	159	4918