Animal-Plant Interaction: A Review On Terrestrial Vertebrate Seed Disperser Diversity And The Selectivity Pattern Based On The Size Of Fruits And Seeds

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ABSTRACT

The study was based on 107 studies and data concerning disperser species, plant species and family, fruit type and size, seed size plant life form and the habitat, were presented in matrix form. Data from this matrix were used in determining the disperser species diversity considering large taxonomic groups (mammals, birds and reptiles) and selection pattern based on the fruit and seed size. The diversity of mammals was high followed by birds and then reptiles with 65%, 30% and 5% respectively. Mammal taxonomic group dominated and was sub divided into primates, ungulates, carnivores, rodents and bat sub-groups which accounted for 45%, 22%, 17%, 9% and 7% respectively confirming the dominance of primates. Simple correspondence analysis showed that ungulates dispersed very small fruits while carnivores, primates, bats and reptiles were categorized together for both small and medium sized fruits. Ungulates, birds and bats dispersed the smallest seeds while others dispersed both small and large sized seeds. The study revealed high diversity of mammals particularly primates therefore playing a huge role in structuring and restructuring terrestrial ecosystems, with a warning that the loss of ungulates may have catastrophic impacts on the structure and composition of small fruited and seeded plants.

Key words: Terrestrial vertebrates, seed dispersal, seed and fruit size

1. INTRODUCTION

Animal and plant traits were the products of coevolution according to the preliminary conceptual treatments of fruits and frugivores coevolution (Bongers et al. 2013), thus, Zoochory accounts for the highest percentage (57%) of terrestrial seed dispersal (Diogo et al. 2016) but less is known about how some characteristics mediate this relationship (McConkey et al. 2012, Trolliet et al. 2013, Kuhlmann and Ribeiro 2016). The composition of seed banks in terms of species is strongly influenced by vertebrate seed dispersers (Jordano 2013, Wandrag et al. 2015) but there is a lack in understanding the diversity of these dispersers in terms of species. Loss of big and medium-sized frugivores reduces dispersal distance (Pérez-Méndez et al. 2016) as well as massive loss of trees (Estrada and Fleming 2012, Caughlin et al. 2015), hence affecting plant species distribution across ecosystems and landscapes. Functional complementarity between species (Tilman and Snell-Rood 2014) facilitates seed dispersal implying the importance of species richness (García and Martínez 2012, Poisot et al. 2013) where high disperser species diversity maintains stable ecosystem (Baur 2014, Reid et al. 2015). Fruit and seed characteristics also play an important role in determining the preferences of frugivorous animals (Aslan and Rejmanek 2012, Valenta et al. 2013) and the differences in these fruit and seed characteristics explains why some plants are more adapted to dispersal by some groups of animals but not others (Estrada and Fleming 2012). Seed size is one of the factors that influence seed dispersal patterns in animal-dispersed plants (Lai et al. 2014). Likewise, the size of the fruit may determine the animal groups adapted for its dispersal (Flörchinger et al. 2010, Burns 2013) but the relationship between the seed and fruit size and the disperser group



associated has not yet been elaborated. This study focused on collection, extracting and supplementing data from various published articles. In this case, the data looked almost primary (Alsheikh-Ali et al. 2011) and aimed at elaborating on the diversity of terrestrial vertebrate seed dispersers, relationship between fruit and seed size characteristic and the type of animal dispersal agent involved.

2. METHODS

Only published studies were electronically searched and sorted to get the appropriate ones and a total of 441 articles was obtained and re-screened to get the more appropriate ones. 107 studies were retained and data was extracted based on the set parameters which included terrestrial vertebrate disperser taxonomic groups, sub taxonomic groups in case of mammals, plant species and families, plant life forms, fruit type and size (mm), the seed size (mm) and habitat type. All these parameters were extracted from all the articles and presented in matrix as well as indicating the authors and the year of publication. The final set up took a form of primary data (Alsheikh-Ali et al. **2011**) The missing information such as seed size, fruit size, plant life form and plant families were searched electronically. Blank spaces were left in case of failure to find the required data. (APPENDIX 1).

The number of species for each vertebrate taxonomic group (birds, mammals and reptiles), the number of plant families and plant species associated with each vertebrate taxonomic group was determined and presented in Microsoft excel spreadsheet. Mammals were thereafter sub-divided into different groups (primates, ungulates, bats, rodents, and carnivores) because they showed high dominance in the first instance. Likewise, the number of species for each mammalian group, the number of plant families and species associated with each mammalian group was determined and presented in Microsoft excel spread sheet.

The size of the fruits and seeds were rarely presented in the studies reviewed. It therefore required direct internet search for this data to fulfil the set objective. To proceed with this, the frequency of interactions was used (Vázquez et al. **2015**) where the size (mm) of both fruits and seeds was organized in ranges/classes and the frequency of vertebrate groups that fell in each range/class was considered to determine the most frequent taxonomic group in each size range. For fruits, the size ranges considered were; <5, 5-10, 10.1-20, 20.1-30, 30.1-40, 40.1-50 and 50.1-100. For the case of seeds, the size ranges considered were; <1, 1-5, 5.1-10, 10.1-20, 20.1-30, >30. At this level, terrestrial vertebrate disperser categories considered were; birds, primates, rodents, bats, ungulates and reptiles. Data was arranged in Microsoft excel spreadsheet as size ranges (mm) with the frequency of each of the disperser group considered.

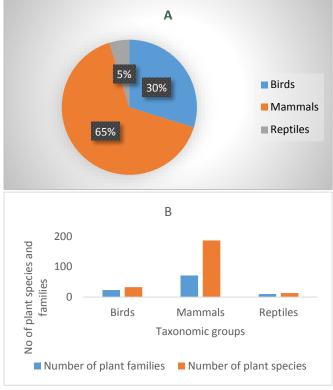
3. RESULTS

3.1 TAXONOMIC GROUP DIVERSITY



A total of 104 terrestrial vertebrate species was recorded, of which birds accounted for 30%, mammals 65% and lastly reptiles with only 5% (*figure 1 part A*). This showed a high species diversity in the group of mammals (68 species) followed by birds (31 species) and then reptiles (5 species).

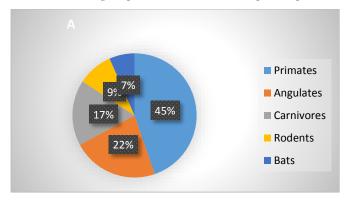
Figure 1: Large terrestrial vertebrate taxonomic groups and the associated plant species and families



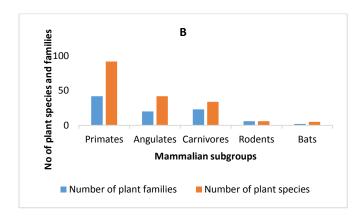
3.2 MAMMALIAN DIVERSITY

The species diversity in this case was high in primate subgroup which accounted for 45% (34) of the total number of species within the group. However, the dominance was not very high in comparison to the first instance where mammals over dominated birds and reptiles. Here, ungulates accounted for 22% and also carnivores with 17%, the least being rodents and bats with 9% and 7% respectively.

Figure 2: Mammalian sub groups and the associated plant species and families







3.3 FRUIT SIZE AND ASSOCIATED DISPERSERS

Carnivores, primates, bats reptiles and to the small extent birds were associated with the fruit size ranges of 5-10, 10.1-20 and 20.1-30 while ungulates were classed in the <5 size range. Rodents dispersed fruits ranging from 40.1-50 and >100 but data was not sufficient enough to be relied on as opposed to ungulates that were accompanied by enough and reliable set of data. The size range of 50.1-100 was not associated to a specific vertebrate group. It can be noted that there was no clear difference in fruit sizes predated by different terrestrial vertebrate groups except a clear distinction in ungulates that predated small fruits of <5mm.

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Figure 3: The fruit size ranges and the terrestrial vertebrate dispersers

3.4 SEED SIZE AND ASSOCIATED DISPERSERS

The ungulates, birds and to smaller extent bats dispersed small sized seeds (<5 and 1.0-5.0mm). Rodents, reptiles and carnivores dispersed seed sizes of 10.1-20.0 and >30mm, but rodents dispersed seeds of >30mm contrary to reptiles and carnivores that are much close to the dispersion of 10.1-20.0 mm sized seeds. Finally, the isolated vertebrate group of primates was found to be dispersing seeds of 5.1-10.0 and 20.1-30.0mm and this was the only vertebrate group to dispersed both small and large seeds in significant numbers. Briefly, ungulates and birds are observed as the dispersers of small seeded plants while the big seeded plants may be dispersed by rodents, primates and to the smaller extent by carnivores, other groups being intermediates



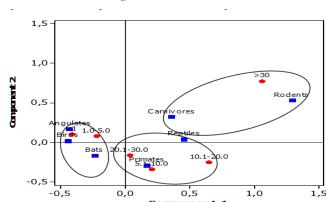


Figure 4: The seed size ranges and the terrestrial vertebrate dispersers

4. DISCUSSION

4.1 TAXONOMIC GROUP DIVERSITY

Vertebrate dispersal exerts a strong role in the identity of seeds and seed banks (Wandrag et al. 2015). Species richness is the only factor for the frugivore assemblage that affects the probability of seed dispersal in degraded landscapes (García and Martínez 2012). Findings showed that the vertebrate disperser species diversity is proportional to the plant species dispersed due to functional complementarity between these species (García and Martínez 2012). Mammals play a great role in seed dispersal compared to others due to their high diversity (Matias et al. 2010, McConkey et al. 2014). Most plants produce fleshy fruits (Greenberg and Walter 2010) that are preferred by mammals (Koike et al. 2008) and this partly explains why mammalian species diversity was higher than birds and reptiles. Therefore extinction of mammals is disastrous to the structure and composition of plant communities in various ecosystems (Wang et al. 2007). Birds are also greatly involved in seed dispersal (Garcia et al. 2010, Heleno et al. 2011). Ecosystem fluxes and mechanisms separated by times and distances are effectively linked by birds because of their ability to fly (Whelan et al. 2008). The species diversity in reptile group was less possibly due to diet selectivity and less information available on the species that makes it up (Godinez-Alvarez 2004), thus less number (13) of plant species. Galàpagos tortoises are important in ecosystem structuring due their ability to regularly move large quantities of seeds over reasonably long distances to places favorable for new plant establishment (Blake et al. 2012).

4.2 MAMMALIAN DIVERSITY

The dominance of primates was because fruits are their favourite food (Chapman and Russo 2007). Recent research has shown that primates provide unique seed dispersal services that cannot be compensated for by any other taxa (Clark et al. 2001). Despite this indispensable role, half of the world's primates is threatened (Aslan 2013) and this implies the need for adaptive conservation measures (Lambert 2011). Ungulates can play a crucial role in dynamics of plant community (Albert et al. 2015) and they do not primarily target fruits unlike most of the primates, they instead search for fleshy leaves and stem parts and end up dispersing seeds



accidentally by either endo-zoochory or epi-zoochory (Albert et al. 2015). Carnivores not only disperse seeds (Koike et al. 2008) from their parent plants but also enhance germinability (Aronne and Russo 1997). The findings shows that carnivores accounted for 17% (13 species) of all mammal species recorded and effectively dispersed 34 plant species from 23 families, most of which were large seeded plants, thus they have a remarkable effect on forest dynamics (Nakashima et al. 2010). Carnivorous low species diversity in comparison with primates and ungulates could be explained by their preferred diet which is dominated by meat (Pereira et al. 2014). Rodents and bats were represented by the small number of species, 7 and 5 that dispersed 6 and 5 plant species respectively. This number looked low but it did not mean less participation in an ecosystem functionality (Mello et al. 2011, Sunyer et al. 2013). It may also be attributed to less attention given to these groups of animals in the domain of seed dispersal since data was obtained from published studies.

4.3 FRUIT SIZE AND ASSOCIATED DISPERSERS

The size of the fruit determines the animal groups adapted for its dispersal (Flörchinger et al. 2010, Burns 2013). Results obtained from this review showed that different seed categories were associated with different terrestrial vertebrate dispersers which is consistent with the results found by (Flörchinger et al. 2010). However some vertebrate groups were found in the same size classes which meant no significant difference between them. According to the results obtained from simple correspondence analysis (SCA), carnivores and primates predated fruits of 20.1-30 and 10.1-20mm (medium sized to large fruits). Considering carnivores, the findings are consistent with the study by (Takahashi et al. 2008) on the foraging behavior of the Japaneese Black Bear (*Ursus thibetanus japonicus*). A study conducted by (Flörchinger et al. 2010) confirmed that primates selected large fruits over the small ones that were preferred by birds, but in this review, the output from analysis was general in favor of medium sized class that dominated the large class, otherwise primates and carnivores dispersed more large seeds of 50.1-100mm than any other group.

Birds and bats were associated with size class of 5-10. Most of the bird species have small gapes that limit them from swallowing large fruits (Flörchinger et al. 2010). The consumption of small fruits by birds may also be attributed to the reduction in number of large species due to different threats (Galetti and Pizo 2013). Bats were found dispersing seeds that were too large to be dispersed by some bird species (Jordaan et al. 2012) but the size of course remained small which can as well be explained by their size. Sometimes, bats and birds attack large fruits by spatting them and getting out seeds hence dispersal possibilities. Reptiles were as well associated to this medium sized fruit class because lizards and tortoises that dominate hence predating medium sized fruits (Jerozolimski 2003). Rodents were associated to the size classes of large fruits but data retrieved were not sufficient enough to be globally generalized. Fruit size was considered among the minor factors that influence the removal of fruits and their seeds in rodents (Perea et al. 2011). Ungulates were associated with the smallest fruit size class which is connected to domination of herbivores that prefer grazing on herbaceous species particularly of Poaceae family (Treydte et al. 2013) which are characterised by small fruits. Due to their large



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surface area, some small hooked fruits can adhere to their skin and be transported to distant places. Small seeds have a likelihood also to adhere to the hooves of large ungulates (hoof epizoochory) and be transported away from parent plants (Albert et al. 2015).

4.4 SEED SIZE AND ASSOCIATED DISPERSERS

Fruit size factor may be different from seed size factor. This is primarily based on the type of the fruit such as a drupe or a berry. The size of the fruit is not directly proportional to seed size hence suitability differences to different dispersal agents. Small sized seeds were dispersed by ungulates, birds and bats. As discussed in the previous part, various species of birds possess small gape that limits them to swallowing large seeds (Flörchinger et al. 2010, Gosper and Vivian-Smith 2010), the same applies to bats (Seltzer et al. 2013) while ungulates prefer small seeded species of Poaceae family (Treydte et al. 2013) and the lightness (small size) characteristic of seeds to be attached to their hooves and fur (Albert et al. 2015). Rodents, reptiles and carnivores were grouped together in the seed size classes of >30, and 10.1-20.0 mm. From figure 4, rodents dispersed large seeds though it was not reliable due to less data. Carnivores suit the category because of the large sized seeds they disperse of which some may be drupes and capsules with large seeds. In the previous section, reptiles dispersed medium sized fruits (Jerozolimski 2003), which could be characterized by medium to large seeds. Primates are known for ingesting and dispersing smaller seeds more than larger seeds (Oliveira and Ferrari 2000). The effect of seed and fruit attributes on the probability of being ingested is associated with seed shadow consequences because primate ingested seeds are usually dispersed to distant places than those dispersed by spitting (McConkey 2000). Based on findings of this study, they fell in the seed size classes of 5.1-10.0 and 20.1-30.0 that evidently showed their clear participation in dispersal of both small and large seeds. This together with herbivory maintains the demography of plant communities hence regarded as ecosystem engineers (Chapman et al. 2013).

5. CONCLUSION AND PERSPECTIVES

Ecosystem architecture is specially engineered by animals particularly vertebrates that are capable of clearly exhibiting a certain level of intelligence in fruit predation and consequently displacing seeds from their parents to more favorable conditions for establishment. The difference in the diversity of terrestrial vertebrates involved in seed dispersal signifies the most indispensable animal groups, on which their extinction may lead to eminent traumatic effect on the ecosystem structure. Therefore in first place, knowing these groups such as mammals and birds and moving further to distinguish the most active sub-groups within these major groups is important to appreciate the priority status and appropriate measures for adaptive conservation. The findings of the study clearly shows that some animals are completely outweighed in as far as plant seed dispersal is concerned as exemplified by reptiles, bats and amphibians that were not reported in this study which necessitates deep



research in these less frequent groups to find out the truth about their role in structuring the plant communities in terrestrial ecosystems.

Animal adaptation to seed dispersal is driven by different plant traits, one of which is seed and fruit size. Different terrestrial vertebrate groups can disperse different seed and fruit sizes, but still others disperse the same sized fruits and seeds despite being morphologically different. The uniqueness of some plant seed dispersal agents for example ungulates that disperse very small fruits and seeds, should be the field of great concern as loss in the diversity or even abundance may be followed by loss of the plant species that solely rely on this animal group. The findings thus, showed the expected seed dispersal agent given a seed and/or fruit size though it was not evident in some animal categories such as rodents and bats that were accompanied by less data. In the same way, other researches such as the relationship between plant life form and the dispersal agent, plant life form and the size of fruits and seeds, the habitat type and dispersal agents, life form and the type of the fruit and many other relationships can be conducted to clearly understand the whole interaction process. The method used in data extraction from various primary studies enabled collection of relevant data based on the set parameters but it was partly limited to the articles publicly accessed online.

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7. APPENDICES

APPENDIX I: Data Extracted From The Published Primary Studies On The Plant Seed Dispersal By Terrestrial Vertebrates

Animal species	Vertebrate taxonomic group	Mammal groups	Plant family	Plant species	Fruit fruit type/life form	Fruit size (mm)	Seed size (mm)	Habitat type	Reference
Ateles spp. (spider monkeys)	Mammal	Primate	Moraceae Cecropiaceae Myristicaceae	Brosimum sp. Cecropia sp. Virola sp.				Forest	Campbell et al. 2005
Nasalis larvatus (proboscis monkeys)	Mammal	Primate	Moraceae Phyllanthaceae	Ficus sp. Antidesma thwaitesianum	Drupe/Shrub	8	5	Tropical forest	Matsuda et al. 2013
			Rubiaceae	Nauclea subdita	Berry/Shrub	18	1.5		
Dusicyon culpaeus (Fox)	Mammal	Carnivore	Lauraceae	Cryptocarya alba	Drupe/Tree	20	13	Savannah	Bustamante et al. 1992
Tapirus Indicus (Tapirs)	Mammal	Ungulate	Dilleniaceae Fabaceae Moraceae	Dillenia indica Tamarindus indica Artocarpus integer	Berry/Shrub Pod/Tree	100 150	13 20	Forest	Campos-Arceiz et al. 2012
1				1	Syncarp/Tree	150	30		
Turdinae Catharus guttatus Turdus migratorius Mimus polyglottos Sturnus vulgaris Bombycilla cedrorum	Bird		Caprifoliaceae	Lonicera maackii	Berry/Shrub	5	1	Shrub land	Bartuszevige and Gorchov 2006
Iguana iguana (Green iguanas)	Reptile		Anacardiaceae Araliaceae Smilacaceae	Tapirira guianensis Didymopanax morototoni Smilax sp	Drupe/Tree Berry/Tree	20 12	10	Forest	Moura et al.2014
Cattle	Mammal	Ungulate	Boraginaceae	Cynoglossum officinale L	Nut/Herb	5	2	Woodland	Clerck-Floate, 2007
Pan troglodytes (chimpanzees)	Mammal	Primate	Oleaceae Myrtaceae.	Olea capensis Syzygium guineense	Drupe/Shrub Drupe/Tree	20 30	13 23	Afromontane forest	Gross-Camp and Kaplin 2005
Alouatta. guariba (brown howler monkey)	Mammal	Primate	Cannabaceae Boraginaceae Myrtaceae	Celtis spinosa Cordia sellowiana Eugenia pyriformis	Drupe/Shrub Drupe/Shrub Drupe/Tree	7 15 28	3 9 13		Martins 2006
Brachyteles arachnoides (muriquis)	Mammal	Primate	Cannabaceae Myrtaceae Caricaceae	Celtis spinosa Eugenia ligustrina Jacaratia spinosa	Drupe/Shrub Berry/Tree Drupe/Tree	7 12	3 3	Forest	Martins 2006



			Rubiaceae	Rudgea sp.					
Ramphastos sulfuratus	Bird		Flacourtiaceae	Casearia nitida	Capsule/Tree	10 15	6.3	Open plantation	Howe and
R. swainsinii Cercopithecus lhoesti,	Mammal	Primate	Sapotaceae	Chrysophyllum	Berry/Tree	50	10	Sem-iidecidous	Primack, 1975 Gross-Camp and
(l'Hoest's monkeys)	ivianinai	rimate		rwandense Sericanthe	Drupe/Tree			forest	Kaplin, 2011
			Rubiaceae Myrtaceae	leonardii Syzygium guineense	Drupe/Tree	50 30	18 23		
Pan troglodytes (chimpanzees)	Mammal	Primate	Meliaceae Malvaceae	Ekebergia capensis D Grewia mildibraedii	Berry/Tree Berry/Tree	20 15	1.2	Sem-iidecidous forest	
				Myrianthus holstii D Olea capensis D	Nut/Shrub Drupe/Tree	40 20	3 13		
			Urticaceae	Olinia rochetiana D	Berry/Shrub	10	1.1		
			Oleaceae	Prunus africana D Syzygium guineense	Berry/Tree Drupe/Tree	13 30	1.3 23		
			Penaeaceae Rosaceae						
Tamias senex (Shadow	Mammal	Rodent	Myrtaceae Pinaceae	Pinus ponderosa	Cone/tree	130	19	Thick forest	Fiehler, 2007
Chipmunk) Nucifera Columbiana	Bird		Pinaceae	Pinus albicaulis	Cone/Tree	60	9	Open plantation	Tomback, 1982
(Clark's nutcrackers)	Bild		i maceae	1 mus amicanus	Colle/ Tree	00	,	Open plantation	TOHIDack, 1962
Lagothrix cana (woolly monkeys)	Mammal	Primate	Sapotaceae	Manilkara bidentata	Berry/Tree	40	10	Thick forest	Levi and Peres
Bellbirds	Bird		Loranthaceae	Alepis flavida,	Berry/Shrub	14	1	Clear forest	LADLEY and
Bilvereyes.			Loranthaceae Loranthaceae	Peraxilla colensoi, P. tetrapetala,					DAVE KELLY 1996
			Loranthaceae Loranthaceae	Ileostylus micranthus Tupeia antarctica					
Howler monkeys	Mammal	Primate	Melastomataceae	M. cinnamomifolia	Berry/Tree	5	<1	Semi-decidous	FIGUEIREDO
			Arecaceae Myrtaceae	Syagrus oleraceae Myrcianthes pungens	Drupe/Tree Drupe/Tree	40 15	32 9	forest	&LONGATII, 1997
			Fabaceae	C. langsdorffii	Capsule/Tree	14	6	1	
Callithrix jacchus	Mammal	Primate	Melastomataceae	M. cinnamomifolia	Berry/Tree	5	<1	Semi-decidous	
(Marmosets) Pan paniscus (bonobo)	Mammal	Primate	Moraceae Ebenaceae	Ficus sp. Diospyros sp.	Syconium/Tree	14	1	forest Lowland	Beaune et
			Meliaceae Clusiaceae	Guarea aurentii Garcinia sp.	Capsule/Tree	20	14	tropical rain forest	al.2013
			Sapotaceae	Manilkara yangambiensis	Berry/Tree	55	10		
Cattle and horse	Mammal	Ungulate	Urticaceae	Urtica dioica	Achene/Herb	1.5	1	Grassland	Cosyns et al.
Goats	Mammal	Ungulate	Caryophyllaceae Cistaceae	Juncus spp. Cistus albidus L.	Capsules/Shrub	10	3	Shrub land	2005 Grande et al
			Rhamnaceae	Rhamnus lycioides L.	Berry/Shrub Arcon/Tree	6 10	1 <1		2013
Apodemus sylvaticus	Mammal	Rodent	Fagaceae	Quercus ilex	Arcon/Tree	10	<1		Gómez et al. 2007
Aceros cassidis (Sulawesi red-knobbed	Bird		Myristiceae Annonaceae	Horsfelida brachiate Cananga odorata	Berry/Tree	20	5	Lowland tropical rain	Kinnaird 1998
hornbill)	Mammal	Ungulata	Myrtaceae Fabaceae	Syzygium sp. Trifolium angustifolium	Pod/Herb	8	4	forest Shrub land	Manzano and
Sheep	Mammai	Ungulate		Daucus carota			4	Sili ub ialiu	Malo, 2006
			Apiaceae Poaceae	Hordeum murinum Plantago lagopus	Umbel/Herb Caryopsis/Herb	4 80	3.5		
Artibeus jamaicensis	Mammal	Bat	Plantaginaceae Moraceae	Ficus trigonata	Capsule/Herb Syconium//Tree	2.5	1.7		August, 1981
(Jamaican fruit bat)		Dat			-				_
Orioles, Tanagers, Trogons and	Bird		Moraceae	Ficus continifolia	Syconium//Tree	10	1	Tropical rain forest	Jordano, 1983
Flycatchers Pseudalopex culpaeus,	Mammal	Carnivore	Zygophylaceae	Porlieria chilensis	Nut/Shrub	7.8	2	Thornscrub	Silver et al. 2003
(Native fox)			Anacardiaceae	Schinus molle	Berry/Tree	5	<1 7		
Tapirus terrestris (Lowland Tapir)	Mammal	Ungulate	Arecaceae Arecaceae	Euterpe edulis Syagrus romanzoffiana	Drupe/Tree Drupe/Tree	13 30	21	Forest	Galetti et al, 2001
			Arecaceae	S. oleracea Copaifera langsdorffii	Drupe/Tree	50	32		
			Fabaceae	Enterolobium contortisiliquum	Capsule/Tree	14	6		
			Filmon	Inga sp.	Pod/Tree	35	8		
			Fabaceae	Ficus sp. Psidium guajava					
			Fabaceae Moraceae	Mangifera indica					
			Myrtaceae Anacardiaceae		Berry/Tree Drupe/Tree	40 60	3 26		
Oryctolagus cuniculus	Mammal	Ungulate	Rubiaceae	Plocama pendula	Berry/Shrub	10	1	Shrub land	Nogales et al.
(Rabbit) Leontopithecus	Mammal	Primate	Melastomataceae	Henriettea succosa				Tropical forest	1995 Cardoso et al.
chrysomelas (golden- headed lion tamarins)			Celastraceae	Cheiloclinium cognatum	Berry/Shrub	40	15		2011
neaded non tantarins)			Urticaceae	Pourouma acutiflora					
			Passifloraceae Myrtaceae	Passifloraceae sp. Myrcia fallax				1	
Aouatta palliate	Mammal	Primate	Fabaceae Moraceae	Inga subnuda Brosimum alicastrum	Nut/Tree	15	9	Ever green rain	Estrada and
(Howling monkeys)								forest	Coates-Estrada 1984
Rhinoceros unicornis	Mammal	Ungulate	Euphorbiaceae	Trewia nudiflora	Berry/Tree	35	2	Riverine forest	Coates-Estrada
								1	and Estrada 1986
Platyrrhinus lineatus Geoffroy	Mammal	Bat	Moraceae	Ficus sp.				Smi-decidous fores	Figueiredo and Perin, 1995
Didelphis Virginiana	Mammal	Ungulate	Rosaceae	Rubus rosifolius	Berry/Herb	20	1	fores Forest gragment	Cáceres and
(Opossums)								1	Monteiro-Filho, 2007
Paradoxurus hermaphroditus	Mammal	Carnivore	Sapindaceae	Nepheliym lappaceum				Rain forest	Nakashima and Sukor 2010
(common palm civets)				1		1			
Felis catus	Mammal	Carnivore	Cupressaceae Rutaceae	Juniperus phoenicea Neochamaelea	Cone/Tree	14	5	Open forest	Nogales, 1996
			Solanaceae	pulverulenta Withania aristana				1	
Eulemur fulvus rufus	Mammal	Primate	Malvaceae	Grewia grandulosa	Drupe/shrub	28	19	Dry deciduous	Spehn and
(Brown lemur) Alouatta spp (Howler	Mammal	Primate	Moraceae	Ficus enormis	Syconium/Tree	13	3	forest	Ganzhorn de Figueiredo
monkeys) Tapirus terrestris	Mammal	Ungulate	Arecaceae	Maximiliana maripa.	Nut/Tree	60	40	Riverine forest	1993 Fragoso et al.
(Lowland Tapir)		Ongulate			INUL/ TIEE	00	40	Kiverine forest	2003
Anas crecca	Bird		Characeae	Chara oogonia					Brochet et al.



			Juncaceae Potamogetonaceae	Eleocharis palustris Juncus spp.					
Cercopithecus nictitans	Mammal	Primate	Annonaceae	Potamogeton pusillus Isolona pleurocarpa	Pod/Tree	45	8	Montane Forest	Chapman et al.
(putty-nosed monkey)	Manimai	Finnate	Burseraceae	Santiria trimera	Drupe//Tree	25	17	Montane Porest	2009
			Cannabaceae Fabaceae	Celtis gomophylla Parkia filiciodea	Drupe/Tree	10	6		
			Sapindaceae Rubiaceae	Deinbollia pinnata Rytigynia umbellulata	Berry/Shrub Berry/Shrub	15	1.1 <1		
Didelphis aurita (the	Mammal	Ungulate	Urticaceae	Cecropia hololeuca	Achene/Tree	160	3	Tropical semi-	de Viveiros and
common opossum) Sheep	Mammal	Ungulate	Urticaceae	Urtica dioica	Achene/Herb	1.5	1	deciduous forest Grassland	Garcia 1999 Kuiters &
Didelphis albiventris	Mammal	Ungulate	Piperaceae	Piper L.				Seasonal	Huiskes, 2010 Cantor et al.
(White-eared opossum)			Urticaceae Solanaceae	Cecropia Loefl. Solanum L.,	Achene/Tree	150	2.3	semideciduous forest.	2010
			Cannabaceae	Trema Lour.	Drupe/Tree	5	3.8	iorest.	
Cacajao	Mammal	Primate	Urticaceae Rubiaceae	Urera Gaudich Duroia velutina	Achene/Liana	3.5	3	Dense forest	Barnett, 2012
melanocephalus ouakary, Chiropotes			Lecythidaceae	Eschweilera tenuifolia Inga rhynchocalyx					
chiropotes and			Fabaceae	Macrolobium					
Chiropotes albinasus			Fabaceae	acaciifolium					
Vulpes vulpes L (Red fox.)	Mammal	Carnivore	Cannabaceae	Celtis australis L.	Berry/Tree	10	1	Shrub land	Juan et al. 2006
Cillillill-	Mammal	Daimete	Comingdonous	Cleville	Danie /Terr	20	15	Transical forest	Dates at al 2012
Gorilla gorilla gorilla (Low land gorilla)	Mammal	Primate	Sapindaceae	Ganophyllum giganteum	Drupe/Tree			Tropical forest	Petre et al. 2013
Dasyprocta ssp.	Mammal	Rodent	Euphorbiaceae Arecaceae	Uapaca guineensis Astrocaryum	Berrylike/Tree Drupe/Tree	25 50	7 33	Rainforest	Donatti et al.
(common agouti) Papio Anubis (Baboon)	Mammal	Primate	Euphorbiaceae	aculeatissimum Securinega virosa	Berrylike/Shrub	5	<1	Savannah	2009 Lieberman &
Fapio Anubis (Babooli)	Manimai	Finnate	Meliaceae	Azadirachta indica	Drupe/Tree	25	10	woodland	Swaine, 1979
Leontopithecus	Mammal	Primate	Rubiaceae Burseraceae	Nauclea latifolia Protium sp	Drupe/Shrub	80	30	Semideciduous	Passos, 1997
chrysopygus (black lion tamarin)			Cannabaceae Acanthaceae	Celtis pubescens Mendoncia sp.	Berrylike/Tree	5	<1	mesophytic forest	
			Boraginaceae	Cordia sp					
Ursus arctos (Brown Bears)	Mammal	Carnivore	Ericaceae Grossulariaceae	Vaccinium spp. Ribes spp.				Rainforest	Willson1 and gende, 2004
			Araliaceae Rosaceae	Oplopanax spp. Rubus spp.					
			Liliaceae Adoxaceae	Streptopus spp.					
Pan troglodytes	Mammal	Primate	Moraceae	Sambucus spp. Myriallfhus holstii				Woodland	Takasaki, 1983
(chimpanzees)			Myristicaceae	PycnanthusAngolensis Pseudospondias	Drupe/Tree	35	10		
Corvus corax	Bird		Anacardiaceae Solanaceae	microcarpa Lycium intricatum	Berry/Tree Berry/Shrub	25 14	6	Shrub land	Nogales et al.
Corvas corax	Bild		Cactaceae	Opuntia ficus-indica	Tuna/Herb	50	2	Sili do land	1999
			Rubiaceae Rubiaceae	Rubia fruticosa Plocama pendula	Berry/Shrub Berry/Shrub	5 5	<1 <1		
			Cupressaceae Arecaceae	Juniperus sp Phoenix canariensis	Drupe/Tree	11	5		
			Liliaceae	Asparagus pastorianus	Berry/Shrub	5	<1		
			Myristicaceae	Myrica faya	Drupe/Shrub	5	<1		
Domestic goats	Mammal	Ungulate	Cactaceae	Cactus spp.				Thornscrub	Baraza and Valiente-Banuet,
	Mammal	Primate	Actinidiaceace	Actinidia arguta	Berry/Liana	40	2.5	Coniferous fores	2008 Tsuji, 2011
	Walinian	Timac	Aquifoliaceae	Ilex macropoda	Berry/Tree	6.5	1	Connerous rores	1301, 2011
Macaca fuscata (Japanese macaques)				Akebia sp.					
Hemiphaga novaeseelandiae	Bird		Lauraceae	Beilschmiedia tawa	Berry/Tree	33	1.5	Forest	Bell, 1995
(Kereru)	D								
Trachemys scripta elegans (red-eared	Reptile		Moraceae Poaceae	Morus spp. Echinochloa crus-galli					Kimmons and Moll
sliders)			Polygonaceae	Rumex crispus	Achene	5	1		
Macaca mulatta (rhesus macaques)	Mammal	Primate	Moraceae Phyllanthaceae	Ficus sp. Baccaurea sp				Secondary forest	Tsuji et al. 2013
Chlorocebus tantalus	Mammal	Primate	Zingiberaceae	Aframomum	Berry/Herb	60	5	Montane forest	Agme et al.
tantalus (tantalus monkeys)			Guttiferaceae	angustifolium. Harungana	Berrylike/Shrub	4	<1		2009
			Apocynaceae	madagascariensis Landolphia sp.					
			Vitaceae Euphorbiaceae	Leea guineensis Bridelia speciosa	Berry/Shrub Drupe/Shrub	6 5	<1 4		
			Fabaceae	Albizia gummifera	Pod/Tree	25	6		
Terrapene carolina bauri (Florida box	Reptile		Arecaceae	Serenoa repens	Drupe/Tree	20	12	Pine rockland forest	Liu et al. 2004
turtle) Melursus ursinus	Mammal	Carnivore	Myrtaceae	Syzigium cumini	Berry/Tree	50	40	Rain forest	Tobler, 2002
(Sloth Bear)			Anacardiaceae	Mangiifera indica Erycibe maingayi	Drupr/Tree	60	26		
	Mammal	Com		e rycine maingayi	1	1	1	Ever green rain	McCONKEY
Helarctos malayanus (sun bear)	Mammal	Carnivore	Convolvulaceae Moraceae	Ficus consociata	Syconium/Tree	11	1	forest	and Galetti 1999
Helarctos malayanus (sun bear)			Moraceae Burseraceae	Ficus consociata Canarium pilosum	Syconium/Tree Drupe/Tree Achene/Herb	45	27		
Helarctos malayanus (sun bear) Odocoileus virginianus Zimm (white-tailed	Mammal Mammal	Carnivore Ungulate	Moraceae Burseraceae Amaranthaceae	Ficus consociata Canarium pilosum Chenopodium glaucum Lythrum salicaria	Drupe/Tree Achene/Herb	45 3	27	Deciduous forest	and Galetti 1999 Myers et al. 2004
Helarctos malayanus (sun bear) Odocoileus virginianus			Moraceae Burseraceae Amaranthaceae Lythraceae Rosaceae	Ficus consociata Canarium pilosum Chenopodium glaucum Lythrum salicaria Potentilla norvegica C. album	Drupe/Tree Achene/Herb Capsule/Herb Achene/Herb	45 3 4 2	27 <1 <1 <1 <1		Myers et al.
Helarctos malayanus (sun bear) Odocoileus virginianus Zimm (white-tailed deer)	Mammal	Ungulate	Moraceae Burseraceae Amaranthaceae Lythraceae Rosaceae Amaranthaceae Caprifoliaceae	Ficus consociata Canarium pilosum Chenopodium glaucum Lythrum salicaria Potentilla norvegica	Drupe/Tree Achene/Herb Capsule/Herb	45 3 4	27 <1 <1	Deciduous forest	Myers et al. 2004
Helarctos malayanus (sun bear) Odocoileus virginianus Zimm (white-tailed deer) Lagothrix lagothricha			Moraceae Burseraceae Amaranthaceae Lythraceae Rosaceae Amaranthaceae Caprifoliaceae Urticaceae	Ficus consociata Canarium pilosum Chenopodium glaucum Lythrum salicaria Potentilla norvegica C. album Lonicera sp. Cecropia spp,	Drupe/Tree Achene/Herb Capsule/Herb Achene/Herb	45 3 4 2	27 <1 <1 <1 <1	Deciduous forest Tropical rain	Myers et al.
Helarctos malayanus (sun bear) Odocoileus virginianus Zimm (white-tailed deer)	Mammal	Ungulate	Moraceae Burseraceae Amaranthaceae Lythraceae Rosaceae Amaranthaceae Caprifoliaceae Urticaceae Moraceae Melastomataceae	Ficus consociata Chenopodium glaucum Lythrum salicaria Potentilla norvegica C. album Lonicera sp. Cecropia spp, Ficus spp. Henriettella spp.	Drupe/Tree Achene/Herb Capsule/Herb Achene/Herb	45 3 4 2	27 <1 <1 <1 <1	Deciduous forest	Myers et al. 2004
Helarctos malayanus (sun bear) Odocoileus virginianus Zimm (white-tailed deer) Lagothrix lagothricha	Mammal	Ungulate	Moraceae Amaranthaceae Lythraceae Rosaceae Amaranthaceae Caprifoliaceae Urticaceae Moraceae Melastomataceae Urticaceae Urticaceae Urticaceae	Ficus consociata Canarium pilosum Chenopodium glaucum Lythrum salicaria Potentilla novvegica C. album Lonicera sp. Cecropia spp, Ficus spp, Ficus spp, Henriettella spp. Coussapoa spp, Pourouma bicolor	Drupe/Tree Achene/Herb Capsule/Herb Achene/Herb	45 3 4 2	27 <1 <1 <1 <1	Deciduous forest Tropical rain	Myers et al. 2004
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Helarctos malayanus (sun bear) Odocoileus virginianus Zimm (white-tailed deer) Lagothrix lagothricha (Woolly Monkeys) Odocoileus virginianus	Mammal	Ungulate	Moraceae Amaranthaceae Lythraceae Rosaceae Amaranthaceae Caprifoliaceae Urticaceae Moraceae Melastomataceae Urticaceae Urticaceae Urticaceae	Ficus consociata Canarium pilosum Chenopodium glaucum Lythrum salicaria Potentilla novvegica C. album Lonicera sp. Cecropia spp, Ficus spp, Ficus spp, Henriettella spp. Coussapoa spp, Pourouma bicolor	Drupe/Tree Achene/Herb Capsule/Herb Achene/Herb Achene/Herb	45 3 4 2 2	27 <1 <1 <1 <1 <1	Deciduous forest Tropical rain forest Agricultural-	Myers et al. 2004 Stevenson, 2000 Guiden et al
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Helarctos malayanus (sun bear) Odocoileus virginianus Zinm (white-tailed deer) Lagothrix lagothricha (Woolly Monkeys) Odocoileus virginianus (White-tailed deer)	Mammal Mammal Mammal	Ungulate Primate	Moraceae Burseraceae Amaranthaceae Lythraceae Rosaceae Amaranthaceae Caprifoliaceae Urticaceae Melastomataceae Urticaceae Urticaceae Leythidaceae Leythidaceae Caprifloriaceae	Ficus consociata Canarium pilosum Chenopodium glaucum Lythrum salicaria Potentilla norvegica C. album Lonicera sp. Cecropia spp, Ficus spp. Henriettella spp. Coussapoa spp, Pourouma bicolor Inga bonplandiana Gustavia hexapetala Lonicera maackii	Drupe/Iree Achene/Herb Capsule/Herb Achene/Herb Achene/Herb Achene/Herb Drupe/Tree Berry/Tree Berry/Shrub	45 3 4 2 2 2 20 50 5	27	Deciduous forest Tropical rain forest Agricultural-	Myers et al. 2004 Stevenson, 2000 Guiden et al 2015



Sus scrofa (feral pigs)	Mammal	Ungulate	Prumnopityaceae	Prumnopitys taxifolia	Berrylike/Tree	13	1		O'Connor* and
									Dave Kelly, 2012
Scatter-hoarding rodents	Mammal	Rodent	Lecythidaceae	Bertholletia excelsa	Capsule/Tree	150	50	Flooded forest	Haugaasen et al. 2010
Ptilogonys cinereus (Gray Silky- flycatchers) Myiozetetes similis (Social Flycatchers);	Bird		Loranthaceae	Psittacanthus schiedeanus	Berry/Shrub	20	1.3	Cloud forest remnant	Buen and Ornelas 2001
Civets (Viverridae)	Mammal	Carnivore	Lamiaceae Rosaceae	Vitex glabrata Prunus ceylanica	Berry/Tree Drupe/Tree	15 30	1 10	Tropical forest	Chakravarthy and Ratnam 2015
Geochelone denticulata (Amazonian tortoise)	Reptile		Apocynaceae, Fabaceae	Rauvolfia micrantha Lecointea amazonica	Capsule/Shrub Capsule/Tree	7 50	3 35	Rainforest	Guzmán and Stevenson
(Amazonian tortoise)			Annonaceae Moraceae	Rollinia sp. Helicostylis tomentosa, Ficus spp.	Drupe/Tree	30	24		Stevenson
			Moraceae Moraceae	Brosimum lactescens	Drupe/Tree	20	15		
Propithecus diaderna edwardsi, Eulemur fuluus rufus, Eulemur rubriventer)	Mammal	Primate	Anacardiaceae Sapotaceae Myrtaceae	Protorhrrs sp. Chrysophyllum madagascariensis Eugenia sp.	Berry/Tree	60	10	Montane rain forest	Overdorff and Strait 1998
Lemur catta (Ring- tailed Lemurs)	Mammal	Primate	Fabaceae	Tamarindus indica	Pod/Tree	150	20	Gallery forests	Mertl-Millholler et al. 2011
Nucifera Columbiana (Clark's nutcrackers)	Bird		Pinaceae	Pinus albicaulis	Cone/Tree	60	9	Open plantation	Hutchins and Lanner 1982
Cerdocyon thous	Mammal	Carnivore	Myrtaceae	Eugenia umbelliflora	Berry/Tree	13	2	Rainforest	Cazetta and
(Crab-eating Fox) Saguinus mystax	Mammal	Primate	Vitaceae	Leonia glycycarpa	Dupe/Tree	30	23	Rainforest	Galetti 2009 Garber 1986
Saguinus fuscicollis Papio cynocephalus Cercopithecus albogularis	Mammal	Primate	Fabaceae	Pourouma sp., Afzelia quanzensis	Pod/Tree	100	10	Rainforest	Gathua, 2000
Heliosciurus rufobrachium Paraxerus palliatus	Mammal	Rodent							
Alouatta caraya (black and gold howlers)	Mammal	Primate	Myrtaceae Lauraceae Lauraceae	Eugenia punicifolia Ocotea diospyrifolia Nectandra megapotamica	Drupe/Shrub Drupe/Tree Drupe/Tree	26 15 6	14 8 4	Flooded forest	Bravo 2011
Podarcis lilfordi (lizard)	Reptile		Solanaceae	Lycopersicon esculentum	Berry/Liana	60	1.2		Castilla, 2009
Cerradomys subflavus	Mammal	Rodent	Arecaceae	Allagoptera arenaria	Drupe/Tree	25	18	Semi deciduous forest	Grenha et al. 2010
Pan paniscus (bonobo)	Mammal	Primate	Fabaceae	Dialium spp.				Rain forest	Beaune et al. 2013
Macaca fuscata (Japanese macaques)	Mammal	Primate	Myricaceae Lauraceae Lauraceae Lauraceae	Myrica rubra Persea thunbergii Neolitsea sericea Litsea acuminata	Berry/Tree Drupe/Tree Drupe/Tree Drupe/Tree	20 22 25 25	4 18 18 18	Rain forest	Tsujino and Yumoto, 2009
Sus scrofa (Wild boar)	Mammal	Ungulate	Moraceae Amaranthaceae	Morus sp. Amaranthus blitum	Achene/Herb	2	<1	Shrub land	Dovrat et al. 2012
Sylivia atricapilla Erithacus rebecula S. borin S. melanocephala	Bird		Moraceae Rosaceae	Ficus religiosa Rubus ulmifolius	Syconium/Tree Berry/Herb	15	1		Jordano 1982
Turdus merula Chiroderma doriae C. villosum	Mammal	Bat	Moraceae	Ficus sp.				Humid forest	Nogueira and Peracchi
Lepus Capensis L (Hares)	Mammal	Ungulate	Poaceae Amaranthaceae Amaranthaceae Nyctaginaceae Poaceae Poaceae	Tragus berteronianus Achyranthes aspera Pupalia lappacea Boerhavia repense Harpachne schimperi Themeda triandra	Caryopsis/Herb Achene/Herb Achene/Herb Berrylike/Shrub Caryopsis/Herb Caryopsis/Herb	2 3 3 4 1.3	<1 <1 <1 <1 <1	Grassland	Agnew and Flux 1970
Rabbit	Mammal	Ungulate	Caryophyllaceae Asteraceae Urticaceae Plantaginaceae	Sagina apetala Senecio jacobaea Urtica dioica Veronica arvensis	Capsule/Herb Achene/Herb Achene/Herb Capsule/Herb	5 4 1.5 5	<1 <1 1 <1	Grassland	Pakeman et al. 1999
Sheep	Mammal	Ungulate	Fabaceae Fabaceae Fabaceae	Trifolium stellatum L. T. tomentosum L. T. campestre Schreb	Pod/Herb Pod/Herb Pod/Herb	5 5 5	1 1	Grassland	Russi et al. 1992
Dromiciops australis	Mammal	Marsupial	Santalaceae	Viscum album	Berry/Tree	25	10	Temperate forest	Amico and
Vulpes vulpes L. (red fox)	Mammal	Carnivore	Myrtaceae	Myrtus communi	Berry/Shrub	8	1		Aizen 2000 Aronne and
Ursus americanus (black bears)	Mammal	Carnivore	Rosaceae Rosaceae Berberidaceae Anacardiaceae Caprifoliaceae	Amelanchier alnifolia Prunus virginiana Mahonia repens Rhus trilobata Symphoricarpos	Berry/Shrub Drupe/Shrub Berry/Shrub Berry/Shrub Drupe/Shrub	13 10 12 7 25	1 7 1 1 16		Russo 1997 Auger et al. 2002
Loxodonta africana	Mammal	Ungulate	Fabaceae	oreophilus Acacia erioloba	Pod/Tree	28	5	Forest	Dudley 1999
africana Tapirus indicus (Tapirs)	Mammal	Ungulate	Arecaceae	Syagrus romanzoffiana	Drupe/Tree	30	21	Atlantic forest	Giombini et al. 2009
Cyanocitta cristata (blue jays)	Bird		Fagaceae	Fagus grandifolia	Nut/Tree	15	4	Woodlot	Johnson and Adkisson 1985
Nucifera Columbiana (Clark's nutcrackers)	Bird		Pinaceae	Pinus flexilis	Cone/Tree	40	10	Open plantation	Lanner and Vander Wall 1980
Cattle	Mammal	Ungulate	Fabaceae	Biserrula pelecinus	Pod/Shrub	20	2		Malo and Suare: 1995
Cervus elaphus (Red deer)	Mammal	Ungulate	Cistaceae	Cistus ladanifer	Capsules/Shrub	10	<1	Mediteranean ecosystem	Malo and Suáre: 1998
Pteropus dasymallus (Orii's flying fox)	Bat		Combretaceae Moraceae	Terminaria catapa Ficus sp.	Drupe/Tree	60	30		Nakamoto et al. 2009
Macaca fuscata yakui (Yakushima macaque)	Mammal	Primate	Moraceae Pentaphylacaceae Ericaceae	Ficus thunbergii Eurya japonica Euphorbiaceae	Syconium/Tree Berrylike/Shrub Berry/Shrub	20 5 6	1 <1 <1	Warm temperate forest	Otani and Shibata 2000
Civettictis civetta (African civet)	Mammal	Carnivore	Burseraceae Myristicaceae	Dacryodes edulis Pycnanthus angolensis Elaeis guineensis	Drupe/Tree Drupe/Tree	90 30	70 20	Rain forest	Pendje 1994
			Arecaceae Myristicaceae	Staudtia stipitata Trilepisium sp.	Drupe/Tree Drupe/Tree	70 60	32 40		



			Moraceae						
Canis latrans (Coyote)	Mammal	Carnivore	Ebenaceae	Diospyros virginiana	Berry/Tree	60	10		Roehm and Moran 2013
Alouatta palliata mexicana (Mexican howler monkeys)	Mammal	Primate	Moraceae	Ficus spp				Tropical rain forest	Serio-Silva and Rico-Gray 2003
Eulemur fulvus fulvus (common brown lemur)	Mammal	Primate	Lamiaceae Malvaceae	Vitex sp. Grewia triflora	Drupe/Shrub	10	7	Tropical dry forest	Sato 2012
Martes foina (Pine martens)	Mammal	Carnivore	Ericaceae Rosaceae	Vaccinium myrtillus Rubus idaeus	Berry/Shrub Berry/Herb	7 15	1	Temperate woodland	Schaumann and Heinken 2002
Cebus apella Ateles aniscus	Mammal	Primate	Rhamnaceae	Ziziphus sp.					Zhang and Wang 1995
Macaca fuscata yakui (Japanese monkeys)	Mammal	Primate	Lauraceae	Persea thunbergii	Drupe/Tree	22	18	warm temperate evergreen forest	Yumoto et al. 1998
Mitu salvini (Salvin's curassows)	Bird		Rubiaceae Moraceae	Geophila repens Ficus sphenophylla	Drupe/Herb Syconium/Tree	5 10	3	Lowland tropical forest	Yumoto 1999
Dicaeurn hirundinaceurn Acanthagenys rufogularis	Bird		Loranthaceae	Lysiana exocarpi	Berry/Shrub	10	1		Yan 1993

APPENDIX II: The Frequency Of Different Vertebrate Groups Per Fruit Size Range

	Animal group									
Fruit size (mm)	Birds	Primates	Ungulates	Carnivores	Reptiles	Bats	Rodents			
<5	0	1	18	0	0	0	0			
5.0-10	9	19	13	7	2	1	1			
10.1-20.0	7	21	6	8	4	0	0			
20.1-30.0	0	16	3	3	1	0	1			
30.1-40	2	7	2	0	0	1	0			
40.1-50	0	4	2	2	1	0	1			
50.1-100	4	6	3	5	1	0	1			
>100	0	1	4	0	0	0				
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APPENDIX III: The frequency of different vertebrate groups per seed size range

	Animal	Animal group									
Seed size (mm)	Birds	Primates	Ungulates	Carnivores	Reptiles	Bats	Rodents				
<1	4	9	15	1	0	0	1				
1.0-5.0	13	23	26	12	4	1	0				
5.1-10.0	4	15	3	3	1	0	1				
10.1-20.0	0	13	2	3	2	0	2				
20.1-30.0	0	6	4	2	1	1	0				
>30	0	2	1	4	1	0	2				

