



BIRDING TOURS WITH MANAKIN...

About 18% of all bird species in the world, approximately 1876 can be found in Colombia. The true bird country. Two oceans, the Andes mountain chain which is divided into three sub mountain chains, the highest coastal mountain in the world, the bio-geographic Choco, the Amazon jungle, the Orinoco plains and a great variety of ecosystems, weather, and landscapes make our country the best place for birds' lovers the whole world.

Come to visit National Natural Parks, Wildlife Sanctuaries, and Nature Reserves and enjoy about 90% of Colombian endemics. There are more than 300 bird species per destination; great ecosystems diversity and an altitudinal variation from the sea level to the 4000 meters of height are the attraction of this fantastic trip.

BAHIA SOLANO/SOLANO BAY

5 Days / 4 Nights

Price available in VIP Class and Middle Class travels for maximum 8 people

Bahia Solano is probably the most beautiful place in the pacific coast in Colombia. There it is possible to see many important bird species with all comfort and security of the best Birdwatching tour. This incredible site offers you amazing locations, hotels and good paths for seeing birds but whales, dolphins and also turtles. Amazing boat routes and incredible forests will give you the best birding tour in the Choco lowlands.

Itinerary:

- Day 1.** Arriving in Bogotá.
Night in a hotel in Bogota.
- Day 2.** Early in the morning, departure to Bahia Solano (Choco) in a flight since Bogota. We will take the lunch in Bahia Solano and we will arrive at hotel (El Almejal) at noon. We will see birds around the hotel in the afternoon.
Night in El Almejal Lodge (Bahia Solano)
- Day 3.** Birding every day on the road, that is located between El Valle and Bahia Solano. This is a fantastic birding time within the choco lands. Some important birds in this area are: Great Curassow; Plumbeous Hawk; Dusky Pigeon; Great Green Macaw; Cinnamon Woodpecker; the poorly known **Sooty-capped Puffbird** (a near endemic); Chocó Toucan; Yellow-eared Toucanet; Northern Barred-Woodcreeper; Black-striped Woodcreeper; Immaculate Antbird; Stub-tailed Antbird; Chestnut-backed Antbird and Dull-mantled Antbird; Black-headed Antthrush; Thicket Antpitta; and Streak-chested Antpitta.
Night in El Almejal Lodge
- Day 4.** Birding in Refugio de Fauna y Flora del Valle, which is an excellent but a long walk within the exuberant forest with many interesting birds. Some of them are: **Berlepsch's Tinamou** (almost- endemic), Five-colored Barbet; Spot-crowned Barbet; Red-capped and Blue-crowned manakin, and army-ant following antbirds such as Ocellated, Spotted and Bicolored antbirds. From a nearby tree platform we may be able to see Rose-faced and Saffron-headed parrot; Black-breasted and Pied puffbird; Slaty Gnatcatcher; Plain-colored Tanager; Rufous-winged

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Tanager; Blue-whiskered Tanager; Lemon-browed Tanager; Tawny-crested Tanager; Scarlet-browed Tanager and Scarlet-and-white Tanager among others.

Night in El Almejal Lodge

Day 5. We will go to the fantastic Utria National Park by private boat in where we will be able to see birds within mangroves and beach. There, we will have the chance to search some difficult birds in other areas. Finally we will come back again by boat for the dinner.

Night in El Almejal Lodge

Day 6. Early in the morning, we will take an airplane to Bogota.

What is included?

Transport

- Private vans (comfortable transport) with air conditioning
- Air transport between Bogota – Bahia Solano – Bogota
- Sea transport and overland transport in Bahia Solano (horses and bus)

Alimentation

- All food: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner in all locations with open menu in restaurants.
- 2 snacks daily that include bottle water, fruit, etc.
- One beer or soda included with meals

Accommodation

- VIP Class Hotels or Tourism Class Hotels
- Eco-lodges within the Natural Reserves (note: hot water is not available in all reserves)
- Towel and linen provided in all places
- Entrance fees at National Parks and Reserves

Guides, drivers and cooks

- The group will be accompanied by a professional guide all time
- Experienced car and boat drivers
- Experienced cooks in all reserves, lodges and hotels

IS NOT INCLUDED

- International Flights and taxes
- Toiletries
- Laundry Service
- Room service
- Tips or gratuity
- Medical Expenses
- Beer except one beer at lunch or dinner
- International or local Phone Calls
- Activities not included in the itinerary
- Extensions of a trip due to circumstances beyond our control

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Tour Map

