BIRDING IN COLOMBIAN ANDES SUPER PROMO / 01 – 15 July 2022 Signature Birding Tour by Alejandro Nagy

A magical birding adventure in the Colombian mountains of the Eastern, Central and Western Andes that includes the incredible geographic region of Choco in the middle and lower lands of the Montezuma Reserve. Enjoying incredible bird groups such as hummingbirds, Antpittas, Tapaculos, Tanagers and Fruiteaters and more than 450 species that can be seen on this route, we will visit unbelievable hummingbird feeders and the famous antpitta feeders of Rio Blanco.

Itinerary

01/07/2022. Day 1. Arrival to Bogota – Hilton Garden Inn 02/07/2022. Day 2. Chingaza National Park, Observatorio de Colibries / Hilton garden Inn 03/07/2022. Day 3. Parque Nacional Sumapaz, transfer a Ibague / Noche en F25 04/07/2022. Day 4. Ukuku Reserve and Combeima Canyon / Noche en F25 05/07/2022. Day 5. San Jorge Botanical Garden, transfer manizales / Night in Recinto del pensa 06/07/2022. Day 6. Hacienda El Bosque, CHEC Forest / Night in Recinto del Pensamiento 07/07/2022. Day 7. Nevado del Ruiz, Termales, transfer Otun / Kumandai 08/07/2022. Day 8. Otun-Quimbaya all day / Kumandai 09/07/2022. Day 9. Otun, transfer to Montezuma Reserve / Night in Montezuma 10/07/2022. Day 10. Montezuma Reserve / Montezuma 11/07/2022. Day 11. Montezuma Reserve / Montezuma 12/07/2022. Day 12. Montezuma, transfer to jardin / Valdivia Plaza 13/07/2022. Day 13. Yellow eared parrot reserve and Cock of the Rock leks / Night in Valdivia 14/07/2022. Day 15. La Romera, flight to Bogota / International connections or night in Bogota



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Alejandro is French / Venezuelan, born in Caracas, Venezuela. His fascination for nature and wildlife began at the early age of 8 years old at the Parque Nacional Ávila, right in his hometown. Currently, he has acquired an 18-year experience in ornithology. It all started in 2001 when he participated as a field assistant on a survey about the ethno-biological knowledge of a yanomami ethnic subgroup called the Shirian. After this experience, Alejandro acquired birder fever. He worked as a bird guide for many years and as a natural historian within the worldwide acclaimed Hato El Cedral and Hato Piñero in the Venezuelan Plains. Alejandro also performed guided visits for bird watching companies from America, the United Kingdom and Europe with Chris Sharpe at Birding Venezuela and Ascanio Birding Tours (David Ascanio). His research field work as well as his birding visits have taken him across all Venezuela. For decades he was at the Parque Nacional Tama, which is shared with Colombia, at the last trail from the Oriental range on the Andes, searching for unregistered species such as the Tachira Antpitta and having the privilege to be among the pioneers in rediscovering the locally restricted Orinoco Softtail. After bird watching at the sixth largest avifauna of the planet and being overwhelmed by the massive diversity of his neighboring country, Alejandro arrived at Colombia in 2016 and is now one of our guides at Manakin Nature Tours.

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Detailed Itinerary

Day 1. Arrival to Bogota – Hilton Garden Inn

Our protocol staff will be waiting for you to later take you to a hotel near the airport, the next day you must be ready to leave early in the morning to birding around Bogota.

Night in Hilton Garden Inn Hotel - https://www.hiltonhotels.com/es_XM/colombia/hilton-garden-inn-bogota-airport/

Day 2. Chingaza National Park, Observatorio de Colibries / Hilton garden Inn





<u>Chingaza National Park:</u> Located approximately 1.5 hours from the city of Bogotá, the PNN Chingaza protects ecosystems from the moorland up to the foot of Monte Andino. The places of access from the city are mainly constituted by sub-paramos and we stop, being bushes and vegetation of little growth the predominant one in the zone. The best bird watching place is on the unpaved road as it is flanked by the type of habitat typical of the moors and in which the birds inhabit. The landscapes that make up these ecosystems are really incredible and something typical is that at any time rains or radiant sun can appear, finding a mixed flock will be something really incredible and we can appreciate the magnificent birds that inhabit here.

Elevation: 3000-3700 masl / Mobility: Easy, unpaved rural road / Temperature: 6-14 ° C / E-bird Hotspot: <u>https://ebird.org/hotspot/L1127703?yr=all&m=&rank=mrec</u>

Key Species: Coopery-bellied Puffleg, Rufous-browed Conebill, Purple-backed Thornbill, Paramo Seedeater, Plush-capped Finch, Pale-naped Brush-Finch, Smoky Bush-Tyrant, Black-billed Mountain Toucan, Black-headed Hemispingus, Silvery-throated Spinetail, Blue-throated Starfrontlet, Matorral Tapaculo, Golden-fronted Whitestart, Superciliared Hemispingus, Brown-throated Parakeet, Sedge Wren, Grey-browed Brush-Finch, Chestnut-capped Brush Finch, Masked Trogon, Grass-green Tanager, Blue-black tanager, Scarlet-bellied Mountain Tanager, Pearled Treerunner, Montane Woodcreeper, Strong-billed Woodcreeper, Glowing Puffleg, Great Sapphirewing.

La Calera Hummingbird Garden: Located 45 minutes from the city of Bogotá, the hummingbird observatory is a country house in the buffer zone of the Chingaza National Natural Park that, although it does not have access to the forest, hummingbird drinkers that are installed there are visited by A great variety of very interesting hummingbird species. In their gardens apart from hummingbirds, you can eventually observe other typical birds of secondary growth associated with high Andean forests. This is a very good place for hummingbird photography and it is certainly a place that facilitates the observation of some species that are particularly difficult in the field; The observatory is a very nice place if it's about having good species and being calm and relaxed.

Elevation: 3000 meters above sea level / Mobility: Easy, Unpaved rural road, country house gardens / Temperature: 10-22 ° C / E-bird Hotspot: <u>https://ebird.org/hotspot/L3892139</u>

Key Species: Coppery-bellied Puffleg, Blue-throated Starfronlet, Glowing Puffleg, Great Sapphirewing, Sword-billed Hummingbird, Black-tailed trainbearer, Green-tailed Trainbearer, Shinning Sunbeam, Sparkling Violetear, White-bellied Woodstar

Night in Hilton Garden Inn Hotel - https://www.hiltonhotels.com/es_XM/colombia/hilton-garden-inn-bogota-airport/



Day 3. Parque Nacional Sumapaz, transfer a Ibague / Noche en F25

Sumapaz is the largest paramo in the world and is located near the city of Bogota, about 2 hours away from the downtown area of the city. The paramo is an ecosystem with specialties and the plant and animal adaptations to this ecosystem are incredible, resulting in a significant number of endemisms. The area that we visit in Sumapaz

has a mixture of shrubs and grasslands with small bodies of water. This mixture is convenient to observe the majority of species that are restricted to this ecosystem. Birdwatching is done primarily over an unpaved and flat road at 3700 m of altitude, with such incredible scenery of this ecosystem. The sight of hummingbirds during their fast flights and brief visits to the small-corollad flowers around these ecosystems will keep us entertained for a while as we observe and revel in this marvelous scenario.

Elevation: 3000-3700 m / Mobility: Easy / Temperature: 8-16°C / E-bird Hotspot: https://ebird.org/hotspot/L2758310?yr=all&m=&rank=mrec

Key species: Apolinar's wren, Bogota Rail, Green-Bearded Helmetcrest, Bronze-tailed Thornbill, Silvery-throated Spinetail, Chestnut-winged Cinclodes, Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle, Many-striped Canastero, White-chinned Thistletail, Andean Tit-Spinetail, Red-rumped Bush-Tyrant, Andean Siskin, Rufous-browed Conebill, Great Sapphirewing, Shinning Sunbeam, Glowing Puffleg, Tawny Antpitta, Band-tailed Seedeater, Plumbeous Sierra-Finch, Glossy Flowerpiercer, Pale-bellied Tapaculo, Noble Snipe.

Night in F25 Hotel / https://hotelf25.co/

Day 4. Ukuku Reserve and Combeima Canyon / Noche en F25

<u>Ukuku Lodge</u>: The Ukuku lodge is located on the canyon of the Combeima river one hour from the city and Ibagué, to access the lodge you must take a 1.5 km (1 mile) walk along the combeima river and ending on a cobbled road, the one on which you can see some good bird species. Once in the lodge, it is a place to sit and watch the hummingbird drinking fountains and feeders for tangaras, within a typical mountain landscape. The patches of forest and secondary growth and the beautiful gardens of the lodge are the refuge of some important endemic birds that can also be easily seen in the feeders of Ukuku. The lodge is attended by a couple of biologists committed to good service, where the food is also delicious.

Elevation: 1600 meters above sea level / Mobility: easy -Medium, 1.5km of walking, ending on a sloping stone road / Temperature: 16-24 ° C / E-bird Hotspot: https://ebird.org/hotspot/L3607803?yr=all&m=&rank=mrec

Key Species: Tolima Dove, Tolima Blossomcrown, Yellow-headed Brush-Finch, Indigo-capped Hummingbird, Fawn-breasted Brilliant, Red-billed Emerald.

<u>Nevado del Tolima:</u> The road leading to the snowy Tolima borders the Combeima river and its lower canyon is located 1 hour from the city and Ibagué. It consists mainly of patches of Andean and high Andean forest in the highest part, some roadside crops and areas for livestock, the rural road ends at the place called Silence, to become a hiking



trail that is equally productive for bird watching. In addition to an incredible number of bird species, more than 290, the Combeima canyon offers a really beautiful landscape where the majesty of the snowy peak of the Tolima volcano will always be accompanying the tour. A place with some good endemic species unique to this region.

Elevation: 1600 - 2600 masl / Mobility: Easy, unpaved rural road / Temperature: 15-26 ° C / E-bird Hotspot: <u>https://ebird.org/hotspot/L783417?yr=all&m=&rank=mrec</u>

Key Species: Yellow-headed Brush-Finch, Tolima Dove, Tolima Blossomcrown, Booted Raquet-tail, Collared Inca, White-capped Dipper, Torrent Duck, Saffron-crowned Tanager, Blue and Black Tanager, Olivaceous Piculet, Tourmaline Sunangel.

Night in F25 Hotel / https://hotelf25.co/

Day 5. San Jorge Botanical Garden, transfer manizales / Night in Recinto del pensamiento

San Jorge Botanical Garden, is located on the northwestern hills on the city of Ibagué. It has 60 acres destined for conservation. Of these, 48 acres are sub-Andean forest that are specific to the region and the rest is distributed between a collection of living plants and open areas. Many ecological trails have been built inside, which makes it easy to hike, being a great place for birdwatching since it is the local refuge for at least 290 species. On the highest part of the reserve, it is possible to see the undergrowth from two properly located viewpoints, which not only enables bird conservation, but also offers a beautiful panoramic view of the city of Ibagué. The place is nearby the city, only 5 minutes away from downtown. It is certainly the lung of the department of Tolima that is worthy of preservation.

Elevation: 1200 – 1300 m / Track: trails in stone and dirt / Temperature: 24-29°C / E-bird Hotspot: <u>https://ebird.org/hotspot/L783413?yr=all&m=&rank=mrec</u>

Key species: Black-faced Dacnis, Bay-headed Tanager, Scrub Tanager, Red-rumped Woodpecker, Blue-black Grosebeak, Apical Flycatcher, Black striped Saprrow, Moustcahed Puffbird, Velvet-fronted Euphonia, Blue-lored Antbird, Dwarf Cuckoo, Steely-vented Hummingbird, Russet-crowned Crake, Pearl Kite, Barred Puffbird, Red-rumped Woodpecker, Bar-crested Antshrike, White-bellied Antbird

Night in Recinto del Pensamiento / https://www.recintodelpensamiento.com/Recinto/



Day 6. Hacienda El Bosque, CHEC Forest / Night in Recinto del Pensamiento

The Hacienda El Bosque is a new place for birdwatching, located about 1 hour away from the city of Manizales, it is characterized for having large patches of high-Andean forest that blend with the meadow fields used for livestock and potato crops. The Hacienda El Bosque has recently become even more popular due to the incredible feeders made for antpittas, tanagers and hummingbirds, and also because many species of mountain-tangers and mountain-toucans tend to arrive on the surroundings of the main house. The Hacienda provides great meal services, which primarily includes traditional regional cuisine. The reserve also has great trails that are pleasant for walking and observing birds with ease. It currently has a bird list of over 120 species.

Elevation: 2800 – 3000 m / Mobility: Easy – Medium, unpaved roads, trails inside the reserve / Temperature: 8 - 16 °C / E-bird Hotspot: <u>https://ebird.org/hotspot/L7816358?yr=all&m=&rank=mrec</u>

Key species: Purple-backed Thronbill, Crescent-faced Antpitta, Grey-bellied Mountain Toucan, Golden-breasted Puffleg, Sword-billed Hummingbird, Bar-bellied Woodpecker, Golden-plumed Parakeet, Ocellated Tapaculo, Black-collared Jay, Rufous Wren, Hooded Mountain Tanager, Plushcap, capped Conebill The CHEC forests are the protection area of the hydroelectric power plant in the department of Caldas and function as a buffer and conservation zone for the Los Nevados National Natural Park; It is a road of about 40 km that crosses a primary forest from 2,600 meters to 3,300 meters above sea level. A completely lonely road where biodiversity and birds are everywhere. To cover the entire road, it is necessary to use 4x4 vehicles, however, the vast majority of bird watching tasks are done in the first few kilometers where the combination of primary forest and secondary forests make the diversity of birds increase considerably. A truly magical place for bird watching and wildlife, with luck it will be possible to see a tapir or a spectacled bear along the way.

Elevation: 2600 – 3200 m / Mobility: Easy – Medium, unpaved roads, trails inside the reserve / Temperature: 8 - 16 °C / E-bird Hotspot: <u>https://ebird.org/hotspot/L4510695?yr=all&m=&rank=mrec</u>

Key species: White-throated Daggerbill, White-capped Tanager, Golden-plumed Parakeet, Mountain Wren, Citrine Warbler, Capped Conebill, Red-hooded Tanager, Black-thighed Puffleg, Rusty-faced Parrot, Chestnut Wood-Quail

Night in Recinto del Pensamiento / https://www.recintodelpensamiento.com/Recinto/



Day 7. Nevado del Ruiz, Termales, transfer Otun / Kumandai

This natural area is located on the central Andes, 1 hour from the city of Manizales, its landscape is framed by 3 snowy peaks that constitute active volcances: El Ruiz, Santa Isabel, Tolima. While the transformation has occurred in areas adjacent to the natural park, there are sub-paramo patches and well-preserved moorland areas that are home to an important diversity of bird species restricted to these ecosystems. The park is undoubtedly one of the most beautiful places in the country, the incredible landscapes and the beautiful diversity of birds in the place make this place a must in Colombia for any birdwatcher. The plants of the place are also a great attraction, an immensity of rare and unique species that mix with the aggressive volcanic landscapes of what is the largest and most important active volcano in the country. Near Los Nevados there is also the Ruiz thermal hotel, which is regularly used with birdwatchers, in addition to the magnificent hot springs it is also possible to enjoy the most important bird feeders above 3600 meters in Colombia, where They will be able to observe unique hummingbird species in the country.

Elevation: 3400 - 3700 masl / Mobility: Easy, unpaved unpaved road, paved road / Temperature: 6 -14 ° C / E-bird Hotspot: <u>https://ebird.org/hotspot/L1252508?yr=all&m=&rank=mrec</u>

Key Species: Buffy Helmetcrest, Many-striped Canastero, White-chinned Thistletail, Tawny Antpitta, Plumbeous Sierra-Finch, Stout-billed Cinclodes, Glossy Flowerpiercer, Andean Lapwing, Black-chested Buzzard-Eagle, Rainbow-bearded Thronbill. Greater Sapphirewing, Buff-winged Starfrontletet, Black-thigged Puffleg



Day 8. Otun-Quimbaya all day / Kumandai

Located 1 hour from the city of Pereira, on the western slope of the central mountain range, Otún-Quimbaya is a sanctuary of flora and fauna created to protect the middle basin of the Otún river and the Andean forests and high Andean forests nearby to the east. The place has been under a process of reforestation for more than 40 years, which has created a connectivity with the well-preserved forests of the upper part of the Los Nevados National Natural Park, being a biological corridor of the highest importance in the central Andes. It is common to see some species of large Andean mammals such as Tapir de Montaña and sometimes Bear Glasses. Currently, the Otún-Quimbaya Fauna and Flora Sanctuary is currently managed by the Yarumo Blanco Foundation, which is a national example of community tourism, all members of the foundation are local farmers who have made an unparalleled effort to make Otún one of the best sanctuaries of fauna and flora of the country. In Otun, about 400 species of birds have been recorded.

Elevation: 1600 - 2200 masl / Mobility: Easy, Unpaved rural road, low inclination. / Temperature: 16 - 26 ° C / E-bird Hotspot: <u>https://ebird.org/hotspot/L1433708?yr=all&m=&rank=mrec</u>

Key Species: Cauca Guan, Chestnut Wood-Quail, Torrent Duck, Colombian Screech-Owl, Emerald Toucanet, Hooded Antpitta, Rufous-breasted Flycatcher, Flame-rumped Tanager, Scrub Tanager, Red-ruffed Fruitcrow, Multicolored Tanager, Crested Ant-Tanager, White-capped Tanager.

Night in Kumandai Hotel / https://n9.cl/qmaeu

Day 9. Otun, transfer to Montezuma Reserve / Night in Montezuma

During the early hours of the morning, birds will be searched on the banks of the Otún River and in the gardens around the lodge, then there will be a trip to the Montezuma nature reserve in the municipality of Pueblo Rico - Risaralda.

Night in Montezuma Lodge / https://montezumarainforest.com/

Day 10-11. Montezuma Reserve / Montezuma

Located on the western flank of the western mountain range. The Montezuma Natural Reserve is part of the buffer zone of the PNN Tatama and consists mainly of a 14-kilometer road that goes from the reserve's accommodation house to the top of the mountain at the military base of Cerro Tatama, which it is a mixture of ecosystems of the Andes and the biogeographic chocó, which is highly productive in terms of birds and biodiversity in general; There are many endemic and restricted bird species that occur in this tropical rainforest,

to the point that more than 520 registered bird species have been recorded in the reserve. Montezuma is one of the best bird watching places in Colombia and is currently managed by the Tapasco family, headed by Mother Leopoldina and 5 of her daughters. The reserve is not only very good for birds, but it is also an immensely valuable place for the observation of orchids, bromeliads, butterflies, amphibians and reptiles; a place where you can enjoy the biogeographic choco one of the most biodiverse places in the world.

Elevation: 1600 - 2800 masl / Track: unpaved rural road, slightly inclined / Temperature: 12 - 25 ° C / https://ebird.org/hotspot/L3856029?yr=all&m=&rank=mrec

Key Species: Black-and-gold Tanager, Gold-ringed Tanager, Munchique Wood-Wren, Chestnut-bellied Flowerpierce, Tatamá Tapaculo, Velvet-purple Coronet, Empress Brilliant, Western Emerald, White-tailed Hillstar, Barred Hawk, Toucan Barbet, White-faced Nunbird, Lanceolated Monklet, Golden-headed Quetzal, Fulvous-dotted Treerunner, Yellow-breasted Antpitta, Ochre-breasted Antpitta, Choco Tapaculo, Nariño Tapaculo, Black Solitaire, Black-chinned Mountain-Tanager, Rufous-throated Tanager, Tanager Finch, Barred fruiteater, Scaled Fruiteater, Orange breasted Fruiteater, Olivaceous Piha, Chestnut-breasted Chlorophonia.

Night in Montezuma Lodge / https://montezumarainforest.com/



Day 12. Montezuma, transfer to jardin / Valdivia Plaza

We will search more birds in the lowlands of Montezuma, in the half morning we will transfer to the beautiful Jardin Village in the western andes.

Night in Valdivia Plaza Hotel / http://hotelvaldiviaplaza.co/

Day 13. Yellow eared parrot reserve and Cock of the Rock leks / Night in Valdivia

<u>Yellow-eared Parrot Reserve</u>: Located in the sector called Alto Ventanas, 1.5 hours from the municipality of Jardín - Antioquia on the Western mountain range. The garden municipality is located at an altitude of 1600 meters above sea level and is a town producing coffee, bananas and some fruits and behind it the mountain range rises to 2900 meters above sea level, it is there where a population of Yellow-eared Parrot (Yellow-eared Parrot)) is a resident and is strongly associated with forest remnants with wax palms (Wax Palm). The place is surrounded by patches of High Andean forest at the top and Andean in the lower areas. A place with an incredible biodiversity of birds and magnificent landscapes; Bird watching will be on an unpaved road with very little traffic in the middle of the beautiful mountains of the western Andes.

Elevation: 2000 - 2900 masl / Mobility: Unpaved rural road / Temperature: 10-22 ° C / E-bird Hotspot: <u>https://ebird.org/hotspot/L604060?yr=all&m=&rank=mrec</u>

Key Species: Yellow-eared Parrot, Tanager Finch, Black-billed Mountain-Toucan, Yellow-vented Woodpecker, Spillmann's Tapaculo, Blackish Tapaculo, Ocellated Tapaculo, Rufous-crowned Tody-Flycatcher, Green-and-black

Fruiteater, Barred Fruiteater, Golden-collared Honeycreeper, Chestnut-crested Cotinga, Sword-billed Hummingbird, Rufous Antpitta, Chestnut-naped Antpitta, Black-collared Jay, Streak-throated Bush-Tanager, Lachrymose Mountain-Tanager, Rufous-breasted Chat-Tyrant, Sharp's Wren, White-browed Spinetail

<u>Cock of the Rock Lek:</u> The Gallito de Roca Natural Reserve, is a small farm located next to the rural area of the municipality of Jardín - Antioquia, in which there is a permanent lek of Gallito de Roca, very famous and visited by birdwatchers given the great number of individuals that come to this. The Gallitos can be seen even just centimeters from the viewpoints arranged in the place, which gives unique opportunities for the photograph of this beautiful bird species. In the place, the owners have also installed some bird feeders where some very good species from the region such as tanagras and chachalacas also arrive. The access to the reserve of the roosters is a little pending, but moving slowly there will be no problem; This reserve is also a private conservation initiative that must be supported, since this rock cock lek is surely the best and most accessible in the entire range of the species.

Elevation: 1750 masl / Mobility: Unpaved rural road, slope but easy to walk / Temperature: 17-22 ° C / E-bird Hotspot: <u>https://ebird.org/hotspot/L2719023</u>

Key Species: Andean Cock of the Rock, Crested Ant-Tanager, Colombian Chachalaca, Black-chested Jay, Flame-rumped Tanager, Andean Motmot, Chestnut-naped Brush-Finch, Andean Guan, Moustached Puffbird, Bronze-winged Parrot, Barred Antshrike, Russet-backed Oropendola

Night in Valdivia Plaza Hotel / http://hotelvaldiviaplaza.co/



Day 14. La Bambusa, Birding in dry forest of Bolombolo / La Extremadura

<u>Finca La Bambusa</u>: This small farm is owned by the chestnut family, which in addition to having some typical crops of the region such as coffee and plantain, works as a nursery for ornamental plants in the region. Mrs. Piedad, who is a sweet old woman, began some time ago to feed the birds in her garden with the surprise that a few days later began to arrive tangaras, carpenters, chachalacas, hummingbirds, and many other species, so she decides to open the Doors of your farm and receive birdwatchers. This is a very nice place to spend a few hours observing very good species of the Colombian coffee region, enjoy a great lunch, a very good coffee and to take some good photos.

Elevation: 1750 masl / Mobility: static, garden of a farm / Temperature: 17-22 ° C / E-bird Hotspot: <u>https://ebird.org/hotspot/L3629879?yr=all&m=&rank=mrec</u>

Key Species: Red-headed Barbet, Colombian Chachalaca, Flame-rumped Tanager, Acorn Woodpecker, Blue-necked Tanager, Scrub Tanager, Black-capped Tanager, Rufous-tailed Hummingbird, Blue-headed Parrot, Green Hermit.

<u>Bolombolo Dry Forest:</u> Bolombolo is a municipality located in the department of Antioquia. At the base of the Cauca River Valley the climate is warm with temperatures that are above 30 ° C. Although deforestation has significantly affected this territory, remnants of dry forest and secondary growth are home to some species of birds of significant interest. The bird watching places around Bolombolo are unpaved and usually flat rural roads, some lowland crops and livestock are the main economy of these lands. This is a place with a high diversity of species among which are 3 endemic, one of them recently described for science.

Elevation: 500 masl / Mobility: Easy / Temperature: 25-32 ° C / E-bird Hotspot: <u>https://ebird.org/hotspot/L1402843?yr=all&m=&rank=mrec</u>

Key Species: Antioquia Wren, Apical Flycatcher, Greyish Piculet, Black-crowned Antshrike, Speckle-breasted Wren, Black-striped Sparrow, Colombian Chachalaca, Striped Cuckoo, Squirrel Cuckoo, Moustached Puffbird, Orange-chinned Parakeet, Spectacled Parrotlet, Bar-crested Antshrike, Bright-rumped Attila, Cinnamon Becard, Cinereous Becard, Speckle-breasted Wren, Black-striped Sparrow, Scrub Tanager, Guira Tanager, Black-winged Saltator.

Night in Hacienda La Extremadura Hotel / https://laextremadura.com/

Day 15. La Romera, flight to Bogota / International connections or night in Bogota / Hilton (not included in the final price)

This small local reserve is located on the outskirts of the city of Medellín in the municipality of Sabaneta in the department of Antioquia, on the western flank of the central mountain range, it is a refuge for birds in the area very close to this great Colombian metropolis. The Andean and high Andean forest patches are usually loaded with mixed flocks that include Tangaras (Tanager) and Reinitas (Warblers) as well as endemic species such as the Red-bellied Grackle, Siles Tapaculo, Colombian Chachalaca and the very rare and little-known Yellow -headed Manakin. A very easy bird watching place with a beautiful view of the city of Medellin and excellent restaurants nearby where you can enjoy very good typical food of the region.

Elevation: 1700-2000 masl / Mobility: easy, paved rural road, light tilt / Temperature: 18-24 ° C / E-bird Hotspot: <u>https://ebird.org/hotspot/L2328561?yr=all&m=&rank=mrec</u>

Key Species: Red-bellied Grackle, Andean Motmot, Yellow-headed Manakin, Colombian Chachala, Common Chlorospingus, Three-striped warbler, Russet-crowned Warbler, Pale-eyed Thrush, Green Jay, Slate-throated Whitestar, Black-billed Peppershirke, Golden-naped Tanager, Black-capped Tanager

Prices

Coin	4 PAX	5 PAX	6 PAX	7 PAX	8 PAX	9 PAX	10 PAX
USD	\$ 3.550	\$ 3.370	\$ 3.060	\$ 2.840	\$ 2.860	\$ 2.560	\$ 2.460
EUROS	€ 3.140	€ 2.970	€ 2.700	€ 2.500	€ 2.360	€ 2.250	€ 2.160

Single Room Supplement: 180 USD / € 120 Net Price per Person in USD

Included: Accommodation in double rooms, all meals from dinner on Day 1 through breakfast of last morning with open menu in restaurants and places in where is available, 2 snacks daily that include bottle water, fruit, etc., Water available all the time on the bus – big bottle to recharge the potable bottles, soda, bottle water or juice included with meals, private transfer airport – hotel – airport, all ground transportation including 4x4 vehicles where is necessary, domestic flights in economy class, entrances to reserves and national parks, Colombian event insurance and bilingual professional birding and wildlife guide.

Not Included: International flights and taxes, toiletries, laundry service, room service, tips or gratuity, medical expenses (not covered for evet insurance), alcoholic drinks, international phone calls, activities not included in the itinerary, extensions of a trip due to circumstances beyond our control

Accommodation: Our hotels and lodges vary in quality but all are within close proximity to many of areas we wish to go birding or to see wildlife; MANAKIN NATURE TOURS, just operate high quality tours, in this case you can be sure that hotels

ad lodges will be from good to high quality, safe and clean. For more details about hotels that we use in this tour, please write us or call us.

Tour Code: This is a fairly standard birding or wildlife tour with early morning starts and evening finishes to each day. One some days we may take picnic lunches in order to no waste time during the middle of the day or having to leave site. The weather can be unpredictable with rain and sunshine both likely. At higher altitudes it can be chilly. We have an amazing photo opportunity for many species of hummingbirds and other species coming to feeders, we will also be looking for a good number of species that are very rare and seldom seen, but we will be going to areas that hold these sought-after species.



