

COLOMBIA Remote

Amazon Birding



The Route of the Great Snake Tour

Are you ready to take your birding adventures off the beaten path? Join our marvelous **Amazon birding tour** and let's go venture beyond the limits of the Andes Cordillera, and into the foothills of Colombia's Amazon! This tour includes birding 2 locations that are slowly been recognized as world-class birding destinations: **Mitu and Inirida** and a transition destination in the Llanos of Colombia, **Bavarian Forest**. 12 days, 4 internal flights, and a mind-blowing list of potential birds!

BIRDS OF INTEREST

Capuchinbird, Yapacana Antbird, Spangled Cotinga, Guianan Cock-of-the-Rock, Paradise Tanager, Paradise Jacamar, Yellow-crowned Manakin, Fiery Topaz, Tawny-tufted Toucanet, Swallow-winged Puffbird, White-chinned Jacamar, Fork-tailed Woodnymph, Golden-tailed Sapphire, Amazonian Motmot, Chestnut-eared Aracari

12 days / 11 nights

\$4,500

Per person in double occupancy
Single room is \$500 more

2020-2021

Best times Mid November to April

INCLUDED IN THE TOUR PRICE

- Accommodation in comfortable hotels
- Private transportation - Van, boat, 4WD
- All meals included
- 4 Internal flights
- 1 beer with meals

NOT INCLUDED

- International flight
- Comprehensive Travel Insurance
- Personal expenses (International phone calls, tips, laundry)
- Other expenses no specify

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DAY 1 - Arrival to Bogota International Airport

Upon arrival at Bogota, your guide and the driver will greet you at the airport and will drive you to your hotel

DAY 2 - Florida Park and flight to Mitú

The Florida Park is a surviving wetland in the city conveniently located close to the airport and the go-to-spot to find the Endemic Bogota Rail, Endemic Apolinar's Wren, Endemic subspecies of Yellow-hooded Blackbirds and the hard to see Noble Snipe and Subtropical Doradito.

At 3:30 pm we will take a 1.5 hours flight to Mitú. Mitú is the capital of the department of Vaupés, located in the south-eastern part of Colombia and on the border with Brazil. The municipality is located predominantly on the right bank of the Vaupes River and its population is predominantly indigenous, with up to 27 different communities living in the area. Its temperatures range between 77 and 86 °F. **Late afternoon birding**

DAY 3 - 6 - Birding sites around Mitú

Each day, early in the morning we will go birding a different ecosystem located at drive or boat distance from Mitú. Each night we will come back to stay conveniently in the same hotel.

Ecosystems: White-sand forest, Terra Firme (upland) tropical forests, gallery forests, and seasonally flooded Varzea Forests.

Birds of particular interest: Spangled Cotinga, Paradise Jacamar, Yellow-crowned Manakin, Fiery Topaz, Tawny-tufted Toucanet, Chestnut-crested Antbird, Crested Eagle, Brown-banded Puffbird, Bare-billed Woodcreeper, Paradise Tanager, Guianan Cock-of-the-Rock, Pavonine Quetzal, and more!

DAY 7 - Bavaria Forest and afternoon flight to Inirida

After a 1 hour late afternoon flight on day 6 and spending the night at a nice hotel in the city of Villavicencio, we will go birding the **Bavaria Forest**, a really nice natural reserve of the humid tropical forest in llanos foothills where we hope to find White-chinned Jacamar, White-vented Plumeleeter, Fork-tailed Woodnymph, Golden-tailed Sapphire, Amazonian Motmot, Black-faced Dacnis, Great Potoo, White-bearded Manakin, Striolated Manakin, and more.

We will take the 2:40 pm flight to Inirida

DAY 8 - 12 - Birding around Inirida

Inirida is the capital city of the Vaupes Department in limits with southwestern Venezuela. Amazonas foothills and Guayana shield ecosystems coexist here including Floating Forest, Varzea Forest, Terra Firme Forest, and Savanna of White Sand. Mind-blowing!

The same idea as birding in Mitú, birding every morning a different ecosystem, going there by van or boat and coming back in the late afternoon to spend the night at a clean and comfortable hotel.

Highlights: The very weird and not well known Capuchinbird; Yapacana Antbird, Swallow-winged Puffbird, Gilded Barbet, Golden-spangled Piculet, Scale-Breasted Woodpecker, Black Caracara, Black-headed Parrot, Chestnut-fronted Macaw, Cherrie's Antwren, Varzea Schiffornis and more!

On day 12 we will fly back to Bogota arriving at noon for the end of your tour.

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