



**BOGOTA AND NORTHERN COLOMBIA
ENDEMIC BIRDING TOUR**



White-tailed Starfrontlet.Photo: Pablo Florez

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Day 1. Meeting day

The participants will be picking up at Bogota airport and then meet the guide at Night at Bogota-Dinner included.

Day 2. Chingaza National Park area Calera Feeders.

We will start our trip looking for some stars birds like Brown-breasted Parakeet (E), Bronze-tailed Thornbill (NE), Mattoral Tapaculo (E) and Rufous-browed Conebill (NE). We'll also spend time looking for Golden-crowned Tanager, Andean Pygmy Owl, Ocellated Tapaculo, Black-billed Mountain-Toucan, Black-collared Jay, Rufous Antpitta, White capped Tanager, and Spectacled Prickletail. In the afternoon we'll visit new fantastic feeders with species like Sword-billed Hummingbird, Blue-throated Starfrontlet, Coppery-bellied Puffleg, Black-tailed Trainbearer, Great-sapphire wing and many others. Night Bogota Hotel



Sword-billed Hummingbird. Photo: Pablo Florez



Golden-crowned Tanager. Photo: Pablo Florez

Day 3. Bogota -Minca- El Dorado Reserve.

Early flight at 7:30 am + Early birding around Minca and after an early lunch. start our drive to the beautiful and comfortable El Dorado lodge (1950 m.).

Morning in Minca looking for Santa Marta Sabrewing, SM Foliage-gleaner (E), Golden wing Sparrow, Sooty-capped Hermit, Venezuelan Tyrannulet, Military Macaw, Royal Flycatcher, Lance-tailed Manakin, Black-chested Jay (NE), Rufous-breasted Wren, Rufous-and-white Wren, Golden-fronted Greenlet (NE), Rosy Thrush-tanager, Thick-billed Seed Finch.

The total journey takes 2.5 hours, but we will spend the rest of the day birding the excellent habitat along this forested road on the way looking for species such as Blossomcrown (E), Rusty-headed Spinetail (E), , White-tailed Starfrontlet (E), Streak-capped Spinetail (NE), White-lored Warbler (E), Santa Marta Brush-finch (E), White-tipped Quetzal (NE), Yellow-billed Toucanet (NE), Santa Marta Foliage-gleaner, (E), Gray-throated Leaf-tosser, Coopers Emerald, Golden-breasted Fruiteater (NE), Santa Marta Tapaculo (E), Band-tailed Guan (NE), Black-hooded Thrush, Black-headed Tanager, Rusty-breasted Antpitta. Night at El Dorado Lodge.



Black-fronted Wood Quail. Photo: Pablo Florez

Day 4. San Lorenzo Ridge- El Dorado Reserve.

Today we will focus on the endemics and other specialities that are found only at the top of the road (2600 m). Birds we may see today include Santa Marta Parakeet (E), Black-backed Thornbill (E), Santa Marta (SM) Bush-Tyrant (E), Brown-rumped Tapaculo (E), SM Antpitta (E), the newly discovered Santa Marta Screech Owl (E), SM Rufous Antpitta (E), SM Mountain-tanager (E), Yellow-crowned Whitestart (E), SM Warbler (E) and many others quality ones like Andean Condor and Solitary Eagle.

On the late afternoon it will time to enjoy the fantastics feeders around our cabins. Black-fronted Wood Quail, Santa Marta Antpitta (E), White-tailed Starfrontle (E), Black-backed Thornbill (E), Santa Marta Woodstar (E), Lazuline Sabrewing, Blue.naped Chlorophonia are some of the nice staff to keep us busy. Night at El Dorado Lodge.



The stunning Santa Marta Mountains. Photo: Pablo Florez



Santa Marta Parakeet. Photo: Pablo Florez

Day 5. El Dorado Minca

During the morning and early afternoon we'll focus on tracking down any specialities we may have missed so far, before slowly birding our way down from the lodge (1950 m) towards Minca (650 m). Good chance to see Black-and-white Owl and Rufous Nightjar on the way Night at Minca.

Day 6. Minca-Tayrona Park and Guajira Península (Flamencos Sanctuary)

Early drive to Tayrona Park, our main target is the rare Blue-billed Curassow. Other bird to look for are Lance-tailed Manakin, Black-backed Antshrike, Rufus and white Wren, White-bellied Antbird, Military Macaw.



Cotton-top Marmoset. Photo: Pablo Florez

Then we will drive 2 h towards the dry scrub in the Guajira Peninsula where we end our day with some cool stuff like: White-whiskered Spinetail (NE), Slender-billed Inezia (NE), Northern Scrub Flycatcher (NE), Vermilion Cardinal (NE), Orinoco Saltator and many others. We'll aim to end the day with some Rufous-vented Chachalacas! Night at a comfortable hotel in Ríohacha City.

Day 7. Flamencos Sanctuary and fly to Bogota

Today devoted to seeking out a set of species unique to the desert habitats of Colombia and Venezuela. We will search on the dry scrub for Chestnut Piculet (NE), Russet-throated Puffbird (NE), White-whiskered Spinetail (NE), Slender-billed Inezia (NE), Northern Scrub Flycatcher (NE), Vermilion Cardinal (NE), Tocuyo Sparrow (NE-rare), Pileated Finch (NE) and Glaucous Tanager (NE). And check salt water lakes, beaches and Mangroves for Flamings and Scarlet Ibis. At 4:30 pm we will take a direct flight to Bogota. End of the Tour.



Chestnut Piculet. Photo: Pablo Florez



Vermilion Cardenal. Photo: Pablo Florez.