



## **North Amazonia and Orinoco basin Birding Tour Colombia**



Rose-breasted Chat. Photo: Pablo Florez

Puerto Inirida is a fascinating Amazonia Colombian site features mostly excellent Varzea (seasonal flooded Forest) habitats but also White-sand Forest and savanas. This area has huge and very beautiful rivers like the Orinoco, Inirida, Guaviare and Atabapo. There are no lodges in this area, but there are good hotels and restaurants at Puerto Inirida town. Excellent habitats are just near town.

During our stay we'll look for the following set of birds: Capuchinbird, Orinoco softtail, Yapacana Antbird, Orinoco and Golden-spangled Piculets, Rose-breasted Chat, Curve billed

Scythebill, Amazonian Umbrella, Bare-necked Fruitcrown, Harpy and Crested Eagles (Rare), Hoatzin, Ringed, Cream-coloured, Chestnut, Red Necked, Woodpeckers, Blue-throated Piping Guan, Black skimmer, Slate-coloured, Crane, Great Black Hawks, Azure-naped Jay, Amazonia, Spot-backed and Cherries Antwren., Plain-winged, Rusty-breasted Nunlet, Collared, Brow-banded, Spotted, Chestnut-capped, White-chested Puffbirds, Purple-breasted, Pompadour, Spangle Cotingas.



Wire-tailed Manakin. Photo: Pablo Florez



A new Antshrike species. Found by Pablo Florez on Sep 2016!!!

Lemon-chested & Brown-headed Greenlets, White-naped Seedeater, Black Bushbird, Blackish-grey Antshrike, Mystery Antshrike, Black-spotted Bare Eye, Dot-backed Antbird, Green-tailed Goldentthroat,, Brown, Green-tailed, Paradise, White-eared and Bronzy Jacamars, Blue and Yellow, Scarlet, Red and Green, Chestnut-fronted Macaws, Black-bellied Thorntail, Wire-tailed, Black Manakin, Yellow-crowned Manakin Rufous-crested and Plain-crested Elaenias, Black-bellied and Little Cuckoo, Long-billed Woodcreeper, Guianan Streaked Antwren, , Citron bellied Attila, Cinereous Tinamou, Plain-crowned Spinetails, Yellow-throated Flycatcher, Ash-throated Crake, Black-throated Hermit, Amethyst Woodstar, Sapphire-rumped Parrotlet, Festive Amazon, Orange-cheeked Parrot, Rufous-rumped Foliage-gleaner, Ocellated Woodcreeper, Varzea Schiffornis, Citron-bellied and Cinnamon Attila, Rufous-crowned Elaenia, Rusty-fronted Tody-Flycatcher, Painted Tody-Flycatcher, Chamizal Flycatcher, Pale-bellied Mourner, Rufous-tailed Flatbill, Dusky-tailed Flatbill, Amazonian Royal Flycatcher, Black-collared and White-banded Swallows, Guianan Gnatcatcher, Velvet-fronted Grackle, Orange-fronted Yellow Finch, Caqueta Seedeater, Plumbeus Euphonia. And many other Amazonian and llanos specialities!!

#### **Day1. Flight Bogota –Puerto Inirida and Varzea Forest.**

Leave Bogota at 9:00 am. Arrive to our hotel in Inirida town by near midleday. In the early afternoon we will have our first incursion on the Varzea or seasonal flooded forest where we can start with birds like: Orinoco Sofftail, Ringed and Cream-coloured Woodpeckers, Velvet-fronted Grackle, Orinoco Piculet, Rose-brested Chad, Spot-backed Antwren, Rusty-breasted Nunlet, Cherrie's Antwren, Yellow-crowned Manakin, Wire-tailed Manakin, Blackish-grey Antshrike, Spot-backed Antbird, Cocoa Thrush, Great Antshike, Long-billed



Woodcreeper, Velvet-fronted Grackle, Slate-coloured Hawk, Red and green Macaw, Hoatzin, Paradise Jacamar, Golden spangled Piculet, Red-necked Woodpecker, Black-spotted Bare-eye, Bare-necked Fruitcrown, Amazonia Umbrella Bird. Night Fuente Guania Lodge.



Orinoco Sofftail. Photo: Pablo Florez

## **Day 2. White-sand forest at morning and Varzea afternoon**

Very early we will visit a white sand forest habitat to look for the Capuchinbird, Yapacana Antbird, Rufous Tailed Flatbill, Citron-bellied Attila, Rufous-crested Elaenia, Pompadour Cotinga, Imeri Antbird and others. As the white-sand forest trails is very quiet in the afternoon we might visit the Varzea habitat again on the afternoon.



Capuchin Bird and Yapacana Antbird. Photos: Pablo Florez

### **Day 3. Varzea and Mavecure Tepuis**

Early morning at varzea Trails to try Orinoco Sofftail again and then take the boat 1.5 h to visit the impressive Cerros Mavecure. On this area dominant habitat is the white sand forest. One of the most beautiful sites in Colombia. Here the Black-collar Swallows and Cliff Flycatcher are quite common. Night Fuente Guania Lodge



Cerros Mavecure. Photo Pablo Florez

### **Day 4 and 5. White-sand forest and Varzea**

We will have 2 full days to work on wanted birds. If time permits it will be a half day excursion to the Orinoco river.



Orinoco Piculet. Photo: Pablo Florez



## Day 6. Inirida to Bogota

Full morning birding at Inirida, looking for missing species. Our Fly to Bogota is at 2:30 pm. Night at Bogota hotel Scala 68 or similar. Or possible connection to another city.



Pompadour Cotinga. Photo: Pablo Florez



Scarlet Macaw. Photo: Pablo Florez

Single supplement: 150 US/person.

Prices includes: All logistics, Birding guide full time, local guides (2 days), hotel, lodges and food (3 meals -3 drinks/ day + basic snacks + water), ground and boat transportation airport-airport, flights Bogota-Inirida-Bogota, entry fees indigena community trails.

Not included: laundry, calls, medical costs or hospitalization, excess baggage charges, insurance, or other items of personal nature.