

BIRDING BOLIVIA

ENDANGERED MACAWS, ENDEMIC BIRDS AND NATURAL BEAUTY

August 22 - September 12, 2027



TOUR ORGANIZED BY
C. COLSTON BURRELL

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Join **Bird Bolivia**, local guide **Sandro Valdez**, and escort **C. Colston Burrell** for a birding adventure in Bolivia, a country with astounding biodiversity. Ranked sixth in the world for bird species, the country contains 1460 species, nearly 14% of all species. The reason for this impressive avian diversity is because of the large number of diverse ecosystems throughout the country. This tour offers 22 days to observe the avifauna of a unique landlocked nation, as well as the wealth of other animals and plants that call the rugged peaks, lush forests, sweeping savannas, and extensive wetlands home.

We have designed this tour for the joy of birdwatching-where great birds are two steps out your door. The tour is based around multiple lodges in Bolivia, created to offer a comfortable way to visit a diversity of amazing habitats. Our visit supports the conservation efforts of indigenous communities to protect threatened bird species, habitats, and highly biodiverse forests.



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Bird Bolivia is a small family-run tourism agency dedicated to supporting sustainable conservation through well-designed birdwatching experiences that directly benefit local communities. That's the reason why we don't take commissions for visits to conservation reserves and lodges—ensuring that tourism directly contributes to their protection

Sandro Valdez, our local naturalist guide, was born and raised in the small indigenous village of San José de Uchupiamonas in Madidi National Park, department of La Paz, Bolivia. In 1999 he started a naturalist guide training course at the Chalalan Ecological Lodge, where his passion for birdwatching began. In 2003 he joined an ornithological research study in Alto Madidi with Ornithologist A. Bennett Hennessey, where he started to fine tune his bird identification skills. Since 2006, Sandro has been guiding birding tours throughout Bolivia with Bird Bolivia. Sandro is the best Bolivian bird guide having guided over 50 Bolivian birdwatching tours.



C. Colston Burrell, our tour escort, is a lifelong naturalist, plantsman, and gardener. An avid birder with a special interest in parrots, he has made many trips to Central and South America in search of new additions to his life list. When Cole is not birding, he is designing gardens for his clients, or tending his own 12-acre property designed to display the plants he loves while letting natural succession serve as head gardener. He has birded and visited gardens in Costa Rica, Panama, Venezuela, Ecuador, Brazil and Argentina, as well as Europe, Africa, New Zealand, and Japan.

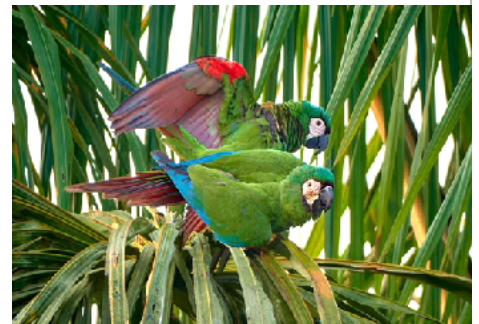
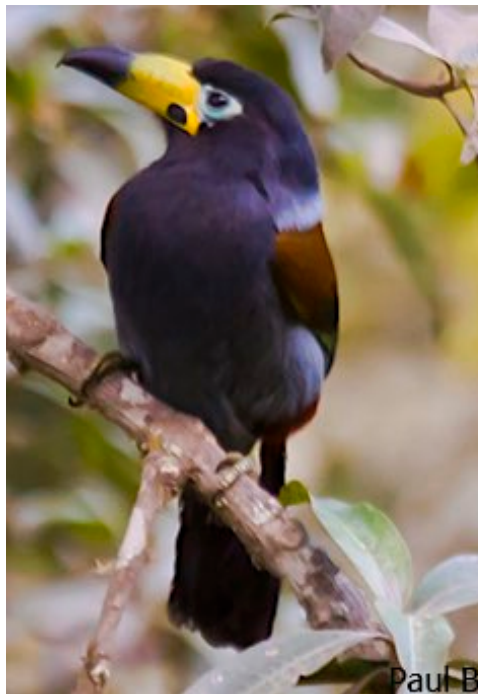
WELCOME TO BOLIVIA

Bolivia is a land of diverse landscapes, from snow-capped Andean peaks and misty cloud forests to Amazonian rainforests. Altitude ranges from 300 to over 21,000 feet. Additional ecosystems include tropical and flooded savanna, cerrado, Chiquitania forest, and Chaco. In the high Andean mountains lies Lake Titicaca, the highest navigable lake in the world. Bolivia is likely the most biodiverse landlocked country on earth.

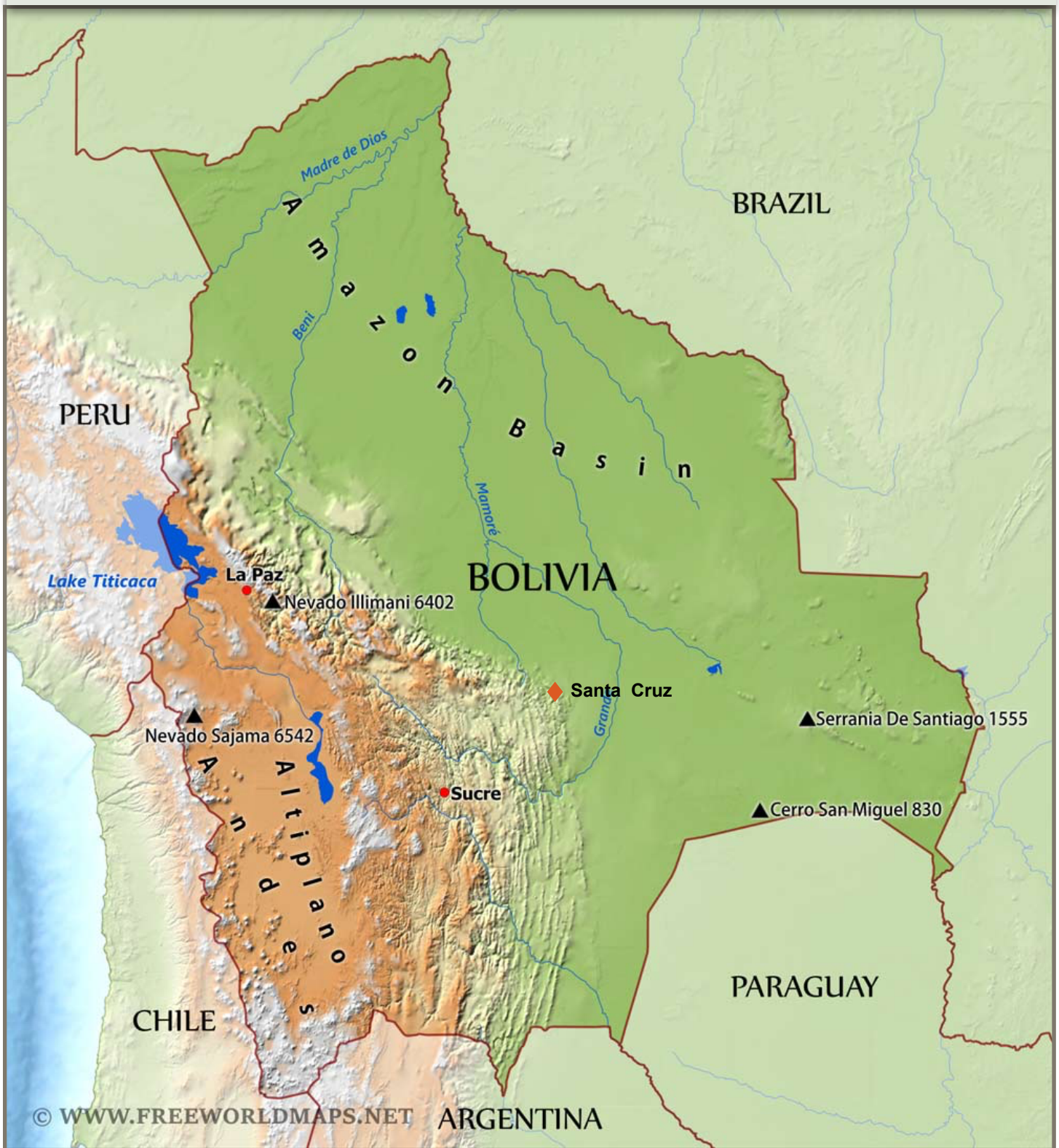
This climatic and topographical variation engenders a rich avifauna ripe for discovery. Though one of the less-frequently visited destinations in South America, Bolivia has an astounding diversity of magnificent birds — 1,460 species. Bolivia is ranked sixth in total bird diversity after Colombia, Peru, Brazil, Indonesia, and Ecuador. There are 19 endemic species and several range-restricted and globally threatened birds that are very difficult to find elsewhere in South America, among them are two species of macaws.

We will search for the critically endangered blue-throated macaw in lowland forests, and seek the rare red-fronted macaw in its dry forest home. In addition to these two stunning macaws, Bolivia is home to 20 additional parrot species.

Bolivia's plant diversity is impressive as well, with 17,000 species, 1,200 of which are ferns, and nearly 3,000 orchids. This 22-day birding and natural history tour affords the opportunity to explore the best that Bolivia has to offer!



MAP OF BOLIVIA



FOR AN INTERACTIVE MAP VISIT

<https://birdbolivia.com/birdwatching-in-bolivia/>

TOUR DETAILS

TOUR DURATION 21 Nights / 22 Days

ESTIMATED PRICING BASED ON 7-8 TRAVELERS

\$7564.00 **Estimated** Land Price — Double
\$200.00 Single Supplement

ESTIMATED PRICING BASED ON 6 TRAVELERS

\$8320.00 **Estimated** Land Price — Double
\$200.00 Single Supplement

- ~ The tour is limited to 8 travelers, 6 travelers minimum
- ~ Itinerary subject to change without notice
- ~ Please note that price estimates are based on current pricing, and a firm 2027 rate will be available closer to the travel date, as the exchange rate between the USD and the Boliviano continues to fluctuate. We will keep you updated.

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- 21 Nights accommodations in hotels or lodges
- All meals daily at hotels and lodges
- Airport transfers and all ground transportation
- Admission to parks and nature reserves
- 4 internal flights per itinerary
- Domestic airport fees, taxes and baggage charges
- Drinks and snacks in the coach
- Local Insurance against accidents
- Expert bilingual local guide — Sandro Valdez
- Escort throughout tour — C. Colston Burrell

NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR

- Round trip Airfare from home cities; airport fees, taxes and baggage charges
- Early arrival and/or late departure lodging
- Meals and drinks not included in the itinerary
- Gratuities for your driver, guide and escort
- Additional travel insurance
- Gratuities to luggage handlers or housekeeping
- Laundry service
- Optional sightseeing or recreational activities
- Any other items not specifically mentioned as included in the itinerary



Lesser Flamingo



Rufous-crested Coquet

REGISTRATION FORM



GUEST GENERAL INFORMATION REQUIRED

QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
1) NAMES (exactly as appear in your passport):	
2) LAST NAME:	
3) PASSPORT NUMBER:	
4) PASSPORT EXPIRATION DATE:	
5) BIRTH DATE:	
6) CITIZENSHIP:	
7) PREVIOUS BIRDING TRIPS (Some South America's Countries):	
8) PARTICULAR INTEREST FOR THIS TRIP:	
9) TOUR NAME THAT YOU ARE IN:	
10) TOUR DATES (From, To):	
11) FOOD PREFERENCES (Vegetarian or not):	
12) ALLERGIES (To some kind of food, ingredient or fruit):	
13) HEALTH CONDITION (Some kind of difficult, or medical indications):	
14) CONTACT IN EMERGENCY CASE:	
15) ACCOMODATION REQUIRED (king/twin bed or single room):	
16) ARRIVAL INFO (Air company, flight number, time):	
17) DEPART INFO (Air company, flight number, time):	
18) DATE (The date when you fill this form):	

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PAYMENTS:

A 20% non-refundable deposit of \$1664.00 is required to confirm the tour and secure staff time and lodge reservations, with the remaining balance due by June 1, 2027.

REGISTRATION:

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN THIS TOUR: Please use the included registration form to register as soon as possible. Send the form along with a deposit of \$1664.00 with a check made out to C Colston Burrell at the address below. Once payments are received, I will make a single wire transfer to Bird Bolivia on behalf of the group.

CONTACTS:

PLEASE MAIL YOUR DEPOSIT AND REGISTRATION FORM TO: C. Colston Burrell, PO Box 76, Free Union, VA, 22940. You may email your registration form to: cole@gardenandnaturetours.com, Questions? call: 434-825-6005

CONTACT BIRD BOLIVIA: Adam Hennessy, birdbolivia@birdbolivia.com, +591 64 44 98 86, Website: <https://birdbolivia.com/>

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Itinerary

Day 0

Depart home cities for Santa Cruz Viru Viru International Airport. Note: Depending on flight schedules you may need to arrive in Santa Cruz a day early for a 6:00 am departure on Day 1.

Day 1, August 22

The tour begins with a 6:00 am flight from Santa Cruz to Rurrenabaque via La Paz El Alto International. From Rurrenabaque, we drive to Sadiri Lodge, stopping along the way to look for Point-tailed Palmcreeper, Scarlet Macaw, Red-bellied Macaw, Sungrebe, Fork-tailed Palm-Swift, Social Flycatcher, and many other pampas species. We arrive at Sadiri Lodge in time for lunch, where we will stay for four nights.

Days 2-4, August 23-25

We have the opportunity to see these specialties: Bluish-fronted Jacamar, Green-backed Trogon, Ornate Hawk-Eagle, Double-toothed Kite, Solitary Eagle, Pale-winged Trumpeter, Pavonine Cuckoo, Subtropical Pygmy-Owl, Amazonian Pygmy-Owl, Vermiculated Screech-Owl, Rufescent Screech-Owl, Long-tailed Potoo, Ocellated Poorwill, Pale-tailed Barbthroat, Gould's Jewelfront, Many-spotted Hummingbird, Rose-fronted Parakeet, Hairy-crested Antbird, Brownish-headed Antbird, Ocellated Woodpecker, Olive-striped Flycatcher, Andean Laniisoma, and Purple-throated Cotinga. Nights at Sadiri Lodge

Lemon-Throated Barbet



Paradise Tanager



Sadiri Lodge View

ITINERARY

Days 5-6, August 26-27 Along the road route from Rurrenabaque to Trinidad and Loma Suarez, we have a chance to see these beauties: Unicolored Thrush, Plain Softtail, Rufous Cachalote, Band-tailed Antbird, Hudson's Black-Tyrant, Green-backed Becard, Ashy-headed Greenlet, Mato Grosso Antbird, Bolivian Slaty-Antshrike, and Velvet-fronted Grackle. We will stay one night in a local hotel in Trinidad.

Days 6-8, August 27-29 On day six we take a charter flight to Barba Azul Nature Reserve, home to the Blue-throated Macaw and many other specialties: Long-tailed Ground-Dove, Stripe-backed Bittern, White-tailed Goldenthrout, Iberá Seed eater, Long-tailed Reed-Finch, Long-winged Harrier, Crane Hawk, Savanna Hawk, Ocellated Crake, Ash-throated Crake, Sunbittern, Campo Flicker, Blue-throated Macaw, Yellow-collared Macaw, Streamer-tailed Tyrant, Chestnut-vented Conebill, and Cock-tailed Tyrant. Overnights at BANR.

Palm Savanna, Barba Azul



Giant Anteater



Blue-throated Macaw



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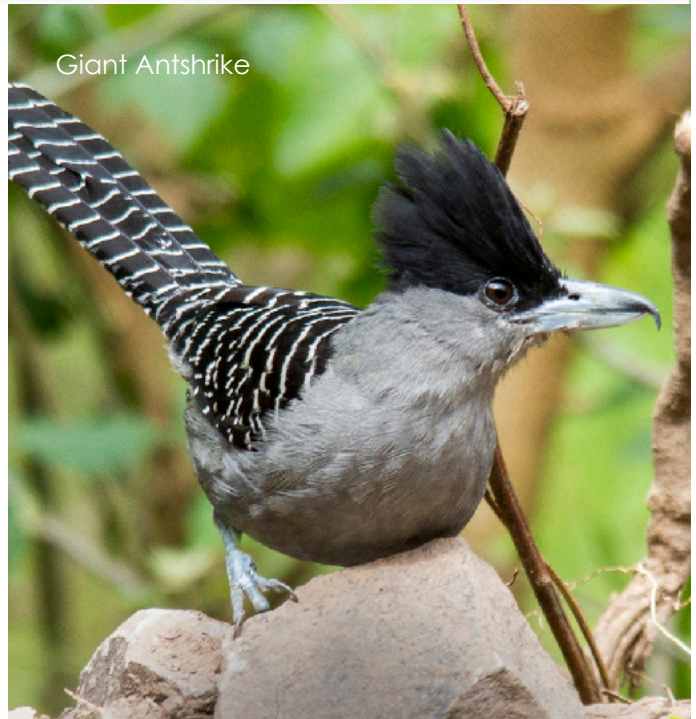
Day 9, August 30

Morning birding at Barba Azul Nature Reserve followed by flights to Santa Cruz. Head to the subtropical forests in the Andean foothills around Samaipata. Overnight at a local hotel.

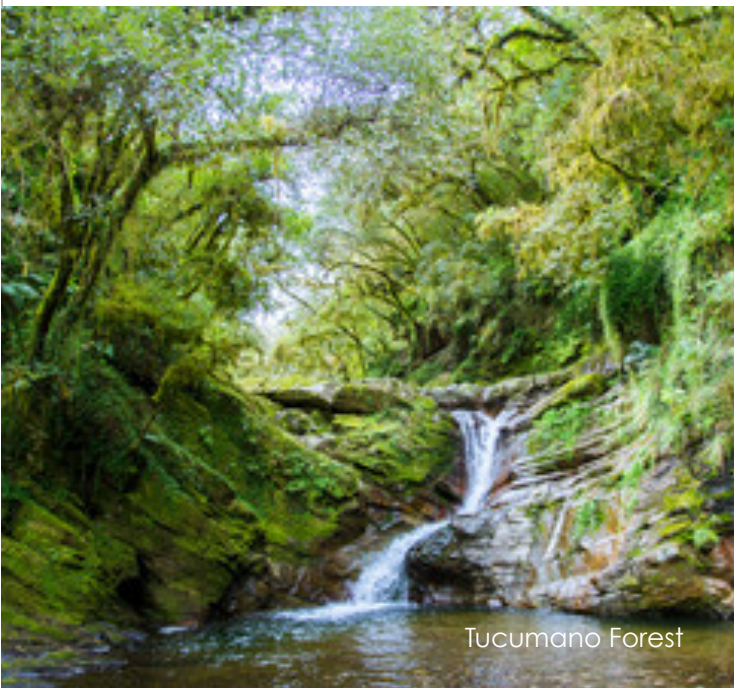
Days 10-11, Aug 30/Sept 1 The Samaipata area gives us access to dry and Tucumano forest habitat, home to Red-faced Guan, Andean Condor, Yungas Dove, Tucuman Parrot, Giant Antshrike, White-throated Antpitta, Spot-breasted Thornbird, Stripe-crowned Spinetail, Red-crested Finch, Bolivian Tyrannulet, and Green-throated Tanager. Overnight at a local hotel.



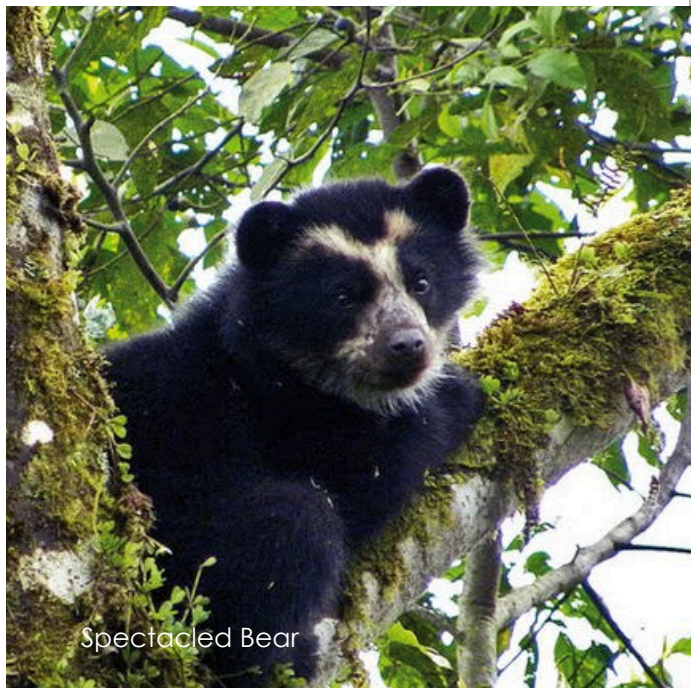
Andean Condor



Giant Antshrike



Tucumano Forest



Spectacled Bear

Itinerary

Days 11-13, Sept. 1-3 Comarapa-Siberia cloud forest offers Andean Guan, Blue-capped Puffleg, Rufous-faced Antpitta, Trilling Tapaculo, Andean Tyrant, Slaty-backed Chat-Tyrant, Bolivian Brushfinch, and Dusky-green Oropendola. Overnights at a local hotel.

Days 13-15, Sept. 3-5 The Red-fronted Macaw Reserve (RFMR) area offers the chance to see White-fronted Woodpecker, Green-barred Woodpecker, Cliff Parakeet, the endemic Red-fronted Macaw, Bolivian Earthcreeper, Streak-fronted Thornbird, and White-bellied Tyrannulet. Overnights at RFMR.



Comarapa-Siberia Cloud Forest



Red-fronted Macaw



Red-fronted Macaw Preserve

Itinerary

Days 15-17, Sept 6-7 The Cochabamba area and Tunari Park offer excellent chances for endemics and specialties: Rufous-bellied Mountain-Tanager, Giant Conebill, Gray-bellied Flowerpiercer, Black-hooded Sierra-Finch, Bolivian Warbling-Finch, Ringed Warbling-Finch, Cochabamba Mountain-Finch, Maquis Canastero, Rock Earthcreeper, and Olive-crowned Crescentchest. Overnights at a local hotel.

Days 17-19, Sept 7-9 The cloud forest along the Death Road offers a chance to see Hooded Tinamou, Rufous-bellied Seedsnipe, Yungas Dove, Amethyst-throated Sunangel, Hooded Mountain-Toucan, Streak-necked Flycatcher, Unadorned Flycatcher, Ochraceous-breasted Flycatcher, Chestnut-crested Cotinga, Scimitar-winged Piha, White-collared Jay, and Orange-browed Hemispingus. Overnights at a local hostel.



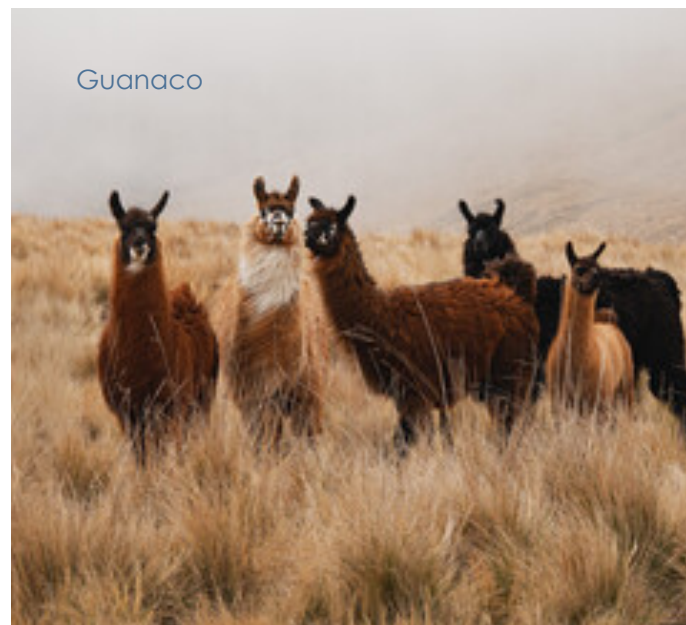
Tunari Park



Red-tailed Comet



Chestnut-crested Cotinga



Guanaco

Itinerary

Days 19-21, Sept 9-11 Lake Titicaca and the Sorata area offer these specialties: Andean Goose, Titicaca Grebe, Chilean Flamingo, Plumbeous Rail, Giant Coot, Berlepsch's Canastero, Many-colored Rush-Tyrant, Andean Negrito, Huayco Tinamou, and Streak-throated Canastero. Overnights at a local hotel in the Lake Titicaca area.

Day 22, Sept 12 Transfer to La Paz El Alto International Airport for 3:25 am flights home

Transfer to La Paz El Alto International Airport for flights home



Lesser Flamingo



Lake Titicaca

FEATURED LODGES

Sadiri Lodge

Sadiri is a lush, biodiverse rainforest lodge located within the Andean foothills. A combination of abundant rainfall, a cool climate and nutrient-rich soils has created an area with an extraordinary abundance of wildlife, making it one of the richest birding destinations on the tour.

Barba Azul Nature Reserve

The palm islands of the Barba Azul Nature Reserve sit in northern Bolivia, where the Beni savanna meets the edge of the Amazon basin. The reserve is famous for its Blue-throated Macaws, a Critically Endangered species found nowhere else on Earth, and is home to 354 bird species in total, with as many as 179 recorded in a single day. It has also become a reliable spot for mammals, including Pampas Deer, Giant Anteater and Maned Wolf.

Red-fronted Macaw Reserve

Nestled in the Andean valleys of south-central Bolivia, the reserve's dramatic cliffs provide the backdrop for one of the country's most striking wildlife experiences. Every evening, Red-fronted Macaws, an Endangered species found nowhere else on Earth, return to nest along the cliff faces. The reserve is home to 232 bird species, making it a must-visit for birders and



ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Date | Day | Activity | Night

21-Aug-26 | 1 | Depart home cities for Santa Cruz, arrive approximately 2:20 am Aug. 27

22-Aug-27 | 1 | Morning: Start with 6:00 am flight to La Paz-Rurrenabaque | Sadiri Lodge

23-Aug-27 | 2 | Rainforest and Foothill tropical forest | Sadiri Lodge

24-Aug-27 | 3 | Rainforest and Foothill tropical forest | Sadiri Lodge

25-Aug-27 | 4 | Early depart to Rurrenabaque, then to Trinidad. Aft: Trinidad Varzea forest | Trinidad

26-Aug-27 | 5 | Morning: Birding Loma Suarez and at 2PM charter flight to BARN The Barba Azul | BANR

27-Aug-27 | 6 | Blue-throated Macaw, Orinoco Goose, Cerrado grassland species | BANR

28-Aug-27 | 7 | Blue-throated Macaw, Orinoco Goose, Cerrado grassland species | BANR

29-Aug-27 | 8 | Morning: Mid day charter flight to Trinidad, then to Santa Cruz | Santa Cruz

30-Aug-27 | 9 | Drive to Samaipata | Samaipata

31-Aug-27 | 10 | Morning: Birding Quirusillas. Aft: Drive to Comarapa | Comarapa

1-Sep-27 | 11 | Day: Siberia Rufous faced Antpitta, Bolivian Brushfinch | Comarapa

2-Sep-27 | 12 | Cloud forest, Aft: Drive to Red-fronted Macaw breeding cliff, Red faced Guan | RFMR

3-Sep-27 | 13 | Andean dry forest birds | RFMR

4-Sep-27 | 14 | Early drive to Cochabamba via Mizque | Cochabamba

5-Sep-27 | 15 | Morning: Drive to look for Oil bird | Cochabamba

6-Sep-27 | 16 | Tunari Park for Poospiza garlepi. Aft: Flight to La Paz at 15:35 | Cloud Forest

7-Sep-27 | 17 | Morning: Day in Cloud forest to look for Cock rock bird | Cloud Forest

8-Sep-27 | 18 | La Paz Yungas-cloud forest Scimitar winged Piha, Stripe headed Antpitta Upland | Cloud Forest

9-Sep-27 | 19 | Morning: Middle Yungas and Pongo. Aft: Drive to Titicaca Lake | Titicaca Lake

10-Sep-27 | 20 | Morning: Puna, Sorata area. Aft: Altiplano, Puna & Andean Flamingos, Andean Avocet | Santa Cruz

11-Sep-27 | 21 | Lake Titicaca and the Sorata area

12-Sep-27 | 22 | Early 3:25 AM flight Home

BIRD LIST BY LOCATION

Sadiri Lodge

- * Bluish-fronted Jacamar
- * Green-backed Trogon
- * Ornate Hawk-Eagle
- * Double-toothed Kite
- * Solitary Eagle
- * Pale-winged Trumpeter
- * Pavonine Cuckoo
- * Subtropical Pygmy-Owl
- * Amazonian Pygmy-Owl
- * Vermiculated Screech-Owl
- * Rufescent Screech-Owl
- * Long-tailed Potoo
- * Ocellated Poorwill
- * Pale-tailed Barbthroat
- * Rufous-crested Coquette
- * Gould's Jewelfront
- * Many-spotted Hummingbird
- * Bar-breasted Piculet
- * Rose-fronted Parakeet
- * Hairy-crested Antbird
- * Brownish-headed Antbird
- * Ocellated Woodpecker
- * Olive-striped Flycatcher
- * Andean Laniisoma
- * Purple-throated Cotinga

Lomas Suarez

- * Unicolored Thrush
- * Plain Softtail
- * Rufous Cachalote
- * Band-tailed Antbird
- * Hudson's Black-Tyrant
- * Green-backed Becard
- * Ashy-headed Greenlet
- * Mato Grosso Antbird
- * Bolivian Slaty-Antshrike
- * Velvet-fronted Grackle

Barba Azul Nature Reserve

- * Long-winged Harrier
- * Crane Hawk
- * Savanna Hawk
- * Ocellated Crane
- * Ash-throated Crane
- * Sunbittern
- * Long-tailed Ground-Dove

- * Campo Flicker
- * Blue-throated Macaw
- * Yellow-collared Macaw
- * Streamer-tailed Tyrant
- * Chestnut-vented Conebill
- * Cock-tailed Tyrant

Quirusillas

- * Red-faced Guan
- * Andean Condor
- * Yungas Dove
- * Tucuman Parrot
- * Giant Antshrike
- * White-throated Antpitta
- * Spot-breasted Thornbird
- * Stripe-crowned Spinetail
- * Red-crested Finch
- * Bolivian Tyrannulet
- * Green-throated Tanager

Siberia

- * Andean Guan
- * Blue-capped Puffleg
- * Rufous-faced Antpitta
- * Trilling Tapaculo
- * Andean Tyrant
- * Slaty-backed Chat-Tyrant
- * Bolivian Brushfinch
- * Dusky-green Oropendola

Red-fronted Macaw Reserve

- * White-fronted Woodpecker
- * Green-barred Woodpecker
- * Cliff Parakeet
- * Red-fronted Macaw
- * Bolivian Earthcreeper
- * Streak-fronted Thornbird
- * White-bellied Tyrannulet

Cerro Tunari

- * Rufous-bellied Mountain-Tanager
- * Giant Conebill
- * Gray-bellied Flowerpiercer
- * Black-hooded Sierra-Finch

- * Bolivian Warbling-Finch
- * Ringed Warbling-Finch
- * Cochabamba Mountain-Finch
- * Maquis Canastero
- * Rock Earthcreeper
- * Olive-crowned Crescentchest

Death Road

- * Hooded Tinamou
- * Rufous-bellied Seedsnipe
- * Yungas Dove
- * Amethyst-throated Sunangel
- * Hooded Mountain-Toucan
- * Streak-necked Flycatcher
- * Unadorned Flycatcher
- * Ochraceous-breasted Flycatcher
- * Chestnut-crested Cotinga
- * Scimitar-winged Piha
- * White-collared Jay
- * Orange-browed Hemispingus

Lake Titicaca and Sorata

- * Andean Goose
- * Titicaca Grebe
- * Chilean Flamingo
- * Plumbeous Rail
- * Giant Coot
- * Berlepsch's Canastero
- * Many-colored Rush-Tyrant
- * Andean Negrito
- * Huayco Tinamou
- * Streak-throated Canastero

PARROTS SEEN ON BIRD BOLIVIA TOURS

Latin Name	English Name	Likelihood to see: Bird Bolivia Tour
<i>Anodorhynchus hyacinthinus</i>	Hyacinth Macaw	Very Good
<i>Ara ararauna</i>	Blue-and-yellow Macaw	Very Good
<i>Ara glaucogularis</i>	Blue-throated Macaw	Very Good
<i>Ara militaris</i>	Military Macaw	Possible
<i>Ara macao</i>	Scarlet Macaw	Rare
<i>Ara chloroptera</i>	Red-and-green Macaw	Very Good
<i>Ara rubrogenys</i>	Red-fronted Macaw	Very Good
<i>Ara auricollis</i>	Golden-collared Macaw	Good
<i>Ara severa</i>	Chestnut-fronted Macaw	Very Good
<i>Orthopsittaca manilata</i>	Red-bellied Macaw	Good
<i>Diopsittaca nobilis</i>	Red-shouldered Macaw	Rare
<i>Aratinga acuticaudata</i>	Blue-crowned Parakeet	Very Good
<i>Aratinga mitrata</i>	Mitred Parakeet	Very Good
<i>Aratinga leucophthalmus</i>	White-eyed Parakeet	Very Good
<i>Aratinga weddellii</i>	Dusky-headed Parakeet	Very Good
<i>Aratinga aurea</i>	Peach-fronted Parakeet	Very Good
<i>Nandayus nenday</i>	Black-hooded Parakeet	Good
<i>Pyrrhura molinae</i>	Green-cheeked Parakeet	Very Good
<i>Pyrrhura roseifrons</i>	Rose-fronted Parakeet	Possible
<i>Myiopsitta monachus</i>	Monk Parakeet	Very Good
<i>Myiopsitta luchi</i>	Cliff Parakeet	Very Good
<i>Psilopsiagon aymara</i>	Gray-hooded Parakeet	Rare
<i>Forpus xanthopterygius</i>	Blue-winged Parrotlet	Very Good
<i>Brotogeris chiriri</i>	Yellow-chevroned Parakeet	Very Good
<i>Pionites leucogaster</i>	White-bellied Parrot	Possible
<i>Pionus menstruus</i>	Blue-headed Parrot	Possible
<i>Pionus maximiliani</i>	Scaly-headed Parrot	Possible
<i>Amazona tucumana</i>	Tucuman Parrot	Good
<i>Amazona aestiva</i>	Turquoise-fronted Parrot	Very Good
<i>Amazona amazonica</i>	Orange-winged Parrot	Good
<i>Amazona farinosa</i>	Mealy Parrot	Very Good