




## MEXICO BIRDING TOURS: 2022 - 2024

### **2022**

#### *THE ENDEMIC BIRDS OF THE MEXICO'S SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS AND THE SIERRA LOS TUXTLAS*

**MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup> – 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2022 \*\***   
[Birding Tour]; OAXACA - *'The Endemic Birds of Mexico's Southern Highlands, Isthmus of Tehuantepec, & Sierra Los Tuxtlas, Vera Cruz'*  
More than 50 of Mexico's endemics occur in Oaxaca's *'Southern Highlands.'* This is a stand-alone destination that should be embraced by every birder interested in seeing the key species of Mexico.  
Tour Style [C]     \$3,895/pp

#### *THE FINEST BIRDING ROUTE IN NORTH AMERICA*

**MARCH 29<sup>TH</sup> – APRIL 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2022 \*\***   
CENTRAL MEXICO - 450 TOTAL SPECIES - 60 ENDEMICS  
*North America's optimum birding route for variety of species, limited range rarities, and total number of in-country endemics - all occurring within two hundred miles of one another - absolutely staggering!*



White-throated Jay (*Sierra Madre de Sur de Atoyac, Guerrero*)

# 2022

## ***THE UNTAMED COUNTRYSIDE - LIMITLESS CANYONS AND PLAINS*** **JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup> – 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2022 [Birding Tour]**

### **NORTHERN MEXICO'S SUMMER ENDEMIC**



This '*Must-Do*' route targets a swath of Mexico's birds known more from myth and lore than from birder's life-lists; Thicket Tinamou, Montezuma Quail, Thick-billed and Maroon-fronted parrots, Yellow-headed and Red-crowned amazons, Eared Quetzal, Flammulated Owl, Tamaulipas Pygmy-Owl, Tawny-collared Nightjar, Gray-collared Becard, Colima Warbler, Altamira Yellowthroat, Crimson-collared Grosbeak, and Worthen's Sparrow.



***Botteri's Sparrow***



***Saltillo Grasslands***



***Worthen's Sparrow***

## ***BIRDING TOUR IN THE HERITAGE-STYLE - 250 TOTAL SPECIES*** **MEXICO'S YUCATAN PENINSULA**

***THE PERFECT TOUR FOR YOU TO INVITE A FRIEND...***

***Mayan archeological sites, and fine regional cuisine; birds include Ocellated Turkey, Black-throated Bobwhite, Rufous-necked and Russet-naped wood-rails, Caribbean Dove, Yucatan Poorwill, Yucatan Nightjar, Mexican Sheartail, Cozumel Emerald, Cozumel Mangrove, and Yucatan vireos, Gray-throated Chat, Rose-throated Tanager, and Orange Oriole.***


**DECEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> - 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2022**



**Fishing '*pangas*' on the north coast of Yucatan State**



# 2023

MARCH, 2023 \*\* 

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Tour Style [C] Tour priced - TBA

\*\*THIS ROUTE CAN BE COMBINED WITH *'The Finest Birding Route'*



RED WARBLER (Race 'rowleyi' is a Mexican Endemic found in Oaxaca State)


MARCH/APRIL, 2023\*\* 

[Birding Tour]; *'Finest Birding Route in North America'* – CENTRAL MEXICO\*\*\* - 450 SPECIES/60 MEXICAN ENDEMICS FOR THE ROUTE

Route includes: [1] West Mexican Pacific slope, [2] Sierra Madre del Sur de Guerrero, [3] Balsas River drainage, and [4] Transvolcanic Belt.

Tour Style [C] Tour priced - TBA

\*\*THIS ROUTE CAN BE COMBINED WITH *'SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS'*

JUNE 5th - 19th, 2023 \*\* 

[Birding Tour] NORTHERN MEXICO'S SUMMER ENDEMICS

Breeding endemics of Chihuahua's *Sierra Madre Occidental*, Saltillo Grasslands, *Sierra Madre Oriental*, and Tamaulipan coastal plain for Thicket Tinamou, Thick-billed and Maroon-fronted parrots, Yellow-headed and Red-crowned amazons, Eared Quetzal, Tamaulipas Pygmy-Owl, Tawny-collared Nightjar, Colima Warbler, Altamira Yellowthroat, Crimson-collared Grosbeak, and Worthen's Sparrow.

Tour Style [C] Price/Itinerary available 12-months before departure.



Female LESSER NIGHTHAWK on a nest... what a bird!

# 2024


## ***MEXICO'S MOST ENCHANTING REGION - 350 TOTAL SPECIES*** **BAJA CALIFORNIA SUR & NORTHWEST MEXICO**

Nearly 30 endemics occur ONLY in the Northwest. While targeting the '*full basket of Mexican birds*' explore this magical region's alluring coastal waters, multihued deserts, and immense canyon landscapes.

JANUARY 2024



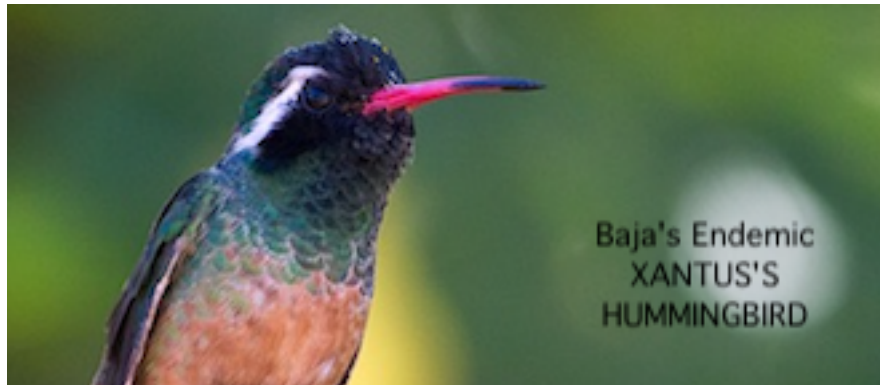
Baird's Junco (Sierra la Laguna, Baja California Sur)

[Birding Tour]; BAJA SUR & NW MEXICO   
 'Mexico's most magical and enchanting region' - More than 30  
 endemic birds occur in NW Mexico. This 'stand-alone destination is a-  
 must for birders who target the full basket of Mexican endemics.  
 Tour Style [C] Price/Itinerary available 12-months before departure.



**\*\* SEVERAL MEXICO TOURS ARE 'REQUIRED' IN ORDER TO SEE ALL OF THE MAINLAND ENDEMIC BIRDS OF THE COUNTRY**

**<https://legacy-tours.com/mexico-birding-tours/>**



**APRIL 2024 \*\***



**[Birding Tour]; 'Finest Birding Route in North America' – CENTRAL MEXICO - 450 SPECIES FOR THE ROUTE - 60 MEXICAN ENDEMICS**

**Route includes: [1] West Mexican Pacific slope, [2] Sierra Madre del Sur de Guerrero, [3] Balsas River drainage, and [4] Transvolcanic Belt.**

**Tour Style [C]      Price/Itinerary available 12-months before departure.**



**Slaty Vireo**

**JUNE 2024 \*\***



**[Birding Tour] NORTHERN MEXICO'S SUMMER ENDEMICS**

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**Tour Style [C] Price/Itinerary available 12-months before departure.**

# 2024

## *NORTHERNMOST LOWLAND RAINFORESTS IN THE AMERICAS*

### **SOUTHEASTERN CHIAPAS - JUNGLE TRAILS & FORESTED RIVERINE EDGE - 400 TOTAL SPECIES**

**OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2024**

**[Birding Tour]; CHIAPAS, MEXICO - Lowland Rainforest**



*World-class birding amid vast tracks of intact forest for Slaty-breasted Tinamou, Great Curassow, Spotted Wood-Quail, Agami Heron, Ruddy Crake, Central American Pygmy-Owl, Mexican Antthrush, Scaly-throated Leaf-tosser, Ruddy Woodcreeper, Rufous-breasted Spinetail, Speckled Mourner, Lovely Cotinga, and Northern Nightingale-Wren.*

**Tour Style [C]**     *Price/Itinerary available 12-months before departure.*

**DECEMBER 2024\*\***

**[Heritage-Style Birding Tour] YUCATAN, MEXICO**



**Quality birding, sunny days, regional cuisine, Mayan archeological sites, and Cozumel Island for key birds that include Ocellated Turkey, Black-throated Bobwhite, Rufous-necked and Russet-naped wood-rails, Yucatan Poorwill, Yucatan Nightjar, Mexican Shearwater, Cozumel Emerald, Gray-collared Becard, Cozumel and Yucatan vireos, Gray-throated Chat, Rose-throated Tanager, and Orange Oriole.**

**Tour Style [A]**     *Price/Itinerary available 12-months before departure.*



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## POSSIBLE CUSTOM TOUR (IF PERMITS ALLOW)



*Horned Guan (Photo taken during Legacy Tours FEB 2019 program)*

### **THE LAND OF THE HORNED GUAN - 200 TOTAL SPECIES** **MEXICO'S EL TRIUNFO BIOSPHERE RESERVE** *IN-AND-OUT From Tuxtla Gutierrez, Chiapas*

## **Style and Structure of Tour Planning: 2019 - 2021**

[1] **OPEN BIRDING TOURS** - are most often offered in Mexico, our 'patch' for the past thirty years. Participation is ***open*** to anyone on a first-come-first-serve basis. Tours in this style repeat a daily pattern of searching-out key target species, and are best characterized to others as a '*birding as the primary-focus*' experience.

[2] **HERITAGE-STYLE BIRDING TOURS** - are most often conducted in countries with a 'manageable' bird-list - Bulgaria, Spain, Morocco, Taiwan, Thailand, and Chile, to name a few. Though *birding is the major focus*, the daily program incorporates a variety of interesting activities, such as historical and cultural interactions, or more in-depth studies in natural history. *Within Mexico only the 'Yucatan Tour' affords both the infrastructure and a 'manageable' bird-list to support a successful birding tour using the Heritage-Style format.*

[3] **CUSTOM TOURS** - Annually around one-in-four of our departures are with small groups, couples, and individuals that have contacted Legacy Tours directly with a list of target birds, a destination idea, or a special need/desire. *These trips require commitment and planning well in advance to lock-in optimum dates.*