

MEXICO BIRDING TOURS: 2022 - 2024

2022

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 woodrails, Caribbean Dove, Yucatan Poorwill, Yucatan Nightjar, Mexican Sheartail, Cozumel Emerald, Cozumel, Mangrove, and Yucatan vireos, Graythroated Chat, Rose-throated Tanager, and Orange Oriole.

DECEMBER 1ST - 12TH, 2022



Fishing 'pangas' on the north coast of Yucatan State

*Heritage-Style tours are 'birding tours' that focus on a more relaxed pace, upscale accommodations and more regular and higher quality meals, seeing all the target birds, and while doing so exploring the broad landscape, unique peoples, and rich cultures that encompass our birding destination.

2023



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

MARCH 20TH – APRIL 2ND, 2023 **



[Birding Tour]: OAXACA - 'The Endemic Birds of Mexico's Southern Highlands, Isthmus of Tehuantepec, & Sierra Los Tuxtlas, Vera Cruz'

More than fifty of Mexico's endemics occur in Oaxaca's 'Southern Highlands.' This route encompasses one the major stand-alone regions that every birder interested in seeing the key species of Mexico must visit. At least 15 of Mexico's endemic birds are found only here...

Tour Style [C] \$3,995/pp

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

** 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 3RD – 16TH, 2023 **



[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 in less than 300 miles of travel. Every day of this trip has specific targets that are rare and local... this is a 'BIRDERS ROUTE'.

Tour Style [C] \$3,995/pp

**ROUTE CAN BE COMBINED with 'The Oaxaca-Southern Highlands Route'



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

THE UNTAMED COUNTRYSIDE - LIMITLESS CANYONS AND PLAINS
JUNE 5TH - 19TH, 2023 [Birding Tour]

NORTHERN MEXICO'S SUMMER ENDEMICS



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. Route includes a morning mini-pelagic in the Sea of Cortez for Craveri's Murrelet. Begins in Nuevo Leon and ends in Hermosillo.

Tour Style [C] \$4,195/pp

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NOVEMBER 30^{TH} – DECEMBER 13^{TH} , 2023

[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 essential for birders who target the full basket of Mexican endemics. The route visits both Southern Baja California Sur and the Mexican States of Jalisco, Navarit, and Sinaloa.

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

2024



BAIRD'S JUNCO - Endemic to the Sierra la Laguna, Baja California Sur

MARCH/APRIL, 2024**



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JUNE, 2024 **

[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, Yellowheaded 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]



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

2024

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2024

[Birding Tour]; CHIAPAS, MEXICO - Lowland Rainforest



World-class birding within vast tracks of intact rainforest for tough species often missed further south in Central America; Slaty-breasted Tinamou, Great Curassow, Spotted Wood-Quail, Agami Heron, Ruddy Crake, Central American Pygmy-Owl, Mexican Antthrush, Scalythroated Leaftosser, Ruddy Woodcreeper, Rufous-breasted Spinetail, Northern Schiffornis, Speckled Mourner, Lovely Cotinga, Blackthroated Shrike-Tanager, and Northern Nightingale-Wren.

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DECEMBER 2024 **

[Heritage-Style Birding Tour] <u>YUCATAN, MEXICO</u>



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

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Slaty Vireo (Sierra Madre del Sur de Guerrero)

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 Leaftosser, Ruddy Woodcreeper, Rufous-breasted Spinetail, Speckled Mourner, Lovely Cotinga, and Northern Nightingale-Wren.

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Style and Structure of Tour Planning: 2022 - 2024

- [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' birdlist 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.