<u>DESTINATIONS: HERITAGE-STYLE* & FAR-AWAY BIRDING**</u>

2023



SOUTH KOREA

FAR-AWAY BIRDING

'A Festival of Cranes, Waterfowl, & Winter Specialties' JANUARY $15^{TH} - 26^{TH}$, 2023



GEORGIA/ARMENIA

FAR-AWAY BIRDING

'Classic Spring Birding' – Caucasus Region Specialties APRIL 26TH – MAY 10TH, 2023



PORTUGAL

HERITAGE-STYLE BIRDING

<u>Mainland (Lisbon, Coimbra, Porto, Douro Valley, & Atlantic islands of Madeira, and the Azores</u>

SEPTEMBER 10TH - 24TH, 2023

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PUERTO RICO &

the NORTHERN LESSER ANTILLES

(Dominica, Guadeloupe, Martinique, and Barbuda)
Targeting Endemics on each Island – more than 50 Key Birds.

FEBRUARY 12th - 28th, 2024



CORISCA & SICILY

HERITAGE-STYLE BIRDING

The islands of Corsica (where most birding with take place), and Sardinia where a little-visited island, with a colorful history, affords multiple opportunities for exploration. Sicily offers wonderful birds and great cultural representation.

APRIL 18th - 30th, 2024



KAZAKHSTAN

Central Asian Birds – a combination of montane species found in the northern Pamir Mountains (peaks to 25K elevation), and nesters utilizing the hundreds of square miles of grasslands. Continuing East from Bulgaria and Georgia, Uzbekistan is the next step in our journey.

MAY 25TH – JUNE 8TH, 2024



SCOTLAND & ENGLAND HERITAGE-STYLE BIRDING

[Ireland Extension]

Two proud peoples with shared roots... the home of whiskey and golf -- rhythmic lands of ballad and dance, often cold, sometimes wet, always green! It is the people and their stories that draw us to look for birds on their home turf.

MID-TO-LATE SEPT, 2024



MEXICO - Yucatan Peninsula FAR-AWAY BIRDING

'Birding from Reef to Ruins' -- The most relaxed birding in all of Mexico...

DECEMBER 3RD - 13TH, 2024

<u> 2025</u>



MONARCH BUTTERFLIES

The Butterfly Sanctuaries of Morelos, lovely Guadalajara, Tequila (birthplace of the drink), & colonial Guanajuato – a relaxed encounter with some of Mexico's oldest cities.

JANUARY 4th - 12th, 2025



CAMBODIA

The land of 'big' birds – Giant and White-shouldered ibises, Greater Adjutant, and Red-headed, White-rumped, and Slender-billed vultures. This trip fills a lot of birders 'holes'. JANUARY 18th – 30th, 2025

*WHY A HERITAGE-STYLE BIRDING TOUR? Legacy offers this style of tour in a few select countries. Our criteria for picking destinations is based on elements we believe are necessary for success: (1) an interesting selection of birds (sometimes just one species), but not so many that the Heritage-Style becomes 'swamped' by a sense of duty toward finding all of the possible 'lifers'; (2) though birding remains a central focus of a Heritage-Style tour, the daily program regularly incorporates a variety of appealing historical and cultural interactions; (3) there are fewer scheduled 'moves' from one location to another, with more interesting lodging along the route, contributing to the relaxed pace of the tour; (4) most meals are enjoyed 'at table', with very few picnic lunches or cold (birder's) breakfasts; and (5) this style of program nearly always has two guides (both Susan & Michael), with a typical group size limited to parties as small as six participants. Our chosen countries have an interesting story to tell the visitor, an infrastructure to welcome 'upscale' travelers, and just enough protected woodland and lovely birds that invite discovery. As result of our adherence to these elements, we have found that the friend, partner, spouse of a birder identifies the HERITAGE-STYLE BIRDING TOUR with increased delight.

**WHY A FAR-AWAY BIRDING TOUR? Legacy offers this style in a limited number of countries; programs that are primarily birding. We use skilled local guides as in-country organizers and language specialists. Tour participants enjoy daily birding, travel at a designed pace, and executed by the local guide, that results in a high number of in-country birds, with a primary focus on the 'better' species while in country. Legacy has a well-deserved reputation for routing and targeting to see the 'tougher' species often missed by more casual birding companies.