

MB502: IGUAZÚ FALLS AND IBERÁ WETLANDS – A BIRDER'S PARADISE

This tour offers an immersive experience in the most pristine corners of the Atlantic rainforest and the vast wetlands of Iberá. You will encounter some of the most sought-after bird species, from exclusive access to restricted areas to the chance to spot endemic and rare species. This experience is designed for those who seek more than just a casual birdwatching outing.

DAY 1: INITIAL EXPLORATION AND THE HUMMINGBIRD GARDEN.



Transfer from Iguazú airport to the hotel. In the afternoon, visit the famous Hummingbird Garden, a paradise for hummingbird lovers, where in a controlled yet natural environment, you can observe up to 7 different species in full activity, including the Black-throated Mango, Scale-throated Hermit, and Violet-capped Woodnymph. We will also explore nearby areas to begin recording urban and forest bird species around the city. Target species: Gilded Hummingbird, White-throated Hummingbird, Rufous-bellied Thrush, Great Kiskadee.

Overnight in Iguazú (dinner not included).



DAY 2: SUNRISE IN RESTRICTED AREAS OF IGUAZÚ NATIONAL PARK.

Early Breakfast, Exclusive access to the most remote areas of Iguazú National Park before it opens to the public, with special permits. This is where true bird enthusiasts will find treasures like the

Black-throated Trogon, the White-necked Thrush and the White-bearded Antshrike, all inhabiting the densest areas of the Atlantic Forest. You will also hear the striking song of the White-browed Warbler and spot the impressive White-throated Woodpecker.



TARGET SPECIES: Yellow-fronted Trogon, White-winged Becard, White-browed Foliage-gleaner, White-spotted Woodpecker.

IN THE AFTERNOON: A tour of the iconic Iguazú Falls, enjoying the spectacular landscape while also spotting species such as the Plumbeous Kite and Rusty-margined Guan.

Overnight in Iguazú (dinner not included).

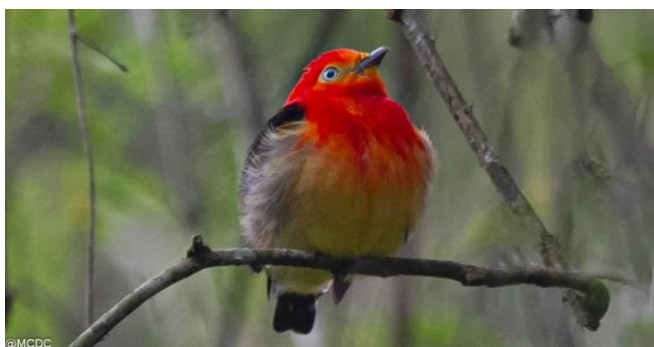
DAY 3: EXPLORING NEW TERRITORIES IN THE NATIONAL PARK

Breakfast. Another chance to venture into lesser-known areas of the park to observe species that are difficult to find elsewhere. In the morning, we will focus on species like the Tufted Antshrike, the Ochre-collared Piculet, and the Southern Bristle-Tyrant.

TARGET SPECIES: Swallow-tailed Manakin, Red-crowned Tanager, Green-headed Tanager.

IN THE AFTERNOON: A drive along Route 101, skirting the park, in search of birds associated with the unique bamboo forest ecosystem, such as the Yellow-browed Tyrant, Spot-backed Antshrike, and the Grey-headed Tody-Flycatcher.

TARGET SPECIES: Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet, Azure Jay, Toco Toucan.



DAY 4: ADVENTURE IN URUGUA-Í PROVINCIAL PARK

Breakfast. Journey to Urugua-í Provincial Park, an essential yet lesser-known refuge for birdwatchers. This park is home to extremely rare species like the Araucaria Tit-Spintail and the Black-billed Scythebill. Here, the biodiversity of the Planalto forest will impress even the most demanding birders.

TARGET SPECIES: Streak-capped Antwren, Spot-billed Antwren, Cinnamon Tyrannulet.



Transfer to San Pedro to explore the Araucaria Forest reserve, where we will focus on the Vinaceous-breasted Parrot and the Araucaria Tit-Spintail, two species unique to this type of habitat.

Overnight in San Pedro

DAY 5: CRUCE CABALLERO – A HIDDEN GEM FOR BIRDWATCHING BREAKFAST.

Excursion to Cruce Caballero Provincial Reserve, where we will seek one of the most coveted species: the Cinnamon-faced Woodpecker, along with the Olive-crowned Flycatcher. This area is famous for its tranquility and abundance of unique species not found in other parts of the country.

TARGET SPECIES: White-bellied Warbler, Dusky-tailed Antbird, Robust Woodpecker.



Overnight in San Pedro.

DAY 6: IBERÁ WETLANDS – AN UNPARALLELED MARSHLAND

Breakfast. Transfer by 4x4 vehicle to Colonia Carlos Pellegrini, the gateway to the stunning Iberá Wetlands. This vast marshland is home to an incredible variety of aquatic and terrestrial birds, where we will observe the majestic Jabiru, Roseate Spoonbill, and Scarlet-headed Blackbird, among over three hundred recorded species.

TARGET SPECIES: Black-and-white Monjita, Giant Wood-Rail, Long-tailed Reed Finch, Scarlet-headed Blackbird.

Overnight in Colonia Carlos Pellegrini.

DAY 7: DIVERSE ECOSYSTEMS OF THE IBERÁ WETLANDS



Breakfast. Intensive exploration of the various ecosystems in Iberá, from grasslands to palm forests, in search of iconic birds like the Yellow Cardinal, Cock-tailed Tyrant, and Chestnut Seedeater. This is an ideal day for photographing species in full activity and recording unique behaviors.

TARGET SPECIES: Great Rufous Woodcreeper, White Woodpecker, Wattled Jacana.

Overnight in Colonia Carlos Pellegrini.



DAY 8: NAVIGATION AND WILDLIFE OF THE WETLANDS

Breakfast. **MORNING:** Last birdwatching session focusing on species not seen on previous days. Afternoon: A boat tour through the wetlands, offering spectacular views of local wildlife. In addition to birds, it is common to encounter caimans, capybaras, and marsh deer in their natural habitat.



TARGET SPECIES: Cock-tailed Tyrant, Southern Screamer, Long-winged Harrier.

DAY 9: End of the Expedition

Transfer to Posadas airport. End of services.

TOUR DETAILS:

TYPE: Excursion with transfer and birding

ACTIVITY: Birding tour & Photography

DIFFICULTY: Moderate

DURATION: 8 hours per day

DEPARTURE TIME: 8:00 AM

LUNCH: Lunch Box

ACCOMMODATION: Overnight Iguazu, San Pedro and Colonia Carlos Pellegrini.

DINNERS: Not included

TIPS: Not included

