



**BIRDING CENTRAL CHILE:  
THE ANDEAN MOUNTAINS NEAR SANTIAGO**

Length: Full day



Our destination will be the Andean range near the city of Santiago. We will explore the Natural Sanctuary of Yerba Loca and will continue going higher to reach the areas of Farellones and Valle Nevado. This area will be the perfect place to look for two hummingbirds of Central Chile: White-sided Hillstar and the Giant Hummingbird as some other specialties and endemics as the Chilean Tinamou, Crag Chilia, Tapaculo, Mustached Turca and the Andean Condor. While we ascend to higher altitude we will spot different species of Ground-Tyrants and Miners. On the return if time allows us we will visit a very rich wetland near Santiago airport where we will close the days looking for some waterfowl and migrants that spend the northern winter in the coast and wetlands of the Pacific.

**TARGET: 40 SPECIES**

Some of the species that can be found in this trip: *Giant Hummingbird, White-sided Hillstar, Chilean Tinamou, California Quail, Spot-billed Ground Tyrant, White-browed Ground Tyrant, Cinerous Ground-tyrant, Great-shrike Tyrant, Grey-hooded Sierra Finch, Band-tailed Sierra Finch, Scale-throated Earthcreeper, Rufous-banded Miner, Creamy-rumped Miner, Burrowing Owl, Magellanic Horned Owl, among others.*

Destinations	Farellones, Batuco Wetlands and Yerba Loca Sanctuary
Departure	Santiago
Length	Full day
Difficulty	Low, we could reach over 2.000 mts / 6.500 ft a.s.l.
Activities	Bird watching Photo opportunity Soft walk
Meals	Box lunch (vegetarian, vegan and gluten intolerant options available upon request)
Accommodations	Not included
Transportation	Professional Driver with license A2, modern vehicles, window seat guaranteed for each traveller, private terrestrial transportation
Insurances	Metlife coverage for each traveller between 18 and 64 years old
Equipment provided	Literature, field guide, birds check list, spotting scope. Extra set of binoculars available upon request. Window seat guaranteed during land transportation.
Equipment required	Sun-hat and sunscreen, comfortable shoes, warm clothes for high altitude, bottles for water. RECOMMENDATION: A good book and a field guide to bring during your trip in Chile is Alvaro Jaramillo's Birds of Chile, English version available at Amazon.com.
Not included	International and Domestic flights (we can book it for you upon request), tips, insurances and any other item not specified
Guide	Bilingual Naturalist guide expert in birdlife with International Wilderness First Responder Certification
Minimum of passengers	This trip is guaranteed to depart with a minimum of two participants. Maximum 8 participants.
Sustainability	0% Plastic emissions, Carbon Print compensation, Water to refill reusable bottles, small groups for low impact, 100% of the waste produced recycled, Conservation/Educational Programs supported through your booking