



Humid and Dry Chaco Short Tour

2 nights / 3 days



Pre-Tour

XV Feria de Aves de Sudamérica

Tour dates:

September 14th to 16th 2026

Number of participants:

Minimum 4 - Maximum 8 people (with one guide)

Summary

This tour of 2 nights & 3 days in the Chaco, will give you some of the best spots for birding in the area, but also good chances to see big mammals, such as Lowland Tapir, Azara's Night Monkey, Gray Brocket Deers, White-lipped and Chacoan Peccaries.

We will visit unique landscapes, including salty lakes, that congregates aquatic birds, such as Chilean Flamingo, Coscoroba Swan, Jabiru, Egrets and Herons, and Buff-necked and Plumbeous Ibis. In its thorny forest, we will find many Chaco endemic birds like Quebracho Crested-Tinamou, Black-legged Seriema, Black-bodied Woodpecker and Scimitar-billed Woodcreeper.

Tour pace: low to medium



Eco-regions and Ecosystems

1. **Humid Chaco:** palm savannas, xerophytic scrub forest patches, grasslands, marshes, gallery forest.
2. **Dry Chaco:** xerophytic, thorn scrub forest, salty lakes, thorn scrub savannas.

Itinerary



Chilean Flamingos at Laguna Capitán

- **Day 1:** We will leave very early (05:30 am) in direction to Laguna Capitán. Early birding at Benjamín Aceval, only 40 km of Asunción (1 hour approximately), where we will see many birds in ecosystems of Chaco Humid, including Plumbeous and Buff-necked Ibis, Black-collared Hawk, Golden-green and Pale-breasted Woodpeckers, Red-legged Seriema, Great-rufous Woodcreeper, Red-billed Scythebill, Purplish and Plush-crested Jays, Black-capped Donacobius, Scarlet-headed Blackbird and Crested Oropendola. Before midday we will continue our travel to Laguna Capitán, and in the afternoon watch birds and wildlife until nightfall. Overnight at Laguna Capitán or Loma Plata Inn Hotel.

Asunción to Laguna Capitán: 430 km (7 hours max.)

Accommodation:

Loma Plata Inn Hotel.

Ebird list: [Estancia La Rafaela, Pte. Hayes \(Bajo Chaco\), Presidente Hayes, Paraguay - eBird Hotspot](#);
[Laguna Capitán, Dpto. Pte. Hayes \(Alto Chaco\), Presidente Hayes, Paraguay - eBird Hotspot](#)



White lipped Pecaries at Chaco Lodge

- **Day 2:** We will spend the morning birding and wildlife watching at the salt lakes, arriving at Campo María, where we will spend the rest of the day. We will see some of the Chaco endemics: Cream-backed Woodpecker, Crested Gallito, Scimitar-billed Woodcreeper, Chaco Earthcreeper, Cinereous Tyrant, Black-capped Warbling-Finch and Many-colored Chaco-Finch. Many waterbirds and shorebirds will definitely increase our list during this day, with great possibilities to see White-faced Whistling Duck, Coscoroba Swan, up to thousands of Chilean Flamingos, Ringed and Brazilian Teal, Collared Plover, Black-necked Stilt, Lesser Yellowlegs, Buff-breasted Sandpiper, and many others.

Loma Plata to Campo María : 80 km (1 ½ hours)

Ebird lists: [Chaco Lodge, Dpto. Pte. Hayes \(Alto Chaco\), Presidente Hayes, Paraguay - eBird Hotspot](#)

[Campo María, Dpto. Pte. Hayes. \(Alto Chaco\), Presidente Hayes, Paraguay - eBird Hotspot](#)



Chaco Owl at Chaco Lodge

- **Day 3:** Morning birding at Chaco Lodge or Filadelfia Reserve (depending on bird activity of the last day, and climate conditions). Filadelfia Reserve will give us a chance to see some species: Greater Rhea, White-bellied Nothura, Golden-green Woodpecker, Black-legged Seriema, Olive-crowned Crescentchest, Rufous-fronted and Little Thornbird, Greater-wagtail Tyrant, Masked Gnatcatcher, Blue-and-yellow Tanager, Golden-billed Saltator, Ultramarine Grosbeak, and others. After lunch, we return to Asunción.

Ebird list: [Fortín Toledo, Dpto. Boquerón \(Alto Chaco\), Boquerón, Paraguay - eBird Hotspot](#)



Azara's Night Monkey at Flor del Chaco Reserve

Tour Price per person

Accomodations options	1 person (single room)	2 people (double room)	3 people (triple room)
Precio por persona	USD 880	USD 660	USD 600

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What is included in the tour fees?

- **all accommodations** on a sharing basis at hotels, lodges or other establishments of a reasonable standard (or best available in the area);
- **all meals** (breakfast, lunch and dinner) from day 1 to 3 (breakfast and lunch)
- drinking water and one soft drink/beer per meal;
- **all ground transportation** from first day to final day of tour;
- all costs of local guides;
- **all excursions and activities** mentioned in the itinerary unless specifically stated as optional in which case they will be charged for at cost with prior consent from participants;
- **all entrance fees** for reserves, parks, museums that are part of the itinerary;

What is not included in the tour fees?

- International airfare and any airport taxes;
- travel and medical insurance;
- visa, passport and vaccination costs;
- beverages over those stated as included;
- optional excursions as defined by the itinerary or excursions not included in the itinerary;
- Telephone calls, laundry and other items of a personal nature;
- Gratuities to Tour leader and local guides;
- Gratuities for hotel/restaurant staff, porters, drivers.

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Chilean Flamingos in flight at Campo María



Wetland of the Humid Chaco



Nanday Parakeets at the Humid Chaco



Scarlet-headed Blackbird at the Humid Chaco



Black-capped Donacobius at the Humid Chaco