

# JEWELS OF VALLE DEL CAUCA

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CAMARA DE COMERCIO DE CALI



COMPANY LEGAL CERTIFICATION

# Presentation

## About us

# Kevin Ocampo

At Ocampo Expeditions, I am proud to work closely with leading organizations and establish strategic partnerships that strengthen our nature tourism offerings. As the founder of the company, I am Kevin Ocampo, a passionate professional bird photographer and law student at the Pontificia Universidad Javeriana. Through more than 10 years of experience birding and leading independent tours, I have made valuable industry connections.

My dedication and perseverance in birdwatching have led me to gain recognition both in the birdwatching community in Colombia and abroad. I am proud to have been awarded the prize for the best bird photographer in my region, an achievement that I personally received from the Mayor of Santiago de Cali.

In addition, I have had the opportunity to collaborate with government entities in bird tourism projects that focus on conservation and the promotion of responsible ecotourism in various areas of Colombia. These projects combine my passion for photography with my commitment to preserve the environment. My experience and knowledge have been valued, which has led me to lead initiatives that promote sustainable bird tourism.

Showcasing my work in multiple photography exhibitions has been a rewarding experience, as I have had the opportunity to share my best images with the public. This year, I have the honor of being the official photographer of the Colombian Bird Fair, a recognition that highlights my dedication and excellence in bird photography.

As an active member of the Valle del Cauca Ornithological Society (DACNIS), a community made up of professionals and bird enthusiasts, I collaborate with other passionate about the subject to promote the conservation and study of the species in our region.

My achievements and career have also given me the opportunity to be hired by prestigious universities, such as the Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, to lead bird watching days on their campuses. These opportunities allow students to connect with nature and appreciate the biodiversity that surrounds us.

At Ocampo Expeditions, our strategic collaborations and partnerships allow us to provide high-quality experiences for our clients. Thanks to these connections, we have access to specialized local guides, reliable suppliers and the most impressive destinations in Colombia. Our commitment is to offer exceptional services and promote conservation through nature tourism.



# Why birding in Valle del Cauca, Colombia?

## Introduction

# Unique Biodiversity

Bird watching in the department of Valle del Cauca, located in the Western Andes of Colombia, is an enriching experience for lovers of ornithology and nature. This region offers diverse environments that are home to a wide variety of bird species and impressive landscapes.

Valle del Cauca is a department that combines beautiful beaches on its Pacific coast with imposing mountains in the Andes. This diversity of habitats offers a wide range of birds to observe. In the coastal zone, it is possible to see sea birds. Inland, in the forests and valleys, you can find toucans, parrots, owls, and waterfowl in the rivers and wetlands.

In Valle del Cauca, there are multiple natural reserves and national parks that are important refuges for birds and offer exceptional opportunities for bird watching. In Valle del Cauca, the Farallones de Cali National Natural Park and the Los Farallones Fauna and Kilometro Dieciocho are popular destinations.

In conclusion, Valle del Cauca is a privileged destination for bird watching in the Western Andes. The diversity of species, the impressive landscapes and the preservation of their ecosystems make these regions a paradise for birdwatchers and a unique opportunity to connect with nature.

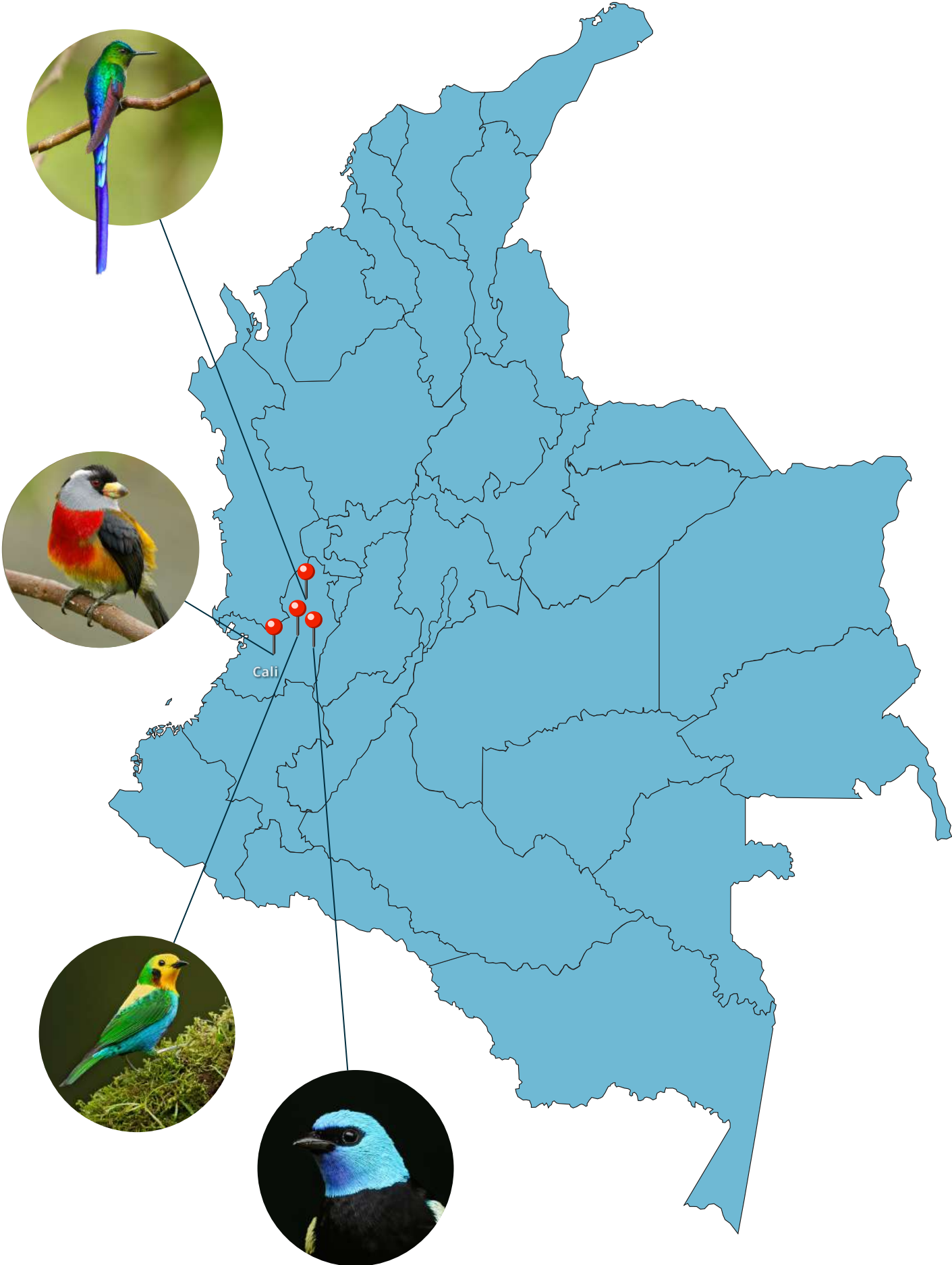
# What places will you visit?

## Day 1 to 4, Jewels of Valle del Cauca

- Day 01. Alfonso Bonilla Aragón airport (CLO), in Cali / Finca Nido del Bosque.
- Day 02. La Florida "The Bird Forest".
- Day 03. Finca San Felipe Birding & Finca Alejandría "Hummingbird paradise".
- Day 04. Birdwatching Doña Dora / Alfonso Bonilla Aragón airport (CLO), in Cali

Note: the food included for each day is indicated as follows: (B: breakfast, L: lunch, D: dinner).

# TOUR MAP



## DAY 1 ( -, L, D)

Detailed Itinerary

# Arrival in Colombia



### **Cali, Valle del Cauca**

Once your plane has landed in the city of Cali, capital of Valle del Cauca, one of our guides and our specialized driver will be waiting for you at the airport to take you to the hotel we have chosen for you. Our guide will also give you a talk about the fauna and ecosystems that you can observe in the following days. You can start bird watching from the hotel once you arrive. The next day first thing in the morning you will begin touring the birdwatching reserves in the area.





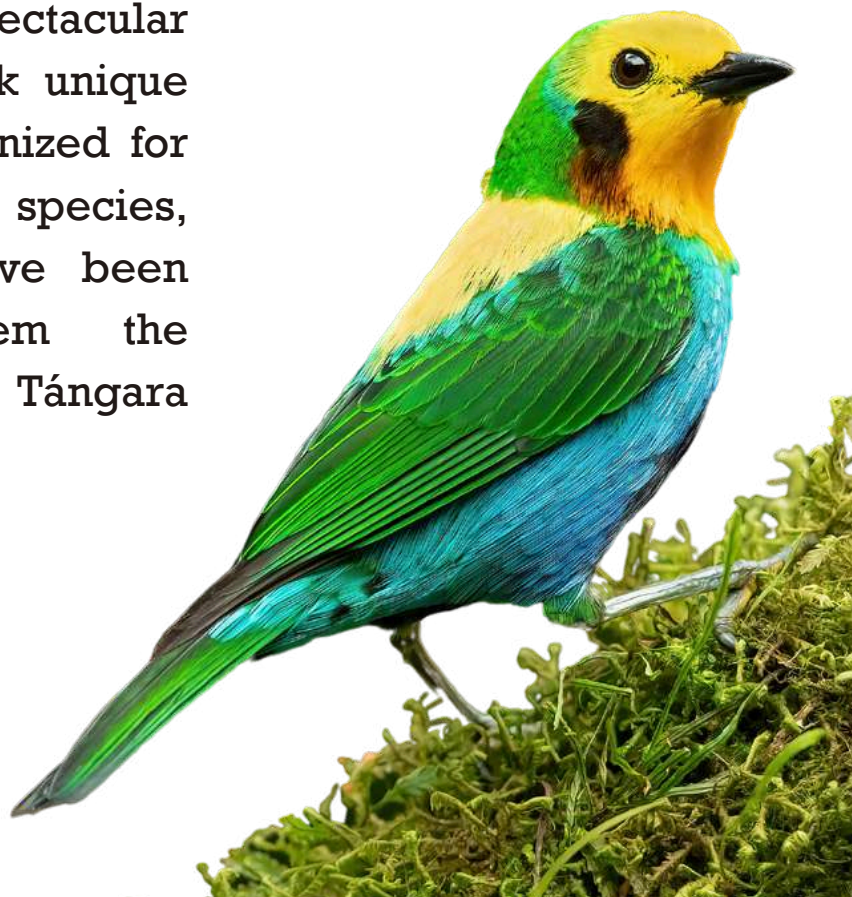
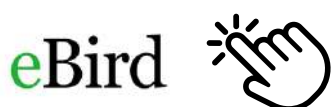
## DAY 2 (B,L,D)

### Detailed Itinerary

# Touring the Valle del Cauca Reserves

## "The Forest of Birds"

You will begin your tour of Valle del Cauca at the La Florida bird watching reserve, renowned for being specialized in bird photography. Its hosts have built and allocated spaces so that the photographs come out spectacular and visitors can take back unique memories. It is also recognized for its great variety of bird species, since more than 330 have been registered, among them the endemic Multicolored Tanager (*Chlorochrysa nitidissima*).





**LA FLORIDA**  
**"THE FOREST OF BIRDS"**



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**DAY 3 (B,L,D)**

Detailed Itinerary

# Hummingbird Paradise



## San Felipe Birding & Finca Alejandria

San Felipe Birding is a nature reserve located in the cloud forest of Cali. In 2004, this region was declared by BirdLife International as an Important Area for the Conservation of Birds (AICA / IBA). Due to its geographic location, the property is part of one of the most biologically important hydrographic basins in southwestern Colombia.

Visiting the Finca Alejandria "Hummingbird Paradise" is a unique experience for bird lovers. This farm is a pioneer in bird watching in Colombia. Which makes it one of the most important reserves in the entire country. Along the ecological path of the farm, you will be able to see many plants rich in nectar and beautiful orchids. The property has been replanted with 200 palms and heliconias, which attracts a wide variety of birds.



**FINCA ALEJANDRÍA**



**SAN FELIPE BIRDING**



**FINCA ALEJANDRÍA**



## DAY 4 (B,L,-)

### Detailed Itinerary

# Arriving at the Colombian Pacific

## And return to Cali

You will go first thing in the morning to the Doña Dora bird watching farm to spot the Andean Cock-of-the-rock. This farm is recognized for the large number of species that come to the garden of the main house, occupying the number one position in the entire department of Valle del Cauca, with more than 500 registered species. Among the birds that we can see in this place we find the famous and iconic Compás (*Semnornis ramphastinus*), Gallito de Roca (*Rupicola peruvianus*), the endemic Habia Copetona (*Habia cristata*), and even the Emerald Tanager (*Chlorochrysa phoenicotis*). Then, in the afternoon we will return to the Cali airport.

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**BIRD WATCHING  
DOÑA DORA**



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DOÑA DORA**

## DAY 4 (AFTERNOON)

### Detailed Itinerary

# Thank you so much!

## End of Tour

It has been a real pleasure to share with you this photographic animal experience in Colombia. Over the past few days we have had the opportunity to explore some of the most spectacular scenery in this beautiful country and photograph some of the most beautiful and rare animals in the world.

We want to thank you for your participation and company on this trip. His enthusiasm and passion for photography and nature has been a source of inspiration for us. We hope this experience has been as memorable and enriching for you as it has been for us.

In addition, we want to highlight the importance of wildlife conservation and the protection of the natural habitats of these animals. In Colombia, as in many other parts of the world, these species face constant threats due to habitat destruction and illegal hunting. We hope that the photos taken and this experience can help raise awareness of these issues and inspire others to protect and preserve wildlife.

We would love to have you back on future animal photo safaris and explore more natural wonders together. Once again, thank you very much for your participation in this trip and we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.

Sincerely,  
The Ocampo Expeditions team

## WHAT DOES THE TOUR INCLUDE?

- Private transportation during the development of the tour.
- Lodging.
- Main meals (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner) as stipulated in this PDF.
- Entrance fees to all reserves visited during the tour.
- Travel insurance.
- Accompaniment by a certified guide.
- Driver.

## WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR?

- International or national flights.
- Laundry service.
- Personal hygiene objects.
- Room service.
- Medical expenses that are not covered by travel insurance.
- Alcoholic beverages.
- Activities not stipulated in the itinerary.
- Trip extensions due to force majeure events or acts of God.
- Tips.

# PRICE TABLE

## Price per person

The more people join the tour, the value per person decreases.

<b>1 PAX</b>
<b>\$ 1.650 USD</b>

# RECOMMENDATIONS

- **Comfortable and appropriate clothing for the weather:** Warm clothing in the Andean Region.
- **Appropriate footwear:** Wear comfortable, sturdy shoes, and consider waterproof hiking boots for rough terrain.
- **Sun protection:** Take high-factor sunscreen and a wide-brimmed hat or cap to protect yourself from the sun.
- **Insect repellent:** Take insect repellent to avoid bites.
- **Binoculars and Camera:** Bring binoculars to observe animals and a camera to capture special moments.
- **Bottle of water and snacks:** Stay hydrated with a bottle of water and bring energy snacks.
- **Field guide on the birds of Colombia,** this will help you identify and better understand wildlife during your wildlife watching tour.

# CANCELLATION POLICY

We require written notification of any cancellation, which will have effect upon receipt. If you need to cancel your booking, you must inform us immediately by e-mail ([ocampo.wpe@gmail.com](mailto:ocampo.wpe@gmail.com)) and we will confirm your cancellation. Depending on the date on which we acknowledge your notice of cancellation, cancellation fees will apply per person. In furtherance of this, the cancellation policies of OCAMPO EXPEDITIONS are laid out as follows:

- More than 90 days before the start of the tour: \$500 cancellation fee unless we fill your spot. If we can fill your spot, the cancellation fee will be waived.
- 89 – 60 days before the start of the tour: \$700 cancellation fee unless we fill your spot. If we can fill your spot, the cancellation fee will be waived.
- Less than 60 days before the start of the tour: No refunds will be given, and all payments will be forfeited. Full payment is required no later than 60 days prior to departure. If full payment is not received by this date you will be notified by email. If you do not respond within 3 business days, your spot will be forfeited and offered to participants on the waiting list.



# VACCINES FOR COLOMBIA

We assume you are up to date with your vaccinations. **A is not required vaccination certificate upon entering Colombia**, however, it is important to keep these recommendations in mind:

There are no big problems with mosquitoes in most of the Bookings. It is recommended to get vaccinated against typhoid fever and hepatitis A. Yellow fever is very rare in Colombia.

Malaria is present in many low-lying areas of Colombia. Although it is not known to exist near our reserves, it is present in some cities of the Andes regions Western, Central and Eastern, Magdalena, Santa Marta, Guajira and Choco. In these areas, it is best to reduce the number of insect bites by wearing long-sleeved shirts and pants, and using insect repellent, especially at dawn and at dawn sunset.

Dengue, although not frequent, is also a possibility, and once again, it is recommended to reduce the risk of insect bites insects and be aware of the symptoms of this fever.

Leishmaniasis disease, transmitted by bites of sand flies, also a long shot in low-lying areas, and once again, visitors must learn the symptoms. has only there have been rare cases in the communities of the Magdalena Valley, but not within the reserve.

The mites are also found in the long grass around the Caribbean coast, far from the main routes. Cover your legs pants, shoes and waistband with insect repellent.



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