

SIERRA NEVADA (SHORT TRIP)

Ocampo Expeditions Birding & Wildlife



About this trip

Immerse yourself in the unparalleled beauty of the Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta, a magical mountain range revered as the world's most important continental center of endemism. This short but unforgettable journey invites you to explore a region where biodiversity thrives, and breathtaking landscapes meet rich cultural heritage.

Your adventure begins in Santa Marta, the Pearl of the Americas, where you'll be warmly welcomed and escorted to the enchanting Colores de la Sierra Hotel. Nestled amidst verdant foothills, this eco-friendly haven is the perfect gateway to experience the natural treasures of the Sierra Nevada. Here, you'll be introduced to an incredible variety of bird species, including some of the 24 endemic species that make this area a global birding hotspot.

Spend your days surrounded by nature's symphony as you traverse lush trails and winding mountain roads in search of avian gems like the Rufous-tailed Jacamar and Bicolored Wren. Each morning begins with a delicious local breakfast, fueling your explorations through this rich habitat. As the altitude rises, so do the opportunities to spot new species, such as the vibrant Black-headed Tanager, against the backdrop of towering peaks and sweeping valleys.

The journey reaches its zenith at Cerro Kennedy, a must-visit for bird enthusiasts and nature lovers alike. This iconic vantage point offers not only unparalleled views of the Sierra Nevada but also the chance to encounter rare and elusive bird species. As the adventure concludes, you'll depart with a deep appreciation for the ecological and cultural significance of this remarkable region.

Join us for an inspiring exploration of one of the most biodiverse regions on Earth. Whether you're a seasoned birder or a nature enthusiast, the Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta promises memories that will last a lifetime.



Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta, Magdalena, Colombia

Trip overview

What's included

- Transportation
 - Lodging
Twin accommodation
 - Meals
From lunch on day 1 to lunch on day 4
 - Entrances
 - Travel insurance
 - Driver
 - Expert Birding Guide
 - Flights
 - Laundry service
 - Personal hygiene objects
 - Room service
 - Medical expenses
Which are not covered by our travel insurance
 - Alcoholic beverages
 - Activities
Which are not specified in the itinerary
 - Trip extensions
 - Tips
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Packages & Options

Available packages

Single Room Supplement: USD \$237

TOUR: SIERRA NEVADA (SHORT TRIP) – (GROUP: MIN. 2 - MAX. 10.)

Price Per Person (2 PAX)

USD \$1,652

Deposit: USD \$495

Price Per Person (4 PAX)

USD \$1,082

Deposit: USD \$324

Price Per Person (6 PAX)

USD \$892

Deposit: USD \$267

Price Per Person (8 PAX)

USD \$797

Deposit: USD \$239

Price Per Person (10 PAX)

USD \$740

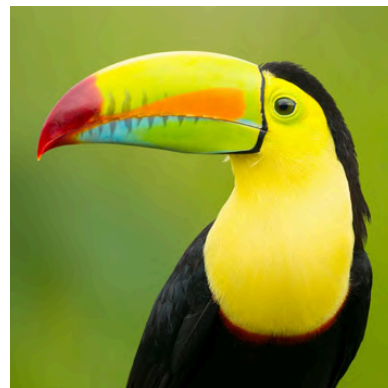
Deposit: USD \$222

Itinerary

Day 01 Welcome to Santa Marta

Upon your arrival at Simón Bolívar Airport in the charming city of Santa Marta, our guide and driver will welcome you to the Pearl of the Americas. From there, you'll embark on a one-hour drive to **Hotel Colores de la Sierra**, nestled in the majestic Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta. This location offers a perfect setting for an unforgettable birdwatching experience.

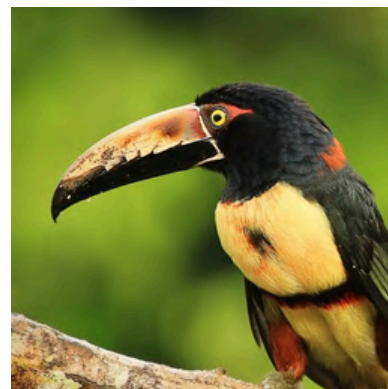
The Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta (SNSM) is regarded as the most important continental center of endemism worldwide, home to nearly 70 endemic taxa, 24 of which are officially recognized as species. Despite this incredible diversity, many of these species still require more research to ensure their conservation. This unique ecosystem will be the backdrop for your immersion into its remarkable biodiversity.



Day 02 Exploring the Avian Riches of Colores de la Sierra

After a delicious breakfast, you will head out to explore the best birdwatching spots near the hotel, including trails and roads leading into the lush forests of the Sierra Nevada. This area boasts over 300 recorded bird species, including highlights such as the Rufous-tailed Jacamar and the Bicolored Wren. This day will be a feast for bird enthusiasts. In the evening, you'll return to the hotel to rest and recharge for the following day.

Colores de la Sierra area Ebird Hotspot: <https://ebird.org/hotspot/L6142708>



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Day 03 Ascending to New Heights at Mountain House

In the morning, you'll transfer to **Hotel Mountain House**, located in the higher elevations of the Sierra Nevada. This change in altitude provides opportunities to spot new species, such as the Black-headed Tanager. Throughout the day, you will explore the surrounding areas, discovering prime locations for birdwatching. In the evening, you can relax and savor the hotel's delightful cuisine.

Mountain House Hotel: https://www.instagram.com/hotel_mountain_house/

Mountain House Hotel eBird Hotspot: <https://ebird.org/hotspot/L21092721>



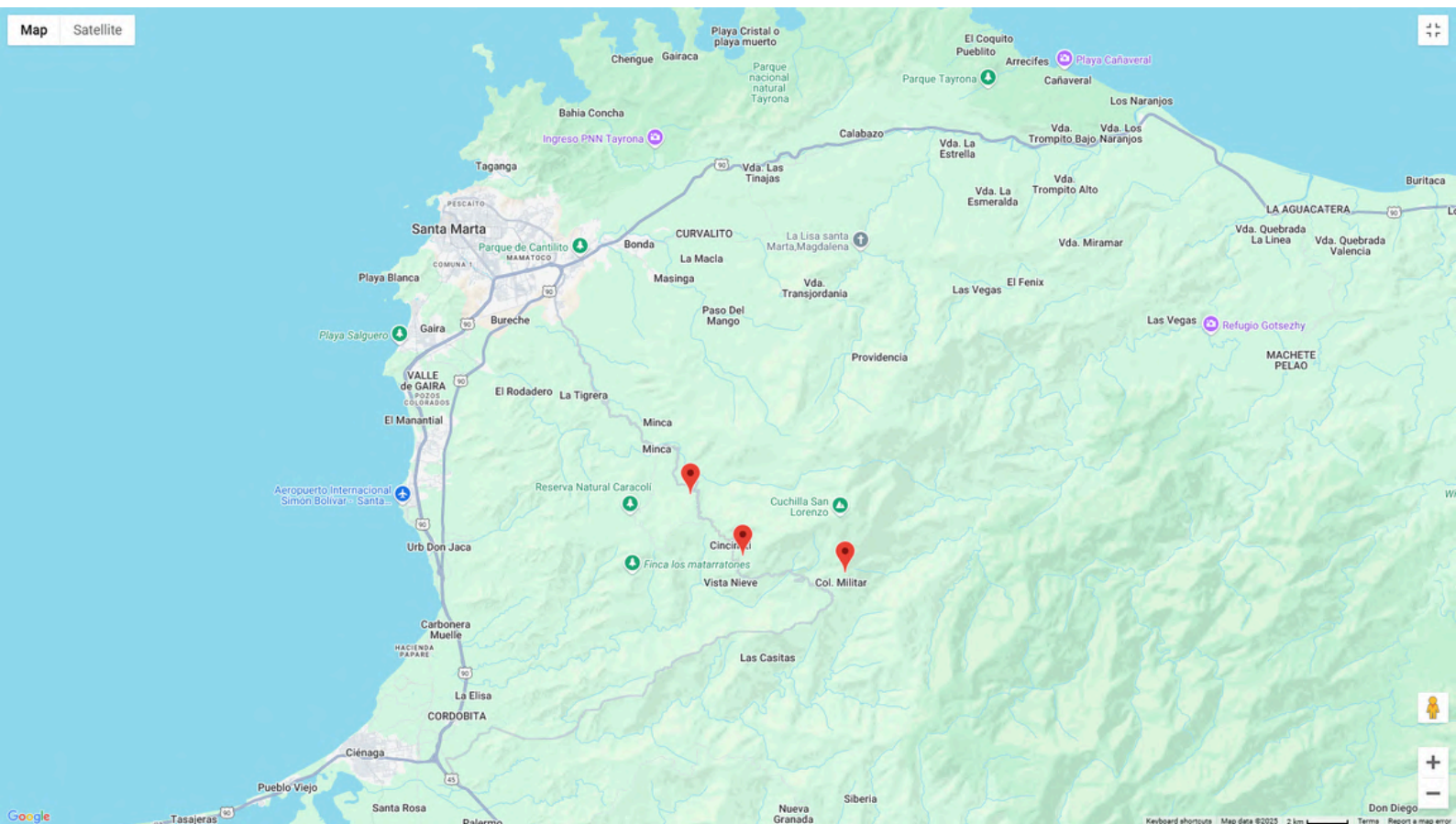
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Day 04 Birding Finale at Cerro Kennedy

On your final day, enjoy a morning of birdwatching near Cerro Kennedy, one of the most iconic birding spots in the region. After lunch, you'll begin your journey back to Simón Bolívar Airport.

Thank you for joining us on this adventure through the Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta. We hope this experience has brought you closer to Colombia's incredible natural and cultural richness. We look forward to welcoming you again to explore more amazing destinations together. Have a safe journey and see you soon!

Cerro Kennedy eBird Hotspot: <https://ebird.org/hotspot/L4326467>



About us

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We are Ocampo Expeditions, a birdwatching and wildlife watching company, passionate about conservation and the natural beauty of Colombia. We work with the purpose of contributing to the conservation of bird species and the environment through photography and nature tourism.

Our vision at Ocampo Expeditions is to be leaders in promoting the conservation of the environment and fauna, focusing especially on the birds of Colombia. We strive to show the rest of the world the incredible natural wealth that our country is home to and convey the importance of its preservation.

Our mission is to offer unique and authentic nature tourism experiences, while promoting sustainable and responsible practices. We deeply value the conservation of the environment and species, while striving to provide our customers with the best memories and experiences possible. At Ocampo Expeditions, we are guided by a series of core values.

First of all, we are committed to conserving the environment and wildlife, focusing on the protection of birds and their natural habitats. In addition, we are proud to show the rest of the world the natural wealth of Colombia and change perceptions about our country, moving away from negative stereotypes and highlighting the diversity and beauty of our landscapes.

We specialize in birdwatching and offer more than just birding tours. We strive to provide our clients with the opportunity to capture exceptional images of birds and wildlife in their natural environment. Our team is made up of passionate bird experts and local guides who know the best places and times for stunning photography.

At Ocampo Expeditions, we are excited that, through responsible tourism and nature photography, we can contribute to the conservation of ecosystems in Colombia. In addition, we generate employment in local communities and contribute to positioning Colombia as a truly important tourist destination in the world.

Join us on this exciting bird and nature discovery adventure. Let us showcase Colombia's incredible biodiversity and help each other protect and appreciate our natural environment!



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IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR OUR CLIENTS

Ocampo Expeditions SAS is committed to ensuring a transparent, professional, and legally compliant service experience. Before confirming any reservation, we strongly advise all clients to carefully review our **Terms and Conditions** and **Privacy Policy** to fully understand their rights, obligations, and the policies governing our operations. These documents outline the contractual framework between Ocampo Expeditions SAS and our clients, detailing payment policies, cancellation procedures, liability limitations, and data protection measures.

- **Terms and Conditions:** <https://www.ocampoexpeditions.com/terms-and-conditions-ocampo-expeditions>
- **Privacy Policy:** <https://www.ocampoexpeditions.com/privacy-policy-ocampo-expeditions>

By proceeding with a booking, you explicitly acknowledge that you have read, understood, and agreed to these policies. If you have any questions or require further clarification regarding any of the terms outlined in these documents, you must contact us at ocampo.wpe@gmail.com before finalizing your reservation. Failure to review these documents will not exempt you from compliance with the stipulated terms.

LEGAL NOTICE AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Ocampo Expeditions SAS is a legally constituted company specializing in birdwatching and wildlife tourism in Colombia. We operate in strict compliance with national and international regulations governing ecotourism, environmental sustainability, and consumer protection. Our services are designed to provide high-quality, responsible, and ethical wildlife observation experiences, prioritizing conservation and sustainable tourism practices.

All communications, reservations, and contractual engagements with Ocampo Expeditions SAS must be conducted through our official channels:

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- **WhatsApp Contact:** +57 3168880202
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- **Corporate Website:** www.ocampoexpeditions.com
- **Official Instagram Account:** [@ocampoexpeditions_birdingtours](https://www.instagram.com/ocampoexpeditions_birdingtours)

For a complete overview of our available tours, including itineraries, pricing, and detailed service descriptions, we invite you to consult our official tour catalog: [Ocampo Expeditions Tour Catalog](#).