

Photo: Eurasian Hoopoe, by Faísca

# 12 Days in Spain Birdwatching Program

Andalucia (Doñana N. P. & Gibraltar) & Extremadura

Birds & Nature Tours Portugal

12 -23 October 2027

### **Itinerary**

Day 1 (12 October 2027) – Transfer from your Lisbon hotel. Morning visit to the Tagus Estuary Natural Reserve (Alcochete sector). After lunch, travel to Villamanrique De La Condesa, in Andalucia (about 4 hours). Overnight stay at the Hotel Ardea Purpurea, in Villamanrique De La Condesa (or similar).

Day 2 – Visit the Doñana National Park (west sector), including the areas near El Rocio and the centres of La Rocina and El Acebuche (freshwater lagoons, reedbeds, stone pine woods). Overnight stay at the Hotel Ardea Purpurea.

Day 3 – Visit the Doñana National Park (west sector), including the Isla Mayor rice fields, the lagoons and woods of Villamanrique de La Condesa, the

Dehesa de Abajo, the Caño Guadiamar and the José António Valverde centre. Overnight stay at the Hotel Ardea Purpurea.

Day 4 – Visit the marshes and salt pans of the Odiel Marshes Nature Reserve, near Huelva. Good opportunities for sea watching. Overnight stay at the Hotel Ardea Purpurea.

Day 5 – Travel to Gibraltar, visiting on the way the eastern sector of the Doñana National Park, including the areas of Trebujena, the salt pans of Bonanza and Algaida and the Tarelo Lagoon. Overnight stay at the Hotel La Codorniz, in Tarifa (or similar).

Day 6 – Visit the Tarifa and Gibraltar areas for active migration watching. Overnight stay at the Hotel La Codorniz.

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Day 8 – Travel to Trujillo, in Extremadura, Spain (about 3 hours), visiting on the way the town of Mérida (which offers numerous birding opportunities, namely at the Roman bridge), the Alange reservoir, for rock loving species and the Llanos de Campo Lugar for other steppe species. Overnight stay at the Hotel Hospedería Parque de Monfragüe, in Torrejón el Rubio (or similar).

Day 9 – Visit the bluffs and hills of the Monfragüe National Park, namely several viewing points (the Salto del Gitano/Peñafalcón, the Monfragüe castle, the Cardenal bridge and the Tajadilla). Overnight stay at the Hotel Hospedería Parque de Monfragüe.

Day 10 – Visit the rolling plains (Llanos) of Cáceres, Magasca and Trujillo and the plains near Monroy. Overnight stay at the Hotel Hospedería Parque de Monfragüe.

Day 11 – Visit other sites of the Monfragüe National Park, including the Báscula, the Higuerilla and the Portilla del Tiétar viewing points. Visit the Arrocampo reservoir. Visit the Alcollarín reservoir. Overnight stay at the Hotel Hospedería Parque de Monfragüe.

Day 12 (23 October 2027) – Visit the Trujillo area, including the town, which is well known for its rich community of urban birds. Travel to Lisbon (about 3h30m), visiting on the way other sites of the Tagus Estuary Nature Reserve, in Portugal (Vila Franca de Xira sector). Overnight stay at the Hotel As Janelas Verdes, in Lisbon (or similar). End of services.

#### **Price**

5.190 € per person (14 participants); 5.500 € (12 – 13 participants); 5.740 € (10 – 11 participants); 6.050 € (8 – 9 participants); 6.290 € (6 – 7 participants); 6.400 € (4 – 5 participants). Price includes guide fees, transfer from/to the Lisbon hotel, ground transport (in air-conditioned mini-bus with a driver or a 9-seat car), accommodation (including breakfast), meals (lunches in local cafes and dinners in local restaurants or at the hotels, including quality wine at dinner), bottled water throughout the tour, free use of optical equipment (quality binoculars and telescopes) and field guides, bird list, entrance fees to private or protected areas and VAT. Single supplement: 820 €. Not included are flights and items of a personal nature.

#### **Note**

The tour starts and end in Lisbon. If you need accommodation for the nights before and/or after the tour, we are happy to help. We suggest you discuss your flight details with us before booking your flights.

#### **Hotels**

## Hotel Hospedería Parque de Monfragüe (Torrejón el Rubio)

Carretera Plasencia-Trujillo, km 37, 10694 Torrejón el Rubio, Spain

Website: http://www.hospederiademonfrague.com/

Phone: (0034) 927 455 278

## **Hotel Ardea Purpura (Villamanrique De La Condesa)**

Camino Vereda De Los Labrados, S/N, Villamanrique De La Condesa, Sevilla, 41850, Spain

Website: <a href="https://www.ardeapurpurea.com/">https://www.ardeapurpurea.com/</a>

Phone: (0034) 955 755 479

#### **Hotel La Codorniz (Tarifa)**

Carretera Cádiz-Málaga, km 79, 11380 Tarifa, Cádiz, Spain

Website: <a href="https://lacodorniz.com/the-hotel/">https://lacodorniz.com/the-hotel/</a>

Phone: (0034) 956684744

## **Hotel As Janelas Verdes (Lisbon)**

Rua das Janelas Verdes, 47, 1200-690 Lisboa, Portugal

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