

23 DAYS BIRDWATCHING TOUR IN MADAGASCAR

Day 1: Arrival In Antananarivo

Welcome to Antananarivo. You will be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel. LAPASOA HOTEL

Day 2: Antananarivo - Ankarafantsika

Morning drive to Ankarafantsika (11 to 12 hours drives). Stop on the way for Madagascar (Reunion) Harrier, Madagascar Pratincole.

BLUE VANGA LODGE / ASITY LODGE

Day 3: Ankarafantsika

Visit in Ankarafantsika Ampijoroa.

Birds: Schlegel's Asity, Blue Vanga, Madagascar Green-Pigeon, Coquerel's Coua, Sickle-billed Vanga, Van Dam's Vanga, Torotoroka Scops-Owl, White-breasted Mesite, Madagascar Bulbul, Long-billed Bernieria, Common Jery, Crested Drongo, Madagascar Magpie-Robin, Souimanga Sunbird, Madagascar Hoopoe, Common Newtonia, Madagascar Paradise-Flycatcher, Lesser Vasa-Parrot, Gray-headed Lovebird, Madagascar Turtle-Dove, Broad-billed Roller, Madagascar Buzzard, Madagascar Sparrowhawk, Banded Kestrel, Rufous Vanga, White-headed Vanga, Ashy Cuckooshrike, Red-capped Coua, Crested Coua, Madagascar Fish-Eagle, White-faced Whistling-Duck, Striated Heron, Glossy Ibis, Three-banded Plover, Humblot's Heron, Madagascar Jacana, Lesser Vasa-Parrots, Cuckoo-Roller, Greater Painted-Snipe, Sakalava Weavers, Hookbilled Vanga, Madagascar Paradise-Flycatcher, Greater Vasa-Parrot, Malagasy Kingfisher, Black Heron, Squacco Heron, Madagascar Bee-eater.

Mammals: Fat-tailed Dwarf-Lemur, Milne-Edwards Sportive Lemur, Goldenbrown Mouse-Lemur. Reptiles: Oustalet's chameleon, Cat-eyed Snake.

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Day 4: Ankarafantsika

All day visit in Ankarafantsika
BLUE VANGA LODGE / ASITY LODGE

Day 5: Ankarafantsika - Majunga

Morning drive to Majunga, (2 hours drives) for the delta betsiboka (Betsiboka Delta), and drive back to ampijoroa in the afternoon. Birds: Bernier's Teal, Madagascar Sacred Ibis, Dimorphic Egret, Madagascar Harrier-Hawk, Saunders's Tern, African Openbill, Black Heron, Squacco Heron, Humblot's Heron, Yellow-billed Stork, Malagasy Kingfisher, Madagascar Cisticola, Madagascar Munias, Greater Painted-Snipe, Madagascar Pond-Heron, Madagascar Jacana, White-throated Rail.

BLUE VANGA LODGE / ASITY LODGE

Day 6: Ankararfantsika - Antananarivo

Go back to Antananarivo (11 to 12 hours drives)

LAPASOA HOTEL

Day 7: Antananarivo - Andasibe

Tana – Andasibe, after a short visit at the Tsarasaotra lac in TANA. (4 hours drives)

VAKONA FOREST LODGE / ANDASIBE LEMURS LODGE

Day 8: Andasibe

Visit of Mantadia National park Andasibe

Birds: Madagascar Rail, Madagascar Coucal, Madagascar Sunbird, Scaly Ground-Roller, Short-legged Ground-Roller, Nelicourvi Weaver, Malagasy Kingfisher, Sunbird Asity, Dark Newtonias, Meller's Duck, Madagascar Grebe, Malagasy Spinetails, Madagascar Swamp-Warbler, Ward's Flycatcher, Madagascar Starling, Broad-billed Roller, Blue Coua, Madagascar Long-eared Owl, Malagasy Scops-Owl.

Mammals: Eastern Wooly-Lemur, Goodman's Mouse Lemur, Crossley's Dwarf-Lemur.

VAKONA FOREST LODGE / ANDASIBE LEMURS LODGE

Day 9: Andasibe

Analamazaotra Special Reserve.

Birds: Madagascar Flufftail, Malagasy Scops-Owl, Madagascar Ibis, Madagascar Cuckoo, Crested Drongo, Rand's Warbler, Stripe-throated Jery, Red Fodi, Madagascar Cisticola, African Stonechat, Madagascar Coucal, Red-breasted Coua, Nuthatch-Vanga, Madagascar Wood-Rails, Cuckoo-Roller, Collared Nightjar, Madagascar Pygmy-Kingfisher, Ashy Cuckooshrike, Nelicourvi Weaver, Spectacled Tetraka, White-throated Oxylabes, Madagascar Green-Pigeon, Malagasy Kingfisher, Madagascar Paradise-Flycatcher. Mammals: Eastern Bamboo Lemur, Indri, Diademed Sifaka.

VAKONA FOREST LODGE / ANDASIBE LEMURS LODGE

Day 10: Andasibe

Voimma Community Reserve

Birds: Helmet vanga, White-throated Rail, Chabert Vanga, Rand's Warbler, Lesser Vasa-Parrot, Madagascar Blue-Pigeon, Madagascar Paradise-Flycatcher, Spectacled Tetraka, Madagascar Ibis, Crested Drongo, Red-tailed, Nuthatch, Blue & White-headed Vangas, Ashy Cuckooshrike, Tylas Vanga, Madagascar Long-eared Owl, Madagascar Buzzard.

Mammals: Eastern Wooley Lemur, Goodman's Mouse Lemur and Crossley's Dwarf Lemur plus our first Common Tenrec.

Reptiles: Mossy Leaf-tailed Gecko.

VAKONA FOREST LODGE / ANDASIBE LEMURS LODGE

Day 11: Andasibe - Palmarium

Drive to Manambato and short boat trip (one hour) to Palmarium, visit of the AYE-AYE.

PALMARIUM

Day 12: Palmarium - Antananarivo

Boat trip back and drive back to Tana (8 hours drives)

LAPASOA HOTEL

Day 13: Antananarivo - Ranomafana

Morning drive till Ranomafana (11 hours drives)

Ranomafana lower trails

Birds: Benson's' Rock-Thrush, Madagascar Pond-Heron, Rand's Warbler, Stripe-throated Jery, Forest Fody, Madagascar White-eye, Madagascar Wagtails, Green Jery, Pitta-like Ground-Roller, Common Newtonia, Red-tailed, Blue & Pollen's Vangas, Brown Mesite, Spectacled Tetraka, Madagascar Paradise-Flycatcher, Madagascar Brush-Warbler, Tylas Vanga, Velvet Asity, Madagascar Buzzard, Gray Emu-tail, Madagascar Flufftail, African Stonechat, Madagascar Coucal, Mascarene Martin, Madagascar Snipe, Broad-billed Roller, Chabert Vanga, Marsh Owl.

Mammals: Golden Bamboo Lemur, Black-and-white Ruffed Lemur.

Reptiles: Satanic Leaf-tailed Gecko.

Anja Reserve

Mammals: Ring-tailed Lemur.

Reptiles: Brookesia Chameleon, Oustalet's Chameleon

CRISTO

Day 14: RANOMAFANA

Ranomafana upper trails (Vohiparara)

Birds: Madagascar Starling, Madagascar Mannikin, Madagascar Blue Pigeon, Red-fronted Coua, Forest Rock-Thrush, Yellow-bellied Asity, Rufous-headed Ground Roller, Sunbird Asity, Wedge-tailed Jery, Long-billed Bernieria, Gray-crowned Tetraka, Pollen's Vanga, Ashy Cuckooshrike, Tylas Vanga, Blue Vanga, Blue Coua, Crossley's Vanga, Velvet Asities, Madagascar Yellowbrow, Brown Emutail, Cryptic Warbler.

Mammals: Rufous Mouse Lemur, Milne-Edward's Sifaka.

Amphibians: Baron's Mantella.

CRISTO

Day 15: Ranomafana

All day visit of Ranomafana Sahamalaotra

CRISTO

Day 16: Ranomafana - Ranohira

Ranomafana - Ranohira (9 hours drives)

<u>Isalo</u>

Birds: Madagascar Partridge, Benson rock thrush, Madagascar Hoopoe, Broad-billed Roller, African Palm-Swift, Madagascar Bee-eater, Madagascar Kestrel, Madagascar Cisticola, Madagascar Pond-Heron, Madagascar Munia, Torotoroka Scops-Owl, White-browed Owl.

ISALO RANCH

Day 17: Ranohira - Zombitse - Toliara

All day drives with stop of 3 or 4 hours visit at Zombitse

Zombitse

Birds: Crested Coua, Cuckoo-Roller, Malagasy Spinetail, Broad-billed Roller, Madagascar Turtle-Dove, Common Newtonia, Long-billed Bernieria, Appert's Tetraka, Coquerel's Coua, Giant Coua.

Mammals: Zombitse Sportive-Lemur, Verreaux's Sifakas VICTORY

Day 18: Toliara

Visit of Andatabo (Tulear) in the morning, lac Belalanda in the afternoon VICTORY

Day 19: Tulear - Anakao

Tulear – Anakao, one hours of boat trip from Tulear. (Island: Nosy Ve)

Birds: Humblot's Heron, Dimorphic Egret, Madagascar Swifts, Mascarene Martins, Madagascar Kestrels, Pied Crow, Peregrine Falcon (endemic subspecies), Great Crested Tern, Crab Plover, White-fronted Plover, Madagascar Cisticola, Red-tailed Tropicbird, Littoral Rock-Thrush.

ANAKAO OCEAN LODGE

Day 20: Anakao – Ifaty

Ifaty Spiny Forest

Birds: Long-tailed Ground-Roller, Subdesert Mesite, Madagascar Plover, Green-capped Coua, Running Coua, Kittlitz's Plover, Three-banded Plover, Crested Drongo, Subdesert Brush-Warbler, Madagascar Cisticola, Red Fody, Madagascar Nightjar, Common & Stripe-throated Jeries, Common Newtonia, Madagascar Paradise-Flycatcher, Red-tailed Vanga, Thamnornis, Sickle-billed & Lafresnaye's Vangas, Madagascar Harrier-Hawk & Madagascar Cuckoo-Hawk, Madagascar Kestrel, Greater Vasa-Parrot, Madagascar Buttonquail, Chabert Vanga, Crested Coua, Archbold's Newtonia, Madagascar Bee-eater, White-fronted Plovers, Sakalava Weaver, Madagascar Munia, Madagascar Turtle-Dove, Namaqua Dove, Crested Coua, Madagascar Cuckoo, Common Jery, Long-tailed Ground-Roller, Archbold's Newtonia, Madagascar Bulbul, Madagascar Swift, Souimanga Sunbird, Red Fody, Greater Vasa-Parrot, Madagascar Bee-eater.

Mammals: Petter's Sportive Lemur, Lesser Hedgehog Tenrec, Gray-brown Mouse-Lemur.

Reptiles: Spider Tortoise, Sakalava Madagascar Velvet Gecko, Madagascar Ground Gecko.

LA BELLA DONNA

Day 21 : IFATY - TOLIARA

Belalanda wetlands

Birds: Hottentot Teal, Squacco Heron, Baillon's Crake, Kittlitz's Plover, Madagascar Swamp-Warbler, Madagascar Cisticola, Madagascar Munia, Madagascar Coucal.

Tulear area

Birds: Madagascar Sandgrouse, Kittlitz's Plover, Namaqua Dove, Grayheaded Lovebird, Madagascar Lark, Mascarene Martin, Madagascar Cisticola, Madagascar Buttonquail, Madagascar Nightjar, Green-capped Coua.

La Table (plateau covered in dry, spiny scrub)

Birds: Verreaux's Coua, Red-shouldered Vanga, Madagascar Bee-eater, Madagascar Kestrel, Lafresnaye's Vanga, Subdesert Brush-Warbler, Stripethroated Jery, Souimanga Sunbird.

VICTORY

Day 22: Toliara - Antananarivo

Flight back to Antananarivo LAPASOA

Day 23: Antananarivo - Home Homeward

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