

MB600 BIRDING IN SOUTH PATAGONIA -HOODED GREBE (4 Days / 3 Nights)

This 4-day adventure is designed for avid birdwatchers seeking the elusive Hooded Grebe in the stunning landscapes of South Patagonia. While our primary focus is on this rare bird, we'll also explore diverse habitats, offering excellent opportunities to observe a wide variety of avian species.

DAY 1: EL CALAFATE TO VILLA LA ANGOSTURA

MORNING: Arrive at El Calafate Airport and meet your expert bird guide. Embark on a scenic transfer to Estancia La Angostura (or Gobernador Gregores if the estancia is fully booked).



AFTERNOON: Begin your birding adventure on the estancia grounds, where you may encounter iconic species such as Darwin's Rhea, Upland Goose, and Ashy-headed Goose.

EVENING: Enjoy a delicious dinner at the estancia or hotel.

DAY 2: THE HOODED GREBE

Early Morning: Start your day with an exciting opportunity to observe the elusive Austral Rail at the estancia.



MORNING: Embark on a dedicated search for the HOODED GREBE, exploring various habitats. Along the way, we'll venture to the Lagoons area, renowned for its steppe birdlife.

LUNCH: Enjoy a packed lunch as we continue our exploration.

AFTERNOON: Extend your birding efforts, focusing on additional target species. Potential sightings

include Elegant Crested-Tinamou, Silvery Grebe, Chilean Flamingo, and various raptors.



EVENING: Return to Villa La Angostura for dinner and relaxation.

Day 3: BIRDING IN VILLA LA ANGOSTURA

MORNING: Fuel up with a hearty breakfast before exploring the diverse birdlife around Villa La Angostura.

AFTERNOON: Continue your birding adventure, tailoring the itinerary to your interests and sightings.

EVENING: Enjoy a final dinner in Villa La Angostura.



DAY 4: DEPARTURE

MORNING: Savor one last birding opportunity before transferring to El Calafate Airport for your departure.

TARGET BIRD SPECIES: Birds: Darwin's Rhea, Upland Goose, Ashy-headed Goose, Yellow-bellied Pintail, Speckled Teal, Silver Teal, Chiloe Wigeon, Andean Condor, Southern Caracara, Chimango Caracara, American Kestrel, Rufous-chested Tattler, Least Seedsnipe, Kelp Gull, Common Miner, Chocolate-vented Tyrant, Elegant Crested-Tinamou, Silvery grebe, HOODED GREBE,

Chilean flamingo, Black-necked Swan, Cinereous Harrier, Red-backed Hawk, Southern Lapwing, AUSTRAL RAIL, Great Horned Owl, Rufous banded Miner, Buff-winged Cinclodes, Grey bellied Shrike-Tyrante, Spectacled Tyrant, Rufous-backed Negrito, House Wren, Patagonian Mockingbird, Correndera Pipit, Common Diuca-Finch, Yellow Finch, Gray-hooded Finch, Mourning Sierra-Finch, Band-tailed Sierra-Finch, Long tailed Meadowlark, etc.

TOUR DETAILS:

TYPE: Excursion with transfer and birding

ACTIVITY: Birding tour & Photography

DIFFICULTY: Moderate

Please note: This list is a guide, and actual sightings may vary depending on weather conditions and migration patterns.

Important Note: Due to the challenging nature of finding the HOODED GREBE, we've included an extra day to maximize your chances of success. The remaining time will be dedicated to exploring the rich avian diversity of the region.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO ADD MORE SPECIFIC DETAILS ABOUT THE ACCOMMODATION, GUIDE QUALIFICATIONS, OR GROUP SIZE?

