



TOP: BLUE-GRAY TANAGER (*THRAUPIS EPISCOPUS*); BOTTOM: SUNBITTERN (*EURYPYGA HELIAS*); PHOTOS BY SANFORD M. SORKIN

COSTA RICA

Hog Island Teen Camp - Selva Verde
December 26 - 31, 2017



Join us as we travel on an intensive 6-day, 5-night program to Costa Rica to experience the amazing birds this small but diverse country has to offer! With 910 species of birds and 5% of the world's biodiversity, Costa Rica is a mecca for birdwatchers. The enthusiastic young birders on this trip will work alongside some of the country's best-known birders and ornithologists on field identification, bird ecology and conservation. A balance of rich educational content and adventure activities make this an unforgettable overseas expedition for our Hog Island family!

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Learn about Costa Rican birds and bird behavior from your in-country expert guide.
- Take a boat ride down the Puerto Viejo River.
- Participate in a reforestation effort to help support the Mesoamerican Biological Corridor.
- Hike through the 500 acres of Selva Verde Rainforest Reserve and learn about birding in Costa Rica from experts along the way.

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Bilingual naturalist guide
- Accommodations
- Activities
- Entrance fees
- In-country transportation
- Meals & beverages



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BLD = BREAKFAST, LUNCH, DINNER

DECEMBER 26 - MIAMI

Individual arrivals in Miami. Leaders will meet and make way to hotel. *Overnight at a near-airport hotel.*

DECEMBER 27 - ARENAL

Early flight to Costa Rica as a group. Travel to Arenal this afternoon. *Overnight at Arenal Lodge. (BLD)*

DECEMBER 28 - ARENAL

Walk in Arenal National Park in the morning. In the afternoon explore the trails around Arenal Lodge. *Overnight at Arenal Lodge. (BLD)*

DECEMBER 29 - SARAPIQUÍ

Depart for Selva Verde Lodge & Rainforest Reserve, stopping for lunch and birding at La Paz Waterfall and other locations en route. Protecting 500 acres of rainforest, Selva Verde offers many covered walks, birding trails, and lookout points, and provides opportunities to see species such as the Keel-billed Toucan, Great Green Macaw, White-winged Becard, Sunbittern, Acadian Flycatcher, and Wood Thrush. Evening lecture on the Mesoamerican Biological Corridor by Willy Pineda. *Overnight at Selva Verde Lodge & Rainforest Reserve. (BLD)*

DECEMBER 30 - SARAPIQUÍ

Early departure for Organization for Tropical Studies La Selva Biological Station. Meet with a researcher and explore the trails around the station. This afternoon take part in a reforestation project to help support the Mesoamerican Biological Corridor. Travel to Tirimbina Biological Reserve this evening to learn about the fascinating lives of bats. *Overnight at Selva Verde Lodge & Rainforest Reserve. (BLD)*

DECEMBER 31 - FAREWELL!

Early departure to the airport for your flight home. Holbrook can assist with round trip flights to Miami. (B)

PROGRAM PRICING

\$2,300

Includes accommodations, meals, activities, transportation, entrance fees, full-time guide, carbon offset, and round-trip airfare from Miami to San José, Costa Rica. If desired, Holbrook can assist with flights between your home city and Miami. Does not include gratuities or items of a personal nature.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO ENROLL:

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ABOUT SELVA VERDE LODGE

Selva Verde is more than a lodge and more than a rainforest reserve. It is your gateway into a magical world of towering Almendro trees, mantled howler monkeys, and Keel-billed Toucans. Immerse yourself in tropical nature as you hike through deep green forest or reflect quietly in a comfortable hammock. For over 30 years, Selva Verde has been a haven for nature enthusiasts from around the world. This rich rainforest region hosts more than 330 species of birds and is home to amazing birds such as the Sunbittern, Black-crowned Antpitta, Snowy Cotinga, Gartered and Slaty-tailed Trogons, Green Ibis, Red-throated Ant-Tanager, Song Wren, Buff-rumped Warbler, Ornate Hawk-Eagle, and three species of toucans.

EVA MATTHEWS, HOG ISLAND INSTRUCTOR



Eva Matthews has a 13-year career of teaching environmental education and a particular interest in volunteer management. She has led birding trips, mostly in South Florida, for over seven years and enjoys giving community presentations on natural history. She has an MS degree in Recreation & Parks Management

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THE FINE PRINT

Cost is based on triple/quad occupancy. Single occupancy rooms are available at \$315 per person. A \$200 per person deposit and enrollment form are due as soon as possible to reserve your space on the trip. Excluding a \$100 cancellation fee, deposits are refundable until September 22, 2016. Non-refundable final payments are due no later than October 6, 2016. Travel/trip cancellation insurance is strongly recommended. For more information call Travel Insured at 800-243-3174 or visit travelinsured.com. Holbrook Travel's agency number is 15849.