

COCK-OF-THE -ROCK AND ANTPITTA

DISCOVERY

(ONE DAY): (Bellavista Lodge based tour)



05.00 a.m.: Depart from Bellavista at 05.00 and drive about 45 minutes to the valley of the San Jose river, where Angel Paz's reserve is located. A short hike takes us down to the lek, and as the day gradually dawns, these remarkable brightly coloured creatures squawk, preen and prance!

Photography options, and a light box breakfast is provided. Then Angel Paz will be the star as he calls out a variety of normally difficult forest birds, in different areas of the nearby forest: Dark-backed Wood-Quail, the difficult Rufous-breasted Anttush, and then the stars of the show for which Angel Paz, the bird whisperer, is famous. Giant Antpitta, Yellow-breasted Antpitta, Moustached Antpitta, Ochre-breasted Antpitta! A hot breakfast, with the local speciality of "bolones", is served at Angel's house, where birds like Crimson-rumped Toucanet are often seen in the trees.



After a while, we proceed about 45 minutes drive to a hummingbird garden at low elevation in the Tandayapa Valley, which has a true hummingbird spectacle, with birds like White-necked Jacobin, White-bellied Woodstar, and Green-crowned Woodnymph, plus Tanagers, Euphonias, Red-headed Barbet, often Crested Quetzal, and more. Down by the river, we can expect the Torrent Tyrannulet, and the White-capped Dipper, which, as elsewhere in the

world, indicates a clean river!

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Late afternoon return to Bellavista.
Exclusive private transport and exclusive private
birding guide.

What to bring:

Sweater or fleece for the evenings

Quick drying trousers (blue jeans not
recommended)

Lightweight socks

Rain poncho (a few available if needed)

Camera

Rubber boots are provided – to size 47 (few pairs
in large sizes)

Binoculars recommended (a few available for rent)

Water bottle

Flashlight and batteries

Plastic bags to protect camera, etc.



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