



## Almodôvar Birding Center and Observatory

Travessa do Morgado 35, Almodôvar, PORTUGAL

RNAAT Registo n°: 607/2024

### MAIN TOUR 2: 6 NIGHTS ACCOMMODATION + 3 DAYS GUIDED TOUR

Stay in Almodôvar for 6 nights with a 3-day tour of the unique grassland steppe habitats, focusing on spotting Great Bustards and Spanish Imperial Eagles, as well as other habitats and targets.

Specialties commonly seen

in the area include the Red-necked Nightjar, Little Bustard, Iberian Green Woodpecker, Black-bellied Sandgrouse, Eurasian Stone-curlew, Azure-winged Magpie, Iberian Grey Shrike, Thekla's Lark, Calandra Lark, Blue Rock Thrush, Rock Bunting, and Spotless Starling. Bonelli's and Golden Eagles, Black-winged Kite, and gatherings of Eurasian Griffon and Cinereous (Eurasian Black) Vultures are also frequently spotted.

In spring, seasonal sightings may include the Lesser Kestrel, Montagu's Harrier, Great Spotted Cuckoo, European Roller, European Bee-eater, Woodchat Shrike, Red-rumped Swallow, Black-eared Wheatear, Golden Oriole, Tawny Pipit, Melodious Warbler, Western Subalpine Warbler, and Iberian Chiffchaff.

Depending on participant preference, the third day of the excursions may include the coastal Algarve marshes and seashores, with a focus on water birds such as the Western Swamphen, Audouin's and Mediterranean Gulls, Purple Heron, Little Bittern, Bluethroat, Greater Flamingos, various ducks, waders, and more!

#### **PROGRAM:**

##### **Day 1**

Evening gathering and tour briefing at the Almodôvar Birding Centre; Self-dinner in a local restaurant or optionally at the Birding Centre; Accommodation in Almodôvar.

##### **Day 2**

Early or packed breakfast; 1st Full-day 4x4 tour across the grassland steppe habitats (guided by Hadoram Shirihai), aiming to spot Great & Little Bustards and Spanish Imperial Eagles (see full list for other targets); Self-choice of lunch and dinner; Evening briefing and bird listing at the Almodôvar Birding Centre; Accommodation in Almodôvar.

##### **Day 3**

Early or packed breakfast; 2nd Full-day 4x4 tour across the grassland steppe habitats (guided by Hadoram Shirihai), aiming to spot Great & Little Bustards and





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Spanish Imperial Eagles (see full list for other targets); Night trip to spot the Red-necked Nightjar; Self-choice of lunch and dinner; Evening briefing and bird listing at the Almodôvar Birding Centre; Accommodation in Almodôvar.

### Day 4

Early or packed breakfast; 3rd Full-day 4x4 tour (guided by Hadoram Shirihai), which will include other areas and target birds, and based on the participants wishes and preference; cultural sites and wineries visit might include as well; Self-choice of lunch and dinner; Evening briefing and bird listing at the Almodôvar Birding Centre; Accommodation in Almodôvar.

### Day 5

Early or packed breakfast; Self-driving & -birding (suggested sites can be provided); Accommodation in Almodôvar.

### Day 6

Early or packed breakfast; Self-driving & -birding (suggested sites can be provided); Accommodation in Almodôvar.

### Day 7

BON VOYAGE breakfast (or packed breakfast)

## PRICES AND CONDITIONS

Prices of travel packages for Collaborators					
number of participants	General cost participation	Cost per participant	Cancellation fee 1	Cancellation fee 2	Cancellation fee 3
1	2863,00 €	2863,00 €	105,00 €	820,75 €	1536,50 €
2	3130,00 €	1655,00€	120,00 €	902,50 €	1685,00 €
3	3916,00 €	1305,33 €	140,00 €	1119,00 €	2098,00 €
4	4521,00 €	1130,25 €	160,00 €	1290,25 €	2420,50 €

**Cancellation fee 1:** Early cancellation fee, requested 14 days or more before the trip date

**Cancellation fee 2:** Late cancellation fee, applicable from 72 hours to 14 days before the trip date

**Cancellation fee 3:** Late cancellation fee, applies if cancelled within 72 hours of the trip date



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### The price includes:

- All accommodations from day 1 to day 7 (6 nights).
- Breakfast at the hotel. On days when the tours start early, breakfast will be self-service.
- Transportation in a comfortable vehicle for 1-4 people, depending on the final number of participants. All participants will have a window seat on tours with up to 3 participants.
- An experienced birding guide in the Alentejo region, especially around Almodôvar. All tours will be conducted in English.
- A digital welcome booklet that includes an itinerary, travel information, and a checklist of the birds in the region.

### The price does not include:

- All other meals and drinks
- Transfers from Lisbon, Faro, and other locations
- Any flights
- Tips for hotels, service, and guides
- Personal travel insurance. It is the responsibility of each participant to obtain private travel insurance, which should cover challenging activities such as using a 4x4 off-road vehicle
- Personal items including binoculars, telescope, cameras, etc.