

Excursion

TROPICAL BIRDING

2108

1 Day



After an early start we travel approx 40 kms to **PIRANG**, a Mandinka village where we stop at a swampy area where rice cultivation takes place during the summer rains. A walk in this area gives us a good chance to spot a good number of birds which should include **Crowned Cranes** (pictured above).

Around 11 -11.30 we retrace our steps continuing to our lunch time stop at **KULORO CAMP**. This area is usually very rewarding for Ornithologists. We stay in the restaurant area until around 4 pm, after which we investigate the locality which consists of cultivated patches with scattered trees interspersed with tall grass, shrubs and wooded stretches.

Birds commonly seen include several hawk and buzzard species along with colourful, showy rollers, woodpeckers, hornbills, bee-eaters and kingfishers.

We depart from this neighbourhood returning to the Hotels no later than 7.30 PM.

A SELECTION OF THE MANY SPECIES WE SHOULD SEE DURING THE TOUR

Abyssinian Roller
 African Grey Hornbill
 African Hawk-eagle
 African Swallow-tailed Kite
 Bearded Barbet
 Black-crowned Tchagra
 Blue-bellied Roller
 Blue-cheeked Bee-eater
 Cardinal Woodpecker
 Crowned Crane
 Gonolek
 Grasshopper Buzzard
 Grey Woodpecker
 Grey-backed Camaroptera
 Grey-headed Kingfisher
 Lavender Firefinch
 Little Bee-eater
 Long-crested Eagle
 Loing-tailed Glossy Starling
 Northern Crombec
 Northern Puffback
 Palm-nut Vulture
 Piapiac
 Red-billed Hornbill
 Rufous-crowned Roller
 Striped Kingfisher
 Striped Swallow
 White-crowned Robin Chat
 White-shouldered Black Tit
 White-throated Bee-eater
 Woodland Kingfisher
 Yellow-billed Oxpecker
 Yellow-fronted Canary

NB. Binoculars "Birds of The Gambia and Senegal" Birding Books are available on loan FOC with personal checklists being complimentary.



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