



Join Tampa Audubon Society for
3 Days Birding in

BELIZE, 2020

May 21-23, Chan Chich Lodge

Chan Chich Lodge

Set inside a 3,000 year old Maya plaza and surrounded by 500,000 acres of conservation land, over 370 species of birds have been documented at **Chan Chich Lodge**. It is known as one of the world's best places to spot Jaguars, Pumas and Ocelots in their natural habitat. A few of the most spectacular and rarer species that can be seen here with some luck are the Lovely Cotinga, Ornate Hawk-Eagle, Agami Heron, and Rose-



Lovely Cotinga, Jeff Chemnick

throated Tanager, as well as a host of colorful toucans, parrots and hummingbirds.

Our three-day visit will include canopy birding up in the elevated blind, walks on the property, a night ride for nocturnal species, a visit to the higher elevation top of the local escarpment for raptors, drives to nearby wetlands, (and if *you* choose, birding from horseback). There is also a guided walk through the Mayan plaza with an explanation of the site's archaeology.

The hummingbird buffs will have a full dozen to choose from, or search for! This will be a



Ornate Hawk Eagle, Emil Flota

short, sweet trip, just 3 days, at a renowned birding and eco-lodge with wonderful accommodations and trained guides.

Schedule of Events

Day 1. Arrive in Belize City, transfer to Lodge, 4 hr drive by van, or a prearranged charter flight. Welcome at Lodge, cocktails, receive Lodge "Field Shirt".

3 pm—Jungle Canopy Birding

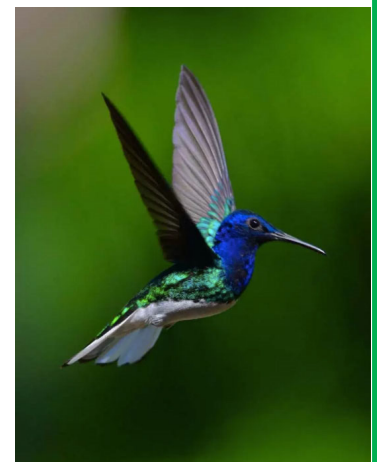
6 pm—dinner

7 pm—Night Safari, for nocturnal birds, jaguar, ocelot, etc.

Day 2. 5 am Escarpment Bird of Prey tour.

8 am—Breakfast

9:30 am—Tour of Mayan ruins.



White-necked Jacobin, Emil Flota

Registration: mail to Tampa Audubon Society, PO Box 320025, Tampa, FL 33679 with deposit donation of \$100. Check made out to Tampa Audubon Society. **Note: Belize 2020**

Name: _____ email: _____

Address: _____

City

ZIP

Single __ Double __ Rooming with: _____ Phone: _____

You will receive a receipt for the donation to TAS as confirmation, and instructions on how to pay rest of trip costs once your name is sent to them.

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12 pm—Lunch

1:30 pm—Jungle Canopy Birding

5 pm—Cocktails, Photo Contest

6 pm—Dinner

Day 3.

5 am—Open Fields and Marsh Birding Tour

8 am—Breakfast

9:30 am—Jungle Canopy Birding

12 pm—Lunch

1:30 pm—Bird walk

4 pm—Laguna Verde sunset birding
and lakeside cocktail

7 pm—Dinner, Photo Contest

Costs

Deposit donation to TAS is \$100 per person.

The cost for the lodge, at this time, for a **minimum of 6** persons, is:

Single Occupancy: \$1,252.07

Double Occupancy: \$1,760.20

This covers the 3-day birding package, all meals, cocktails, unlimited soft drinks and beer, WiFi at the Lodge.

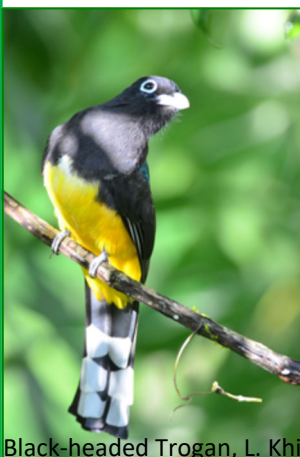


It does not include air fare from Tampa to Belize City (~\$500) , or transfer to/from the Lodge. The cost of the van from Belize City, round trip will

be ~\$350, divided among the participants. Charter flights are possible, and cost around \$800 to \$1200 round trip, depending on the number of passengers.

Visit www.chanchich.com/ for lodge details, or contact mary.keith@tampaudubon.org.

Once participants are determined we will as a group decide whether to reserve a van or charter a flight from Belize City to the Lodge.



Black-headed Trogon, L. Khil

Day 4.

Return to Belize City via van, or flight.

Or, you can choose to stay for additional days.

The Lodge can arrange for more birding in the area, more archaeological visits, or even time at their resort on a cay

in the Caribbean.

Rooms are in luxurious thatch-roof cottages. All meals are included, with a la carte dinner choices. Passports are required.

Deposit will be to Tampa Audubon. You will then receive instructions on how to pay the the Lodge. Transfer costs are additional.