



## Birdwatching Holidays in Spain, Morocco & more...

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## BIRD HIGHLIGHTS

<b>TOUR</b> Mexico – Baja California 1	<b>DATES</b> <b>04.02.17 to 15.02.17</b>
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**Party:** Alf King, Jeanine King, David Hargreave, Karen Hagreve, Alan Woodward, Sandra Woodward, Jane Roby, Chris Roby

**Tour Leader :** Josele J Saiz, **Local guide:** Gerardo Marrón

**Total Number of Bird Species : 147**

### Weather & Sites:

<b>Day 1</b> 04.02.17	Nice 24°C La Paz – Hotel Gran Plaza – Sewage ponds La Paz
<b>Day 2</b> 05.02.17	Nice and pleasant 26°C La Paz – Pelagic through the bay – Espiritu Santo Island
<b>Day 3</b> 06.02.17	Nice warm 27°C Santiago – San Dionisio Valley
<b>Day 4</b> 07.02.17	Nice and pleasant 6°C San Antonio range
<b>Day 5</b> 08.02.17	Nice and windy 27°C From La Paz Bay to Espiritu Santo Island
<b>Day 6</b> 09.02.17	Hot 30°C From Espiritu Santo Island to La Paz
<b>Day 7</b> 10.02.17	Nice but warm 28°C Todos Santos cultural tour – La Poza
<b>Day 8</b> 11.02.17	Nice and Pleasant 26°C San Pedro Beach – The
<b>Day 9</b> 12.02.17	Cloudy with some rain in the afternoon 24°C Todos Santos – Lopez Mateos and South bank of Magdalena Bay
<b>Day 10</b> 13.02.17	Nice and pleasant 24°C Lopez Mateos / South and North bank of Magdalena Bay
<b>Day 11</b> 14.02.17	Nice 28°C Lopez Mateos to La Paz
<b>Day 12</b> 15.02.17	Nice 27°C La Paz- Gran Plaza Hotel

Field check list taken from *Field Guide of the Birds of Wester North America* by David Sibley and other resources.

English / Common name	Scientific name	4	5	6	7	14	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
<b>ANSERIFORMES: Anatidae</b>														x
1. Brant Goose	<i>Anser bernicla</i>							xx						
2. Lesser Scaup	<i>Aythya affinis</i>													
3. Northern Shoveler	<i>Spatula clypeata</i>	x											x	x
4. Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>	x												
5. Cinnamon Teal	<i>Spatula cyanoptera</i>	x											x	
6. Blue-winged Teal	<i>Anas discors</i>	x						x						
7. Black-bellied Wistling Duck		x												
<b>GALLIFORMES: Odontophoridae</b>														
8. California Quail	<i>Callipepla californica</i>			x				x						
<b>GAVIIFORMES: Gaviidae</b>														
9. Pacific Loon	<i>Gavia pacifica</i>									x				
<b>PODICIPEDIFORMES: Podicipedidae</b>														
10. Pied-billed Grebe	<i>Podilymbus podiceps</i>			x				x						
11. Eared Grebe	<i>Podiceps nigricollis</i>	x	x				x	x		x			x	
12. Western Grebe	<i>Aechmophorus occidentalis</i>										x	x	x	
<b>SULIFORMES: Fregatidae</b>														
13. Magnificent Frigatebird	<i>Fregata magnificens</i>	x	x				x	x		x			x	x
<b>SULIFORMES: Sulidae</b>														
14. Brown Booby	<i>Sula leucogaster</i>						x							
15. Blue-footed Booby	<i>Sula nebouxii</i>			x			x							
<b>SULIFORMES: Phalacrocoracidae</b>														
16. Double-crested Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax auritus</i>	x	x				x	x		x	x	x	x	
17. Neotropical Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax brasilianus</i>	x	x	x	x							x	x	
18. Brandt's Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax penicillatus</i>	x									x	x	x	
<b>PELECANIFORMES: Pelecanidae</b>														
19. Brown Pelican	<i>Pelecanus occidentalis</i>	x	x				x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
20. American White Pelican	<i>Pelecanus erythrorhynchos</i>	x									x	x	x	
<b>PELECANIFORMES: Ardeidae</b>														
21. Black-crowned Night-heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	x					x					x	x	x
22. Yellow-crowned Night-heron	<i>Nyctanassa violacea</i>	x					x					x	x	
23. Green-backed Heron	<i>Butorides striata</i>	x		x								x	x	
24. Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	x											x	
25. Great Blue Heron	<i>Ardea herodias</i>	x	x	x			x	x			x	x	x	x





87.	Belted Kingfisher	<i>Megaceryle alcyon</i>	x	x	x			x						x	x	x
	PICIFORMES: Picidae															
88.	Gilded Flicker	<i>Colaptes chrysoides</i>			x	x		x	x	x						
89.	Gila Woodpecker	<i>Melanerpes uropygialis</i>	x		x	x				x	x	x				
90.	Acorn Woodpecker	<i>Melanerpes formicivorus</i>				x										
91.	Ladder-backed Woodpecker	<i>Dryobates scalaris</i>				x		x		x						
	PASSERIFORMES: Tyrannidae															
92.	Grey Flycatcher	<i>Empidonax wrightii</i>				x										
93.	Pacific-slope Flycatcher	<i>Empidonax difficilis</i>			x	x										
94.	Black Phoebe	<i>Sayornis nigricans</i>	x		x	x		x	x			x				
95.	Vermilion Flycatcher	<i>Pyrocephalus rubinus</i>	x													
96.	Thick-billed Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus crassirostris</i>			x											
97.	Ash-throated Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus cinerascens</i>			x	X		x								
	PASSERIFORMES: Hirundinidae															
98.	Northern-Rough Swallow	<i>Stegiropterix serripennis</i>	x													
99.	Ciff Swallow	<i>Petrochelidon pyrrhonotA</i>				X										
	PASSERIFORMES: Motacillidae															
100	American Pipit	<i>Anthus rubescens</i>	X													
	PASSERIFORMES: Ptilonotidae															
101	Phainopepla	<i>Phainopepla nitens</i>								X	X					
	PASSERIFORMES: Troglodytidae															
102	Cactus Wren	<i>Campylorhynchus brunneicapillus</i>	X	X	X				X	X	X				X	
103	Canyon Wren	<i>Catherpes mexicanus</i>						X								
104	Marsh Wren	<i>Cistothorus palustris</i>			x				x							
	PASSERIFORMES: Mimidae															
105	Northern Mockingbird	<i>Mimus polyglottos</i>	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
106	Grey Thrasher	<i>Toxostoma lecontei</i>				x			x	x						
	PASSERIFORMES: Turdidae															
107	America Robin	<i>Turdus migratorius</i>				X										
108	Hermit Thrush	<i>Catharus gutatus</i>				x										
	PASSERIFORMES: Polioptilidae															
109	Blue-grey Gnatcatcher	<i>Polioptila caerulea</i>	x	x		x										
110	California Gnatcatcher	<i>Polioptila californica</i>							x							
	PASSERIFORMES: Remizidae															
111	Verdin	<i>Auriparus flaviceps</i>	x		x				x	x						
	PASSERIFORMES: Laniidae															
112	Loggerhead Shrike	<i>Lanius ludovicianus</i>				x	x						x		x	



143	Scott's Oriole	Icterus parisorum				x	x		x	x	x				
144	Orchard Oriole	Icterus spurius				x									
145	Hooded Oriole	Icterus cucullatus	x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x	x	x	x
146	Brown-headed Cowbird	Molothrus ater	x												
147	Western Meadowlark	Sturnella neglecta											x	x	

### Arthropods

Red Rock Crab (*Grapsus grapsus*)  
 Rock Lice (*Ligia* sp.)  
 Spinybacked Orbweaver (*Gasteracantha cancriformis*)  
 Queen Butterfly (*Danaus gilippus*)  
 Mexican Fritillary (*Euptoieta hegesia*)  
 Gulf Fritillary (*Agraulis vanillae*)  
 Mangrove Buckeye (*Junonia evarete*)  
 Pipevine Swallowtail (*Battus philenor*)  
 Blackened Bluewing (*Myscelia cyananthe*)  
 Giant Swallowtail (*Papilio cresphontes*)  
 White Peacock (*Anartia jatrophae*)  
 Large Orange Sulphur (*Phoebis agarithe*)  
 Dorantes Long-tailed Skipper (*Urbanus dorantes*)  
 California Carpenter Bee (*Xylocopa californica*)  
 European Honey Bee (*Apis mellifera*)  
 Tarantula Hawk (*Pepsis thisbe*)  
 Northern Paper Wasp (*Polistes fuscatus*)  
 American Cockroach (*Periplaneta americana*)  
 Wandering Glider (*Pantala flavescens*)  
 Roseate Skimmer (*Orthemis ferruginea*)  
 Filigree Skimmer (*Pseudoleon superbus*)  
 Earwing (*Labidura riparia*)

### Fishes

Whale Shark (*Rhincodon typus*)  
 Devil Ray (*Mobula* sp.)  
 Cornetfish (*Fistularia* sp.)  
 Pufferfish (Tetraodontidae)

### Reptails

Cape Spinytail Iguana (*Ctenosaura hemilopha*)  
 Baja California Brush Lizard (*Urosaurus nigricaudus*)  
 Orange-throated Whiptail (*Aspidoscelis hyperythra*)

### Mammals

Coyote (*Canis latrans*)  
 Black-tailed Jackrabbit (*Lepus californicus*)  
 White-tailed Antelope Squirrel (*Ammospermophilus leucurus*)  
 Espiritu Santo Antelope Squirrel (*Ammospermophilus insularis*)  
 California Sea Lion (*Zalophus californianus*)  
 Common Bottlenose Dolphin (*Tursiops truncatus*)

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**Short-beaked Common Dolphin (*Delphinus delphis*)**  
**Gray Whale (*Eschrichtius robustus*)**  
**Humpback Whale (*Megaptera novaeanglie*)**

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**Bird of the tour**

**Alf King** – Canyon Wren

**Jeannine King** - Osprey

**Alan Woodward** – Blue Footed Booby

**Sandra Woodward** - Blue Footed Booby

**Karen Hargreave** – Western Grebe

**David Hargreave** – Lark Bunting

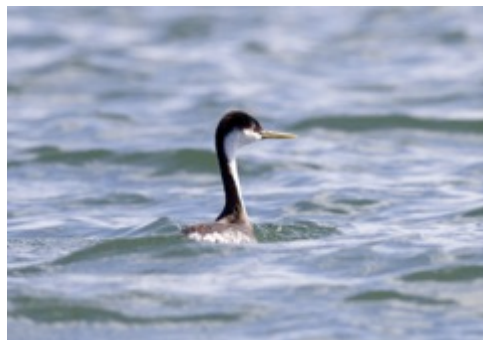
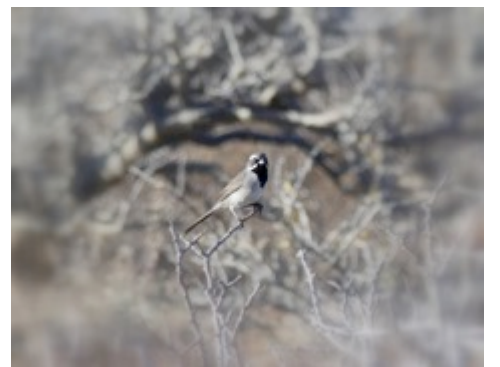
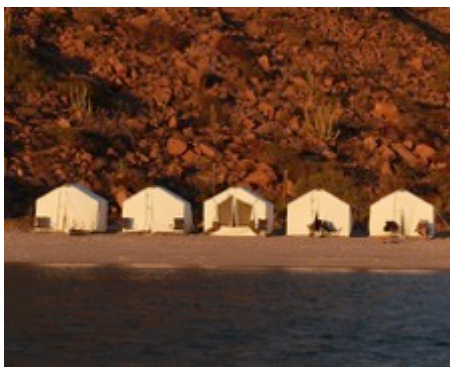
**Jane Roby** – Magnificent Frigatebird

**Chris Roby** - Cardinal

**Jose Juan Saiz Valencoso** - Hermit Thrush









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