

# Itinerary for Birding Formosa October 24 - Nov. 2, 2015

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Day	Date/Meals		
		<b><u>Due to Dateline - Flights from SFO depart on Oct. 22 to arrive TPE on Oct. 23</u></b>	
0	Oct. 23/Fri. -/-/-	<b>Arriving Taoyuan International Airport (TPE) -Air fare not included</b> Taking Hotel's shuttle bus from terminal 1/2 to the hotel and checking in by yourselves (early check-in charge may apply if checking in before 3:00p.m.) <b>Overnight: Hotel near Taipei Taoyuan Airport (not included in base cost)</b>	
1	Oct. 24/Sat. -/L/D	Breakfast and trip inception at Novotel <b>Bird watching in Taipei Botanic Garden</b> Looking for <b>Black-browed Barbet</b> , Malayan Night-heron, Japanese White-eye, Gray Treepie, Black-napped Blue Monarch Transferring to Hualian(4 hours)	Overnight: Hualian
2	Oct. 25/Sun. B/L/D	<b>Bird watching in Hualien &amp; Taroko National Park (2000+ m/6600+ ft)</b> Looking for <b>Styan's Bulbul, Taiwan Whistling Thrush</b> Transferring to Cingjing(4 hours)	Overnight: Cingjing
3	Oct. 26/Mon. B/L/D	<b>Bird watching in Mt. Hehuan Route (3000+ m/9900+ ft)</b> Looking for <b>White-whiskered Laughingthrush, Flamecrest, Collared Bush-Robin</b> , Alpine Accentor, <b>Vinaceous Rosefinch</b> , Coal Tit, Winter Wren, <b>Taiwan Fulvetta</b> Transferring to Huisun(1.5 hours)	Overnight: Huisun
4	Oct. 27/Tue. B/L/D	<b>Bird watching in Huisun (1000 m/3300 ft)</b> Looking for <b>White-eared Sibia, Taiwan Yuhina, Yellow Tit</b> , Fire-breasted Flowerpeckers, <b>Formosan Magpie, Taiwan Barbet</b> , Gray-cheeked Fulvetta, Chinese Bamboo Partridge, Malayan Night Heron Transferring to Alishan(3+ hours)	Overnight: Alishan
5	Oct. 28/Wed. B/L/D	<b>Bird watching in Alishan (2000+ m/6600+ ft) and Tataka, Yushan (2600m/8600 ft)</b> Looking for <b>Collared Bush Robin, Taiwan Yuhina, Yellow Tit</b> , <b>Rufouscrowned Laughingthrush, Taiwan Wren-Babbler</b> , Coal Tit, Green-backed Tit, Black-throated Tit, <b>Flamecrest, Mikado Pheasant, Steere's Liocichla</b> , <b>Taiwan Bush Warbler, Rusty Laughingthrush</b> Transferring to Tainan(2.5 hours)	Overnight: Tainan
6	Oct. 29/Thu. B/L/D	<b>Bird watching in Zengwen River Estuary (Cigu), Tainan</b> Looking for shorebirds and Black-faced Spoonbills Transferring to Dasyueshan National Forest (Anmashan)(3.5 hours)	Overnight: Anmashan



- 7 Oct. 30/Fri. **Birding in Dasyueshan National Forest (Anmashan) (2000 m/6600 ft)**  
 B/L/D Looking for **White-whiskered Laughingthrush., Taiwan Bush Warbler, Taiwan Partridge, Swinhoe's Pheasant, Mikado Pheasants, Steere's Liocichla, Taiwan Barwing, White-eared Sibia, Taiwan Yuhina, Yellow Tit, Collared Bush Robin, Rufous -crowned Laughingthrush, Taiwan Fulvetta**, Gray-chinned Minivet, Eurasian Nutcracker, Green-backed Tit, Brown Bullfinch, Fire-breasted Flowerpecker, Golden Parrotbill, Varied and Black-throated Tits  
 Overnight: Anmashan
- 8 Oct. 31/Sat. **More birding in Dasyueshan National Forest (Anmashan) (2000 m/6600 ft)**  
 B/L/- Transferring to Taipei(3.5 hours)  
**Dinner at Shihlin night market at your own expense**  
 Overnight: Taipei
- 9 Nov. 1/Sun. **Taipei City tour**  
 B/L/D Wulai B/L/D Transferring to Wulai(1 hour) Overnight: Wulai
- 10 Nov. 2/Mon. **Bird watching in Wulai (1000 m/3300 ft)**  
 B/L/- Looking for **Taiwan Whistling Thrush, Formosan Magpie, Black-browed Barbet**, Gray-cheeked Fulvetta, Japanese White-eye  
 Taipei City tour (if time allows)  
**Transferring to Taoyuan International Airport(1 hour)**

- Included:
1. all local transportation
  2. double occupancy hotel room with two single beds (where available)
  3. all meals, local guides, drivers, fees, permits and government taxes
  4. local insurance coverage: AD&D – NT\$2,000,000 (= approx. \$61,000 USD)  
 accidental medical expenses –NT\$30,000 (= approx. \$920 USD)
  5. service charges

Not included: Airfare to and from Taipei Taoyuan International Airport is at own expense  
 The cost of one night lodging on Oct. 23 and breakfast Oct. 24 (Hotel) will be an extra  
 Dinner at Shihlin night market at your own expense

Birding in Taiwan is relatively easy, a pair of hiking shoes will do. Not all accommodations provide toiletries, laundry soap, clothes line, towels and face cloths. Please bring your own. Besides, a small flashlight or head lamp, a water bottle, spoons, forks and knives are recommended.

