

Going Places

Following is a partial listing of nature and bird-oriented tours scheduled for the months of April-October, 1974. It has been compiled from information supplied by tour sponsors and *American Birds* is not responsible for any subsequent alterations in plans or prices. Recent fluctuations in dollar values and uncertainties regarding air fares means that in some cases quoted prices are approximate only.

An amazing array of fascinating tours is set forth below; readers should have no trouble finding the tours that are just right for them. Tour sponsors are listed by key initials: full names and addresses, to which all inquiries should be addressed, will be found at the end of the listings.

APRIL

5—Trinidad, Tobago. 8 days. Birds, wildlife, Leader Lawrence Calderon. \$555 from New York. JP.

27—Yucatan, Guatemala, Honduras, Belize. 18 days. Birds, wildlife, Leader not announced. Land cost \$955. Repeats July 6. QT.

MAY

9—England, Scotland. 16 days. Birds, natural history. Leader, John Gooders. About \$950 from New York. JP.

18—State of Washington. 10 days. Birds. Leader, Terry Wahl. Price not announced. BB.

24—England, Wales, Scottish Lowlands. 23 days. Birds, natural history. Leader not announced. \$1357 from New York. QT.

31—Dry Tortugas. 3 days. Birds. Leader not announced. Price not announced. BB.

31—Scandinavia. 16 days. Birds, natural history. Leader, Dr. Paul Buckley. About \$1500 from New York. WBT.

JUNE

15—Iceland. 16 days. Birds, natural history. Leader not announced. \$722 from New York. Repeats July 6. QT.

JULY

1—New Brunswick and Grand Manan. 14 days. Birds, sea life. Leaders, Don Baldwin & Esther Prendergast. \$685 from Saint John, N.B. FCT.

8—East Africa. Mt. Kenya, Northern Frontier, 21 days, Nature, photography, tenting safari. Leaders, Leslie Brown, David Roderick. \$2090 from U. S. West Coast. NEI.

20—Australia, New Guinea. 28 days. Birds, nature, Audubon workshop. Leaders, Roland Clement, Harold Pollack. \$2824 from San Francisco. IEW.

20—Australia, New Guinea, I.O.C., 30 days. Birds, wildlife. Leader, Robert Arbib. \$2697 from San Francisco. ITP.

14—Australia, Great Barrier Reef, 30 days. Nature, birds. Leaders, Burt and Rose Monroe, Dr. Robert Burns. \$3189 from San Francisco. FCT.

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Program for Coming Months

(No. Am. trips 2 wks; all others 3 weeks)

¹ Tropical America: March-April-May (6 tours)

² Europe: June-July (5 tours)

Africa: East Africa June 29; Madagascar July 20

³ South Pacific: July-October (7 tours)
Himalayas: Sept. 7 (Nepal-Bhutan-Brahmaputra Valley) South America: September (Colombia; Venezuela-Guianas)

¹ Tropical America series now firming up: Florida March 9; Yucatan March 23; Mexico East Coast April 6; Texas-Northern Mexico April 20; California May 4; Arizona May 25.

² Europe: Scottish Islands June 6; Mediterranean June 6; Norway June 29; Middle East June 29; USSR (six weeks, all 15 Soviet Republics, plus Outer Mongolia and around the world) July 20.

³ South Pacific: Very heavy coverage; if at all interested, do write.

NOTE: Unannounced tours often run; what is your interest?

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- 25—Peru and Ecuador. 22 days. Birds and mammals. Leaders, Jim and Polly Huffman, Dr. Kjell von Sneider. \$2375 from Miami. Optional Galapagos ext. \$895. FCT.
- 27—South Africa. 26 days. Birds, wildlife, botany. Leaders Doris Mager and Don Baldwin. \$3575 from New York or Toronto. FCT.

AUGUST

- 1—East Africa, highlands, coast. 23 days. Tenting safari, natural history. 23 Leaders, Denis Zaphino and Ted Chandik. \$2290 from U. S. West Coast. NEI.
- 3—Southeast Alaska Cruise. 14 days. Birds, wilderness. Price not announced. See ad. p. 000. CJ.
- 5—Asian Russia-Japan, 28 days. Birds, nature, history. Leader not announced. \$2689 New York-Moscow-Tokyo-Los Angeles. QT.
- 18—Australia. 21 days. Birds. Leader not announced. \$2295 from Los Angeles. BB.
- 19—Western Mexico. 7 days. Birds. Leader, Ted Parker. \$525 Mazatlan-Mazatlan. BB.
- 21—East Africa. 22 days. Birds and wildlife. Leader not announced. Ground cost \$1450. S&H.

OCTOBER

- 13—Argentina. 21 days. Birds. Leader, Maurice Rumboll, \$1895 from Miami. BB.

KEY TO SPONSORS: BB, Bird Bonanzas, 12550 Biscayne Blvd., Suite 501, North Miami, FL 33161. CJ, Chuck Johnson, Star Route, Sitka. AK 99835. FCT, Flying Carpet Tours, P. O. Box Q, Kissimmee, FL 32741. I.E.W. International Ecology Workshop, Harwinton, CT 06790. ITP, International Travel Plans, 1000 Connecticut Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20036. JP, Jane Plunkett, 150 W. 82 St. New York, NY 10024. NEI, Nature Expeditions International, P. O. Box 1173, Los Altos, CA 94022. QT, Questers Tours and Travel, 257 Park Ave., South, New York, NY 10010. S&H, Siemer & Hand, Inc., 1 Embarcadero Center, Security Pacific Building, San Francisco CA 94111. WBT, Wonder Bird Tours, 500 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10036.

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Birdwatchers lost two good friends late in 1973. Connie Neblett Hagar of Rockport, Texas was known by generations of birders all over the world. Author of a *Checklist of the Birds of the Central Coast of Texas*, conservationist, teacher, tireless birder, friend and hostess to hundreds of visitors to her exciting Rockport area. Among her many honors was a citation from the National Audubon Society at its convention in Corpus Christi in 1962. She died Nov. 22, 1973.

Cecily Bradford Masters died on December 11, after an equally devoted life to the cause of conservation and birdwatching in Georgia and Florida. Known and admired throughout the United States, she was an active lecturer, leader of field trips, worker for the environment, author of *Birds of Coastal Georgia*, and for many years corresponding observer and Christmas Bird Count compiler for *American Birds*.

We are poorer for their loss.

Spring Birding in Britain with John Gooders (author of *Where to Watch Birds in Britain and Europe*)

Join us for an outstanding tour of some of the best birding areas of Britain and Scotland planned by the foremost authority on bird finding in Great Britain. This 15- to 22-day trip should prove most rewarding and enjoyable.

May 9-25 or May 9-30, 1974.

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**For reservations and information call or write: Jane Plunkett, 150 W. 82d St.,
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