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OAKHAM, RUTLAND, UNITED KINGDOM, January 16, 2019 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Spain is a mustvisit destination for any keen bird and wildlife watcher. In Spain's remarkably varied countryside, vultures soar around mountain peaks, larks compete for their aerial symphonies on neverending grasslands, and bubblegumpink flamingoes make seaside lagoons blush. Moreover, this land of avian plenty funnels migrant birds between the continents of Europe and Africa. There is simply no finer European country in which to start or deepen an interest in birdwatching. But amidst this feathered wealth, is there really a best birding trip in Spain?

Birdwatching in Spain is so exciting that you need an hour's downtime to recharge batteries before enjoying it all over again. More pertinently, it is the quintessentially Spanish combination of siestas and recreation that makes the country such a convenient place to ease into birdwatching as part of a family holiday – or to combine a business trip or city break with a birdfilled walk.



Two of the best locations for a birding trip in Spain, are Extremadura and Andalusia (or Andalucía).

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roost. Then search for grassland-loving specialities on savanna-like plains near Trujillo. A Pin-

tailed Sandgrouse whirrs overhead, purring its arrival. A close-knit party of Little Bustard huddles between sheep. And Europe's heaviest flying bird, Great Bustard, strides imperiously, proclaiming ownership and generating gasps of awe.

Migration birding trip at Tarifa in late

<u>summer</u>. After several misty days, the skies have cleared. The celestial blueness above Tarifa is rapidly filling with scores – nay, hundreds – of longwinged forms. There are White Storks, elongated bill and legs protruding front and rear. There are Honey Buzzards, languid and long-tailed. There are



Booted Eagles, muscly and compact. There are Black Kites, uncompromisingly swarthy. And there are Griffon Vultures, immense and cavalier. All are harnessing thermals of sun-warmed air before soaring southwards towards wintering grounds in Africa.

Blue Sky Wildlife, working in collaboration with the Spanish Tourist Office, has put together a one-stop online shop or market place showcasing eleven local wildlife specialists who between them offer more than 70 tours to this amazing wildlife destination, with prices starting from a little as €40 for a half day trip. Many of the tours are available throughout the year for the independent traveller seeking to see wildlife in Spain.

Who better to organise a birdwatching holiday than one of the local wildlife specialists based in Spain itself. Their local knowledge and expertise, English-speaking guides, who live and breathe the country's astonishing wildlife, mean that you have the very best chance of catching up with the key species you want to see. And the comprehensive selection of wildlife specialists and tours enable travellers to enquire about a tour they want directly, simply by using the enquiry tab on each listings page.

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