



Tour D3 - 1-day birding Bükk Mountains

During this trip we will be birding in Bükk Mountains. Bükk Mountains is some 180-190kms from Budapest and can be reached in 1,5 hrs drive along M3 Motorway. Along the Motorway at Borsodi-Mezőség Imperial Eagles can be seen. In Bükk Mountains all European woodpeckers (except Three-toed) are possible, however good chance is needed for White-backed Woodpecker. In the forests Hawfinch, Grey Wagtail, Collared Flycatcher is quite common. On the open areas of the mountain raptors like Common Buzzard, Kestrel or even Lesser Spotted Eagle can be seen.

Itinerary Bükk

Our tour will start at your hotel in Budapest, where we will pick you up and start our journey to Bükk Mountains. Along the M3 Motorway we will stop at certain places from where there is a chance to see Imperial Eagles circling in the sky assuming good weather conditions



Imperial Eagle

After reaching the Bükk Mountains we start birding around Noszvaj village and a reservoir. We likely see Corn Bunting, Stonechat, Red-Backed Shrike, Collared Flycatcher, Wood Pigeon and Collared Dove. On the reservoir we see Great White Egrets, Mallards and Cormorants.



Bükk Mountains

At around noon we will visit open areas near to Bükkzsérc, which offer excellent habitat for raptors. If the weather is good and we are lucky, we have a chance to spot Short-toed Snake Eagle, Lesser Spotted Eagle, Imperial Eagle. Beside the eagles we will see Kestrels and Common Buzzards and with some luck even Goshawk and Sparrow Hawk as well.



Lesser Spotted Eagle

In the afternoon we continue our tour in the Hór valley which is the longest valley in Hungary and offers good habitat for woodland species like Syrian Woodpecker, Middle Spotted Woodpecker, Great Spotted Woodpecker and Black Woodpecker. During our excursion we likely see Golden Orioles, Serins, Blue Tit, Penduline Tit, Long-tailed Tit, as well Treecreeper, Nuthatch and different finches including Hawfinch.



Syrian Woodpecker

Bükk Mountain also offers excellent habitat for mammals. Very likely we see Red Squirrels, Roe Deers and Brown Hares on our trip, but with some luck we can also see Red Deers.



Roe Deer