


Birding Adventures

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A man with dark, curly hair and sunglasses is kneeling in a grassy field. He is holding a large snake with a yellow and black patterned body, which is coiled around a thick, light-colored wooden stick. The man is wearing a light blue t-shirt with a graphic of a man's face and light-colored shorts. The background is a dense thicket of green trees and bushes.

Meet James Currie, one of the finest birding and wildlife experts in the world. The native South African is on a global trail in search of the most outstanding birds of the planet.

The quest has taken James to four corners of the world. In the process, he has collected an amazing set of encounters with a variety of wildlife --- from swimming with whale sharks and alligators to spending hours in silence in the presence of African lionesses.

A show with stunning images and a unique mix of travel, adventure and wildlife.

Episodes

Episode 1 SNAIL KITES OF FLORIDA

The Snail Kite is only found in Florida in the USA. Join us as we search for alligators, tropical birds and even the bizarre Limpkins - Palm Beach County, Florida, USA

Episode 2 RIDGWAYS HAWK, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

The crew heads off to Punta Cana Resort and Club in the Dominican Republic to search for the critically endangered Ridgway's Hawk. Along the way, James and Gavin go birding from segway, kite-surfing and find a whole host of interesting birds and wildlife.

Episode 3 COCKATOOS, AUSTRALIA

This show takes us to South Australia and Kangaroo Island in quest of the very rare Glossy Black Cockatoos. But we could not ignore the beautiful scenery, the wonderful Sea lions of the island and the beautiful and dainty Little Penguins.

Episode 4 BOWERBIRDS, AUSTRALIA

This week we are in Northern Territory Australia in the heart of the Australian Outback where along with trying Vegemite, live grasshoppers and Australian cuisine, we head off on our quest to find the bizarre Western Bowerbird. Lizards and Black-footed Wallabies also play a big role in this show.

Episode 5 RAINBOW PITTAS, AUSTRALIA

This week we head off to the Top End of the Northern Territory in quest of the beautiful Rainbow Pitta but not before we head out on a night drive at the spooky Foggy Dam and get to grips with Filled Lizards and some big crocodiles

Episode 6 GUIANAN TOUCANET, SURINAME

This show takes place in Suriname where we search for weird snakes, toucanets and crazy-looking Gray-winged Trumpeters. We also go on one of the world's longest zip-lines

Episode 7 APLOMADO FALCON, TEXAS

This show takes us to the Rio Grande Valley of Texas where we search for this endangered raptor. An action-packed show full of Texas birds of prey and even the odd Ocelot!

Episode 8 GREEN JAYS, TEXAS

Green Jays are one of North America's most beautiful birds and the best place to see them is in the Rio Grande Valley of Texas. This show also features some of the other amazing speciality species of this bird-rich region.

Episode 9 PARROTS, TEXAS

This episode takes us to the Rio Grande Valley of Texas and specifically to the town of Harlingen where scores of Green Parakeets and Red-crowned Parrots have taken up residence in the town. Nobody knows for sure where these parrots came from so watch this show to learn more.

Episode 10 BOOBIES, BELIZE

We visit a remote island, do some incredible deep-sea diving and fishing and search for Red-footed Boobies and Magnificent Frigatebirds - Turneffe Island, Belize, Central America

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Episode 11 MACAWS, COSTA RICA

Costa Rica is the port of call for this episode and the target species is the endangered Great Green Macaw - the largest parrot in the Americas.

Episode 12 GREAT BUSTARDS, PORTUGAL

We travel across the globe to search for Great Bustards. We are treated to fine wine and some of Europe's best birdwatching - Alentejo, Portugal

Episode 13 HUMMINGBIRDS, JAMAICA

On this episode we journey to the beautiful island of Jamaica in quest of the stunning hummingbirds of this exotic destination.

Episode 14 QUAILDOVES, JAMAICA

In quest of the rare Crested Quaildove of the Blue Mountains of Jamaica, we find wonderful Jamaican culture, food and hospitality.

Episode 15 JAMAICAN OWL, JAMAICA

This episode features our quest for an owl found nowhere else in the world, the Jamaican Owl. James surfs with the locals and get to grips with the rigors of daily massages and excellent food.

Episode 16 PARROTS, JAMAICA

The Hellshire Hills and south Jamaica are the setting for this show and our Golden Bird is the endemic Yellow-billed Parrot. We also search for Bahama Mockingbirds and West Indian Whistling Ducks as well as the fearsome American Crocodiles of the Black River.

Episode 17 HUMMINGBIRDS, ECUADOR

The hummingbirds of Ecuador are our focus on this episode. We travel to the best birding lodge in northwest Ecuador, Tandayapa and get to grips with over 40 different species of these tiny feathered gems

Episode 18 ANTPITTAS, ECUADOR

In this episode we feature the shy and retiring antpittas of the Tandayapa Valley in Ecuador. We are lucky enough to record a Scaled antpitta on the nest and witness behavior never before recorded on video.

Episode 19 SEEDSNIPE, ECUADOR

Our Golden Bird for this episode, the Rufous-bellied Seedsnipe, lives at 14,000 feet in the Ecuadorian Andes. Join James as he pushes himself to the limit to find these bizarre birds.

Episode 20. MIXED FLOCKS, ECUADOR

The rainforests of northwest Ecuador are the setting for this show where James goes in quest of the tiny manakins and other rainforest birds.

Episode 21 LEAST TERNS, ALABAMA

This show opens with a special segment on the Least Terns of Gulf Shores Alabama and how the oil spill affected their lives. We then head off to the jungles of Suriname on the quest for the Guianan Toucanet.

Episode 22 BARRED OWLS, FLORIDA

The Space Coast region of Florida is the site for this week's birding adventure.

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Episode 23 WATTLED CRANES, BOTSWANA

The Wattled Crane is one of the world's most endangered crane species and the golden bird for this episode set in Moremi Game Reserve, Botswana.

Episode 24 PEL'S FISHING OWL, BOTSWANA

Set in the pristine Okavango swamps, this week's adventure features one of Africa's most elusive and unique owls, the Pel's Fishing Owl.

Episode 25 SECRETARYBIRD, BOTSWANA

We journey to the Makgadikgadi Pans of central Botswana to search for Secretarybirds and other desert specials.

Episode 26 PYGMY GEESE, BOTSWANA

This episode features the African Pygmy Geese, elephants, hippos and crocs of the Chobe region of northern Botswana.

Episode 27 CAUCA GUAN, COLOMBIA

In this episode we journey to Otun Quimbaya in Colombia to look for the endangered Cauca Guan.

Episode 28 TANAGERS, COLOMBIA

In this episode we go in quest of some of Colombia's rarest tanagers at Montezuma Hill.

Episode 29 PICULETS, COLOMBIA

In this episode we journey to the Cali region of Colombia in quest of the endemic Grayish Piculet.

Episode 30. THE ENDEMIC BIRDS OF JAMAICA

The episode features all 28 of Jamaica's endemic bird species, all packed into one fascinating show.

Episode 31 RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRDS, TEXAS

In this episode James and the crew head down to the Corpus Christi region of Texas to focus on the annual migration of hummingbirds and hawks that takes place every year.

Episode 32 MYSTERY HUMMINGBIRD, COLOMBIA

In this episode James comes across incredible Colombian birds, including the bizarre Lyre-tailed Nightjar. He joins in the discovery of a potentially new species of hummingbird in a remote part of the country.

Episode 33 WORLD BIRDING RALLY CHALLENGE, PERU

James travels to Peru to cover the inaugural Peru Birding Rally Challenge 2012. Teams from all over the world compete to see how many birds they can find in this bird-rich country.

Episode 34 BIRDS OF INKATERRA, PERU

The focus of this episode is the birds that surround the Inkaterra lodges in the Amazon and Machu Picchu regions of south Peru. Amazing footage of Sunbitterns, Spectacled Bears, Band-tailed Manakins, Hoatzin and even Giant River Otters.



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Episode 35 PYGMY OWLS, TEXAS

In this episode James returns to South Texas in quest of the Ferruginous Pygmy Owl and the Aplomado Falcon.

Episode 36 THE BIRDS OF BOTSWANA

James rounds up his experiences traveling to this land-locked African country. Wonderful footage of rare African birds and close-up encounters with African wildlife.

Episode 37 THE SPECIAL BIRDS OF ECUADOR

This episode highlights some of the special bird species to be found in the bird-rich country of Ecuador. Scaled Antpittas on the nest, magnificent hummingbirds and Rufous-bellied Seedsnipe are just some of the special species covered.

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Episode 39 FLORIDA SCRUBJAYS, FLORIDA

The Birding Adventures Team stays local on this episode and enjoys the wonderful birding of Lake County Florida, featuring Burrowing Owls, Barn Owls, wading birds and Florida Scrub-jays

Episode 40 EXTREME RAPTORS, PENNSYLVANIA

In this episode we spend time at the Extreme Raptors Weekend in Hamburg, meet raptor expert Jonathan Wood and his birds and go to Hawk Mountain.

Episode 41 CALIFORNIA GNATCATCHER, SAN DIEGO CALIFORNIA

The California Gnatcatcher is one of California's most threatened birds. James highlights the plight of this species and also features some great birding spots in the San Diego area.

Episode 42 BIRDING RALLY CHALLENGE 2013, PERU

James returns to the Peru birding Rally Challenge to cover this grueling event where international teams compete to see as many birds as possible in this fantastic country.

Episode 43 THE BIRDS OF NORTHWEST PERU AND CABO BLANCO

James was the last person to interview Ernest Hemmingway's barman from Cabo blanco before his recent passing. James travels off the beaten track to discover Peruvian Plantcutters and other threatened and endemic birds of north-west Peru.

Episode 44 CITREOLINE TROGON, SAN BLAS MEXICO

James hunts for the endemic Citreoline Trogon in San Blas, Mexico. The crew discovers more than they bargained for along the way.

Episode 45 BLACK-THROATED MAGPIE-JAY, SAN BLAS MEXICO

In this episode the BATV crew travels to picturesque island of Isla Isabel where they feature the exotic seabirds and swim with Whale Sharks. The episode culminates in the quest for the spectacular Black-throated Magpie-jay.

