

TOUR GUIDES

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João was born in Lisbon and studied biology at the Faculdade de Ciências de Lisboa, from where he developed his professional career in the pharmaceutical industry, as senior manager and director of various multinational companies.

With about 30 years of field experience, he knows the area of Portuguese birding intimately and was a member of the board of SPEA (Sociedade Portuguesa para o Estudo das Aves – Birdlife in Portugal). He was a voting member of the PRC (Portuguese Rarities Committee) from 2005 until 2011 and chairman of the Committee from 2007 until 2011. Author and co-author of articles about birds, João has led many field tours (in Portugal and abroad), as well as bird identification courses for SPEA. Besides birds, he has an active special interest in amphibians, reptiles and fishes. João is fluent in English, French and Spanish.

He is the manager of Birds & Nature Tours, the first Portuguese company specifically dedicated to birds and birding tours, launched in the beginning of 2008.

The company offers a wide variety of programmes, including guided birding tours, photographic tours, bird-dedicated courses and birding trips in and outside Portugal.

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