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Camargue/ Crau & Alpilles

13 to 18 September 2027

+ Optional wildlife
photography extension (1-3 days)

Guided birdwatching excursions with a local ornithologist, equipped with binoculars and a spotting scope.

Designed for birdwatchers rather than wildlife photographers.



This tour on this date is specifically organized for our English-speaking audience. The ornithologist provides all explanations exclusively in English.



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September offers a completely different birdwatching experience from spring. While the breeding season is over, the Camargue becomes one of Europe's most important stopover sites for migratory birds. Thousands of waders, terns, gulls and raptors pass through the region, while flamingos, ibises, herons and spoonbills remain abundant throughout the wetlands.

Your guide, Christophe Giraud, is passionate about the natural heritage of the Camargue–Crau–Alpilles region. For over 20 years, he has been leading guided tours to explore the richness of this remarkable Mediterranean landscape. With a scientific background, he has extensive experience in ornithology, as well as a broader knowledge of the region's fauna and flora. He will also introduce you to geomorphology, hydrology, history, and traditional activities.

The added bonus: full-board accommodation at Envie de Sud in Vauvert, in the Gard Camargue. You will enjoy delicious Mediterranean cuisine as well as innovative picnic meals. You will stay in charming, individually decorated guest rooms. The group size (minimum 6 and maximum 8 people) ensures a friendly atmosphere and optimal conditions for wildlife observation.

Program: 5 nights / 4 days of excursions

Day 1 - Your room at Envie de Sud will be ready from 3 p.m. Around 7:30 p.m., we meet for an aperitif, followed by dinner together at the guest table. Overnight stay 1.

Day 2 - Excursion day. Your ornithologist Christophe picks you up at 8 a.m. You travel by minibus towards the **Vigueirat marshes, then continue to another site north of the Rhône delta.** Around 7 p.m. you return to Vauvert. Dinner at the guest table. Overnight stay 2.

Day 3 - Excursion day. You explore the **Camargue Gardoise, including the Scamandre Nature Reserve.** Departure at 8 a.m. Return around 7 p.m. to Vauvert. Dinner at the guest table. Overnight stay 3.

Day 4 - **Crau and Alpilles** - Excursion day. After breakfast, you visit the Crau plain and the Alpilles region. Departure at 8 a.m. Return to Vauvert around 6:30 p.m. Dinner at the guest table. Overnight stay 4.

Day 5 - **Salins de Giraud** - Excursion day. After breakfast, you visit the Salins de Giraud and the coastal lagoons. Departure at 8 a.m. Return to Vauvert in the late afternoon. In the evening, you enjoy an aperitif with your ornithologist guide Christophe, followed by a farewell dinner at the guest table. Overnight stay 5.

Day 6 - Departure or optional extension - After breakfast, it is time to pack your suitcase.

End of the stay or individual extension with optional bird photography activities (flamingos or other birds)

Information & Inscription :

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Price per participant:
1200 euros in a double/twin room
1350 euros in a single room

Our prices include:

- Guidance by Christophe Giraud, ornithologist and regional specialist
- Full-board accommodation at Envie de Sud
- Access to protected sites
- Minibus transport throughout the entire stay

Our prices do not include:

- Travel from your home to or from the meeting point of the trip (Guesthouse Envie de Sud, 164 rue Broussan, 30600 Vauvert)
- Comprehensive travel insurance

Activity level & equipment:

- A few kilometres of walking per day, mostly on flat terrain. The Crau/ Alpilles day is more demanding. Bring sturdy walking shoes, long trousers, long-sleeved shirts, a windproof jacket, rain gear, a sun hat, sunscreen, insect repellent, a water bottle and binoculars.