

BIRD PHOTOGRAPHY FROM HIDES

Kiskunsag, HUNGARY



This is not a proper trip report, but more like a colourful photographic summary, a selection pictures were made by our guests. This is not from one tour, but result of the last couple of years' [Bird Photography Tours](#) based at our [Kondor EcoLodge](#). Here we use several different areas and habitats with different specialized hides. Our basic programme offers 7 days with one arrival and orientation day, spending at each different areas and hides minimum 1 full day and on departure day an optional extra half day photography if time permits. Each hide offers comfortable space for 2 photographers. Photographers will spend time at each hide in a rotating system. Our team put out hundreds of nestboxes for Rollers, Little & Scops Owls, Hoopoes which boosted up the populations offering really great photo opportunities.

Eurasian Roller, photo by Marin Sabik, mobile hide

Day1

After arrival to Budapest Airport we do either a quick 1-1,5-hour-long transfer to Kondor EcoLodge or we check out habitats and photographing birds as we go in the Kiskunsag National Park, arriving in the evening to the accommodation. Depending on arrival time checking the areas & some hides.

Day2-6

Spending full days in a rotating system at one of the professional hides from the below list:

Hides at Kondor EcoLodge, Kiskunsag National Park, HUNGARY

1. Drinking & Feeding Station Hide – Sparrowhawk, Common Redstart, Long-tailed Tit (Northern form), Hawfinch, Tree Sparrow, Nuthatch, Lesser-spotted Woodpecker
2. Mobile Hides – Roller, Bee-eater, Hoopoe, Tawny Pipit, European Nightjar, Red-backed & Lesser Grey Shrike, Little Owl

The following species can be seen and photographed in the garden of Kondor EcoLodge during a year: Sparrowhawk, Honey Buzzard, Common Cuckoo, Scops Owl, Tawny Owl, European Bee-eater, Lesser Spotted Woodpecker, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Wryneck, European Hoopoe, Common Redstart, Black Redstart, Mistle Thrush, Chiffchaff, Icterine Warbler, Willow Warbler, Blackcap, Lesser Whitethroat, Goldcrest, Spotted Flycatcher, Long-tailed Tit Northern form, Great Tit, Blue Tit, Nuthatch, Short-toed Treecreeper, Eurasian Golden Oriole, Wren, Tree Sparrow, Linnet, Chaffinch, Goldfinch, Greenfinch, Hawfinch, Yellowhammer, Siskin

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The furthermore species can be seen and photographed, walking distance from our Kondor EcoLodge during a year:

White Stork, Marsh Harrier, Montague's Harrier, Common Buzzard, Saker Falcon, Eurasian Kestrel, Common Quail, European Turtle Dove, Little Owl, European Nightjar, European Roller, Black Woodpecker, Syrian Woodpecker, Skylark, Crested Lark, Wood Lark, Swallow, House Martin, Sand Martin, Tree Pipit, Tawny Pipit, White Wagtail, Yellow Wagtail, European Robin, Common Nightingale, Whinchat, Stonechat, Northern Wheatear, Red-backed Shrike, Lesser Grey Shrike, Corn Bunting

European Bee-eater by Gabor Orban

B. Hides at other parts of Kiskunsag National Park, HUNGARY:

1. **Red-footed Falcon Tower Hide** – Red-footed Falcon, Turtle Dove, Roller
2. **Alkaline Lake Shorebird Hide** - Black-winged Stilt, Avocet, Little Ringed Plover, Marsh Sandpiper
3. **Freshwater Lake Floating Hide** – Ferruginous Duck, Spotted Crake, Squacco Heron
4. **Roller Hide**
5. **Little Owl Hide**
6. **Hoopoe Hide**
7. **Raptor feeding station** - White-tailed & Imperial Eagle, Rough-legged Buzzard, Hen Harrier

Some of the Species which can be photographed from different hides in the Kiskunsag National

Park: Pygmy Cormorant, Great White Egret, Little Egret, Grey Heron, Purple Heron, Squacco Heron, Bittern, Little Bittern, Spoonbill, Sparrowhawk, Red-footed Falcon, Black-winged Stilt, Avocet, Little Ringed Plover, Lapwing, Dunlin, Curlew Sandpiper, Ruff, Marsh Sandpiper, Wood Sandpiper, White-winged Tern, Whiskered Tern, Turtle Dove, Common Cuckoo, European Bee-eater, European Roller, Lesser Spotted Woodpecker, Middle Spotted Woodpecker, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Little Owl, Golden Oriole, European Hoopoe, Common Redstart, Black Redstart, Blackcap, Lesser Whitethroat, Long-tailed Tit Northern form, Nuthatch, Red-backed Shrike, Lesser Grey Shrike, Tree Sparrow, Hawfinch, Chaffinch, Goldfinch, Greenfinch, Yellowhammer



Red-footed Falcon female by

Stuart Elsom/Sunbird Photo Tour to Hungary

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Day7

After breakfast final morning Photography session at Kondor EcoLodge and/or vicinity. Midday transfer back to Budapest Airport.

Mobile hides within a mile distance from Kondor EcoLodge



European Bee-eater photos by Eric Muller, mobile hide



European Bee-eater photo by Eric Muller & by Andy Morffew



Eurasian Roller photos by Tibor Horvath



Eurasian Roller photo by Eric Muller, mobile hide



Eurasian Rollers from mobile hides, photos by Eric Muller & Tibor Horvath



photos by Tibor Horvath
Eurasian Rollers from mobile hides



photos by Joerg Mager & Howard Birley
European Bee-eater & Eurasian Roller from mobile hides



photos by Joerg Mager
Eurasian Roller from mobile hides



European Hoopoes from mobile hides, photos by Eric Muller



Scops Owl photo by Eric Muller



Little Owl photo by Andy Morffew ; Little Owls by Tibor Horvath

Garden Hides at Kondor EcoLodge



Tree Sparrow & Hawfinch by Pete Gilbert



Lesser Spotted Woodpecker



Syrian Woodpecker

Lesser-spotted Woodpecker & Syrian Woodpecker by Chris Massie-Taylor



Tree Sparrow



Nuthatch

Tree Sparrow & European Nuthatch by Chris Massie-Taylor



Hawfinch by Stuart Elsom/Sunbird Photo Tour to Hungary



Winter Wren & European Goldfinch; photos by Tibor Horvath

Floating Hide & Fix Hide at Lakeside



Squacco Heron & Purple Heron by Eric Muller



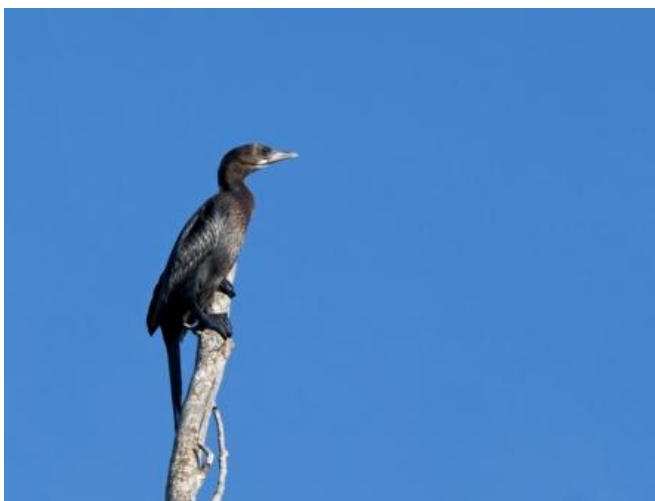
Black-winged Stilt & Squacco Heron by Andy Morffew



Red-necked Grebe by Bauke & Andreas; Ferruginous Duck by Eric Muller



Black-winged Stilt by Tibor Horvath & Eric Muller; Blue-headed Wagtail female by Eric Muller at top



Pygmy Cormorant by Howard Birley & Whiskered Tern by Chris Massie-Taylor

Tower Hide



Red-footed Falcon male & female by Chris Massie-Taylor



Eurasian Kestrel female by Howard Birley & Andy Morffew



Red-footed Falcon males by Stuart Elsom/Sunbird Phototour at Kondor



Red-footed Falcon male & female by Stuart Elsom/Sunbird Phototour at Kondor



Lesser Grey Shrike by Stuart Elsom/Sunbird Phototour at Kondor & Howard Birley



Lesser Grey Shrike by Stuart Elsom/Sunbird Phototour at Kondor

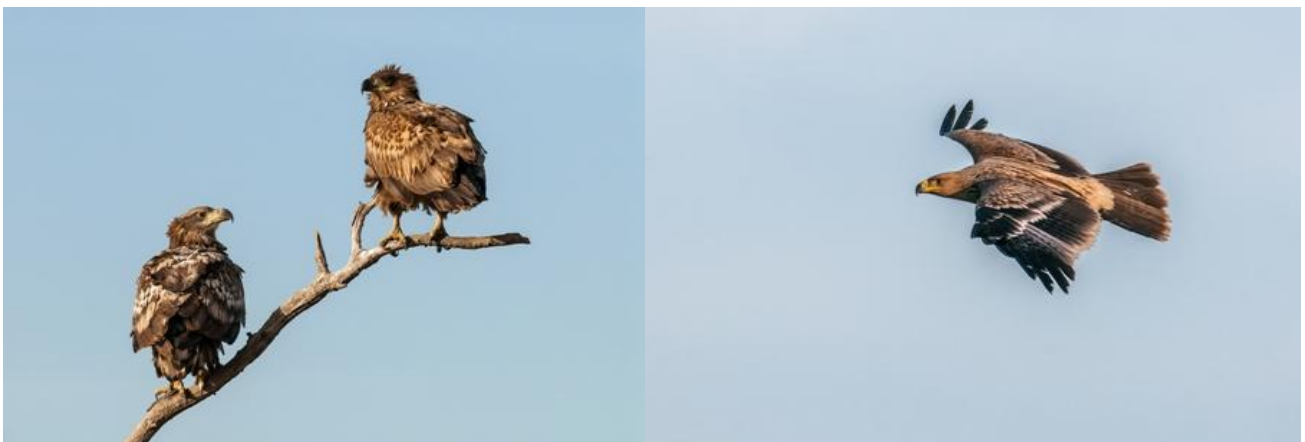


Red-footed Falcon female and male by Joerg Mager



European Kestrel & Eurasian Jackdaw by Zoltan Oroszi

WINTER RAPTOR HIDE



White-tailed Eagles and Imperial Eagle by Zoltan Oroszi