## AUTUMN BIRD PHOTO SAFARI 30 September - 5 October 2019



## Finland in the autumn is a great destination for the bird photographers!

In September 2019, we start our 13th season of eagle feeding in our eagle site in Utajärvi. By October there will be both Golden Eagles and White-tailed Eagles together with many Ravens visiting the site. Eagle images taken here will stand out from the crowd - there will be autumn colours in the ground vegetation and in the trees!

A lot of birds gather together in the wetlands around Oulu to fill their energy supplies for the long migration ahead. Cranes and Whooper Swans gather by hundreds and depending on the weather, different species of Geese gather in the fields. We will set up portable photography hides for these and other wetland species. Hen Harriers are usually numerous in the meadows of Liminka bay and we will try to bait them down for photographic opportunities.

If the year is good for rowanberries we should get good numbers of Waxwings in October. October can also be good for Owl photography – but that depends on a year!

In addition, autumn is an excellent time to photograph Aurora Borealis. In October the lakes are not frozen yet so there might be good chances to photograph them with a nice foreground with Auroras reflecting in the open water!

**Highlights:** Golden Eagle, White-tailed Eagle, Goshawk, Eurasian Cranes, Whooper Swans, Hen Harrier, Black Grouse, Hazel Grouse, Pygmy Owl, Hawk Owl, Three-toed Woodpecker, Black Woodpecker, Lesser Spotted Woodpecker, Nutcracker, Waxwing, Crested Tit, Long-tailed Tit, Bullfinch, Yellowhammer etc.

**Group size:** 4 – 7 photographers

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