

**Tour 8:  
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Tropical parula (photo Vinicio Pérez)

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### **Habitat:** Transition zone from Foothill-Forest to Mountain Cloud-Forest

Quite a long drive, but well worth it: We start very early because we need more than one hour to get to Amagusa. This private reserve is situated in the transition zone between foothill forest and lower mountain cloud-forest which makes the species composition unique: we can encounter lowland species as well as species from the very moist lower mountain forest.

**Distance:** about 50 km drive (one way) and 1-2 km walking

**Travelling:** by car to get there, walking on forest trails

**Difficulty:** easy along the road, forest trails can be slippery

**Altitude:** 1,400 m

**Species highlights:** Rose-faced Parrot, White-throated Quail-dove, Empress Brilliant, Buffy (Pacific) Tuftedcheek, Rufous-rumped Antwren, Barred Becard, Orange-breasted Fruiteater, Black Solitaire, Tropical Parula, Indigo Flowerpiercer, Glistening-green Tanager, Moss-backed Tanager, Golden-collared Honeycreeper.

**Persons:** 1-6

**Start/End of Tour:** 04:30 am until 04:00 pm (including driving time)

**Price:** 180 USD (1-2 persons); 240 USD (3-6 persons). To be paid in cash at beginning of tour

**Included:** English guided tour, transportation, water, bird list

**Not included:** Entrance fee, food

**Recommendations:** Hat, sun protection, insect repellent, rain gear depending on weather conditions.

## Booking and reservations

You can book the day tours directly with me ([info@mindolindo.de](mailto:info@mindolindo.de)) – even on short notice.

In order to make a reservation for accomodation or a guided tour please contact us in advance via email or phone.

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