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Key facts about Cyprus

T Geography & Location

- Island country in the Eastern Mediterranean Sea.
- Third largest island in the Mediterranean

🔎 Language & Culture

- Official languages: Greek
- English is widely spoken.
- Culturally rich with a blend of Greek, Middle Eastern, and Western influences.

🌌 Tourism & Nature

- Popular for its beaches, mountains (Troodos - Geopark), and archaeological sites
- UNESCO World Heritage Sites
- Warm climate



• Euro is the official currency.

No visa needed for U.S. citizens to visit Cyprus for up to 90 days within 180 days for tourism or business.





Why go Birding with us in Cyprus?

Strategic Migration Stopover: Located on a major migration route between Europe and Africa, Cyprus hosts **hundreds of thousands of migratory birds** each spring, providing exceptional birdwatching opportunities.

Diverse Bird Species: Over **422 species** have been recorded with **130 species** breeding on the island.

High Endemism: Cyprus is home to unique, endemic species of birds, plants, and fauna, making it a rich destination for nature lovers.

Cyprus Scops Owl

Cyprus Warbler

ASalafa Deri

Cyprus Wheatear

Bonelli's Eagle

Black Francolin











Short – Toed Treecreeper (endemic subspecies)





Mediterranean Chameleon



Long-Eared Hedgehog

Cyprus Rock Agama (endemic)

Cyprus Whip Snake (endemic)

Egyptian Fruit Bat (biggest European bat)

ASalafa Deri

More Reasons to go Birding in Cyprus

Varied Habitats: The island offers a mosaic of ecosystems—wetlands, forests, and mountains—that attract a wide range of bird species

Welcoming Locals: Cypriots are known for their hospitality, making visitors feel at home

Accessible: Easy access from major international airports to Larnaca

Delicious Traditional Cuisine: Dishes like **meze**, **souvlaki**, and **halloumi cheese** offer a perfect way to experience the island's rich culture and history.

Oroklini Marsh

Cape Greco

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Troodos Mountain

Larnaka Salt Lake











Archaeological Park of Kato Pafos, which has been included in the UNESCO World Heritage Sites since 1980







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Thanks for your attention!!

