

## SUGGESTED ITINERARY

Day 1: Arrive Port Moresby, visit Variarata National Park

Day 2: Variarata National Park, lower montane forest birding.

Day 3: Pacific Adventist University grounds and Variarata National Park.

Day 4: Hiritano Highway, Vanapa village, Aroa and Hisiu Mangroves.

Day 5: Fly to Kikori

Day 6-8: Kikori area, lowland rainforest birding.

Day 9: Fly to Port Moresby, Lea Lea beach, savana in the afternoon.

Day 10: Fly to Kiunga, lowland rainforest birding.

Day 11: Kiunga area.

Day 12-13: Elevala River, lowland rainforest birding.

Day 14: Drive to Tabubil, lower montane forest birding.

Day 15: Tabubil and Ok Menga birding

Day 16: Drive to Kiunga and fly to Mt. Hagen

Day 17-19: Mountain forest and alpine grassland birding.

Day 20: Fly to Tari

Day 21-22: Mountain forest birding.

Day 23: Fly to Port Moresby, afternoon local birding

Day 24: Morning local birding, international flight out of Port Moresby.

### **West New Britain Extension**

Day 24: Fly to Hoskins, West New Britian, Afternoon birding the Kilu River.

Day 25: Visit Kimbe and Restorf Islands and Kilu Ridge.

Day 26: Visit Pokili Wildlife Management area.

Day 27: Morning Kilu Ridge, afternoon fly to Lae

Day 28: Fly to Manus, afternoon birding near Rossun.

Day 29: Rosun and Lorengau area

Day 30: Morning Momote, afternoon fly to Port Moresby

Day 31: International departure flight.

By using motel type accommodation and locally owned village-based lodges we are able to offer this Budget Birder's tour to one of the world's most desirable birding destinations at rock-bottom price. There is no camping involved and although the lodges by the Elevala River and near Tari are fairly basic they are very comfortable. The tour also accords with Sicklebill Safari's policy of supporting minimum impact, sustainable tourism wherever possible. This helps to preserve and maintain these unique site by providing the local people with a regular from the intact rainforest.