

Did you know that, since its creation in 1997, Guyra Paraguay has carried out more than 350 biodiversity conservation and sustainable development actions? Here are just a few of them that we'd like to share with you:

- 1. To date, Guyra has acquired more than 24,000 hectares in different regions, all dedicated to their conservation in perpetuity.
- 2. Along with the Environmental Secretary SEAM and the Municipality of Asunción, Guyra is supporting the designation of Asunción Bay as a national reserve.
- 3. Guyra continually studies Paraguay's 714 bird species, identifying 80 threatened species, and Guyra also protect 500 species in Guyra's private reserves.
- 4. Through field trips covering all areas of the country, Guyra has scientific information from more than 700 sites, with more than 125,000 new records for Paraguay's 1,540 documented vertebrate species.
- 5. Guyra has published more than 20 books about Paraguay's biodiversity and conservation, amongst them the first "Paraguay Bird Guide".
- 6. Fifty-seven Important Bird Areas (IBAs) have been identified and recognized on a global level.
- 7. Guyra Paraguay works to protect the 94 migratory bird species that utilize Paraguay as a stopover place, coming from as far away as Alaska and Tierra del Fuego.
- 8. Guyra has re-evaluated the more than the 150 invasive species that affect Paraguay's biodiversity and cause economic and environmental damage.
- 9. Guyra actively monitors land use throughout the country, and provide updated information about deforestation, desertification, flooding, and wildfires.
- 10. With the support of the Paraguay's general population, the Bare-throated Bellbird was declared Paraguay's National Bird.
- 11. Guyra has agreements with over 150 communities and community leaders, forming and supporting local conservation groups, such as the Eco Club Pantanal Paraguayo and their community radio station in Bahía Negra, the Kue Tuvy indigenous community, San Rafael Environmental Promoters, Eco-Ayolas, and local birdwatching groups.
- 12. Our institution works with more than 100 small agriculturists, who produce more than 500 tons of organically-grown products that generate incomes 20% higher than non-organic products. These producers have restored more than 100 farms by planting trees used by both farmers and biodiversity.
- 13. In San Rafael Reserve alone, Guyra is avoiding the emission of more than four million tons of carbon into the atmosphere, and have planted more than 50,000 native trees, utilizing local resources to restore the Atlantic Forest in our areas of the reserve.
- 14. Guyra supports the protection of 1,000,000 hectares in the Alto Chaco, habitat for large South American vertebrates like the Jaguar, Tapir, Giant River Otter, Guanaco, Chacoan Peccary, and the Giant Armadillo.
- 15. Guyra has trained more than 300 young conservation professionals.
- 16. In 2007, Guyra was honored by the newspaper *Última Hora* Journal as "Protagonists of Hope" for our conservation and development work.
- 17. In 2013, Guyra was awarded by the National Geographic Society as leaders in Conservation in Latin America and also Member of Honour of BirdLife International.
- 18. Guyra is a very active partner in BirdLife International and World Land Trust