

THE RESERVE

- It is in the north of Minas Gerais State, 180 km from Montes Claros in the municipality of Botumirim. The area comprises 593 hectares (1465 acres) and was created to guarantee the conservation of the only known population of the Blue-eyed Ground-dove (*Columbina cyanopis*).
- The reserve was acquired by SAVE Brasil in partnership with the Rainforest Trust. Located in a priority area for the conservation of birds in Minas Gerais, it is in an area of Cerrado Rocky Outcrops (Campos e Cerrados Rupestres), which also includes species common to the Caatinga, such as the Caatinga Antwren (*Herpsilochmus sellowi*), the Silvery-cheeked Antshrike (*Sakesphorus cristatus*) and Stripe-backed Antbird (*Myrmorchilus strigilatus*), among others.



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BLUE-EYED GROUND-DOVE NATURE RESERVE



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BLUE-EYED GROUND-DOVE **CR**

HOW TO VISIT?

- To schedule your visit, write to rolinhadoplanalto@savebrasil.org.br informing the dates of interest for availability and scheduling consultation.
- Foreign visitor entrance to the Reserve costs USD 35 per day. This cost helps us maintain the Reserve and the species' conservation project.
- Payment must be made using this link https://savebrasil.colabore.org/ccyanopsis/sing_step
- Our staff will guide you in the reserve.

The Blue-eyed Ground-dove is one of the rarest birds in the world, given as possibly extinct, it was rediscovered in 2015 after 75 years without news of its occurrence. About 30 individuals are currently known. It is critically endangered (CR). The species has blue eyes, which explain its scientific name (*Columbina cyanopsis*). Its extent of occurrence includes the Cerrado Rocky Fields of the central region of Brazil.



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BOTUMIRIM, MG

- The municipality is the home of the Blue-eyed Ground-dove, in addition, endemic species of the Espinhaço ridge make up the avifauna, such as the Hyacinth Visorbearer (*Augastes scutatus*) and the Cipo Canastero (*Asthenes luizae*). Floristic elements of the Atlantic Forest, Cerrado, Rocky Fields can be found, as about 200 bird species are present in the area. We recommend the accompaniment of a bird guide of the region for a better experience on the tour.
- Botumirim has basic services, but cash payment in cash is recommended. Mobile phone service is better provided by VIVO carrier.
- It is possible to reach Botumirim through Mário Ribeiro Airport (MOC) in Montes Claros, followed by car on the BR-251 and MG-307 (asphalted) highways. The airport has car rental companies; it is not essential to use a four-wheel-drive vehicle, however, off-road capabilities might improve the experience. SAVE Brasil does not have a vehicle for commuting.



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