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He is a young enthusiast who likes cats and wildlife in general, as a child the Andes inspire him to know wildlife, and feed his taste for nature documentaries, that's why, during his high school he liked to collect wild animals albums, that's where he met the Andean Cat and decided that he would study this little known species at that time. He studied biology at the National University of San Agustín de Arequipa, where he collaborated as a volunteer in the Natural History Museum, and it was there that he focused on studying the Andean cat, which led him to support Juan Reppucci and Cintia Tellaeché as a volunteer during 2014, to place collars on High Andean felines, having his first encounter with an Andean cat. Upon his return to Peru, he managed to obtain the first photographic records of the Andean cat in his area of study. In 2016, he founded the Association for the Conservation of Biodiversity PRO CARNIVROS, from which studies on the Andean cat in southern Peru are being carried out. Since 2017 he is a member of the Andean Cat Alliance, and collaborates as Camera Trapping Program Coordinator and Focal Point in Perú. His lines of interest are the human dimensions for wildlife conservation and the use of camera traps for the study of elusive species such as the Andean cat.