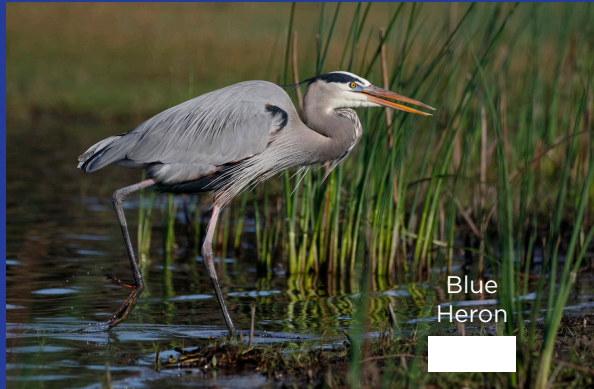




Have you seen these birds?



Blue Heron



Belted Kingfisher



Black-capped Chickadee



White-breasted Nuthatch



Red-tailed Hawk



House Sparrow



Baltimore Oriole



Cliff Swallow



Peregrine Falcon



American Crow



European Starling



Brown-headed Cowbird



Canada Goose



Spotted Sandpiper



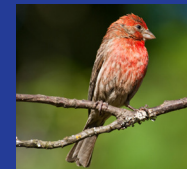
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Bullock's Oriole



American Robin



House Finch



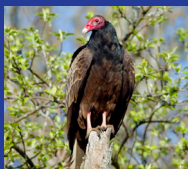
Cooper's Hawk



Green Heron



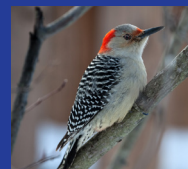
Rock Pigeon



Turkey Vulture



Red-winged Blackbird



Red-bellied Woodpecker



Song Sparrow



Mourning Dove



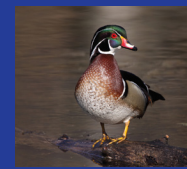
Warbling Vireo



Northern Cardinal



Mallard



Wood Duck



Blue-gray Gnatcatcher



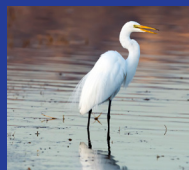
Chimney Swift



Blue Jay



Hairy Woodpecker



White Egret



Ring-billed Gull



Eastern Phoebe



Barred Owl



Great Horned Owl



Bald Eagle



Cedar Waxwing



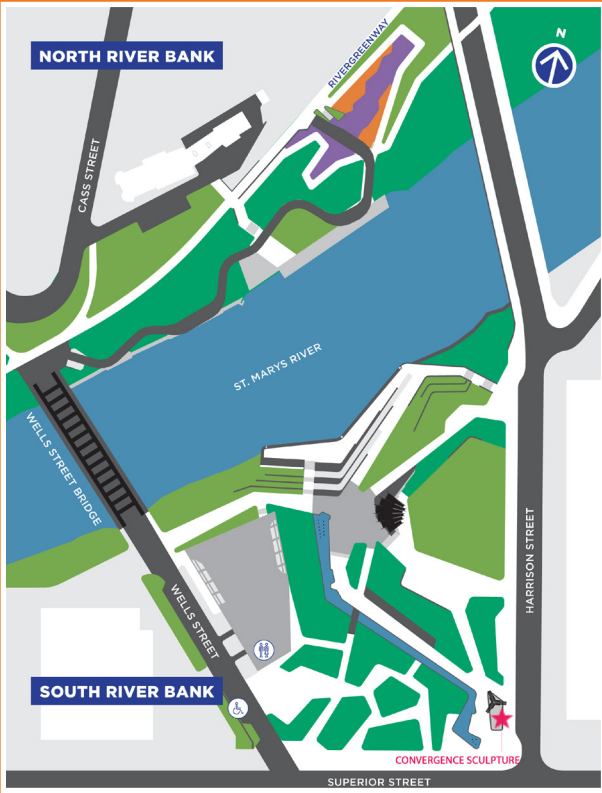
American Gold Finch



Yellow-rumped Warbler

Ornithology: The scientific study of birds.

Ornithophile: A person who loves birds.



Birdwatching Tips

- Binoculars and a field guide or birding app will add enjoyment to the experience
- Spring is ideal for birding because birds begin their migration north and they are more easily visible in trees before the leaves fill in.
- Birding is best at the beginning or end of the day when many birds are looking for food and are active.
- Keeping the sun at your back will make it much easier to see and identify birds.
- Listen for calls.
- Be quiet and avoid sudden movements.
- Avoid brightly colored clothing.



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About Birdwatching

Birdwatching has become one of the fastest growing hobbies in North America with about 50 million Americans planning an outing to observe wild birds each year. Why is birdwatching so popular?

It is inexpensive. All that is needed is a pair of binoculars and a field guide or birding app on your phone.

It is convenient. Birds are everywhere!

Looking for birds gets you outside in the fresh air and gets you moving.

It is interesting and challenging. It stimulates your brain in healthy ways as you hone your senses and learn to observe little details.

It is relaxing and it can bring satisfaction and pleasure.

You meet interesting people. Birdwatchers are generally a pretty sociable group.

It connects you to nature.

Want to know what bird you just saw? Download the free Merlin Bird ID app.



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Notes from today's outing . . .