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October Peak Day Is Almost Here!

Dear World Migratory Bird Day Global Community,

As the seasons change, millions of migratory birds are taking off on their incredible journeys across plains, seas, mountains, crossing multiple international borders along the way. This natural event brings us together to celebrate the second peak date of World Migratory Bird Day, on Saturday, 11th of October.

This year's theme, <u>"Shared Spaces: Creating Bird-Friendly Cities and Communities,"</u> has inspired global action with energy and purpose. Together, we are raising awareness on the threats birds face and driving change to create a world where both birds and people can thrive together.

Conservationists, educators, and citizens around the globe have answered the call to create bird-friendly cities and communities in celebration of World Migratory Bird Day. From community cleanups and educational workshops to policy advocacy and art contests, their efforts show a shared commitment to protecting migratory birds and their habitats.

Why "Shared Spaces" Matter More Than Ever

Migratory birds face major challenges in and around the urban landscape. Urban growth destroys habitats, light pollution disorients flocks, and window collisions kill millions of birds every year. The World Migratory Bird Day 2025 campaign proposes practical ways for governments, businesses, and individuals to create bird-friendly cities and communities.

Actions being encouraged through this year's campaign include:

- Plan bird-friendly cities: protect habitats in urban development.
- Plant native plants: provide food, shelter, and support pollinators.
- Prevent collisions: use bird-safe glass or window films.
- Dim the lights: reduce nighttime light during migration.
- Avoid pesticides: choose organic methods to protect insects and water.
- Say "No" to plastic waste: prevent ingestion and entanglement.
- Keep cats away: keep cats indoors, leashed, or in enclosures.

Educate & advocate: raise awareness and support bird-friendly policies.

Watch the Partner Statements

Key supporters and partners worldwide shared statements to celebrate World Migratory Bird Day ahead of the May peak. This year's theme, "Spaces: Creating Bird-Friendly Cities and Communities," highlights the importance of protecting habitats for migratory birds.

See all statements received>>



Watch the Joint Partner Statement>>

Learn from the Experts: Free Webinar Series

In 2025, Global Partners, Environment for the Americas, hosted a series of monthly webinars focused on practical solutions and actions we can all take to make our cities and communities more bird-friendly.

- Creating Bird-Friendly Cities
- What is Bird-Friendly Coffee?
- Understanding Bird Collisions
- Native Planting and Bird-friendly Gardens
- Keep Cats Away responsible pet ownership strategies
- Be the Solution to Plastic Pollution
- Dark Skies and Birds

Watch the Webinars

Don't Miss These Upcoming Online Events

16 October: Policies for the Birds Webinar

12 PM Denver

Discover how advocacy drives policy change that protects birds and their habitats. Learn from conservation policy experts and find out how you can take action in your community.

20 October: World Migratory Bird Day Closing Ceremony

12 PM Denver

Join us for the grand finale! Celebrate global achievements, meet this year's poster artist Annamaria Savarino Drago, honor Outstanding Educator Award recipients, and be first to hear the exciting 2026 theme reveal.

This Year's Campaign

The numbers this year so far tell a story of worldwide engagement:

Over 800 events across the globe
Over 2000 media mentions
Official recognition by the U.S. Senate,
declaring May 10, 2025 as "World
Migratory Bird Day"



WORLD MIGRATORY BIRD DAY 2025 Shared Spaces - Creating Bird-Friendly Cities and Communities Summary Report





Read the Global May Peak Day
Summary Report HERE>>

Get Involved: Register Your Event Today

Whether you're planning a bird walk, habitat restoration project, or educational workshop, add your event to our global map and inspire others as a World Migratory Bird Day event.



Register Your Event

Access Free Resources

EAAFP Small Grant

Learn more about how WMBD events can receive support in the East Asian-Australasian Flyway.

Details>>

Educational



<u>Download posters, educational materials, and complete toolkits in multiple languages</u> to support your events, education, or conservation efforts.

Get Social Media and Campaign Resources>>

Global Milestones

As we celebrate this year's World Migratory Bird Day, WMBD partners AEWA and EAAFP look ahead to November 2025 Meetings of Partners (MOP).

EAAFP MOP12 (8-14 Nov, Cebu, Philippines)

will unite partners, site managers, and working groups to review progress, share knowledge, and strengthen collaboration under the theme "Weaving Connections: Celebrating Migration, Traditional Knowledge, and Innovation."

AEWA MOP9 (11–14 Nov, Bonn, Germany)

brings together governments and experts across Africa and Eurasia to reaffirm commitments to migratory waterbird conservation under the theme "United for Flyways."

Animations



Share Our Animation Video on "Shared Spaces">>

Spread the Word



Share your bird-friendly actions on social media using: #WorldMigratoryBirdDay #SharedSpaces #BirdFriendlyCities #DMAM #WMBD2025

Happy World Migratory Bird Day

As migration season is beginning, birds need our help more than ever. From the Arctic-breeding shorebirds heading to South America, Asia, and Oceania to the warblers crossing the Gulf of Mexico, millions of birds depend on the bird-friendly spaces we create along their flyways. Will you join us in making this migration safer

for birds everywhere?

Thank you for your support and for joining the global celebration of migratory birds!

With wings spread wide,

The World Migratory Bird Day Team











About World Migratory Bird Day: World Migratory Bird Day is a global campaign that serves as a beacon for conservation efforts aimed at protecting migratory birds and their journeys across borders. Celebrated twice a year—in May and October—WMBD reflects the cyclical nature of bird migration and the varying peak periods in the northern and southern hemispheres. This worldwide initiative triggers countless educational events, uniting people in a common goal to protect migratory birds and their habitats. The WMBD campaign is organized by the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS), the African-Eurasian Migratory Waterbird Agreement (AEWA), Environment for the Americas (EFTA), and the East Asian-Australasian Flyway Partnership (EAAFP).

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