

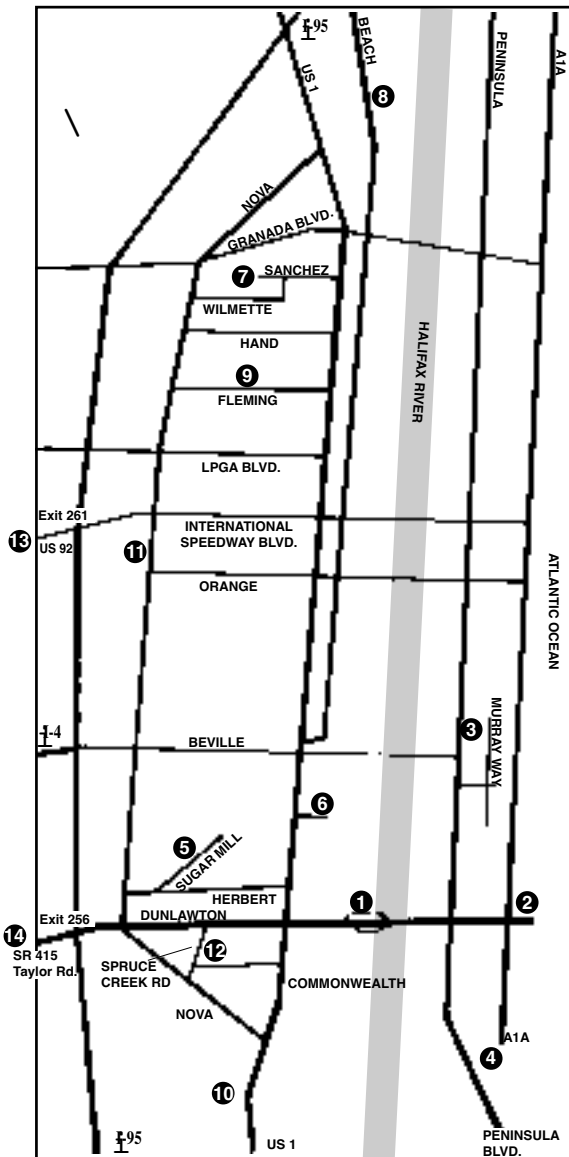
# Halifax River Audubon

Greater Daytona Area Hot-spots

• Port Orange • Daytona Beach • Ormond Beach

This map serves as a guide only to Greater Daytona Area birding hot-spots, not to scale. For a more accurate rendition of the road ways, please consult local area maps.

More bird species are found here from September to April when many northern arrivals winter over. April and October are peak migrating months.



## Directions

directions are oriented from Dunlawton Avenue, Port Orange

### 1 Port Orange Causeway Park

east on Dunlawton, cross US1, right at Sea Bird Island, take left, follow narrow paved road to parking lot.  
from A1A, go west on Dunlawton, over bridge, right at bottom of bridge, take right and follow paved road into parking lot.  
Excellent water birds year around. Low tide exposed oyster bars. Over 1,500 birds roost and nest on mangrove island south of the bridge. At daybreak and sunset you can watch hundreds of birds migrating from and into the island. A special sight.

### 2 Port Orange Beaches

go east on Dunlawton, cross A1A, straight to beach toll booth, stop, pay small fee, access beach with your car.

### 3 McElroy Park, Daytona Beach Shores

go east on Dunlawton, over Halifax River Bridge, take left at bottom of bridge onto Peninsula Drive, go one mile, right on Van, next left on Esperanza. The park is at end of road on the left.  
Excellent migrant trap for song birds and hawks.

### 4 Lighthouse Point Park, Ponce Inlet

go south on A1A past Dunlawton intersection to the end, follow the signs. The beach, adjoining mud flats and rock jetty are all good birding spots.

### 5 Sugar Mill Gardens, Port Orange

go north on Nova, right on Herbert, left on Sugar Mill Road, parking on right, gardens on left.  
From US 1 (Ridgewood Avenue), take Herbert west, follow signs to Sugar Mill Gardens.  
A natural Florida area with many native plants and flowers. Ruby-throated Hummingbirds and many migrating birds feed in these gardens. Native Florida butterflies are everywhere.

### 6 Riverside Pavilion Park, Port Orange

go about one mile north of Dunlawton on US 1 (Ridgewood Avenue). Take right into park. Worth a stop. Small wooded picnic area leads to pier jutting into Halifax River. Good view of river and shore line.

### 7 Sanchez Park, Ormond Beach

US 1 north, through Granada, right on Wilmette, left on Sanchez Ave., park is on the right.  
Tall pine trees, live oak trees and the quiet Thomson Creek make this area interesting.

### 8 Tomoka -Bulow State Parks, Ormond Beach

from Sanchez Park go east on Sanchez Ave., left on N. Beach into park. Also, take Beach St. from Daytona Beach to Tomoka and Sanchez Park. Tomoka State Park is a large natural land/water/marsh area common to ducks, water birds and song birds.

### 9 Central Park, Ormond Beach

go north on Nova eleven miles north of Dunlawton, right on Fleming. Park entrance about one mile on left. Excellent birding during migration. Check wooded areas and go around lake.

### 10 Spruce Creek Park, Port Orange

south on US 1, past Nova, cross Rose Bay Bridge. Park is less than one mile on right. Walk the .6 mile path and sit at the pier. A good place to find northern visitors and Florida resident birds, migrating birds, Clapper Rails, Sedge Wrens, Pileated Woodpeckers, Great Horned Owls and water birds. Bald Eagles are seen here from October until April. A Port Orange gem.

### 11 Museum of Arts and Sciences/Tusawilla Park, Daytona

go north on Nova five miles past Dunlawton, take left at the museum sign into parking area. Check along the entrance and exit roads and the parking lots around the building. The small ponds can prove interesting. After birding take the time to go inside. This excellent museum host interesting collections, exhibits and programs.

### 12 Buschman Park, Port Orange

entrance is on Spruce Creek Road between Dunlawton and Nova. Excellent place for migrating Warblers. A Painted Bunting was spotted here. Walk the paths in the park and look into the tree tops. The shallow pond will yield good water birds. Otter have been spotted here. Butterflies. A Florida natural area.

### 13 Tiger Bay State Forest & Rima Ridge

from I-95 take Exit 261, bear left off ramp onto US 92, go west 7 miles to office on right, note a cluster of small buildings. At office get brochures and check hunting dates. Excellent place for Brown-headed Nuthatches, Carolina Chickadees and Bachman Sparrows. You won't find a Visitors' Center here just an office of bird friendly people. Please sign in at forest entrance.

### 14 Volusia County Landfill

from I-95 take Exit 256 (Port Orange), go west on Taylor Road (SR 421), take right on SR 415, Tomoka Farms Road, go about 4 miles, landfill entrance on left. Check into office at entrance before going in. This area is a working operation. Please park off the road when viewing birds. Bald Eagles in the winter. A wonderful variety of land and waterbirds here.

**OTHER IMPORTANT BIRDING AREAS  
OUTSIDE OF GREATER DAYTONA BEACH**

There are a number of great bird watching areas leading north, south and west of the Greater Daytona area. All easy day trips not more than forty miles from the intersection of Dunlawton and US 1.

Going North:

**Washington Oaks State Gardens, Palm Coast**  
entrance on left on A1A, wonderful park on the Intra coastal Waterway. Drive across the road to the ocean for shorebirds, gulls, terns and migrating water birds.

**Fort Matanzas**

continue for ten miles north on A1A, park is on left. Be sure to take ferry out to the island.

Going South:

**Smyrna Dunes Park**

US 1 South, about 5 miles south of New Smyrna Beach Municipal Airport turn left onto Washington (if you go under SR 44 turn back), at end of second bridge turn left onto Peninsula, park is at end of road. A 1.5 mile boardwalk will lead you through diverse habitats, as: river, ocean, beach, wetlands, open fields, scrub and wooded areas. A scenic, bird friendly area.

**Canaveral National Seashore, New Smyrna Beach**

eight miles south on US 1, left on SR 44 under the bridge, follow the road to the park's entrance (small entrance fee), stop at the turtle mound on the right, short walk to the top for a wonderful view. Next stop at Visitor's Center on the right.

**Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge, Titusville**

continue south on US 1 through Edgewater and Oak Hill, left into the refuge, see sign on right (25 miles from Port Orange), follow JFK Parkway to the lights, turn right at the lights, short distance to visitor's center on the left (start here first), on take I 95 south to exit 80(SR 406) will also lead to the visitor's center on the right, about six miles. This NWR is a must visit. A wealth of habitats attach great numbers of bird species both migrating and nesting throughout the year. A Mecca of birding.

Going West:

**Lake Woodruff, DeLeon Springs**

I 95 north, take SR 92 west, right on SR 17, go about four miles, take Wheeler Road (CR 4038) on the left, see brown sign on the right, left on Billings Ave., right on Mud Lake Road. Walk along the dikes surrounding huge impoundments to experience a special birding treat.

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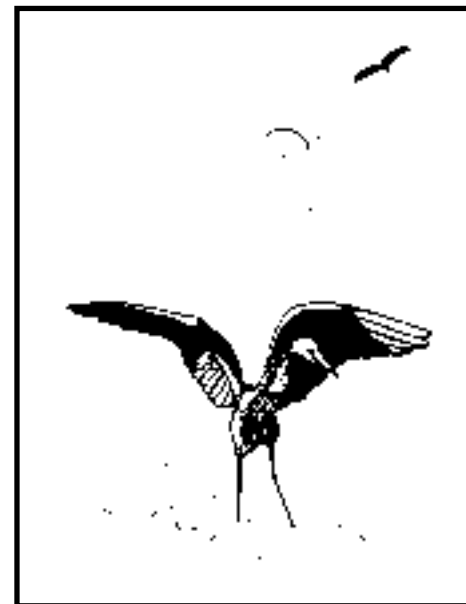
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