



Birding Adventures

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WINTER 2012

Birding Adventures take birders throughout Florida specializing in the Everglades, Corkscrew, STA 5 and the Keys. Special Getaway weekends include Merrit Island, Sanibel Island and Dry Tortugas. Annual trips to the Eastern Shore of Virginia and the tropics-such as Costa Rica, Panama & Dom. Repub.

Schedule 2012

JANUARY 22-Ascend to Better Birding II
2-5 p.m.-Bonnet House

JANUARY 28 & 29-Space Coast Birding
Festival-Birding by Ear & Habitat

FEBRUARY 18-20 Central Fl. Getaway-
Merrit Island N.W.R.,Viera Ponds,
Three Lakes WMA & more

FEBRUARY-25 Birding Workshop, Audubon
the Everglades, Pine Jog Env. Center

MARCH 24, Gardening for Butterflies and
Birds, Bonnet House 9 am-12 noon

MARCH 28-31-Big “O” Birding Festival-

Port Labelle Inn, S.T.A. 5, Slough trip,

Warbler workshop, Advanced Birding

April 21-22-West Coast
Getaway-Sanibel Island,
Six mile Cypress,
Ft. Meyers Beach,
Cecil Webb WMA

GETAWAY WEEKENDS

4 persons needed
half deposit due 2 weeks
prior , cost dbl. occup.



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**WEST COAST GETAWAY-4/21-22
SANIBEL ISLAND, CECIL WEBB,
SIX MILE CYPRESS & MORE**



Travel to the west coast of Florida to visit the famous Ding Darling Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel Island at the height of spring migration looking for Mangrove Cuckoo and warblers. Sleep overlooking the bay and munch on boiled crab. Search Red-cockaded WP and Bachmans Sparrow at Cecil Webb. Six mile Cypress for warblers & more. Cost-\$265, includes 2 days of expert birding, 1 night, 2 lunches



Bird Banding Station-Kiptopeke

**MERRIT ISLAND, VIERA PONDS & 3 LAKES
FEBRUARY 18-20, 2011**

Merrit Island and central Florida has consistently been some of the best birding of the year.



Viera Ponds will start out our wonderful weekend to look for waterfowl. Next, off to MINWR, Blackpoint Wildlife Drives and visitor center to look for rare waterfowl, shorebirds and wading birds. Target species include Florida Scrub Jay, Reddish Egret and Clapper Rail. Other spots we will visit include Biolab Road, Riverbreeze Park, Cape Canaveral Seashore and more. In the 3 Lakes W.M. A. we will search for Whooping Cranes, Red-cockaded Woodpeckers, Bachman Sparrow, Bald Eagle and Brown-headed Nuthatches. This trip should yield more than 100 species. Cost-\$385 includes 3 days of expert birding, 2 breakfast, 2 nights hotel dbl. occup., 2 lunches. Late return on Sunday due to Red-cockaded WP.

EASTERN SHORE OF VIRGINIA-KIPTOPEKE S.P.

Fall 2011, 102 specie
The backwater marshes, delicious seafood and excellent birding opportunities keep drawing us back to this unique part of the U.S. At Kiptopeke State Park viewing large kettles of migrating raptors and holding rare birds such as Hooded Warblers and Grey-cheeked Thrush in your hand at the banding station is a rare treat. This year we visited the long awaited Fishermen Island. Phyllis Brady, Diane Estes and Gail Tomei added many new life birds such as Peregrine Falcon, Greater Black-back Gull, and Buff-breasted Sandpiper. We got a close up look at a Merlin held from at the hawk banding Station. Staying at a beach side house in Cape Charles was cozy and fun! Lump crab and sweet potato biscuits to die for