



BIRDS OF CAMPOBELLO

Roosevelt Campobello International Park

The Roosevelt Campobello International Park is located on Campobello Island, New Brunswick, Canada just across the international border from Lubec on the easternmost tip of Maine. Financed, administered, and staffed by the peoples of both countries as a memorial to Franklin D. Roosevelt, the Park is a unique example of the cooperation and close relationship between Canada and the United States.

Campobello lies on the Atlantic flyway and it is a convenient stopover point for thousands of shore birds and other migrants. The Park's 1,134 hectares of bird habitat include marine shoreline, salt and fresh marsh, sphagnum bogs, coniferous, deciduous and mixed forest, forest edges, thickets, bushy and open fields, cliffs, banks and ponds.

This pamphlet contains a map of key observation areas in the Roosevelt Campobello International Park, a checklist of those species an observer might find on Campobello, and a brief description of seasonal bird activity during the months most people visit the Park.

MAY The majority of songbirds and summer residents return.

JUNE The last summer residents return early in the month. Singing and nesting activities peak.

JULY Singing decreases as nesting is completed. South bound shorebirds arrive in numbers by late month.

AUGUST Southbound migration of warblers, flycatchers and other songbirds is well underway. Shorebird migration peaks in mid August.

SEPTEMBER Shorebirds are found in reduced numbers. Non- concentrated hawk migration. Waterbirds start to gather along the coast.

OCTOBER Most remaining migrants depart. Large movements of waterbirds occur. Many winter residents begin to arrive late in month.

1 Visitor Centre - mowed lawns, fields, thickets, forest edges and marine shoreland. Look for Nashville, Northern Parula, Magnolia, Black-throated Green Warblers, Ruby-throated Hummingbird, Chipping Sparrow, Purple Finch, Pine Siskin.

2 Friar's Head - open fields, thickets, mixed woods and marine shoreland. Habitats for Alder Flycatcher, Nashville, Magnolia, Black-throated Green, Chestnut-sided Warbler (uncommon).

3 Friar's Head Trail - coniferous and mixed woods, over-grown fields, old orchard, thickets, open fields. Mixture of habitats along an interesting trail. Ospreys and bald eagles often seen from Friar's Head observation deck.

4 Junction, Cranberry Point Drive and Tourist Information Centre Road - mixed woods, thickets, alder bog, Blackburnian, Magnolia, Wilson's Warbler (uncommon), Hairy Woodpecker.

5 Fox Farm - open fields, thickets, forest edges, tidal flats. Alder Flycatcher, Ruby-crowned Kinglet, Northern Parula, Magnolia, Chestnut-sided Warbler (uncommon). Tidal flats good for migrant shorebirds. American Woodcock in low, wet areas of back trails.



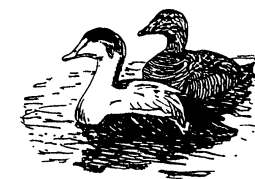
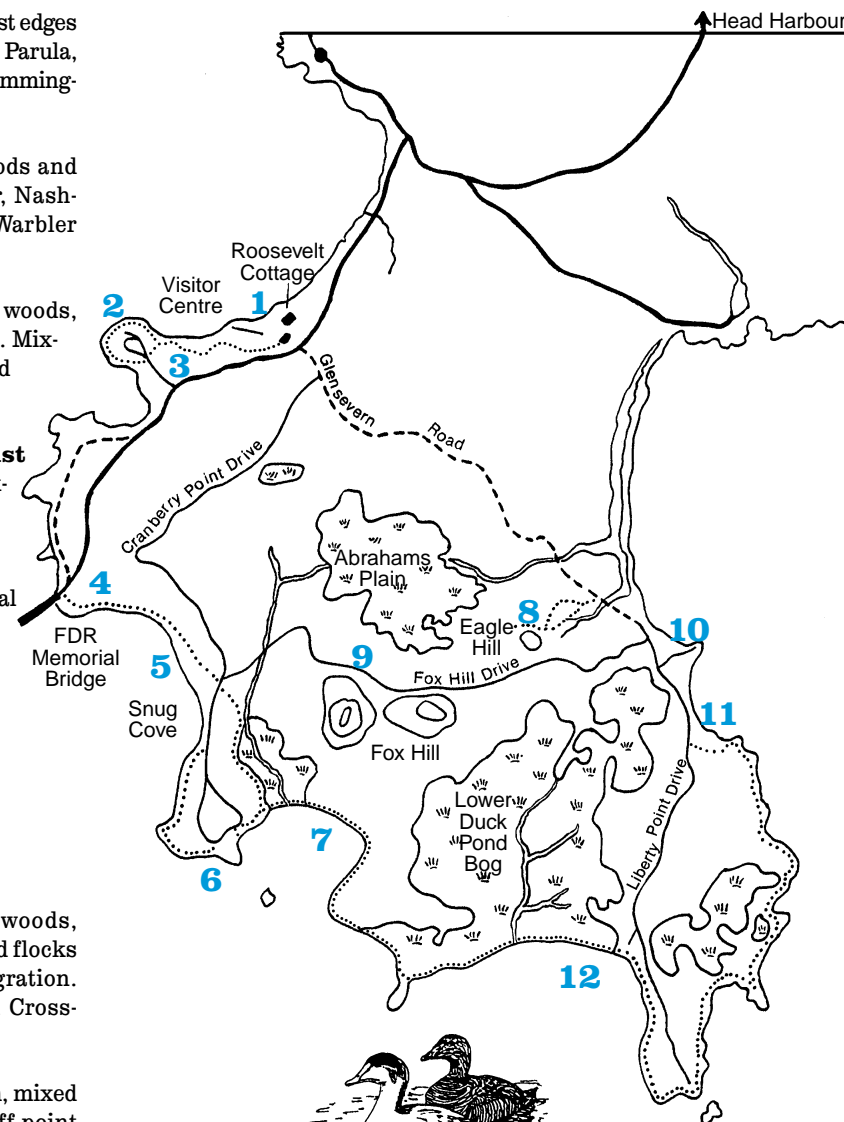
6 Cranberry Point - marine shoreland, mixed woods, regenerating forest. Good gathering area for mixed flocks of warblers with fledglings in late summer before migration. Look for uncommon Cape May Warbler. White-winged Crossbills seen here (nomadic, highly variable).

7 Upper Duck Pond - tidal flats, estuary and marsh, mixed woods. Excellent for migrant shorebirds. Take off point for warblers, flycatchers, nuthatches, chickadees, kinglets, etc., in late summer. American Black Duck, Northern Harrier seen in estuary area.

8 Eagle Hill - shrubby sphagnum bog and mixed woods. Bog suitable habitat for Palm Warbler, Lincoln's Sparrow. Bordering thickets for Yellow-bellied and Least Flycatchers, Nashville and Canada Warblers. Woods further back for Swainson's and Hermit Thrush.

9 Fox Hill Drive - coniferous and mixed woods, sphagnum bogs. Ruffed and Spruce Grouse, woodpeckers, thrushes. Bog species similar to Eagle Hill.

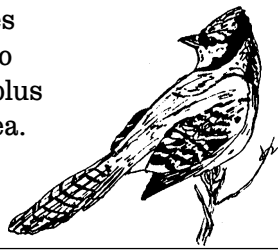
10 Con Robinson's Point - mixed forest and marine shoreland. Bank Swallows and Kingfishers nest in banks to left. Shoreline good for Common Eider Ducks, Gulls, Terns, Cormorants. Osprey seen all along these shores.



11 Raccoon Beach to Liberty Point Trail - coniferous and mixed woods, open areas, cliffs and marine shoreland. Habitats for breeding Sharp-shinned Hawk (variable), Red-breasted Nuthatch, Winter Wren (uncommon), Dark-eyed Junco, White-winged Crossbill, Black-backed three-toed Woodpecker (rare). Seaducks, loons and grebes in migration are best observed from Owen Head and Liberty Point. Black Guillemot breeding at Liberty Point.

12 Lower Duck Pond and Bog - tidal flats, beaches, sphagnum bog. Killdeer, Spotted Sandpiper and Savannah Sparrow breed near beach. See Whimbrel in late summer; rare Hudsonian Godwit and Stilt Sandpiper; Great Blue Heron; occasional Merlin chasing shorebirds. American Black Duck and Blue-winged Teal in estuary.

The following checklist includes species breeding on Campobello (and nearby islands as noted), plus birds migrating through the area.



Symbols indicate status:

B - breeding **BN** - breeding on nearby islands
M - migrant **R** - rare

Loons, Grebes	Lesser Yellowlegs M
Red-throated Loon RM	Solitary Sandpiper M
Common Loon M	Willet RM
Horned Grebe M	Spotted Sandpiper B
Red-necked Grebe M	Whimbrel M
Petrels, Cormorants, Herons	Hudsonian Godwit RM
Leach's Storm Petrel BN	Ruddy Turnstone M
Great Cormorant M	Red Knot M
Double-crested Cormorant BN	Sanderling M
Great Blue Heron BN	Semipalmated Sandpiper .. M
Waterfowl	Western Sandpiper RM
Brant RM	Least Sandpiper M
Canada Goose M	White-rumped Sandpiper .. M
Wood Duck M	Purple Sandpiper M
American Black Duck B	Dunlin M
Mallard B	Stilt Sandpiper RM
Blue-winged Teal B	Short-billed Dowitcher M
Common Eider B	American Woodcock B
Oldsquaw M	Red-necked Phalarope M
White-winged Scoter M	Gulls, Terns, Alcids
Surf Scoter M	Bonaparte's Gull M
Black Scoter M	Ring-billed Gull RM
Common Goldeneye M	Herring Gull BN
Bufflehead M	Great Black-backed Gull .. BN
Common Merganser M	Black-legged Kittiwake M
Red-breasted Merganser ... M	Common Tern BN
Osprey, Eagles,	Arctic Tern BN
Hawks, Falcons	Common Murre RM
Osprey B	Thick-billed Murre RM
Bald Eagle BN	Razorbill BN
Northern Harrier M	Black Guillemot B
Sharp-shinned Hawk B	Atlantic Puffin BN
Red-shouldered Hawk M	Doves, Owls, Swifts,
Broad-winged Hawk M	Hummingbirds, Kingfishers
Red-tailed Hawk M	Mourning Dove B
American Kestrel B	Great Horned Owl RB
Merlin RM	Barred Owl B
Grouse	Common Nighthawk M
Spruce Grouse B	Chimney Swift M
Ruffed Grouse B	Ruby-throated Hummingbird B
Shorebirds	Belted Kingfisher B
Black-bellied Plover M	Woodpeckers
Semipalmated Plover M	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker .RM
Killdeer B	Downy Woodpecker B
Greater Yellowlegs M	Hairy Woodpecker B

Black-backed three-toed Woodpecker RB	Cape May Warbler B
Northern Flicker B	Black-throated Blue Warbler RB
Pileated Woodpecker RB	Yellow-rumped (Myrtle) Warbler B
Flycatchers	Black-throated Green Warbler B
Olive-sided Flycatcher RB	Blackburnian Warbler B
Eastern Wood Pewee RB	Palm Warbler B
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher B	Bay-breasted Warbler B
Alder Flycatcher B	Blackpoll Warbler B
Least Flycatcher B	Black-and-white Warbler ... B
Great-crested Flycatcher . RB	American Redstart B
Eastern Kingbird B	Ovenbird B
Swallows	Mourning Warbler RM
Tree Swallow B	Common Yellowthroat B
Bank Swallow B	Wilson's Warbler B
Cliff Swallow B	Canada Warbler B
Barn Swallow B	Tanagers, Grosbeaks, Sparrows
Jays, Crows	Scarlet Tanager M
Blue Jay B	Rose-breasted Grosbeak .. RM
American Crow B	Chipping Sparrow B
Common Raven B	Savannah Sparrow B
Chickadees Nuthatches, Wrens, Kinglets	Song Sparrow M
Black-capped Chickadee ... B	Lincoln's Sparrow B
Boreal Chickadee M	White-throated Sparrow B
Red-breasted Nuthatch B	Dark-eyed Junco B
Brown Creeper M	Snow Bunting M
House Wren B	Blackbirds
Winter Wren B	Bobolink RM
Golden-crowned Kinglet B	Red-winged Blackbird B
Ruby-crowned Kinglet B	Rusty Blackbird RB
Thrushes, Catbirds, Waxwings, Starlings	Common Grackle B
Swainson's Thrush B	Brown-headed Cowbird B
Hermit Thrush B	Pine Grosbeak M
American Robin B	Purple Finch B
Gray Catbird B	White-winged Crossbill B
Cedar Waxwing B	Pine Siskin B
European Starling B	American Goldfinch B
Vireos, Warblers	Evening Grosbeak B
Solitary Vireo RB	House Sparrow B
Red-eyed Vireo B	
Tennessee Warbler RB	
Nashville Warbler B	
Northern Parula Warbler ... B	
Yellow Warbler B	
Chestnut-sided Warbler B	
Magnolia Warbler B	



Sightings of Interest



Head Harbour - although not in Roosevelt Campobello International Park, large numbers of Red-necked Phalaropes (some years), Bonaparte gulls and Arctic Terns congregate between Campobello and Deer Islands from August through September. Take-off point for passerines on Head Harbour Peninsula.

The Season

The Park opens the Saturday following Victoria Day (the Saturday prior to U.S. Memorial Day), and remains open through Canadian Thanksgiving (U.S. Columbus Day). Visiting hours are from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. A.D.T. (9 a.m. to 5 p.m. E.D.T.) seven days a week. The last tour of the cottage is at 5:45 A.D.T. (4:45 E.D.T.). There is no admission charge. Although the Roosevelt Cottage is closed to inside tours after Canadian Thanksgiving/U.S. Columbus Day, the Park's Visitor Centre remains open through the end of October for the convenience of fall travelers. The Park's Natural Area is open year round.

Roosevelt Campobello International Park Commission website: <http://www.fdr.net>.

All inquiries should be directed to the Executive Secretary at 459 Route 774, Welshpool, N.B., Canada E5E 1A4 or P.O. Box 129, Lubec, Maine, U.S.A. 04652.



In 1980, the Roosevelt Campobello International Park commission adopted a logo based on President Roosevelt's original design for his match book covers. The letters "FDR" for a sailboat, representative of his favourite pastime. The Commission added a star over the bow and a maple leaf over the stern to signify participation by the United States and Canada in joint operation of the Park, the only one of its kind in the world.