

FROM THE ARCTIC TO YOUR BACKYARD: ARCTIC BIRDS MIGRATE TO YOUR STATE

Each year, millions of birds journey from their breeding and staging habitats on the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to our backyards, parks and wildlife refuges. Their migrations take them to each of the 50 states, and they cross great oceans and follow distant coastlines to reach the lands and waters of six continents.

The coastal plain of the Arctic Refuge should be permanently protected as designated Wilderness -- not just to save one of America's last pristine wildlife areas, but also to save migratory birds right in your area. Here are a few examples of the many Arctic birds that may appear in each state:

Alabama - Ruby-crowned Kinglet	Alaska – Hoary
Arizona - Fox Sparrow	Redpoll
California - Snow Goose	Arkansas – Mallard
Connecticut – Greater Scaup	Colorado - Bohemian Waxwing
Florida - Peregrine Falcon	Delaware - Black-bellied Plover
Hawaii - Wandering Tattler	Georgia - Gray-cheeked Thrush
Illinois - Northern Flicker	Idaho - Short-eared Owl
Iowa - Sharp-shinned Hawk	Indiana - Dark-eyed Junco
Kentucky – Merlin	Kansas - Smith's Longspur
Maine - Least Sandpiper	Louisiana - Long-billed Dowitcher
Massachusetts - American Golden-Plover	Maryland - Tundra Swan
Minnesota - Red-throated Loon	Michigan – Long-tailed Duck
Missouri - American Pipit	Mississippi - Northern
Nebraska - Wilson's Warbler	Waterthrush
New Hampshire – Dunlin	Montana - Golden Eagle
New Mexico - Sandhill Crane	Nevada - Green-winged Teal
North Carolina - Semipalmated Plover	New Jersey – Canvasback
Ohio - American Tree Sparrow	New York - Semipalmated Sandpiper
Oregon – Brant	North Dakota - Rough-legged Hawk
Rhode Island - Horned Grebe	Oklahoma - Savannah Sparrow
South Dakota - Northern Shrike	Pennsylvania - Lapland Longspur
Texas – Greater White-fronted Goose	South Carolina - Ruddy Turnstone
Vermont - Snow Bunting	Tennessee - Yellow-rumped Warbler
Washington - Varied Thrush	Utah - White-crowned Sparrow
Wisconsin - Wilson's Snipe	Virginia – Lesser Scaup
	West Virginia - Rusty Blackbird
	Wyoming - Townsend's Solitaire