



John James Audubon changed the way the world saw birds. In recognition of our name sake, we will start out with a visit to his Mill Grove home and the Audubon Museum. There are many trails to explore and a docent led tour of his home.

Next on the agenda is time to explore the John Heinz National Wildlife Refuge. Located near the Philadelphia airport, it is a birding oasis surrounded by city sprawl. This doesn't have a loop road but has 3 access areas and many trails that we will explore.

On day two, we will start with an optional early morning wandering of the Brandywine Conservancy's River Trail.

Then we will head to Bombay Hook National Wildlife Refuge further down the Delaware coastline. It has over 13,000 acres of tidal salt marsh with a 12 mile auto tour through the fluctuating impoundments. Spotting scopes are helpful to see numerous waterfowl and shorebirds along the waterways.



Photo by Bob Anderhalt

**Tentative Schedule:
Sept 30-Oct 1**

Friday:

- 8:00 Departure from York, PA
- 10:00 Arrival at John J Audubon at Mill Grove
Tour the home, explore Museum and Grounds
- 2:30 Arrive at John Heinz National Wildlife Refuge
- 6:45 Hotel- Comfort Inn & Suites Glen Mills
- 7:15 Supper

Saturday:

- 6:15 Walk River Trail at the Brandywine Conservancy or leave for Bombay
- 7:15 Breakfast in route/or at hotel
- 8:45 Arrival Bombay Hook NWR
12 mile auto tour
individual trails and viewing platforms
- 2:30 Departure from Bombay Hook
- 5:30 Return to Weis Markets in York

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Your trip leader is
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**Audubon
at Mill Grove
Heinz NWR
Bombay Hook NWR**



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Sept 30 - Oct 1, 2022

YORK AUDUBON SOCIETY

**Trip Leader
Becky Stabler
717-688-5183**

Registration

Name: (1) _____

Name: (2) _____

Email: (1) _____

Address: (1) _____

City, Zip: _____

Home phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Any Special concerns/needs for the trip?

Fee \$ 314 per single room

\$223 per person double room

Include total w/registration.

Last day to sign up is Wednesday, Sept 21.

Amount enclosed: _____

____ call me, using Visa or Mastercard

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Rates include: van, driver expenses, entrance fees
and hotel/Breakfast.



You never know what you
might see while
exploring!

What to expect: Weather and Sightings

The birds migrate through this area because of the weather and geography. They follow the coast and they feed on the insect populations and plants in the wetlands. This is a busy area in the spring and fall.

Bring along a pair of binoculars, rain gear and water resistant shoes/boots. Insect repellent and a hat/brim, maybe even insect netting, would be beneficial. This is a great opportunity for experienced and novice birders as well as avid outdoors folks to experience vast numbers of birds!

YORK AUDUBON SOCIETY MISSION

The purpose of the York Audubon Society is to:

(1) promote an appreciation of the wonder, beauty and variety of nature;

(2) to promote a better public understanding of all forms of life and the life support systems of air, land, and water and their interrelationships; and

(3) to foster a recognition of the need to protect wildlife, habitat, and natural resources and to use and manage natural resources wisely. Think about joining!

You do not have to be a member to participate on this trip.

Check out these websites!

* www.yorkaudubon.org

*https://www.fws.gov/refuge/Bombay_Hook/

*<https://www.fws.gov/refuge/john-heinz-tinicum>

*<https://johnjames.audubon.org>

*<https://www.brandywine.org/conservancy/projects/brandywine-conservancy-museum-art-trails>