



ALLIGATOR RIVER AND PEA ISLAND NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES PROGRAMS AND EVENTS CALENDAR OCTOBER 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sep 29	Sep 30	1	2	3	4 Pea Island Bird Walk 8-9:30 AM	5
6	7	8	9	10	11 Pea Island Bird Walk 8-9:30 AM	12
13	14	15	16	17 Beach Clean-Up 10 AM – 12 PM	18 Pea Island Bird Walk 8-9:30 AM Red Wolf Tour 4:30-6:30 PM	19 ecoEXPLORE Ichthyology Discovery 11 AM – 12 PM
20	21	22 Wings over Water Wildlife Festival (\$)	23 Wings over Water Wildlife Festival (\$)	24 Wings over Water Wildlife Festival (\$)	25 Wings over Water Wildlife Festival (\$) <i>No Pea Island Bird Walk</i>	26 Wings over Water Wildlife Festival (\$)
27 Wings over Water Wildlife Festival (\$)	28	29	30	31	Nov 1 Pea Island Bird Walk 8-9:30 AM	Nov 2

(\$) = Fee charged, reservation required. Visit wingsoverwater.org for more information.

For more information about the refuges, please visit:

fws.gov/peaisland or fws.gov/alligatorriver

Or call 252-473-1131

Pea Island Visitor National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center
14500 NC Highway 12
Rodanthe, NC
Open Mon – Sun, 9 AM – 4 PM

Coastal North Carolina Refuges Gateway Visitor Center
100 Conservation Way
Manteo, NC
Open Mon – Sat 9 AM – 4 PM, Sun 12 PM – 4 PM



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Pea Island Bird Walk

FREE. Pea Island is for the birds - actually! Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge has close to 400 species of birds that live here or pass through. Whether you're a beginner or an expert, you'll enjoy this casual stroll beside North Pond. Field guides, binoculars, sunscreen, and insect repellent are recommended. Some field guides and binoculars will be available for loan. Pea Island Bird Walks are held year-round except during the Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival in October and December. Meet at the Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center, located on NC Highway 12 approximately 4 miles south of Oregon Inlet and 9 miles north of Rodanthe.

Beach Clean-up

FREE. Join Refuge staff to help keep our beaches clean! Meet at the parking area on NC Highway 12 north of the Jughandle Bridge, 6 miles south of the Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge Visitors Center. Wear comfortable clothes, sturdy shoes, and work gloves; if you have them, bring a 5 gallon bucket and/or grabber. We'll go over a quick safety talk and then head out onto the beaches to pick up trash wherever it's needed most. Wind or rain will cancel.

ecoEXPLORE Ichthyology Discovery

FREE. Learn about ecoEXPLORE from refuge staff and celebrate ichthyology season by investigating fish of coastal North Carolina! Meet at the Coastal North Carolina NWR Complex Gateway Visitors Center, 100 Conservation Way, Manteo, NC. *ecoEXPLORE is an incentive-based community science program for children in grades K-8.*

Red Wolf Tour

FREE. Join refuge staff for a guided program on the endangered red wolf! Tours will begin with an introduction to the history and biology of the red wolf. From there, participants will return to their vehicles and follow staff along the wildlife drive within the home range of wild red wolf family group. These tours do not guarantee that participants will see a wild red wolf, but they do serve as an opportunity to showcase the vast territory of the only wild red wolf population. Programs will not be offered in inclement weather. Meet at the Creef Cut Wildlife Trail Parking Lot, located on Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge at Milltail Road and Hwy 64 W approximately 6 miles west of Manns Harbor.

Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival

This annual national wildlife refuge fundraising event features over 70 birding, paddling, photography, art & natural history programs. The festival takes place across 6 northeast North Carolina counties, including National Wildlife Refuges, National Parks and Seashores, North Carolina State Parks, The Nature Conservancy Preserves, and other natural areas. It is one of the premier east coast wildlife festivals. Programs offer great, knowledgeable activity leaders along with a small ratio of participants-to-leader and wonderful wildlife opportunities. Find a listing of events and registration information at <https://www.wingsoverwater.org/>